

April 22, 1960

Dr. Paul Minear
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Dear Dr. Minear:

Two bound copies of my dissertation have been sent to the Hall of Graduate Studies. I mailed them April 12, so they doubtless have been received.

I have earnestly endeavored to correct the errors and inadequacies which were noted earlier by the committee. I hope this revision will be judged acceptable, and I am truly chagrined that I did not take the care to work out these stylistic inadequacies in the earlier manuscript. I was pleased that Dr. Niebuhr wrote in a recent letter that he expected no trouble whatsoever this time around. Thank you for your counsel when you were in Dallas. It was a helpful conversation. I recall, on that occasion, you commented that if I got the dissertation in early that I might receive an earlier reply. I had hoped to get it in by March 15, but I ran about a month behind, (partly due to delay in binding the manuscript). I am wondering when a reply might be forthcoming, or if I should not expect one prior to the usual time of announcement. I have still not decided on a teaching position for next fall, but I have an offer from Phillips University Seminary (Disciples) in Enid, Oklahoma, under serious consideration.

Best wishes to you.

Yours truly,

Thomas C. Oden

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April 22, 1962

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Dear Dr. Rabinowitz:

Two bound copies of the dissertation have been sent to the Hall of Graduate Studies. I would like to thank you for the copies that have been received.

I have extremely endeavored to correct the errors and imprecisions which were noted earlier by the committee. I hope this revision will be judged acceptable, and I am truly grateful that I did not take the time to work out these corrections myself. In the earlier manuscript, I was pleased that Dr. Rabinowitz had a recent letter which stated no change whatsoever was necessary. Thank you for your counsel when you were in office. It was a helpful conversation. I recall, on that occasion, you mentioned that if I had the dissertation in early April, I might receive an earlier reply. I had hoped to get it in by late 15, but I had about a month before, I had to delay in printing the manuscript. I am grateful that a reply might be forthcoming, or if I should not expect one prior to the time of submission. I have still not had a reply from the committee for next fall, but I have no other projects at the moment. (Discussed in this connection, under other correspondence.)

Best wishes to you.

Yours truly,

Thomas D. Olsen

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