

line between those who are saved and those who are lost, and all other lines are subordinate to that. But God wants us to recognize that they are leading in a direction which eventually leads to abandonment of the Scripture, and which eventually leads to complete abandonment of Christianity and eventually to despair and to pure materialism.

So this attitude has gradually come in, and then from that a little further and a little further and institution after institution that was founded to completely serve the Lord has fallen completely away. I hope many of you have read Lindsell's book, *The Battle for the Bible*. I believe the argument for inspiration and the consideration of difficulties have been given far better elsewhere than he gives them in that book. But the book is tremendously valuable for what it tells about various institutions and denominations with which he has either been connected or which he has had opportunity to investigate rather thoroughly. And one of the saddest things is the account of the institution where he himself taught for a few years, an institution which was founded by a fine Christian evangelist in order to stand for the Word of God and which declared when it was founded that it accepted the Bible completely and said, We are not going to just go out and say this is what the Bible says, we are going to give scholarly evidence, we are going to win the approval and respect of scholars, unbelieving scholars as well as Christian scholars.

Well now our scholarship should be good enough to win the recognition of if not the approval of those who deny the Word of God, but they made this objective so great that before long they began hedging and hedging and hedging until eventually they changed their statement of doctrine in such a way as to do away with any