

as they mean in context, but you are saying these particular words taken in a different relation to which they have here, can be a good summary. Well it's O.K. to use them as a summary in that way but it destroys it as an argument in my opinion. And we can use words out of context often, because we see that they summarize principles, or they summarize important facts and that is fine, but we must always examine the con-
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text carefully and if possible don't quote words that way unless those words actually do in the context represent it what is really meant.

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Now I believe/in temperance . I believe that the sensible thing^② in our day for
+ do. ③ a person^① is to avoid all use of alcoholic beverages. I believe that that is entirely right. And we had an argument with a group ~~with which~~ ⁱⁿ I was connected, ^{with} more than 30 years ago in which it was claimed that it would be ~~wrong~~ wrong for our church to take a stand urging our young people to have a policy of total abstinence. And so some of us thought that a good thing to do would be to ^{try to that} get ~~our~~ church to adopt simply a statement adopted by the Presby. church in the USA in 1800, I believe, which was one of a series of maybe a dozen statements advocating total abstinence, which they had made at ^{different} ~~definite~~ times through the years to show that we were not advocating anything new but were simply in line with attitudes the General Assembly had taken over and over and over. But when we took this first statement that they had adopted, and it is a good statement on the whole, but it says in one place that we should follow the ~~scripture~~ the Scriptural principle, Touch not, taste not, handle not. And we did not try to get that particular resolution adopted by our church because we had people in our ~~church~~ ^{church} who had heard us often speaking about the danger of taking things out of context. Because just look at the context. It says, Why art thou subject to ordinances, Touch not, Taste not, Handle not? And to take ~~those~~ those out, and I've heard of temperance parades that had signs up, Touch not, taste not. handle not. And ~~it's~~ it's a ^{good} ~~good~~ slogan, very good, ^{I've nothing against it} but don't say it's what the Bible teaches. I think that you can find other references that it is the right ~~thing~~ policy for Christians, but I don't think that you can say that proves anything. And so I feel that it is very important