

Pilgrim's Progress, they are helpful to your understanding of God, but they are a man's ideas and they contain much that is erroneous, though nothing that is actually harmful.

~~xxx~~ And Jerome was dead against them. And in connection with Jerome, it is that we get this situation. Now we must rush on with Jerome. ~~ix~~ We have spent 22 minutes of the hour so far, and nearly half, and I have ~~i~~ a lot of material that I want to get over. So that means that we will have to ~~xxxx~~ talk real fast. (laughter)

"We noticed ~~xxx~~ yesterday about St. ~~xxxx~~ Jerome his very great importance in connection with the Vulgate, and in connection with that I mentioned the Apoc. And I think it is important to stress these facts that I have given about him. And I told about his life in Rome, something about the luxury of the Roman families, some~~xxx~~ of which had incomes as great as fifty thousand dollars a year today. And about Jerome's winning many of these Roman ladies to turn from the ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ extravagance of the family with which they were connected and leave them to go to the opposite extreme, and to think that they were doing God a service by abstaining from washing for long periods, and cutting their food down to an absolute minimum. And ~~i~~ it is the thing about human nature that we are apt to go to one extreme or the other. You ~~xxxxxxx~~ will find Christians today who are having a ~~xxxxxxx~~ Christian testimony and considering themselves to be the Lord's will be so extreme in their love for personal adornment that they bring shame upon the Lord. And you will find other ~~xxxxxxx~~ Christians who think that they are not truly ~~xxxxxxx~~ Christians if they don't take all the buttons off their coats because it is a sign of worldly pride to wear buttons. People of that type are found in the United States today/ Now between the two I say that I prefer by far the person who goes without the buttons than the person who makes worldly adornment a god. And I would say that on every question of ~~xxxxxxx~~ Christians' amusement, or every question of anything which is putting our affection on things earthly, if I had to choose between the person who lets this come in and hurt his spiritual life and the person who cuts it entirely out of his life, ~~x~~ I say that the person who cuts it entirely