

==and that if they use that brain they will find the arguments against Christianity are fruitless, why VanTil says you have no common ground. I once thought of an analogy. It seemed to me his apologetics was as if suppose the Russians had taken over the U.S. and we were to go up into the heart of the Rocky Mountains somewhere and in the middle of a glacier we had dug a big cave and we had put in there food enough to keep us for 1000 years, and we got into that cave in the glacier in the middle of the mountain and there was absolutely no way to get to it. You might say we are perfectly safe. But how is that rescuing the country from the forces of evil that have taken it over? We need to get out where the enemy is and meet him on his own ground and prove he's wrong.

His argument gives a certainty by imagining you have a certainty. We'll presuppose it. I feel that is one of the most harmful things Westminster has done over the years-- is to give people an approach which in my opinion knocks the props out of a really effective Christian work, and which results in many of their graduates being more interested in arguing against Christians who use various methods to lead people to the Lord, instead of going out and meeting the man on the street on his own level.

There is much more about McIntire that is worth looking at.

But while we're still on those days let's say a word about Fosdick. Harry Emerson Fosdick got a tremendous reputation as a great rhetorician. He had a marvelous gift of language. He had a great mind too. I once read his book Pilgrimage to Palestine which is rarely mentioned when you hear of his books. His other books are widely spoken of, and highly praised. But this one I found -- I was going to Palestine and looked into books that would be helpful ~~and got it~~ about it and I found this book he had