

looks impossible. But with God nothing is impossible. And God may choose, our Lord Jesus Christ may choose to return very soon, He may, and pray God he will. But we have no certainty that He will. These seem like ap                      days but if you know anything of history you can point to many others in the last nineteen centuries at which it looked as if things couldn't possibly get any worse, and then God simply works things in a way that you never dreamed of and things just changed and moved in an entirely different direction from what anyone would have expected. And while its possible that we are in the very end of the age, and its possible that Jesus Christ is coming back very soon. No man can say it is impossible that it may be God's will to pour out another great sweep of Divine Grace over this world for even another century. And if He comes very soon, he will be particularly pleased with us if we have been building and working in such a way that we could be the instruments of His activity in making this great change, if that should be His will, and as I say it may be, we do not know.

And so I believe that we can fairly say that it is God's will that we should put primary emphasis on evangelism, primary emphasis on winning the lost, primary emphasis on reaching souls for Christ. But that we should in addition put a strong emphasis on indoctrinating people, and training people on educating people, and fitting them, not to be like those described in the New Testament who are ever learning and never coming to the knowledge of the truth, but to be those who learn the truth for a purpose and who acquire an understanding of fact and an ability to think clearly in order that they may use it for the accomplishment of God's purpose. We need men who do not simply act from prejudice or from ideas they have heard, but who can think things through and can examine the evidence. We face, for instance today this matter of the Ecumenical Movement, and I think that for every person in America who was aware of the Ecumenical Movement six months ago, I imagine for every such one there are five today who are well aware of the fact of an Ecumenical Council going on. This Ecumenical Council has gotten publicity and attention and pictures in our magazines and newspapers far beyond what the