

I think that is important.

Neher: It sounds like a hard job to get someone to have that determination. You have that aspiration at least. You always have aspired to that kind of productivity. Yet it seems that a lot of other people would not have the motivation that would find pleasure in it.

Yes, of course I've been fortunate that way. The Lord gives us different qualities, different abilities. There are many things I'm no good at. There are many lines I'm no good in at all. But there are certain abilities the Lord gave me, and I enjoy exercising them. But I have not planned how to utilize them so as to accomplish the utmost. I use them when there was a call, or when someone presented an opportunity, or gave a request. It's far easier for me to answer questions. I always was good at answering questions. I don't think my mind is now near as quick as it used to be. But I used to love to have people ask me all kinds of questions.

I was speaking for Inter-Varsity one time at Penn State. The date was made months ahead. Then I got a letter saying this is the week you are scheduled. I was just scheduled to speak at one meeting. They said this week is to be the religion and life week at the university and we would like to nominate you as one of the religion and life speakers. Evidently all the different organizations on campus would name 3 or 4. So that week I was one of the religion and life speakers.

I spoke in a mathematics class for ½ hour. I spoke in -- there was a man who had some courses in Bible, I think from a secular viewpoint but he asked to have me 2 hrs. in archaeology. There was a man who had a course in religion. He asked for all the speakers he could get. Fortunately they had 2 modernists first instead of after me. The man who was professor of Bible at Juniata College who was a thorough-going modernist from what I heard. I think they also had a RC modernist. Those two. Then next week I was there and spoke in the class. I spoke for half an hour giving a presentation of archaeology and evidences of Scripture, central teachings of Scripture. Then threw it open to questions.

They had atheists in the class. Roman Catholics. Christian Scientists. Everything imaginable. The next year when I went back to speak a fellow came to me and said, "You did not know how important your visit was last year. I was in that class and we had a lot of those questions before but never had answers given." He was the head of the Methodist Assoc. of Students which was definitely under modernist direction at that time. He left it and came to the Inter-Varsity. After he graduated from Penn State he came to Faith Seminary. Now he has a church in Florida and his son I believe is coming as a student this year. I remember his saying, "We had the questions but we never had the answers like you gave them."

It used to stimulate me to have questions. Any kind. I enjoyed it. Whatever abilities I had would centralize on that and think of the best ways to answer it. I don't know how much I could still do that. I haven't had a great many opportunities. I remember one time I was asked to speak at the Bible Presby church in Columbus, Ohio. There was a middle-aged woman in the church who was taking courses in classics