

must do it this way, and they would say, Of course, of course. There was no use of opposing him in the Board. Once a few years later one of the Board wanted me made a member of the Executive Committee of the Board which met between Board meetings, and had the powers of the Board.

I always met with them but I wasn't a member. I was a member of the Board, not of the Executive Committee. This man thought I should be a member of the Executive Committee. I thought it would be helpful, and I talked to two of the leaders of the Board who both said, That's right. They thought I should be. Well, we came into the Board meeting, and this man who had been so anxious that this be done, he moved that I be made a member of the Executive Committee. Two or three spoke for it, and Dr. McIntire said he was not going to be connected with a one-man institution. If I was a member of the Executive Committee, he said, I'll stay on the Board but he said I won't be president of the Board anymore. He said, I'm not going to be active in a one-man institution!

Then most of those who had been speaking for it decided that there were dangers and it was better that I would not be on the Executive Committee. When in 1955-56 there was a large group that left us, and when they talked about ~~X~~ what I felt were very minor matters, and on those minor matters they talked about I disagreed with them, I thought they were making a big fuss about very minor things.

But the real thing was their dissatisfaction with him. And as I thought of the things he had done in relation to them as far as I knew them, I had put up with twice as much for many years. And I could not see why I should get disgusted with him then about the things they were irritated about when I had put up with so much more in the past.

But with most of them, if I had mentioned something that irritated me about him, they would say, Oh, no, no, no. They would not have agreed with me at all. But sometimes I wonder if I was not wrong with all his excellent qualities and his great abilities in recognizing these tendencies ~~would~~ which in the end are I'm afraid going to result in very little remaining. I just wonder whether I was not at fault in 1956 in thinking through their real attitudes more, and perhaps feeling that I really would accomplish more following the line they went. I don't know. After the event it's hard to know.

Those are incidental points. I don't know how much of this is worth keeping. I mentioned once before, I believe, that what a happy time it was the first year of Faith untrammelled by traditions and by the attitude, "We've got to do it this way because it was this way in Princeton."

For instance when I was at Westminster we had a short chapel service every day. A reading of Scripture, a prayer, a hymn. That was the service. 15 min. every day. I think twice in the 8 yrs. we had an outside speaker come. That was all.