

said that if they didn't have a permanent man I would be willing to preach half the time. I would preach two Sundays in a row, which would give the messages continuity. And they said it would be all right, and so they got another man to take the other two, and they got this man from McCormick Seminary. So I would preach two Sundays and then he would preach two Sundays, and we used to have fairly good crowds, about two hundred people in that little church, and all kinds of people were coming to the church. Some of them were Plymouth Brethren, and some of them visitors, of course. When I would preach, he would be one of the men to pick up the collection plate for the person who needs it. And you know I would preach on the deity of Christ, and on the necessity of salvation through His shed blood, and the ^{bodily} ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ resurrection, and you should have seen that poor fellow's face. It would just writhe in agony, while I was preaching. And then he would preach the glory of the common place and that Jacob believed in a tribal God and that when he crossed over the Jordan he was out of the area of his god and into the area of some other god. And I don't know whether my face looked as bad as his did to me when I preached. One day I heard him, in his prayer, it seemed to me, that he was talking to Christ, he addressed Christ very definitely, and it seemed to me that he said things that would only be said to God. And after what he told me about the virgin birth, and so on I was surprised. And so that night, we were having a cup of coffee together, and I said to him, "You know I was amazed, this ^{deity} ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ morning but it sounded to me as if you believed in the ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ of Christ." And he said, "Oh, I have no difficulty with the deity of Christ, but the..... (9 H4) And so I said, "Well, what do you mean by deity? What is your idea of deity?" And he said, "That's simple enough, when I say God, God is a symbol of ethical value, just like Uncle Sam is a symbol for the United States." Well, that was his idea of God. Well, I asked him how he could pray to God and he said that was easy. "You can talk to a stick or a stone, and you can address the ocean." And that was his idea of talking to a symbol or an ethical value. But he did it in a very pious way, and many of