

But the development of Arminianism in many areas was very much away from the central teachings of Luther and of Calvin.

Now, h. The Five Points - few words about the Five Points.

The Five Points, as I mentioned, in Hodge's Theology; in the Index it gives Five Points of Arminianism, it does not give Five Points of Calvinism. And I think it is unfortunate that where the Remonstrants attacked the views of the Reformed Church, those particular points, should be singled out as if they were the distinctive points of Calvinism. The Calvinist teaching is the Reformed teaching held by Luther and by Calvin, and developed more fully and systematically by Calvin, which lays great stress on the sovereignty of ~~God~~ God, and great stress ~~not~~ on the absolute inability of man to save ~~himself~~ himself, and ~~that~~ the fact that it is only through the death of Christ man can be saved, and that justification ~~by faith~~ is by grace alone, not by any works that we have done, not by any good thing ~~that~~ we have done, ^{because} ~~that~~ we ~~are~~ are so clever that we have sense enough to ^{accept} ~~believe~~ Him, to believe on Him, but because God by His Spirit leads us to accept Him, and to believe upon Him. These are some of the great doctrines of Calvinism, and you can't pick out the particular five points of the Arminian Remonstrants and say the answers to that is necessarily the distinctive features of Calvinism. But these five points, in opposition to the Arminians are often spoken of as the five points of Calvinism. And you notice the way ~~W~~ Warfield names them is ~~that~~ "Absolute Predestination/," "Particular Redemption," "Total Depravity," (before Warfield I don't think the term "Total Depravity" was used much; it was more often to say "Complete Inability," that is, inability to accomplish salvation I would say (not clear), inability (453) to do anything that deserves God's favor, but he gives it in this later wording, "Total Depravity," "Irresistible Grace," and the "Perseverance of the Saints." Now sometime within the last century/(I have been trying to find out when); I haven't been able to find out when it was or who it was, but somebody noticed that if you rearrange these, if you take the third one and put it first, and