

for us always to tell from college marks what kind of work you are doing. In addition to that many people in college do not have much motivation. There is this and that and the other thing and they don't see a great deal of purpose in it. But here they are studying for God and they should see how everything they get here is going to enter into making their lives count for God and they do work of a different calibre altogether, than they did in college. So it's hard for us to advise.

But this fellow came with good marks from college. He said, Oh I can do it in 3 years. So he started Greek and Hebrew. After he had gone on for a few weeks he found he was flunking in both languages. He said I'm doing better in Hebrew than Greek so I'll drop the Greek! Now that was foolish because it's good to get the Greek foundation first if you have to take them in a certain order. You can do the other way, but it's better the other way.

So after a few years== weeks he dropped his Greek, but then he was so far behind in Hebrew that at the end of the semester he failed it. Who knows? If he'd only started with Greek and worked hard in it he may have done good work in Greek and then taken Hebrew the next year. So do not be in too much of a hurry in deciding about that matter. If possible do what the first man I said did. But above all get the Greek solid. If you want to try both of them now, get the Greek solid. If you have to drop the Hebrew it's better to get one of them solid the first year and that should be Greek than to get a smattering of both. Get the Greek solid. If you can get the Hebrew too fine. Do it in 3 yrs.

But it's too bad to have to tie yourself down in the first year as to whether possible to avoid getting of our work build on both of them, both languages. Now there are seminaries that believe that God is a symbol for ethical value and the purpose we have is to try to do good in the world, and we'll find some good things in the Bible, but there's an awful lot of junk in it so we're not particularly concerned about (the languages). If those schools even require Greek or Hebrew you may as well take it your last semester! Because you don't use it in your work anyway!

But that's not the way here. We get a foundation in the language and then we learn to look at the Bible with the languages in mind and see exactly what it means and then we take what it means and we put it together (in its various sections) and compare Scripture with Scripture and we learn to interpret the Bible so that we're not parroting what people have said in past days, but as new problems develop we want our graduates to be able to go to the Word of God and study the relevant passages with which they should already be familiar thru their general study of the Bible and see exactly what God's answer is to new problems as they come up that you can't find in books because those books have not faced those particular problems.

So we believe God can use whom he chooses. Don't look down your nose at people who are doing a real work for God but don't seem to have much training. But in most cases if one is going to accompli