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its destructive effects upon faith in God's Word ~~became~~ *was*  
especially influential during the past century. The cause  
of Germany's greatness began to be undermined. ~~The effects~~ *The effects* in  
character and outlook can be seen in the activities of Hitler,  
and the ~~the~~ resulting downfall of Germany.

Sad to tell, large portions of Great Britain and of the  
United States have failed to turn a deaf ear to the Higher Criticism.  
In recent years unbelief in the Scripture has flooded into these  
countries. If this attitude of denial of portions of God's Word  
should increase among them, ~~with its inevitable results to~~  
~~character and godliness~~ *decline of*, their ruin will be as inevitable as was  
that of Germany. God cannot bless those who deny any portion  
of His Word, or who add tradition to the Word and then forget  
the Word itself.

~~118~~ Recently the blatant unbelief and modernism of the past  
quarter century is being widely replaced with a still more  
subtle form of unbelief. The so-called Neo-orthodoxy follows  
the teaching of Barth and Brunner, who themselves deny large  
portions of the Scripture, even regarding parts of it as  
myths and legends. Worst of all, many of its leaders take an  
attitude toward the entire Bible which makes it not a source of  
knowledge in which we can learn the facts that God wants us to  
know, but merely a useful help toward a mystical experience, with  
no interest in the question whether its statements are true or not.

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