

So why should we force people into positions they insist they don't want? We can show that the logical result of certain statements might lead in a certain direction, but that's not a reason to draw a line and make a sharp opposition.

Neher: As preachers, we're going to have the opportunity to help people in congregations see what the Bible says, and if we avoid using certain terms and show them what the Bible says it will help them, and at least we will be able to teach them what the Bible says, When you talk about our relationships with other pastors----

AAM: To my mind it's one of the unfortunate things that as our students graduate they look for churches and this church has these views on certain ceremonies and forms and particular terms, and this one has these views, etc. In our opposition to the efforts of modernism to destroy Christianity, our tendency is to go in the direction of making a lot of human terms and putting them up as shibboleths. If a man is going to say, I hold this term, this term, and this term, he cuts down the areas where he can serve the Lord, unnecessarily. There are certain things that are black and ~~white~~ white but there are an awful lot of things which are --where it is a relative thing. You have to find the right position between them. You don't have to tell everybody <sup>what</sup> ~~everything~~/you think on every different thing. You don't expect to find two people thinking exactly alike! God didn't make us that way. But it's very unfortunate that == the difference of opinion on matters not vital for salvation, have been made primary in the attitudes of particular groups of Christians. You won't find their people all holding these views. You'll find most of their people haven't even thought of it. But we have to make statements to ~~not~~ keep out unbelief. The thing I used to say often, If a person agrees with me 95%, but there is ~~5x~~ 5% we differ on, and that 5% he thinks so important he's got to be talking about it all the time, I can't