

strongly, and I believe rightly, that a man should have freedom to have the religion that he wishes, and to exercise ~~the~~ the religion that he wishes. I may be very strongly opposed to the view of a group of ~~people~~ people, I may think that their ~~religious~~ religious views are wrong, I may think that they are slightly wrong or very badly wrong, but I am ready to insist as strongly as I can upon ~~the~~ their right to have a place to present them, a place to meet and discuss them. Opportunity to present them to others, even though I may feel that it is my duty to oppose them very strongly in writings and in discussions, and in attempts to convince people that they are wrong. I feel that they should have a right to use people's means to disseminate them, even though I feel that they are utterly wrong. Now that is an ideal that we feel ~~very~~ very strongly in America, and I believe rightly. But it has not been felt in hardly any part of the world before. And it certainly was not thought back in those days, and there is another viewpoint which is just as easy to ~~support~~ support as this, every bit as easy. We feel that in view of the outworking in history, this is much the better attitude. But the other view is that it is a man's duty to stand for truth when he is convinced that something it is the truth it is his duty to stand for it, and that he should try to prevent the dissemination of that which will injure the souls of men, and use all legal means to prevent it. That is the attitude which has been characteristic through the world's history of most people. And our present view is a comparatively novel ~~attitude~~ attitude. It is an attitude which we believe is not at all contrary to the N. T. but is supported by ~~some~~ some of its statements, though never ~~explicitly~~ explicitly presented in the N.T. But it is a comparatively new thing, and so we must not judge a man like Ambrose too severely from our present standpoint. We can regret that he did not hold our standpoint, but we agree that he was sincere in what he thought ~~was~~ was right, and I think all historians agree on that. \*

~~And~~ And then the second point on which historians agree, I believe, is that Ambrose deserves much admiration for the way in which he stood by what he thought ~~was~~ was right, and the way in which he did ~~everything~~ everything possible to