

of the last century they were able to, they wouldn't elect a pope who one of these rulers was ready to veto. They had a great deal of authority over the church in their own area.

Now when Luther comes forward. Luther is a man, as you know, quite gifted and talented. One of the ~~great~~ great differences is that Calvin was a second generation of the Ref. and Luther first generation. Luther faced a ~~a~~ situation and facing that situation he took up each problem as he came to it. And he had to deal with each problem in such difficultly and such great obstacles to face, constantly in such great danger, that you don't get the same balanced presentation that you can when you can sit on an armchair somewhere and study the matter ~~xxxx~~ in a passive way, as could be done in the beginning of the second generation, but not in the first. And so Luther, actually there was very little difference between Luther and Calvin, on any point, their viewpoints were very very similar, but their emphases are quite different, because Luther is faced with a situation, faced with tremendous odds against the situation tremendously anxious to get his point ~~xxxx~~ across, and trying to side-step being carried away into other considerations if it can be avoided. While he was dealing with this one particular ~~a~~ consideration. ~~xx~~ And of course in his life he took up a great deal of considerations, but he took them up as separate/^{isolated} things, rather than as Calvin did, studying the matter as a whole and trying to fit it together and see a complete picture.

And so, when it came to ch. govt., it was not a matter which interested Luther. Luther faced a ~~xxxxxxx~~ situation where he didn't expect to live long. He knew the pope would burn him if he could get his hands on him, he knew the emperor would burn him if he could get his hands on him, his great desire was to get the Word of God to as many people as he could and to get those people to go forward in a same way in the study of the Word, and in the application of it to their lives, and not to do it by overturning all kinds of secondary things. That was Luther's attitude. He ~~was~~ fundamentally was a conservative, but he was ~~a~~ imbued with this tremendous interest in salvation by faith and ~~he~~ by getting the message of the truth of salvation by faith,