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they should study it themselves to see what it realy teaches and the stad thing is

that so many people who have that attitude that the Scripture is true, do not bother

to study it for themselves. There are attitudes taken by most of our Christian people

which are simply contradicted by statements that are considered in Sunday School

classes almost every year. People will teach this and never stop to think that this

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a strong clear attitude that we have. Now maybe the attitude is right, but

if so we should examine the attitude apparent contradiction and study the reason for it.

But the lack of a truly scientific attitude toward the Scriptures is to my mind one of

the greatest weaknesses in contemporary Christianity.

Now of course our Lord said. The hungry sheep look up and are not fed[???] and that is true. The people are like sheep. They need guidance, but the sad thing is when those who should lead them, take an unscientific attitude. That is of course why we spend so much tine on Heb. and Gk. Why should we spend all this time studying these languages? Why should you spend all this time learning these forms and learning these vocabularies. It is a waste of time if you are just going to go out and forget about it. Absolutely. It gives you some good mind training, and that's all, if that's all you do. But the Christian world needs leaders that go to the Scripture and investigate and get into them and like the Bereans search the Scriptures to see whether these things are true, and who are always ready to re-examine concepts they have had in order to see at what point they need clarification, at what/they need modification. To deal scientifically with the facts that the Lord has given. Is Christian knowledge scientific? True Christian knowledge is scientific, as scientific as anything in any field of science. Alas, Christian knowledge as held by great portions of our world is not scientific, and I believe that is one of the great reasons why our world is not haveng more impact upon it from Christianity today. May God enable us in our knowledge to take a truly scientific attitude, an attitude which I believe as a price of religion is a truly Christian attitude. May He enable us to search the Scriptures, to study them for outselves, to ever find new truths in the Scripture. When we find it to examine and search to present it that we are not imagining or reading into the Scripture, and stand/what we find in it/ that God's people may be fed and that our course may he in line with God's desires. Let us pray: Wur Father, We thaknk you that true Christian knowledge is indeed scientific.