

**Emotion and fire**

**Make Christian revolution**

Evangelist Leighton Ford socked it to 'em in SUB theatre Tuesday noon.

Some came to be entertained, some came to reinforce their faith and many came looking for solutions. Whatever the 800 people who jammed into the theatre were looking for, Dr. Ford gave it to them in a low-key speech on his personal beliefs and his concepts of Christianity.

He began, "Fellow revolutionaries," and proceeded to outline his own type of revolution.

"We have squeezed out the emotional part of life," he said. "We need some emotion or fire in Christian belief today."

Dr. Ford said the world entered this century full of optimism, feeling this was the century where the major problems facing mankind would be solved.

The problems of "the meanness of human life and the meaninglessness of much of human existence, remain to be solved," he said.

"History is not a dead end. It has a last chapter, written by God."

Without spiritual education at the university, "all we're doing is turning out smart devils," said Dr. Ford.

He next turned to his own Christian beliefs.

"The world is made up of two kinds of people: people who know they are phonies and people who don't. A Christian is one who knows he's a phony," he said.

"Unless you be converted . . . you cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven," he said but "Christian life is not a great struggle for the unattainable."

"We preachers used to say, 'I believe, now we say' 'the Judea-Christian tradition confirms,'" he quipped.

"I'm interested in building the kingdom of Leighton Ford," he said.

Dr. Ford answered a scattering of questions.

Asked about non-Christian religions, he described them as "broken lights" and "mere pieces of the real thing. Anyone who dedicates himself to any belief is searching for God."

Dr. Ford supported student power and students on decision-making bodies and he expressed his opposition to the Pope's encyclical on birth control.

He said the use of drugs was searching for God but that Christ was a better way.

His pet peeve? Dr. Ford said the type of Christianity described in Pierre Berton's book "The Comfortable Pew" was "the cardinal sin" and it "keeps more people away from the true Christ."



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