

One thing that drove me later on to do some teaching of church history, which is really quite outside of my field, was ~~my~~ my experience in the church *history* courses at Princeton. Dr. Loetscher, the professor of church history, could ~~take~~ present the most interesting subjects in the dullest possible manner. It seems that he was in demand in churches to give lectures on Calvin. Evidently he made the life of Calvin living and vibrant in these public lectures, but when he discussed the same material in class it was dead and boresome. Dr. Loetscher said that church history made him irenic. He refused to take any stand in the efforts to protect Princeton from the flood of modernism. On the contrary, I believe that one of the great purposes of studying church history is to see how God has blessed the efforts of human beings who have hazarded their lives in ~~an~~ order to advance His truth.

My experience in teaching Hebrew at Westminster was interesting. Since I was in Europe when the seminary opened I arrived two weeks after it had started. Dr. Wilson had wired me that he would teach my courses until I arrived. When I got there he said he would finish out the second week and I would not need to start until the next Monday. I attended the remaining two classes of that week and found that he had skimmed three-fourths of the book with a few rapid explanations and now had the students writing irregular verbs with suffixes on the blackboard. I said to myself, "Give him another month with the class and they'll know far more than I do." However, I soon found they knew practically nothing. He had gone too fast, only hitting the high spots. Dr. Wilson had written an extremely ~~difficil~~ difficult textbook. It was printed in German in very excellent clear type, but the arrangement was very poor, and not at all pedagogical. It gave a great deal of detail that had little purpose for the average minister, and there was no building up of vocabulary from one lesson to the next. Dr. Allis had gone through Dr. Wilson's textbook page by page and line by line during the twenty years that he had taught beginning Hebrew.

On one occasion later on Dr. Allis said to me, "Dr. Wilson has a great deal