

destroy God's truth and used to hurt those who are standing for God, have said, We don't want any organization, we want everyone to do what is right in his own eyes and we do not want any possible sort of organization.

Some years ago I ^{had} have a long discussion with a very godly man who had gone to exactly that development. He had been a minister in a church which had a system of organization that is very good as an ideal, in my opinion it is the best ideal, but any ideal has to be worked by people. And this had fallen into the hands of the ungodly and they were using it for the destruction of the gospel, and he was turning strongly against any type of organization. And as I discussed it with him, I said, Organization is like a ~~hoe~~ -- a hoe. I said a hoe is not intrinsically good or intrinsically evil. But a hoe is a very useful thing. If you are trying to ^{grow} grow flowers or to grow plants and you go out there and try to grow them you soon ^{find} find them that the ground has to be broken up in order that the ^{can} moisture can get through. And you also find that weeds come up that have to be destroyed. And if you are going to try to do this with your fingernails, you have a long and slow and difficult job. But if you take a hoe you cut your job to a fifth of what it would be otherwise and yet a man can take a hoe and swing it and can cut your head open with and can kill you with ^{the} the hoe. The hoe can become a very dangerous thing. ^{it is the matter of} The thing is not the matter of the ~~hoe~~ but ^{of} of who wields the hoe. The organization and machinery if it becomes an end in itself or if it falls into the hands of evil men can become something ~~that~~ that is extremely harmful. But organization and machinery is not in itself good or evil. If it becomes more complex than is needed for the purpose, it can defeat its purpose. But if it is well adapted to its purpose it can multiply many times the strength and the accomplishments of those who use it. Organization is a very difficult sort of problem. I have grappled with it now to some extent for nearly 40 years, more particularly for $34\frac{1}{2}$ years now. ^{over} Because it was $34\frac{1}{2}$ years ago that I first became president of a seminary. And I have learned a good deal about it. And I have had to deal with many problems ^{involving} regarding organization. If one sees how important it is