

1 MISSED WAS THE BOOK OF REVELATION. I SHOULD HAVE STAYED
2 FOR THAT BUT THAT WAS ACTUALLY POSTPONED UNTIL THE NEXT DAY.

3 Q AFTER DOING THAT, FIRST, DID YOU FORM ANY OPINIONS AS
4 TO THE THEOLOGY OF WITNESS LEE AND THE LOCAL CHURCH?

5 A YES. THIS WAS BEFORE I HAD HEARD OF THE BOOK. WHEN I
6 HEARD HIM AND MY IMPRESSION WAS THAT HERE WAS A CHURCH WHICH
7 WAS MORE ENTHUSIASTIC THAN GOD'S FROZEN PEOPLE, WHICH
8 EPISCOPALIANS ARE REFERRED TO AS, BUT CERTAINLY WITHIN THE
9 LIMITS OF ORTHODOXY, POSSIBLY FURTHER IN THAN SOME
10 EPISCOPALIANS.

11 Q WHEN YOU REVIEWED THE MANUSCRIPT AND WITNESS LEE'S
12 WRITINGS, WHAT DID YOU FIND AS FAR AS THE MANUSCRIPT
13 REPRESENTING THE TEACHINGS AND PRACTICES OF THE LOCAL CHURCH?

14 A WELL, MY INITIAL IMPRESSION FROM A VERY RAPID READING
15 OF THE BOOK AND MY ACQUAINTANCE WITH -- BEFORE I ACTUALLY
16 READ THE TEACHINGS OF WITNESS LEE, BUT FROM KNOWING THE
17 MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH MY INITIAL IMPRESSION OF THE BOOK WAS
18 THIS WAS A VERY SLOPPY PIECE OF SCHOLARSHIP.

19 THEN AFTER I READ THE BOOKS OF WITNESS LEE AND COMPARED
20 PASSAGES, I BECAME CONVINCED, SADLY, THAT THIS WAS A
21 DELIBERATE, CAREFUL MISREPRESENTATION OF THE TEACHINGS OF
22 WITNESS LEE.

23 Q I KNOW THE COURT HAS HEARD A LOT NOW, BUT CAN YOU GIVE
24 US JUST SOME EXAMPLES OF WHAT YOU THOUGHT WERE DELIBERATE?

25 A WELL, ONE HAS BEEN TOUCHED ON SEVERAL TIMES, THAT IS,
26 WITNESS LEE'S APPROACH TO THE BIBLE AS BEING UNIMPORTANT.

27 A VERY CASUAL READING OF WITNESS LEE'S WORKS WILL SHOW THAT
28 EVERY PASSAGE THAT HE WRITES IS DEVELOPED FROM AN EXEGESIS OF

1 TEXT. BOOK AFTER BOOK. HE HAS A STUDY OF GENESIS. I
2 HAVEN'T ACTUALLY SEEN STRAIGHT THROUGH THE BIBLE, BUT GENESIS,
3 FOCUS AND ROMANS AND FIRST CORINTHIANS AND EPHESES.

4 HE SIMPLY HAS -- ALL OF HIS TEACHING IS BASED DIRECTLY
5 ON THE BIBLE. MANY TIMES HE SAYS, AS YOU HAD UP THERE
6 QUOTED, THAT -- "I WILL DIE FOR THE BIBLE." THAT OPINION
7 COULD BE REFLECTED MANY TIMES IN HIS WORKS.

8 AGAIN, THE THING THAT REALLY SET ME ON MY EAR WAS THE
9 IDEA THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL CHURCH WERE IMMORAL.
10 I HAD THESE PEOPLE IN MY HOUSE. I TAUGHT THEM FOR A SEMESTER
11 AND IN THE SECOND SEMESTER I MET THEM IN MY HOUSE AND I HAD
12 BEEN TO THEIR HOUSE AND THEY HAD BEEN AT MY HOUSE ON THE
13 CAPE. THEY MET MY FAMILY. IF I HAD FORMED AN OPINION OF
14 THEM AS FAR AS MORALITY WAS CONCERNED, THE MODERN TECHNICAL
15 TERM THAT COMES TO MIND IS SQUARE. CERTAINLY THE PEOPLE THAT
16 I HAD KNOWN, THE HARVARD SQUARE AREA, I WOULD HAVE RATED THEM
17 VERY HIGH, I SUPPOSE, BUT THESE WERE PEOPLE WHO WERE WELL
18 ABOVE AVERAGE IN INTELLIGENCE, AND IT SEEMED TO ME THAT
19 THEY WERE THE KIND OF PEOPLE THAT I FELT VERY MUCH AT HOME
20 WITH.

21 Q DID YOU SEE ANY EVIDENCE OF MENTAL MANIPULATION BY
22 WITNESS LEE OR OTHERS UPON THE PEOPLE THAT YOU WERE TRAINING?

23 A NEVER.

24 Q THE TERM SENSUOUS THEOLOGY THAT WE BROUGHT UP, IS THAT
25 AN ACCEPTED THEOLOGICAL TERM?

26 A I HAVE NEVER SEEN IT BEFORE EXCEPT IN THIS BOOK.
27 WITNESS LEE DOES NOT USE IT HIMSELF. I THOUGHT THAT PERHAPS
28 THE TERM WAS DERIVED FROM HIS WORK, AND SO I LOOKED FOR IT