

church machine to keep them from being called to churches, they were getting good churches. It might have been too late them, but certainly if 20 years earlier Westminster could have been founded and could have taken the == done the work we were doing, and the ~~M~~ emphasis Machen was having, I believe we could have cleaned up the Boards and agencies. There are 2 million people in that church, ^{many} of whom ~~95%~~ have either drifted out of the church or their children have because they have not been getting anything or have gradually been led into thinking that world improvement or human betterment is what matters. They still want to stand by the Bible. They think it's wonderful; they may not know much about it. I believe there would have been a chance, at least 20 years earlier to have reformed from within.

Now of course Machen thought they could reform them. then. He wanted to clear up the boards and agencies is what he was after. But I don't think they went at it in the best way. I think they made too sharp a sudden change. It may be they were too late for that. But even so when we came out then Machen had a lot of admirers throughout the country and we might have taken a fourth of that church if it hadn't been for this influence that just took the attitude, Well you've got to follow us. Their idea of the Reformed faith was 1000 different points, and if you differed from one of these points, you were just outside the pale. That's the attitude they inculcated in the students. And that's the attitude that has been inculcated ever since in a considerable number of graduates. That's why I feel that it is bad that what started out to be a great work for Christ, has caused many many who might have been successful workers for Christ to spend their lives fighting over minutia, or failing to have a