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things, fine let them go there. But if there is not if we could know of a church that is nearest. If we could know of a sound church #/#// where they receive true Christian teaching and recommend it to them, and then the people in those churches recommend them to us. We don't need to have organizational unity but we ought to have cooperation. We ought for the sake of the sheep to know of each other's existence and know where to recommend people as they go to other parts of the country. The world has never seen such mobility as there is today. It's amazing how much people are moving about from one section of the country to another. And Christian people do not have the recognition of the need they have to help these people wherever they go by bringing them in contact with other groups # that are truly members of the Body of Christ.

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In Eph. 4:17-14-16 it brings out that "we speaking the truth in love may grow up= into Him in all things which is the Head even Christ. To whom the whole body fitly joined and compacted by that which every joint supplieth according to the effectual working of every part hat/ makes increase of the body to the edifying of itself." How many people today have a realization of this truth -- of the unity of the Body of Christ. Of the fact that the whole body is jointed together and compacted by that which every joint supplies and that every member of the Body of Christ has a duty to every other member of the Body of Christ if possible to give him an understanding of doctinral points on which he may be wrong, yes. But above all to bring him to a greater knowledge of Christ. To bring him to a greater love to the Lord. To help him to grow in grace and in knowledge of the Lord. Every joint supplieth according to the effectual working and the measure of every part. This is the way that it makes increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love. We all must have a the relation to Christ who is the Head or we are not true Christians. We must have that great relation to Him. And we must recognize that He is the Head of the whole church, not of any particular part. But Oh how much He wants us to have a feeling of love, a feeling of interest, a feeling of desire tohelp every other portion of the Body of Christ. I find this greatly lacking in Christian groups all over the world. The illustration I just gave from Pakistan. There was no animosity. no hatred that I know of between these two groups, between these four or five groups. But there was an ignorance of each other's activities. They almost treated each other as if they didn't exist. And