

Now most of the attacks upon the Bible rest upon a misunderstanding of the Bible. Some years ago I received a letter from a student at a university who told me that he was in a student group that would like to have a discussion of the question of the inspiration of the Bible. They were having the dean of a modernistic theological seminary, and they would like to have me come and also discuss.

Well, I'm always sort of leary of that sort of thing because it's easy for them to make an arrangement where the other man has the last word and has the of the case without your having a chance to answer. I asked what the terms of it would be. I found that each of us was to speak for about 20 minutes and give our view of the inspiration of the Bible, and then the people could ask questions addressed to either one of us, and both would have a chance to answer.

When it came to the first question which was addressed to me, I when I finished my answer said, Now let's see ~~xxxx~~ if Dr. So and so would like to say a few words about this. So as to establish it right away that when a question was presented to him I also would have a chance to answer. So we each spoke about each question that was presented to us. When one was answering a question the other ~~xxxx~~ sat in the front row very quietly until his turn came. I say very quietly but that wasn't always the case. I was the one who broke the thing of being quiet while the other man was talking. I just couldn't help myself at one point.

Because this distinguished professor, dean of a department of religion in a university that has destroyed the faith of many as he spoke he referred to the fact that of course the Bible teaches that the earth is flat. I could not help myself. I said, Where? He said, The whole Bible! I said, Where? Oh, he said, the book of Genesis! I said, Where? Well, he said, There's the account of the Flood. When it came my turn to speak I said that I thought that the idea of the story of the Flood fit better with a round earth than a flat earth, because if it was flat it (the water) would surely all flow off of it!

But you know that is is all over that the Bible teaches there is a flat earth! You know, people will go to the Bible and read their own ideas into the Bible. They take the present ideas of science and read them into the Bible. Then the time comes when science changes and people think the Bible is out of date. Actually the Bible is never out of date, but the Bible is ~~fx~~ often ahead of date.. So when there is an attack on the Bible we need to see exactly what is taught there. If you don't understand it, if there is something that doesn't seem to fit with present knowledge, let's just wait until our knowledge catches up with the Bible!

The Wellhausen theory which was begun in 1878 and spread through the civilized world. For about 30 years it was taught exactly as Wellhuasen presented it. Here was exactly how the Bible had come into existence! But, then the scholars began altering it here and there and there until there was tremendous