

of this doctrine. We desire to instruct the Arminian regarding his errors, but we believe in recognizing him as a true Christian, and we insist that the difference between him and ourselves cannot be 1/100th as great as our difference from all who do not accept the great Christian fundamentals.

There are those to whom the Reformed Faith is a system that includes a thousand points in addition to the Christian fundamentals and the great teachings of Calvin. They feel that if a man varies on any one of these points he is outside the pale. Our attitude is quite different. We believe that God has made many matters so clear in the Scripture that a wayfaring man, though a fool, need not err therein. These are the great Christian fundamentals. We believe that the principal matters of eschatology and the great teachings of the Reformed Faith, while perhaps not so clearly set forth as these fundamentals, are yet so clearly taught in the Scripture that we marvel at the ability of intelligent men to overlook them. On many other matters we feel that sincere and earnest Christians may honestly differ. We are anxious to advance in our knowledge of Christian truth, but do not feel that we should ever refuse to cooperate in great Christian enterprises with those who hold to the great fundamentals, even if they are deficient in their understanding of certain other doctrines.

There is thus a great difference of attitude between ourselves and the Orthodox Presbyterian Church, and a natural corollary, we believe, is that we manifest a much greater emphasis on winning the lost for Christ.

Our other principal divergence from the Orthodox Presbyterian Church relates to eschatology. That church, as a whole, opposes the premillennial teaching that we feel is so clearly taught in the Bible. This does not impress us as a reason for breaking off Christian fellowship, but it is a factor that makes cooperation very difficult, particularly in these closing days of the age in which we so greatly need the comfort and blessing that premillennial teaching brings.