

than a foundation of despair. But we do not have it without the Bible. It is only in the Bible that we have the foundation that we can stand on, a foundation that can offer that is good and that is hopeful, and with all our advances, with all the material gain, the communist philosophy today ~~is~~ is the existentialist philosophy of despair. I wonder how many of you happened to see the Life magazine that came out somewhere about six months ago which had an article on the existentialism. In it they had a page on which they had pictures underneath of which were existentialist writers, and they showed fifteen or 20 of the most popular novelists and/dramatists of today. Everyone of them was trying to look stern and just as disgusted he possibly could in the picture. They said, the existentialism ~~was~~ affecting all of our writers today. Existentialism, it is hopeless, misery, it is gloomy. Existentialism to quite an extent comes from Kierkegaard, and Kierkegaard who is often called the gloomy Dane says some beautiful things in some of his writings, but ~~he is~~ his whole life was tinted with this attitude of sadness ~~and~~ of sadness, and of despair, of the feeling that there was very little reason and hope. Kierkegaard as a young man ~~wants~~ once was speaking with his father, and his father said to him, ~~and his father~~ He/said, I have sinned against thee an unforgivable sin, the unpardonable sin. There is no hope for me. And that was the last time when he saw his father. What an impact and impression made on him! And from Kierkegaard comes the ~~the~~ so-called Christian existentialists, ~~Martin~~ Barth, Brunner and the others who call themselves existentialists, and the other group of existentialists who are known as the atheistic existentialists, Sartre, and ~~Quite~~, and these French writers/denied ~~who~~ so strongly that that there is a ~~god~~ God/ They all to a certain extent go back to Kierkegaard. It is strange ~~that--~~ how such diverse ... could come from one origin. But if you do not stand solidly on the Bible as your only source of knowledge and understanding, all your hopes, all your aim, all your ideal are imagining a vain thing. And so we have this situation over and over, and perhaps never more than today that the nations are raging and the people are imagining a vain thing. ~~Think~~-Think of ~~the~~ the nations raging, and just to show the perversity of