

You can believe in most of the Biblical teachings in various forms and not believe in others. But you rarely find one who is a premillennialist who does not believe in all the great Biblical doctrines. So when we started Faith I felt it was right to put premillennialism right in our statement. We have done the same thing here. I find that most of the great evangelists, most of the great missionary leaders of the last 150 years, and a very great number of the great Christian scholars have been premillennialists.

When I was at Princeton, Dr. Loetcher, professor of church history, you --- in his very first lecture he said the heterodoxy of today is the orthodoxy of tomorrow. But that does not mean that every heterodoxy including the Fosdickian will become an orthodoxy. He was wishy-washy I felt on just about everything, but the one thing he was not wishy-washy on was his hatred of premillennialism; and that came out very frequently in his lectures.

After the Presbyterian Church of America was organized there was a man named Archaerlarious who was pastor of a little church up near Scranton, and he was a little money evidently and he practically supported the church himself. They came out from the big church and they established this little church and they had a group of people who were quite loyal to him and to the teaching he was giving. Then that church presented a petition to the Synod-- to the presbytery first, saying we are a premillennial church, we would like to be sure that we can continue to be a premillennial church. If we're going to join the presbytery we'd like to be sure we can continue as such. Charlie Woodbridge was very prominent in all the activities then. He --- I don't know whether Griffiths had left by then, and Charlie Woodbridge had taken over the editorship of the Presbyterian Guardian, and he came out for what he called eschatological liberty. He thought we should adopt a statement of eschatological liberty. John Murray said that would not be right at all; you can't say you stand for eschatological liberty; certainly the Bible teaches many things about