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And I don't believe that the Bible gave, the Lord gave us the Bible simply for series of hooks that hang ideas on that we already have. I think He gave it to us for a source from which to get His ideas, and I don't think you can properly get His idea from any text unless you first take the passage and it should be understood by the people who first receive. You don't stop there, you go on then, and you bring additional light. Very carefully you go ~~on~~ forward on a solid basis so that you are not in ~~the~~ danger ~~of~~ ^{as} ~~and~~ you can so easily

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_____ just in a vague area. That's one of the reasons we have so many cults and isms and so many different divisions in the Christian church as many of them are formed from the people simply grabbing something and running off with it instead of going to the Scriptures to see what's there. Mr. Mackey, what's your question? God ~~uses~~ ^{uses} tremendously many things, and he has never got anything done. If you think it, if you think that, if you think that a person is got to be perfect before the Lord/~~uses~~/^{will him to lead to the Lord} anyone else, ~~because~~ _____ (2.90)

I know some of the greatest things I have ever known who are led to the Lord by ~~of~~ a scoundrel who simply were students somewhere where ~~there~~ they are supposed to go out and present the gospel or something, and then they ~~went~~ out, and they gave the word, and the man was who devoted his life to the service for the Lord. We had a student here who was converted by an ungodly professor in Ohio State University. This man said in his class, He says, "My, it's terrible when you think that in this new modern day with all our new enlightenment we have there still are people who are so foolish to think that Jesus Christ died so as sacrifice for sin, and that people should be saved from/sin through believing that He died for them. This word I have never heard of that. ^{My} /That sounds interesting, He made inquiry, and looked into further, ~~and~~ and he was saved, and he came to this Seminary here. Now he is a very effective minister today. Man doesn't God uses the word.