

a statement of doctrine, and there was one point on which I said my mind was not fully made up now. They said, Oh we've got to stand for this. And they dropped him from consideration. for the internment program.

Now if a person denies the full deity of Christ; if a person denies the full trustworthiness of the Bible thank God when they take an attitude like that, but when they take an attitude like that on minor points of belief, on minor points of ceremony, anything of that kind they are breaking the unity of the body of Christ.

But I am speaking today of the practical matters. When you are a student and particularly when you are a senior. I know one fellow who graduated from this seminary quite a few years ago. He graduated, went into a church, became assistant and did excellent work. ~~xxxxx~~ The people loved him and thought the world of him, and said to him one day, Now you should get ordained. He'd been working as the youth minister for three years. You should get ordained. And he told them what he thought about certain matters of ceremony and the minister said, This group will never ordain you with those views.

That man came to me and told me of his problem and I recommended him to a group that held the views that he had now come to hold on those particular matters. He went to them, and I wish he'd kept close touch with me because I could have facilitated his entrance into it, but he simply went to the people I recommended him to and they said, You'll have to belong to one of our churches for three years! He left the church he'd been in and took secular work and for three years he belonged to one of their churches and then he went before their organization and was ordained. Now he is a pastor in their church.

But I think those three years that were wasted was very unfortunate. If he had kept in touch with me I'm sure I could have shortened it to at least a year. I did not hear about the details until later. I just got in contact with the people. But one should think those things through now.

So particularly for seniors, think of what you are going to do after you graduate. Think ahead. Put your hadd to the plow. You don't want to look back. And you can't look far ahead. One step enough for me. I don't know the distant ~~x~~ future. I don't know what God is going to bring. I don't know how God is going to leadd, but there are going to come situations that you should think of in advance and make up your mind and determine what you ~~wxx~~ want to do.

So I think it is important in these days that you think ahead in order to decide certain things that many not be tremendously important, but that other people are going to think are important. It is sad when people divide the body of Christ over secondary matters. It is sad. But we have a situation to face, and God has called on us to be as wise