

it was Dr. Wilson's and Dr. Machen's strong stand which pointed out the danger and showed what was happening and made it necessary that the conquest of Princeton by the modernists would be done not by a gradual taking it over, but it would have to be the result of a sharp clash and that's the only way it could take place and did, but it was almost the last of the great old line seminaries to succumb to modernism. Now many another great seminary has succumbed and has gone over and one or two real Christian professors have continued for the rest of their lives to be just a voice in the wilderness there with the whole influence modernistic. But in Princeton, as it was necessary to destroy its testimony to make this great upheaval and overturning against considerable resistance, there was opportunity for a group to come out and start something new. And so in 1929 when Princeton was reorganized, Dr. Robert Dick Wilson, Dr. J. Machen, and two or three others of the faculty there, took some young fellows whom they had known in the seminary, who had been studying for that work, I was studying in Germany at the time - had two years there on a scholarship - and got together and started a new seminary. And this new seminary they called Westminster Theological Seminary and we started it down in the heart of Philadelphia. And there we started Westminster Seminary, we started with 50 students our first year. We had come out of a school of about 250 - we had about 50 students our first year. And during the next few years we thrived and we grew, we got up to about 80 students. Our students began to go out and have an influence in many different places. It was a work that was really blessed with God. And then I began to see something of the subtlety of Satan. You know sometimes I think of Satan's activity as if he was at one end of a rope and you're at the other end and he's trying to pull you off into the mud and the mire of unbelief and of wickedness and you're pulling back and you're holding back and you pull and he pulls and you pull and he pulls and he doesn't succeed in pulling. Now he does succeed in many, many cases. But let's suppose he doesn't and you're pulling here and you pull with all your might. And he doesn't succeed in pulling you. You know what he does then. He just lets go of the rope and you topple over backwards. And if Satan cannot lead you into unbelief, denial of His Word, the next best thing to do is to make your testimony ineffective