

most every case that ~~xxxx~~ he is acting as ~~Christ's~~ Christ's representative. That he is carrying on authority which Christ has given him, but which belongs to Christ. That he is doing what he considers to be the will of Christ. And so our B, under 3, we noticed last ~~ix~~ time, the headship of Christ, is again a point which is, I fear ~~ix~~ in many many circles, purely a matter of words, but the words are preserved. It is the theory which is kept in the statements of just about any group that I know of. That ~~xxxx~~ it is the will of Christ which matters, not the majority vote of the people, not the autocratic ~~x~~ desire of any leader, ~~b~~ whatever his position, but it is to carry out the will of Christ. That is, the church/ ~~xxxx~~ is considered as ~~xxx~~ a ^{monarchy} ~~margin~~. It is considered as an organization of which Christ is the king. It is considered as a body of which He is the head. It is considered as something which is seeking to carry out His will, rather than the will ~~ix~~ either of its members, ~~ix~~ or of some leader among it. This is certainly the case of the invisible church, and it has been believed to be the view of the visible church in any group that I know of.

Now, C, we looked a little at what Christ's headship means. And we saw that the importance of the very fact which I have just repeated, under B, they would go also under C. With a little different approach to them. That His headship means that it is not a democracy but a monarchy. ~~ix~~ The aim ~~xxxx~~ being to find what His will is and that His will is what must be sought. The question is, how is it to be found. And that the purpose of the church is to carry out His will and to do the purposes He has in mind, and that since all churches, all Christian churches, ~~ix~~ agree that their primary source which we have of knowing the will of Christ is the Word He has given us. That therefore what that Word teaches should be primary.

Now, D, under 3, while the N.T. shows clearly that the churches of apostolic times had definite organizations, it does not give clear evidence on many important points, ~~xxxx~~ of that organization. ~~xxxx~~ Now I think that this is extremely important, this D. I think it is perhaps one of the most important things that we take up this