

ready to recant what you have written in these books?" And Martin Luther said, "My books ~~xxx~~ contain three kinds of things. They contain materials which are in accordance with the Word of God, they contain doubtless material where I have been, ^{nevertheless} without intending to but/actually contradicting the Word of God. And they ~~xxxxxx~~ ^{co/ntain} material which is indifferent to the Word of God. Anything there that is contrary to the Word of God I recant ~~instant-~~ ^{or} ~~ly,~~ anything there that the Word of God does not state one way/the other I am ready to be convinced, ready to listen to the opinion of anyone who has studied on it, and ready to take back anything where I may have been wrong. But the statements in my words that are in accordance with the Word of God, I cannot recant, because that is God's truth and there is nothing I can do about it, and I must stand true to it. So help me." And that is the foundation of the Reformation, the stand on the Word of God.

Well, now we have the great Protestant Church being founded, and they started with their stand on the Word of God. Now the other churches that didn't come into the Protestant Reformation crystallized themselves into an organization which called themselves the Roman ~~xxxxxxx~~ Catholic Church, and they took their stand on tradition, on human ideas and positions, even while holding theoretically what the Word of God, but crusting it over with these positions, and these ideas of traditions. But they forgot the Word of God ~~xx~~ because of all the traditions that were encrusted over it and they paid their attention to them. The Protestants put their stand on the Word of God and it was the great central rallying cry of Protestantism, "The Word of God, what does it say, and what does it teach?" And The result was that the southern countries of Europe, Italy and Spain and the southern countries in which the Reformation had a great start, but then was stopped by the fires of the Inquisition, and actually prevented from going on, these countries, which had ~~bx~~ been the most forward progressive countries in Europe, the countries of wealth, the countries of wisdom, the countries ~~xxxxxx~~ of learning, the countries of leadership at the time of the Reformation, these countries were the ones in which the progress was stopped