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One thing I like about John Calvin, that John Calvin not only founded his basics upon the Word of God, but John Calvin insisted that whenever he took a teaching of the Lord, or two teachings of the Lord, and from them inferred another teaching, he must find this other teaching taught in the Word of God also, or he could not put it on the same level

That is he recognized that human, human logic erred even when it is based on that which is really taught in the Word of God.

The Word of God I believe the Lord wants us to have as our main, supreme standard and to have our priest(?) as a secondary standard,

Word of God, and for us to distinguish between that which is clearly taught and positive so we can stand upon it - the great doctrines about Christ, His Deity, His Atonement, His Resurrection, His Coming Again - these great, clear doctrines that all people should believe in. These are the things that are firmly taught, and we should stand upon them and have no questions. Then there are doctrines in the Word which if we study carefully, I think we can find them but some people don't find them. Now there are great teachings about the sovereignty of God, about His plans, that are great comforters, great helpers in our Christian life, and I think we are giving others a blessing in ~~XXXX~~ bringing them an understanding

But the things we stand upon, that make your life over, are these great central thoughts of the Book. Now at Westminster they put them all on the same level and the result was that you had to agree on every (2.75) or else you were unreformed.

I was a member of the faculty when we would get a letter from somebody, "Would you please tell me what Westminster Seminary thinks about such and such a doctrine?" And we would spend five successive Saturday mornings debating the wording of it. And we eight on the faculty would have eight different views of a good many of the little points involved.

You have to make certain statements that sidestep certain aspects because there were such differences on these comparatively minor aspects. But the attitude the students got was that this was a reformed faith ~~XXXX~~ whatever any one of us taught in his class that dealt