

he has adopted principles of interpretation that are harmful, or whether, perhaps, he has merely accepted the conclusions of individuals in whom he has confidence.

3. It has been my sad experience to see many individuals express bitter hatred against premillennialism. I see no rational ground for this hatred. One man may believe that the world will continue much as it is until the end. A second may believe that it will gradually grow better and better until all humanity has become Christian. A third may believe that Jesus Christ will bring in the golden age by His return. Why should those who hold to one of the first two views hate those who believe that the Scripture teaches the third? I incline to think that this irrational hatred of premillennialism is a device of Satan to hold back the work of Christ. It would seem to me to be particularly important before ordaining a man who does not believe in premillennialism to endeavor to make sure that he has not been misled into such an attitude of unreasoning hatred.

I feel that these three areas should be carefully investigated. If a man is satisfactory on other points of doctrine, and if no serious objection is found in any of the three areas I have mentioned, then I would not be against ordaining him.