

acceptance of the person of Jesus. How can there be such unity in the denominational setup of today when by and large the person of Jesus is regarded as a semi-Historical, non-Divine, human being of only slightly better faculties than our current theologians? The answer seems to be obvious. If Calvin were here today, he would denounce this situation as soundly as he denounced the Papal control.

Continuing this theme, but no longer in the allegory, Calvin says,

"The most serious charge of all is, that we have attempted to dismember the spouse of Christ. - But I will not admit the charge unless you can make out that the spouse of Christ is dismembered by those who desire to present her as a chaste virgin to Christ,"-

In other words, we have not hurt the body of Christ in our schism. Our separation has been to maintain the purity of that body. And so it is with the Separatist movement in this day and age. It is not an attempt to remove wheat from tares, but an attempt to continue the purity and the true unity of faithful believers in Jesus Christ.

There is one interesting aspect in Calvin's writing to Sadoleto which might be well mentioned here and that is what seems to be almost an autobiographical note contained in the allegory section.

"One thing, in particular, made me averse to those new teachers, (Reformers) viz., reverence for the Church. But when once I opened my ears, and allowed myself to be taught, I perceived that this fear of derogating from the majesty of the Church was groundless."