

1 A ESSENTIALLY DUDDY'S HISTORY OF THE CHURCH BEGINS IN THE
2 1920'S WHEN WITNESS LEE FORMED HIS OWN INDEPENDENT MOVEMENT.

3 Q WITNESS LEE OR WATCHMAN NEE?

4 A WATCHMAN NEE. I GET THE TWO MIXED UP. WHEN WATCHMAN
5 NEE FORMED HIS OWN INDEPENDENT MOVEMENT. THERE IS NO MENTION
6 OF HIS PRIOR AFFILIATIONS WITH THE BRETHERN OR ANY MENTION OF
7 HIS TAKING OVER FROM THE BRETHERN THEIR LONG HISTORY.

8 THE MAJOR PART OF THEIR DOCTRINE OR ANY UNDERSTANDING
9 OF HOW WITNESS LEE AND THE LOCAL CHURCH SEE THEMSELVES
10 HISTORICALLY AS FITTING INTO THE MAINSTREAM OF EVANGELICAL
11 CHRISTIAN HISTORY.

12 THIS IN EFFECT CUTS THEM OFF FROM THE CHRISTIAN
13 TRADITION THAT THEY ARE VERY MUCH A PART OF AND HE PRESENTS
14 THEM AS SOMETHING NEW AND DIFFERENT, AND WHILE THEY HAVE A
15 COUPLE OF DIFFERENCES, THE OVERWHELMING AMOUNT OF THEIR
16 CHURCH BELIEF AND THEIR CHURCH LIFE IS TAKEN DIRECTLY OUT OF
17 THE MAINSTREAM OF EVANGELICAL THOUGHT.

18 Q LET'S NOW GO TO PARTS OF THE BOOK THAT I WANT TO ASK
19 YOU SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT, AND WHAT WE ARE GOING TO DO IS
20 USE THE FOUR-WAY.

21 THE COURT: I WANT TO ASK A QUESTION, DOCTOR. IN
22 READING GOD-MEN, WHEN YOU DID, DID YOU THEN CHECK SOME OF THE
23 MATERIAL THAT WAS STATED THERE TO SEE WHETHER OR NOT THE
24 STATEMENTS AS MADE WERE TRUE OR NOT?

25 THE WITNESS: NO, I DID NOT. THE FIRST TIME THAT
26 I READ THE GOD-MEN I WAS INVOLVED IN SOME OTHER PROJECTS AND I
27 HAD -- I GOT IT, I READ IT. I READ THE BIOGRAPHY OF WATCHMAN
28 NEE THAT ANGUS KANEER HAD WRITTEN AND THERE IS ANOTHER BOOK ON