

MR. BENCE: Of course not.

WITNESS: My point about that is this. The regulation really says, "we think that a minister of the gospel ought to be exempted because he is in covenant with God to preach." But because Jehovah's witnesses object to the whole idea of dividing the world into sects and denominations, then the thing does not apply to them. Those who in truth and in sincerity believe the word of God, and say, "I am a minister of the gospel" and who put in 150, 175 or 200 hours a month doing that very work -- they take no salary for it--purely on the Christian principle of devotion to God -- those are people who should have had provision for them, and it is not so.

BY MR. BLACK:

Q. Do you consider that a Jehovah's witness ordained by God should not do all he can to defend the freedom of this country against dictators such as Hitler, even by his own personal effort, if he is a young man of military age and fit to serve his country? Surely your position is not tenable. A. Well, it may not be. I say this, that the scripture gives a commission and ordains -- and the only ordination. that means anything in the sight of Almighty God is this. In the sixty-first chapter of the Book of **Isaiah**, verse 1, it says:

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound."

That is the only ordination. that counts for anything.

BY MR. DUPUIS:

Q. That does not answer Mr. Black's question.