

the eschatology is not a ~~far~~future thing, it is a present situation. ~~xxx~~  
 What do they mean by that? ~~xxxx~~ It is my feeling that most of ~~it~~ is the  
 same as it ~~was~~ was before. It is a feeling that the church is here to~~x~~ make a  
~~Christian~~ Christian world. That is the primary purpose. And that the  
 way to make a ~~Christian~~ world is to change the size of it. Now, to me, a  
 great evidence of this is the fact that our World Council leaders in  
 the United States are so prominent in various Communist fronts. You find  
 their names in the lists, at the head of them. Bishop Oxnam, the prominent  
 Methodist bishop, here. Very prominent in the World ~~Council~~ Council. ~~They~~  
 Declares before a congressional investigating committee last summer  
 that in case after case he didn't even know they had his name, or he had  
 just allowed them to use his name without much ~~sympathy~~ sympathy, necessarily,  
 with the organizations. But when a man lets ~~x~~ twenty organizations put his name  
~~they~~  
~~xxxxxxx~~ on their letter-head, ~~they~~ must  
 have some reason ~~for~~ to think he favors in ~~a~~ general the purpose of those  
 organizations. I don't think Oxnam was deliberately trying to forward the  
 Communist conspiracy, but I mean that the language that these people used  
 was in line with the idea which has been the mainspring of his life for  
 thirty years back, the idea that the purpose of the ~~Christian~~ Christian church is  
 to revolutionize the social order and to make a new social order which  
 shall be ~~what~~ what they call a ~~Christian~~ Christian social order.

Now, it is becoming lately increasingly difficult to find quotations  
 in modernist writings in America that ~~either~~ explicitly deny the Bible or  
 that explicitly show their great interest in a new social order. They  
 don't speak as plainly as denying the Bible as they used to~~x~~, partly because  
 of the criticism that has come of it, from many of their statements.  
 And, the recent ~~repulsion~~ revulsion ~~of~~ against ~~new~~ near-Communism and the  
 congressional investigation, leads many to be much more careful in their  
~~statements~~ statements in this regard than used to be. But, the other tone,  
 the attitude impresses me as very much the same.

I have the Ecumenical Review, here, of April 1954, I notice their