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I feel that dogma doesn't need teaching. I feel that, <sup>the dogma,</sup> the Christian teaching  
(12.06) must come from                      ~~what the Bible says. Get the Bible, go to it, and see~~  
<sup>your</sup> what it says, and get/theology from it. But it is a very wide spread attitude  
that some way Christian people use the Bible, then God over the period of years  
brings out of the Christian ~~people~~ people the dogma. I don't think it's a  
right approach at all. Mr. Mackey. Yes, I think that's very, very unfortunate  
that which is quite wide spread, not among the people as a whole, <sup>but</sup> among...  
ye, it is very wide spread, and very unfortunate. I don't think philosophically  
you are going to prove the Christianity. I don't think philosophically you  
can prove the Scripture. I think that a person has to take a step of faith  
of seeing himself as a sinner, lost and deserving the eternal death, and to be  
saved only through faith in Christ who died in his place. I think one has to  
take that step and become a Christian. There is a step of faith. <sup>taken</sup> Having/that  
step of faith, then he is interested in knowing what Christ wants him to do  
~~and~~ how he wants him to live, and what he wants him to believe. And he cannot  
find that out from any presupposition or any theory, from any philosophical  
speculation. There is only one place where he can find it, and that is in  
what Christ has said. Well, of course, if somebody is going to say that well  
the Bible ~~book~~ was all written by somebody in the Middle ages, and there is  
no truth and dependability in it, well, then we have no source, hu, on which to  
be saved at/all. But if we accept Christ and are saved and believe  
that he actually is God, and that he did live and he did die for our sins  
we believe that. <sup>Well, and where</sup> /Now how/do we find anything out of it/ in the Scriptures? And we  
Look at the Scripture, and see what attitudes he takes toward the rest of the  
Scripture, and we find that the attitude he takes is that the whole Scripture  
is God's word, and is <sup>a</sup> dependable source from which to find out what he wants  
us to know.