

So they laughed him out and it took years before they got to recognize the fact he brought out which today is the brty basis of all present-day psychological ideas: that there is an unconscious that can affect us to the point of bringing on almost any sickness you could have to the effect of injuring and even paralyzing us. There is the unconscious. That is recognized today by everyone.

But in Rom. 8:26 the Apostle Paul says "in the same way the Spirit helps us in our weaknesses"(that means in relation to our weakness. It is a dative of specification or relation. In relation to our weakness.) It goes on"but the Spirit himself interceeds for us with groanings that cannot be expressed." The "with" is not in Greek; simply the word "groan" is in the dative, just like the previous word. Only the previous one all the translations recognize as "in reference to our infirmities", this one they take as a "dative of method." "By means of groaning" but that's purely a matter of interpretation.

If it was translated just like the dative just before it, it would be "in feference to the groanings" that cannot be expressed. In other words the groans of our ~~sufferings which we cannot~~ sub-conscious that we cannot express in words we do not understand, but there is that there that can tremendously affect us and the Spirit can intercede forus. For God who knows our minds knows what is the mind of the Spirit. He searches the heart. Why? Because he knows that which we do not know. That which is unconscious. The groans we cannot express. But the Spirit is ready to search the mind of the Christian and see what there is that we're pushing back into our unconsciousness and tryx not to recognize it and eventually mount up to the point where it can cause us tremendous injury. The Spirit is ready to search our minds and find that in our hearts and if we look to the Spirit to do that and bring out those misunderstandings, those irritations, those wrong attitudes that eventually can do us so much harm, but let the Spirit intercede and bring them out and bring them intoconsciousness and put them before the cross and get rid of them, it can tremendously improve our whole life.

How wonderful that we can have the Spirit for our psychoanalyst. The Spirit can hear the groans we can't utter and bring them out instead of crushing them down into our unconsciousness until they get so many and so strong they can cause tremendous injury. Freud didn't discover something new: the existence of the unconscious. It was was already in the book as Paul wrote it. It was already there. But people simple made a translation and depended on that translation instead of getting in and seeing what the various possibilities of interpretation were and which one makes sense. It doesn't make sense to say The Spirit can't express His groanings. But it does make sense to say the Spirit intercedes for our groans we can't utter because we're not aware of.

The conference on hermeneutics to me was very valuable because it brought so clearly into focus the fact that so many of