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OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD THE BIBLE

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Throughout American history the Bible has occupied a very important place in our national life. Most of the early presidents of the United States expressed the idea that this Book is the foundation of our liberty. Similar statements have been made by many of the more recent leaders of American life. American success is largely due to the loyalty of its people to the principles of God's Word.

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Many of the early settlers of America crossed the ocean because of their desire to find a place where they could build a civilization that would be in line with their understanding of the teachings of the Word of God. Today we are enjoying the results of the loyalty of our ancestors to this Book. It grieves us when efforts are made to remove it from the honored place in our schools and in our society that it has kept so long.

Not Bible-Worshippers

Yet many people have a false idea of the attitude that we take toward the Bible. They sometimes speak of us as Bible-worshippers, suggesting that we are giving ^{to} the Bible the place that should belong to God alone.

Now, it is entirely possible that there are individuals in some of our churches who are indeed Bible-worshippers. There may be