

He said I wonder how much I will have left of the Bible when I get through with my training. I attended one or two classes there at that time. I remember one professor who I thought was one of the cleverest lecturers I'd ever seen in my life.

He was talking about early church history and the beginnings of the NT and he would say, Now John taught this and he would describe what John taught. And Paul taught this. As I listened to him, it seemed to me he gave a true picture of what John taught and a true picture of what Paul taught, but he gave it in such a way that he emphasized the things they emphasized and thereby made it look as if they clashed when actually of course there is no clash at all. God causes one writer to emphasize one aspect. He causes another writer to emphasize another aspect. But if you study them ~~coesely~~ closely you'll find all parts of the Bible fit together perfectly. There's no clash between them.

But this man presented it in such a way that you felt there were the followers of John and there were the followers of Paul and the followers of Peter and they had their different viewpoints, when actually there were different emphases but the same agreement on all the great fundament~~s~~s of the faith. Then this man went on to describe movements in the early church. It seemed to me again he was quite accurate in the facts he gave but the way he presented them. You felt, Isn't this queer the way those people back in those days thought. Wasn't this queer the way Paul thought? Didn't Peter have peculiar ideas? You felt as if you were examining some prehistoric animal and wonder how any such thing could possibly exist if it were to continue to our present day.

No wonder the young man said, I feel they are just cutting this out, cutting that out. I said to him, Why don't you pick up and leave and go somewhere they stand on the Word of God, where they believe the truth of the Bible? He said, I'd love to do it, but I'd waste my whole year here; I've been here this long! You know he stayed, and by the end of the year they had his mind so filled with doubts that he stayed, finished his course, and instead of being one who declared the Gospel truth and being one through whom souls came ~~xxx~~ to the Lord, he became one who tore people's faith down and wrecked their belief in the Word of God.

All though the ages Satan has been trying to destroy faith in the Bible, but God has constantly been bringing facts to light that this book is true. Never in history has ~~h~~ there been a greater attack on the Bible than in these last 300 years. In the early years of the Christian church there were those who attacked the Bible like Jehoiakim had done in trying to tear it up and get rid of it, claimed it was unhistorical and unreliable, but they were isolated individuals attacking, and isolated groups. Christians apologists answered every one of them and showed the errors of their teaching.

When it came to the century after the Reformation there was a group of unbelievers who began to attack isolated verses in the Bible. They would say, for instance, Look at this statement here in