

Or where there ~~xx~~ should be strong discipline. But when it comes to a matter of govt. in a sense of ruling and administering and carrying on work, the ~~xxxxxx~~ carrying on is ordinarily is in the hands of one person.

Now right there another question rises in my mind. The fact that the church in the N.T. always has a plurality of rulers. Is not consistent with efficiency as an organization for administration or carrying on work. Is the answer to be found in the fact that this is ~~xxx~~ simply not stressed, or is perhaps part of the answer to be found in that the church in its economy is an organization for worship, and an organization which has the duty of discipline, but an organization which is not primarily an administrative organ. That the carrying on ~~xxx~~ of the Christian work of the extension of the church is more than in the hands of an individual. ~~xxxxx~~ Now that is just a question that I throw up at this point. We will investigate that question more later.

I mentioned last time the very great importance of ~~democratic~~ democratic control. But the reason, the fact of the importance of democratic control is not that the great body can determine best how to do things, but that in view of the corruption of human nature, and in ~~xxxxxx~~ view of the fact that everything human tends to err and ~~xxx~~ decrease in its effectiveness, or in its righteousness, that it is vital that there be a means of change ~~x~~ from time to time. I gave you the illustration of the prime ministers of England. Where they do not, as in this country, elect our president a certain term of years. They elect their prime minister, and he stays in as long as he has a parliament that stands behind him. And they have ~~x~~ had many very fine men who have reigned as prime minister and has carried on excellent govt. But in nearly every case, a man who has carried on any length of time, and who has not died while in office, the time has come when the body has felt that he should get out, and ~~xxxxxxx~~ that he had outlived his usefulness and it has always been a ~~xxxx~~ terrible shock to him, when he was removed as ~~xxxxxx~~ prime minister and when he was turned down and someone else put in in his place. It is the power we get, the craving we get for power. The man who has the control gets a liking of it, and hates to give it up. Democratic