

ultra-literalism

~~ultra-literalism~~ ~~ultraliteralism~~ that ~~we~~ cannot interpret such a figure ~~as~~ of as
this for what it ~~is~~ means is something to which I see no need whatever of bowing.
Personally I ~~think~~ think it would be silly to ~~insert~~ cross out words in this
place or in the place ~~we~~ mentioned before and insert something else. I quite
agree with Dr. Cohen's statement, "The book will not lead anyone astray, but it
will bless many."

I like the further statement that Sunday evening programs need not always
be classes in dogmatics.

These are classes in practical Christianity. They are attempts to get people
to talking and discussing. They are attempts to get them to stress consecration;
attempts to draw people nearer to the Lord. This is a person's duty to do, not
simply to teach theology or to try to be sure that every detail of doctrine is
expressed in a perfect way.

As a matter of fact there is no possibility ~~that~~ of expressing
every detail of doctrine in a perfect way. People are human, and fallible human
People are human and fallible. Human language has its weaknesses. The writers of
the comparatively short Confession of Faith spent many months carefully working
over every word in it. It is not necessary that every program planned for a young
people's meeting be worked over in that way.

The purpose of the Westminster Confession, and of the Catechisms is not to
~~stir~~ stir people to consecration. Their purpose is to ^{provide} ~~give us~~ ^{afford us} a norm for true
doctrine. This they do. ~~I do not see anything that I have noticed in this book~~
I have not noticed anything in this book which in any way contradicts true
doctrine.

The only real criticism I have seen of it from a viewpoint of Calvinism is
that it calls on people to ~~put~~ "put on the Lord Jesus Christ." It calls on
people to have faith in God. It calls on people to choose whom ~~we~~ they will serve.
It talks as if man has something to do.

When such statements as this are ~~criticized~~ criticized, it is not an attack on the
viewpoint of Calvinism but of hyper-Calvinism. Calvinism recognizes that there