

and if I would mention them to some of my good friends they would sort of look at me askanse so I rarely mentioned it to them.

Then in 1955 when a lot of them broke with him, my attitude was after what I've put up with what they are talk-about sounds mighty petty! If I've been willing to put up with what I have, I'd be foolish to get excited now about the things they talk about. Of course one thing there was they didn't talk about what really concerned them most. I've heard lately about some of the things they just kept quite about, and I thought made attacks on him on what I thought were very petty grounds.

I defended him on these petty grounds. They also tried to make their separation be on matters of principle on which I thought their principles were wrong. The thing I regretted all through the years was while I thoroughly agreed with his desire to oppose modernism and communism in every possible way, yet I felt he did not put enough emphasis upon the vital central thing of building up a Christian witness.

In the earliest days when he was in Collingswood church and his sermons were listened to all down through southern NJ, and I would heard about people, some of whom had never gone to church before, who would listen to his sermons and just love to hear them, and I tried to get him to arrange to have some of our students go across to NJ and be dropped off at different places and try to organize groups of Christians-- people who were listening to his radio, etc. I never could get him interested.

He felt we should all jump in and build the BP church. Build a real solid witness for the Lord. But if it was going to be built ~~the big central impact~~ his central impact was the big thing that was going to build it! He was making his central impact fighting the NCC, rather than building the church. That's what hurt these people more than anything else who graduated from the seminary and joined the BP Church and wanted to build something worthwhile was that when the meetings came it was always his latest difference with the NCC, and his latest problem in Washington. That sort of thing that he wanted to put the big stress on. He thought they should all do this.

Actually his radio and his work helped a lot of other denominations more than it helped the BP church. That's what hurt them, of course. I felt that was a great weakness.

I don't like to waste time with jokes, and yet I think sometimes it's a little hard to resist. I remember when Phil Clark was very active ---he was General Sec. from '56-'68 of the Indep. Board for Presby. Foreign Missions. So whenever the WCC had a meeting anywhere McIntire would try to go to it, or go as reporter. Often when they had these meetings of the Council or of the Executive, of different important committies, he and some of his associates would go to these meetings. At least be