

have Ph.D.'s, listening to what they present, and hoping that somehow in some way some of the fruit of their study will find its way into a student's life to be useful. "Scholarship" is altogether different from that. It involves the student's gathering facts, his careful analysis of material, and the training of his mind so as to be able to differentiate truth from error.

Faith Theological Seminary is not only sound in the Faith of Christ, but from its beginning it has aimed to have a "scholarly" emphasis. It has trained men who were not simply to fit into a mold, but who were able to stand on their own two feet before the Lord, equipped to dig into the Word and to unlock its treasures. It has trained men to see clearly the evidences supporting the great fundamental teachings of God's Word, — but it has trained them to be charitable toward Christian brethren who differ from them on matters of lesser importance, it has trained them to be able to think through on these lesser points. It has trained men not to be traditionalists who cling pathetically to an outworn creed, but to be defenders of the infallible Bible in the true, historical scholarly way, and to apply the main teachings of the Bible to the great problems of each succeeding decade as situations change.

Something is built into a man, who has been trained thoroughly in scholarship, for which there is no substitute.

### III. *Choose a Seminary which is sensible in its Emphasis.*

A student should study in a theological seminary which lays its great emphasis on clear central fundamentals of the Faith as found in the Bible. Unfortunately,

this is an emphasis which one rarely finds in a strictly denominational seminary. When a seminary is controlled by an ecclesiastical body, or when it is formed to prepare leadership for one specific denomination, the tendency, of course, can be no other than for the men to be trained in the denominational distinctives, thus narrowing down their outlook on things pertaining to Christian ministry in order to conform with the denomination instead of seeking to serve the Lord on a broad world level as well.

Rather than for a seminary to be so closely related to denominational distinctives, it is far better that it be one which has its relation to God's Word and, subordinately, to one of the great historic creeds of the church such as the Westminster Confession of Faith. A seminary which does not seek to please shifting majorities in ecclesiastical bodies or which is not trying to train men in one particular minor emphasis, but which is aiming at covering the whole gamut of Biblical truth, is far more apt to train effective Christian leaders than one which is strongly denominationally oriented.

Is your question, "Where shall I study?"

If it is, then know that Faith Theological Seminary is sound in the Faith which was once delivered to the saints. It is scholarly in its approach to the Bible. It is sensible in its emphasis.

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