

8)) He found great old churches, places where the Gospel has been preached 200 years before with power, where now empty forms and ceremonies had taken the supreme place, and the people were not receiving the Word of God. He found that these churches, many of them, had been changed from being churches of God to being synagogues of Satan, and that is what John Calvin called them. Calvin called people to come out and take their stand on the Bible. I am sure Calvin would have rejoiced in the term, Bible Presbyterian Church, because it is an interesting and one distinctive feature about John Calvin, one thing I love about him, that when he found something clearly taught in the Scripture, he would stand on it and say, This is God's truth; but when he found something clearly taught here, and something clearly taught here, and he put the two ^{of them} together and drew an inference from them up here from these 2 things he found taught, he would not dogmatically stand upon that inference even from 2 things clearly taught in the Word, unless he found that it, also, was clearly taught in the Word of God. He held the Word of God as our foundation and our one means of knowing the truth about God, of knowing truth in the spiritual realm. He stood upon the Bible.

Through the centuries in Presbyterianism, as in all movements, Satan has tried to come in to introduce doubt, to introduce questions, to introduce uncertainty, and to lead people away from acceptance of the Word of God.

In the last thirty years, this movement has become more pronounced than before. It has become more pronounced because there has been, particularly, a turning away on the part of many, from belief in the great facts of Scripture. Nearly thirty years ago I was a student at the University of Berlin, in Germany, After I had finished my seminary course in this country, I went over there to take graduate work at this great university. There I found a young man who had graduated from another Presbyterian seminary different from the one from which I had graduated -- a very fine young man -- he was there also to take graduate work. But as I talked with him I found that our views were very different. I accepted what the Word of God said, and he had had his mind with doubts and questionings of the Word of