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1 about the nature of the mind is drawn into play here, and
2 in that context, the practice of Pray-Reading and calling
3 on the name of the Lord, as it's engaged in by the Local
4 Church, becomes sub-Christian in my opinion.

5 Q. And doesn't his entire teaching become
6 sub-Christian if you have to take the entire context of
7 his teachings?

8 A. No. I don't think so.

9 Q. Okay.

10 A. Not necessarily.

11 Q. Well, let me ask you this question: Was it
12 your opinion when you wrote the appendix, that members of
13 the Local Church were not able to make decisions in
14 everyday life because of their lack of free choice -- or
15 strike that.

16 Was it your understanding, that members of the
17 Local Church could not make everyday life decisions
18 because of the effect of the practice of Pray-Reading and
19 calling on the name of the Lord?

20 A. It was my impression that some members of the
21 Local Church could not make some kinds of everyday
22 decisions because of the practice of Pray-Reading and
23 calling on the name of the Lord.

24 Q. Okay. And was it your intent to convey that
25 impression to the readers?

26 A. Yes.

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1 Q. And tell me, can you name one member who has
2 told you that?

3 A. Aside from the two I already mentioned, I
4 can't recall by name any of the people that we talked to.

5 Q. I'm now asking about members, not ex-members.
6 Can you name one member?

7 A. No.

8 Q. Can you name one member that you ever asked
9 the question to?

10 A. No, I don't believe so.

11 Q. All right. Now, Vail Hamilton, that we spoke
12 about earlier this morning, when she called on the name
13 of the Lord, that wasn't technological or pagan, was it?

14 A. I don't know.

15 Q. Well, did you consider it to be technological
16 or pagan?

17 A. Not from what she told me about it.

18 Q. All right. What was it she told you about it
19 that, in your mind, eliminated it from being
20 technological and pagan?

21 A. A use of different phrases rather than
22 repetition of the same phrase over and over again.

23 Q. Is that it?

24 A. Well, I would certainly say that the fact
25 that she did not recommend it gave me a better impression
26 of her attitude toward it.