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extremely grateful. To think that you would take your valuable time to write me such a word of commendation for my radio sermon! It ~~me~~ pleases me greatly."

This letter made me feel very sad--to think that Fuller had taken his money and his prestige to start an institution, and then would be put in the position where the institution was strongly attacking publicly a ~~view~~ view that he considered to be scriptural teaching, and to feel such a feeling toward ~~me~~ me for coming to his defense. Mrs. McClosky (sp.) visited Faith at about this time and told of having been at Fuller shortly before, and getting the impression that Fuller himself was very much discouraged at having an institution that he founded turn against what he believed and against great fundamental Chn^o doctrines. Just how far this had gone I don't know, and she did not know at the time, but the general feeling that she got was very discouraging. Eventually of course Charlie Woodbridge left the seminary denouncing the direction in which it has gone, Gleason Archer left and went to Trinity when it was started; even Wilbur Smith eventually left it and told the Board of the institution of his strong disapproval, though he was very careful not to say anything publicly in criticism of it. (This later fact came to my attention through what he told two friends of Schaeffer.)

Eventually Fuller reached the point where it had Carnell as president and Carnell published a book called, "The Case for Orthodox Theology" (or approximately this) in which he made such statements as the following, which I quote here merely from my recollection: "Fundamentalists never take start hospitals or organizations for social improvement; they are too busy writing 'Jesus saves' on the rocks." There were many slurs and attacks on fundamentalists in the book and it seemed difficult to us to see how anyone who really stood for God's Word could make such slurs on those who wished to stand for its entire dependability. Yet eventually, I have been told, things went so far at Fuller that Carnell became known as one of the conservatives there. As a result of Carnell's book, which took such a blatant attitude against those who were trying to stand for the great fundamentals, I wrote a statement denouncing the way the content of the book, and the way the