

Champions of the new school of thought:

a. Dr. Walter R. Martin

"We hope that many who have looked upon Adventists as dangerous non-Christian cultists will revise this view. In the providence of God, and in His own good time, we trust that evangelical Christianity as a whole will extend the hand of fellowship to a group of sincere, earnest fellow Christians, distinguished though they are by some peculiar views, but members of the Body of Christ and possessors of the faith that saves."

The Truth About Seventh Day Adventism, Zondervan
1960 pp. 236,237

b. Dr. Donald Grey Barnhouse

"In conclusion, I should like to say that we are delighted to do justice to a much maligned group of sincere believers, and in our minds and hearts take them out of the group of utter heretics like the Jehovah's Witnesses, Mormons, and Christian Scientists, to acknowledge them as redeemed brethren and members of the body of Christ. It is our sincere prayer that they may be led to consider further the points on which they are so widely divergent from the rest of the Body of Christ and in so doing promote their own spiritual growth and that of their fellow Christians.

"Eternity" Sept. 1956 "Are Seventh-Day Adventists Christians?"

3 c. The recommended school of thought

The system of doctrine taught by the Seventh-Day Adventist denomination is not evangelical. Therefore the Seventh-Day Adventists who understand and hold to this system of doctrine are not Christians and we as Christians should not extend the hand of fellowship to them. However, there are Seventh-day Adventists who do not understand that system of doctrine, and who are trusting in the finished work of Christ alone for their salvation. These Seventh-day Adventists are Christians. Therefore, we need to enlighten them concerning this system of doctrine, show them where it is contrary to the Word of God, urge them to withdraw from the Seventh-Day Adventists denomination, and encourage them to unite with a Bible Believing, fundamental church.