

which abrogated them was no longer a true Church and there was no longer any obligation on his or the part of any believer to maintain fellowship with it. It was not a case of breaking the unity of the Church. It was a necessary act to continue the true unity of the Church. If John Calvin were alive today, he would be not just a friend of the 20th Century Reformation Movement and the Separatist cause, he would be its foremost champion.

He would emphasize to us today the position that he emphasized in Geneva, a unity that began and ended in Jesus Christ, not in an indefinable person, but in Jesus Christ, the blessed Son of God, the Saviour of men, the Christ of the Scriptures. In such a manner, Calvin struggled to maintain a testimony at Geneva, and gave birth to the Reformed movement. And so today he would augment our cause with an equal amount of vigor, that a Separatist testimony is the only testimony which honors the true body of Jesus Christ.

Those who cite Calvin as being an authority for continuing an organizational unity on the mere basis of the fact that it has some good creedal statements, simply overlook the facts and are not dealing with pure Calvin. The Roman Catholic Church still held the creeds of the first three councils, but in its polluted position it did them no honor. And such might be said of Churches which today professedly uphold such glorious statements as the Westminster Confession, the Heidelberg Confession, the Augsburg Confession, the 39 Articles, and similar state-