

One of them taking the account in Ex. 6; of the call of Moses. The other two taking the account in Ex. 3 and giving a few vv. to one, and a few vv. to another alleged document written 200 yrs. later! Putting it down as if you had 3 different accounts. The system worked out by J. Wellhausen in 1878, and that has been taught almost unchanged ever since by those who follow the higher criticism.

Further on in the book it referred to Isaiah, it referred to 3 different Isaiahs - the first, the second, and the third. It dated the Book of Daniel 400 yrs. after the time of Nebuchadnezzar, and regarding the NT it gave the g dates that would make I and II Peter to be written at least 50 yrs. after Peter himself would be dead. You can see what this would do to the faith of young people. Taught by a noted professor that these are the facts regarding the Bible

Mr. Miller wrote to the University and objected that in a view of the State's constitution that religion instruction is not to be given in the University that instruction attacking the Bible should not thus be given. He received a letter from the management saying they had taught this course for many years. There were 3 different professors who taught it, it was an essential part of the University's work and there was no reason why a change should be made. On receiving this letter Miller looked about seeking legal redress. So he talked to a lawyer and made plans, and they brought a case by himself and by Mr. Webb, pastor of the BP church in Tacoma, and the two churches brought this case against the University to call upon it to stop breaking the State's constitution by teaching a course that teaches religion in it in the University.

Their action got considerable amount of publicity out there. I had heard nothing about it at this time. There was a fair amount of publicity and then a hearing was held before the Judge brought in a from another county. At the hearing the University asked that the case be dismissed. However the Judge said he could not dismiss the case but that he would rule that the churches should be dropped from the case, because he said this is a case against alleged wrong use of tax money, and he said the churches are tax exempt, therefore they cannot bring the case.

That impresses me as pretty flimsy reasoning! The church is not a building. The church is a group of people and those people are tax exempt payers. If the church feels their rights are being infringed certainly they have a right to ask that their tax money not be used to attack the religion in which they believe. But the Judge cut it down to just the two men, as bringing the case and dropped the churches out from making this complaint. However, the Judge said he would not dismiss the case but would give them a chance to present their evidence in full. So a date for it was set in June just after our school would be over. This date was set for the beginning of the case. After this was done they got the professor who teaches the course and had been given a key position and in the position they asked him questions for quite a long time. Mr. Miller talked with me and said the lawyer and he were very very happy ~~that~~ about it, because Dr. Fowler did not mince any words. He showed very clearly it was religion he was teaching. He showed very clearly he was teaching the higher criticism. He showed very clearly that what he was teaching was something very contrary to Biblical faith. It was interesting that in the course of this they found that this Dr. Fowler was an elder in the University Presbyterian church in Seattle.