

that one is saved through obedience. It is the grace of God and that alone which saves us.

It is too bad that such an attack should be made for it is entirely unwarranted. If one is to accuse a denomination of not holding to salvation through faith alone, certainly one of ~~the~~ <sup>(those)</sup> most open to that charge would be the Lutherans, with their teaching of baptismal regeneration. I do not believe that they really mean this as a requirement for salvation additional to faith in God's saving grace. Nevertheless, it is often expressed by them in such a way as to give this impression, and ~~a great~~ <sup>earnest</sup> many evangelicals are very suspicious of the Lutherans for this reason. ~~Personally, I think that we should not over-stress our differences our differences of Communion or similar points, but should put our great stress upon the great central doctrines which are necessary for salvation.~~

On the matter of the Lord's Supper, let us think of the situation as Christ sat at the table with His disciples. He took some bread and broke it and said, "This is my body, <sup>which is</sup> broken for you." Do you think that anybody there thought that He meant that that bread was His actual body? Suppose that I were to act out a diagram of a football game, using pieces of bread and pieces of sugar to represent two sides, and ~~then~~ that I should ~~say~~, "This is the Penn team, and this is Cornell." X Suppose somebody would say that I meant that the sugar actually was the Cornell team. It would be ridiculous. I was merely presenting a teaching through an object lesson. Now, when Christ was sitting there, no one of the disciples possibly could have imagined that He meant that that bread was His actual body. If He had wanted to convey so stupendous and strange an idea, He would have found it necessary to use additional terminology and to <sup>have</sup> made additional statements in order to make it clear to the disciples.

It was not until a number of centuries after the death of Christ that the