

universities. And he examined maybe 50 universities, and gathered evidence how in case after case after case they were giving courses to give a modern understanding of religion. In other words to see the folly of believing in the supernatural God, the folly of believing in an inerrant Bible, the folly of believing in a life that is changed by Christ. And in 50 universities this is being taught today! in our country. We tried to stop it in one university. Up to the present we have failed. But the testimony given to show its own right there was that in 50 others it is already being done.

Is it any wonder that the Gospel is falling on deaf ears to so large an extent in our nation? When our children from the very earliest grades are being taught that which is contrary to the Bible! And in our grammar schools, our high schools, and our colleges, the courses are to so large an extent undergirded with a denial of the truth of the Word of God. How can we have hope for the fulfillment of the Great Commission when ~~XXXXXXX~~ we face this terrible apostasy, not beginning now, but for 40 or 50 years it has been spreading, and spreading and spreading through our schools and is becoming so established that our educated class is raised up with their minds brainwashed against belief in the supernatural book or a supernatural God. How can we have hope?

Peter commanded us to have hope. He said, Be sober, and hope to the end. He said, Gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." He did not say, Go out and understand all the mysteries of the universe and figure out exactly how it is so that you can understand just how everything is, and then you can explain it to others and then they can all turn to Christianity. It does not work that way! The human mind is clouded with sin. The human mind is incapable of appreciating the great glories of God's universe. We see a little small part of it. What he said wasn't that. What he said was, Gird up the loins of your minds. That is what the man did when he was going to run a race. He girded up his loines. He fastened his clothes up so they would not be in his way when he ran. What Peter says is, Look soberly at facts and figure how to deal with situations in order that you can meet them and in order that you can witness effectively for Christ. In order that you can meet the particular denials that you find, and show how wrong they are and show that the only hope is in the Gospel of Christ, and in the teaching of this inerrant book. He said, Gird up the loins of you mind, hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." The world can look forward to this wonderful millennium but the Christian looks forward to even greater anticipation to Him who will establish the millennium. We look forward to the coming of Him who will reign as King, to the coming of our glorious Saviour! We look forward to His coming to this earth.

But how far forward do we have to look? How soon is this to be? Paul told the Thessalonians in his first letter, We which remain will not prevent them which are asleep. So Paul thought he would still