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Book Review (June 1957)

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The Message Of Sinai by Fredk A. Tatford Litt. D. — Victory Press, London, England.

It is hoped that this unusual explanatory and instructive treatise will have a very extensive reception among our readers and that it will be given a very intensive perusal.

The clarity and the frankness with which Dr. Tatford discusses the details of the decalogue are admireable. He rightly insists that the ten commandments impose a moral obligation upon the peoples of today. He explains that while the ceremonial law found its fulfilment in Christ, the moral law remains as an expression of God in His holiness. That the law reveals the sin of man and that in this respect it prepares the soul for the work of grace, is taught in the book. Dr. Tatford makes it clear that Calvary is the complement of Sinai.

The high and holy standards of each commandment in the Mosiac economy are expounded in corresponding chapters.

One lays down the book with the deep conviction that the God who gave the law (Praise His name, He is also the God of Grace) will not lower any of His divine standards to accommodate the weaknesses of humanity.

This small forcefully written volume is most timely in our day of lawlessness. Although it is small it contains a weighty subject which will be of greater value in daily living than in the book case; nevertheless, it is worthy of a prominent place in every Christian’s library.

Price, $1.20, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W. Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (July 1957)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 3 No. 7, July 1957.

Leaves From the Tree of Life — Robert McClurkin, Walterick Publishers, Topeca, Kansas, U.S.A.

The Christian pilgrim, like any other pilgrim, is in need of shelter from exposure, rest from weariness, comfort from anxiety, refreshment from fatigue, and recovery from exhaustion. Robert McClurkin, a fellow-pilgrim, realizing these facts, out of the knowledge of the Word of God and out of personal experience seeks to provide through these “Leaves from the Tree of Life” the necessary comfort, strength, and inspiration for such pilgrim saints.

There is a “Leaf” for each month in the year: for January, “The Presence of the Unchanging Christ”; for February, “Perhaps this Year;” for March, “Thou Art with Me;” and so on throughout the entire twelve months. This paper bound book is excellent for personal inspiration as well as for the encouragement of others, especially those in affiction and those who are shut in.

Price $1.00 Christian Book Room.

Why The Cross — H. E. Guillebaud, Inter-Varsity Fellowship 36 Bedford Square, London, W.C.I.

This is not a new volume, but it is an important one in the field of Christian doctrine. It has been blessed of the Lord; the second edition already has had three printings.

The author cites some of the objections to the teaching of the substitutionary atonement of Christ, and from the

Holy Scriptures meets these objections in a forceful and apologetic manner.

The character of God is carefully examined in His goodness and severity; the nature of man is likewise investigated, and the cross-work of Christ is Bibically explained. The author’s remarks on the meaning of the blood of Christ in chapter VIII are most significant. This small work may be used not only in the field of Christian Apologetics, but also as a text book of instruction.

Price $1.20, Christian Book Room 853 Bloor St. W. Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Aug 1957)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 3 No. 8, Aug 1957.

The Atonement — F. W. Grant, Loizeaux Brothers, Inc. 19 West 21 Street, New York 10, U.S.A.

Since there is no word that expresses the work of Christ upon the cross in all its fulness, the word Atonement has been given, through long use, a general meaning in order to point out that great accomplishment through which man has an access before God.

Mr. F. W. Grant has sought to follow through all the Scriptures the Atonement of Christ in type, prophecy, and accomplishment.

This volume is not a systematic statement of the doctrine of the Atonement, but a detailed examination of the subject as it is progressively revealed in all the Word of God.

Some might consider the premise upon which Mr. Grant rests his entire line of study as somewhat secondary; namely, man's need. He says, "Death then, and after death the judgment: this is man's natural portion; these are the two things from which he needs to be delivered." Several able scholars who also have written upon this subject have rested their research rather upon the character of God, His absolute holiness. To this reviewer that actually is the primary reason for the Atonement.

We highly recommend this volume to our readers. A careful perusal will increase ones intelligence of the subject and ones appreciation of Christ.

It is impossible to read this treatise without noticing the oneness of the Holy Bible.

There are over one hundred pages given to the subject in the Old Testament, and well over one hundred developing the subject from the New Testament.

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Book Review (Sept 1957)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 3 No. 9, Sept 1957.

Archeology And The Old Testament. M. F. Unger — Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Every Bible student should read a book on the important subject of Biblical Archeology. The archeologist with his spade has made many significant discoveries, discoveries that have enlightened difficult passages of Scripture, that have substantiated Biblical claims, that have evinced prophetic fulfilment, that have confirmed spiritual faith, and that have silenced critics of the Word of God.

Dr. Unger has given us a volume that is modern, accurate, devout, and thoroughly evangelical; moreover, a volume that is most readable.

The Doctor compares for us the Biblical and the ancient Babylonian accounts of creation and the flood. He leads us through the contemporary history of Abraham, and enables us to see the patriarch in the circumstances of his own times. He also studies for us the dates and the proofs of the Exodus of Israel from Egypt in the light of comparatively recent discoveries.

Some of the difficulties of Hezekiah’s day are appreciated as we learn of Sennacherib’s invasion of Judah, and our faith in God is strengthened.

The Old Testament seems to glow with new wonders as we read it with the help of Dr. Unger’s excellent work.

This treatise is highly recommended, and it is hoped that it will be secured and used by many.

Price $4.95, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Oct 1957)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 3 No. 10, Oct 1957.

Interpretation And Inspiration, John F. Walvoord — Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., Grand Rapids, Mich., U.S.A.

This is a volume for the more advanced student of the Bible. He will be attracted by the honesty and candour of both the contributors and the editor. As is suggested by the title, this work is an investigation into the teaching of the doctrine of Inspiration and into the methods of interpretation as these were held and practised by prominent leaders throughout Church history.

The volume represents much painstaking effort, and may be considered an enquiry into truth and error as these exist in Christendom. Its careful perusal reveals the weaknesses of even great men.

The earlier sections deal with the loyalty of Irenaeus to the Scriptures, the allegorizing of Augustine, the place of the Bible in the Reformation, John Calvin's stress upon Divine Sovereignty, Wesley's meaning of inner light. The closing sections expose the spirit of departure and compromise in such men as Dr. Sanday, and uncover the fallacy of so-called Neo-orthodoxy as taught by Drs. Brunner and Niebuhr and those associated with them.

The closing words by Dr. Henry are pregnant with meaning: "The controversy raised by what men say about the Bible is a matter of changing fashion. But the controversy engendered by what the Bible says about men is agelong, and upon the way each man settles this turns the eternal destiny of the human soul."

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Book Review (Nov 1957)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 3 No. 11, Nov 1957.

Bible Problems And Answers — Hoste And Rodgers, John Ritchie Limited, Kilmarnock, Scotland.

The cautious mind hesitates to rely much upon the Question and Answer column of any magazine because of the tendency among certain writers to attempt an answer to every problem, assuming a wisdom and knowledge they do not possess; and because of the tendency to attach to them an inerrancy never intended.

It is pleasing to review this volume and feel that it is an exception to the first of these observations.

The Foreword describes the authors as men who avoided extremes, yet remained inwardly faithful to principles which they believed were derived from the Scriptures, and as men who never wavered in their adherence to what they had learned.

These men did not assume to solve all problems; notice Mr. Hoste on Rev. 22:1-5, and at times they graciously and courteously differed with each other; notice the question and answer on page 7.

These answers are characterized by deep spiritual insight, profound conviction, scholarly approach, and, yet, by a tolerance with the lack of unholy dogmatism.

The compilers are to be complimented for making this excellent material readily accessible through a systematic arrangement and helpful indexes.

The volume is highly recommended. It is hoped that it will not only find a place on the reference shelf, but that its truth and spirit may find a place in our hearts.

Price $4.50, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Dec 1957)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 3 No. 12, Dec 1957.

The Sin Of Sectarianism —Andrew Stenhouse, Christian Book Room, Toronto, Canada.

This work might be called an examination of sectarianism in its numerous ramifications as these are detected among those who profess to repudiate its baneful influences.

One may not agree with each premise established by the author; nevertheless, the general foundation upon which his logic rests and the clarity of his arguments attest the correctness of his conclusions.

This Treatise evidences deep spiritual exercise as well as considerable research in both Biblical interpretation and Church history.

Mr. Stenhouse attempts to reach the conscience, touch the heart, and bring the will of the Lord as revealed for the New Testament Church.

It is the hope that the book will have a very extensive reading among the churches of the saints, and that through its ministry there may be a prompt return to simplicity toward Christ in ecclesiastical matters.

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Book Review (Jan 1958)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 4 No. 1, Jan 1958.

Christian Commitment—Edward John Carnell, The MacMillan Company, New York.

Dr. Carnell explains the character of his book, “This is a book on Christian apologetics.”

Apologetics is a disciplined systematic study which submits evidences that prove the reality of Christianity.

Apologetics has its limits as the conclusion to the closing chapter states, “It cannot, even as it would not want to, encroach on the preaching ministry of the Church. God is a living person, but God Himself must be encountered in the dynamic of personal fellowship.”

The value of this volume lies in the fact that it leads one through deep logical and progressive thinking into a broader knowledge of the being of things. The sum and substance of the eleven chapters is an extensive presentation of the principles involved in the statement of Christ, “If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine” (John 7:17). The unreserved commital of oneself to any aspect of truth must result in a knowledge of its reality, and an understanding of its implications.

This book is not for the light or indolent reader, but the student of Christian evidences will appreciate its excellence.

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Book Review (Feb 1958)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 4 No. 2, Feb 1958.

Protestant Biblical Interpretation. Bernard Ramm. W. A. Wilde Co., Boston, Mass.

The Average Protestant Christian appreciates his right to interpret the Bible for himself. However, he may not always recognize the nature and importance of the principles whereby his interpretations should be made. These principles are outlined and discussed by Dr. Ramm in this most useful and illuminating volume.

Correct principles of interpretation are essential to a proper understanding of God's Word. Between the minds of Bible writers and Bible readers there are vast differences in language, culture, geography, and history. These differences must be resolved in accordance with sound, hermeneutical principles if the interpreter is to avoid inaccurate, distorted or false conclusions.

Dr. Ramm reviews the history of Biblical interpretation, making brief reference to four schools of thought; allegorical, literal, devotional, and orthodox.

He then defines and describes in detail the conservative, Protestant system of hermeneutics, a system of principles which should be mastered completely by each minister of God's Word.

Dr. Ramm also provides a good deal of practical help for all Bible readers in his chapters on General Hermeneutical Maxims, Doctrinal Use of the Bible, Practical Use of the Bible, and The Problem of Inerrancy and Secular Science in Relation to Hermeneutics.

The concluding chapters are devoted to three special hermeneutical topics: Typology, The Interpretation of Prophecy, and The Interpretation of Parables.

The subject matter of this volume is organized carefully, treated thoroughly, and presented clearly. Every attentive reader who is genuinely interested in the correct principles of interpreting the Bible will find this book to be absorbing, instructive, and quite possibly, corrective.

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Book Review (Mar 1958)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 4 No. 3, Mar 1958.

The Seven Words From The Cross, Dr. R. G. Turnbull — Baker Book House, Grand Rapids 6, Mich. U.S.A.

All Who Really Appreciate The Blessed Evangelical Faith Of The Bible Will Thoroughly Enjoy This Small Volume. In His Exposition Of The Seven Sayings Of Our Lord Upon The Cross, Dr. Turnbull Writes His Treatment With Imagination And Yet With Conservatism, And With A Pleasant Absence Of Speculation.

The Message Of Each Statement Of The Master Appears In A Separate Chapter, And Is Made Relevant To The Present.

Here Is True Devotional Reading Which Is Fundamental In Doctrine, Instructive In Method, And Inspirational In Style.

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The Sin Of Sectarianism, Andrew Stenhouse, Chile — Christian Book Room, Toronto.

This book already has been reviewed in this magazine. Many have secured their copies, and have reported blessing and help. They not only have found in its pages a solution to some of their church problems, but they have found guidance in their church fellowship. This arises from the fact that the author bases his teaching upon Holy Scripture, and not on the policies and traditions of men.

Price $2.00, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W. Toronto, Canada.

The Book Review (Apr 1958)

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Book Review

Thy Word Is Truth, Edward J. Young — Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., Grand Rapids, Mich., U.S.A.

Here is an excellent volume on a most important subject, the divine Inspiration of the Bible. This is a book that common people can read and enjoy for it is written lucidly, logically, and forcefully.

The author exposes the so-called modern scientific (?) approach to the Bible. He explains what actually is meant by God-breathed Scriptures.

With marked ability, he distinguishes between revelation and inspiration and discusses the importance of the work of translation.

The remarks relative to the human writers of the Scriptures are par-excellent and should be read and reread by every evangelical Christian.

A careful perusal of the closing chapter will give a splended explanation of the apparent discrepancies found in the Scriptures.

Price $3.50, The Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. West, Toronto, Ontario.

The Seven Sayings Of The Saviour On The Cross, Arthur W. Pink — Bible Truth Depot, Swen-gel Pa. U.S.A.

Mr. Pink is at his best in this small work. His keen insight, his remarkable ability in the field of Bibical exposition, his loyalty to the Holy Scriptures, and his

devotion to Christ all serve to unfold the hidden meaning of these words from the cross of Christ.

Each saying of the suffering Saviour is carefully examined in seven respective chapters.

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Book Review (May 1958)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 4 No. 5, May 1958.

The Apostolic Preaching Of The Cross — Dr. Leon Morris, Wm. B. Erdmans Publishing Company, Grand Rapids, Mich.

There is no subject of greater importance than that of the atonement of Christ, and there is no message for the world of greater importance than that of the gospel of Christ. Any work that will deepen our appreciation of the former and broaden our understanding of the latter is worthy of our attention. Dr. Morris, in this book, has accomplished these. His book is especially for the Bible student, but may be read by all who are willing to engage in an intensive examination of the cardinal truths of the gospel.

The contents of this volume remind one of the statement of the Apostle Paul, “For the preaching (word) of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.” (1 Cor. 1:18)

The method by which the matter is treated inspires confidence. Such subjects as Redemption, Covenant, The Blood, Propitiation, Reconciliation, and Justification are approached in the manner of a word study. The different words which the Holy Spirit used to convey these spiritual ideas to us are carefully examined both in their derivation and in their usage.

This is not a book to be read hurriedly, but carefully and attentively. It is a work that should be read repeatedly and consulted frequently until its doctrinal material is absorbed by the spiritual man.

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Book Review (June 1958)

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Health Shall Spring Forth — Paul E. Adolph M.D., Moody Press, Chicago.

In a day when hypertension with its baneful effects upon the physical and emotional system of the Christian increases, such a book as this should be of inestimable value. The world of literature places much emphasis upon psychology, very frequently a psychology based upon unscriptural premise, and through this there is little relief for the distressed believer.

The author is well trained for the task imposed upon him. He has served the Lord as a missionary in China, his country as an officer in the Army Medical Corps, and now is serving the student body as an instructor in medicine.

Unlike many volumes which propose a means of relief from nervous tension, this book is readable, its explanations are simple, its illustrations plain, and its language clear.

Dr. M. R. DeHaan M.D. in his introduction states in a most concise manner Dr. Adolph's approach to release from mental burdens: "There can be no permanent release from all these ills except by a recognition of the scriptural and spiritual answer to this question of inner peace … Man must get into proper relation to God through a new birth by faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God, and then and only then can he approach the High Priest of our salvation, and find the peace of God which passeth understanding."

The chapter entitled, “The Obstetrics of the New Birth,” is very illuminating, and should be read carefully by all evangelical Christians. Its truths are so basic.

Another pertinent chapter is the one entitled, “Decisive Living.” This surely ought to be the objective of all Christians.

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Book Review (July 1958)

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Thirty Years A Watch Tower Slave — William J. Schnell, Baker Book House, Grand Rapids 6, Michigan, U.S.A.

W. J. Schnell was converted to the Lord in a Lutheran Sunday School while only a boy of 12 years. In the early days of his Christian experience, he enjoyed the warm fellowship of earnest Bible students in Berlin, Germany. Through crafty machinations he became associated with the Watch Tower organization, and was brought under the baneful influence of its teaching. In its regional office, he learnt much of its organization, and had every opportunity to appraise its doctrines.

In this volume, the author describes the intricacies of the system, and the errors of its doctrines, as well as the subtle and satanic power that overwhelms even true believers.

The seven-step indoctrination program practised by the so-called Jehovah's Witnesses, and described by Mr. Schnell, reveals the sagacity and the tenacity with which these teachers of error seduce the people. To understand these methods enables one to combat these forces of evil.

While it is a surprise to find a genuine believer in Christ and in the Bible so deceived by unsound doctrine; nevertheless, there can be traced throughout the chapters the inward conflict of a soul, and the suspicions and fears of an honest mind.

It is gratifying to find in chapter 20 that spiritual exercise crystalizes into clear thinking, and eventually into definite action.

The book appears authoritative, and certainly exposes the evil practice and evil doctrine of this spurious religion.

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Book Review (Aug 1958)

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Life In A Look, Maurice Baldwin — Christian Book Room, Toronto, Canada.

Here is a spiritual classic upon the subject of the new birth. It was written for general reading by the late Bishop of Huron.

The four chapters treat such important matters as “The Necessity of the New Birth,” “The Nature of the New Birth,” “Regeneration — with Christ on the Cross,” and “Looking unto Jesus — growth in Grace.”

This booklet is an excellent help to any who may show an interest in personal salvation, for it is lucidly written. It is also a splendid doctrinal treatise, and answers a number of difficulties which, from time to time, arise in the younger Christians’ thoughts.

Price 35 cents, Christian Book Room 853 Bloor St. W. Toronto, Canada.

Godly Self Control, Dr. A. T. Pierson — Prairie Book Room, Three Hills, Alberta, Canada.

One is thankful to God for the re-appearance of this valuable little book. Its reprinting is most timely, because the standard of Christian ethics today is very very low.

Dr. Pierson, in his inimitable style, deals with that godly self-discipline that controls thoughts, words, and deeds, self-discipline that regulates conduct and companionship, habits and moods, purposes and relaxation,

This small volume is permeated with spiritual sagacity, with pastoral earnestness, and with both insight and foresight.

While one is greatly benefited by the reading of such a work as this, true lasting effects are the result of a diligent practising of the sane and scriptural principles found within its pages.

The control of our thoughts would result in greater inward peace and pleasure. The governing of our moods would preserve us from causing unnecessary offence toward others, and the proper regulation of our tongues would save us and others from much distress. We recommend a careful perusal of each page.

Price 50 cents, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor Street W. Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Sept 1958)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 4 No. 9, Sept 1958.

Baptism, Johannes Warns — The Paternoster Press, London, England.

Here we have an extensive study in the doctrine of Christian baptism, a review of the different methods practised in the historical Church, and an examination of the ecclesiastical conflicts that have raged around this important ordinance.

The Foreword was written by Erich Sauer, the author of several most helpful volumes to Bible students. Although written originally in German, it has been translated into English by G. H. Lang.

It is a great pity that the holy ordinance of baptism has been modified, corrupted, and even abused throughout the centuries, but here is a reliable work that exposes the errors connected with this subject, and that presents the positive teaching of the Word of God regarding it.

The book, as a whole, is sound, sane, and logical; and, as usual in such works, there are several chapters which are of outstanding value, for they meet contemporary needs. Chapter 3, for instance, is such an one in that it deals with the matter of infant baptism.

The historical aspect of the volume is not to be underestimated for this enables one more clearly to grasp some of the difficulties which arise from traditional and denominational prejudices, and to accept some of the Scriptural solutions offered.

Recommended for all students of Christian doctrine.

Price $3.00, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Oct 1958)

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Living Reliantly — J. Allen Blair, Loiseaux Bros. Inc., New York, U.S.A.

An excellent exposition of the much beloved Psalm 23 which elucidates its meaning, stimulates meditation upon its contents, and refreshes the soul.

Each chapter deals with a separate clause of the poem, and presents some aspect of the shepherd ministry of the Lord Jesus toward His own. Moreover, each chapter contains words of counsel and warning.

The author graphically pictures our walk with the Great Shepherd from our first acquaintance with Him until we reach home, Heaven.

This little volume makes a splendid gift for any Christian ignorant of the ways of the Lord, or for any distressed by circumstances of life.

Price $2.00, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Canada.

Baptism, Into What Name? —William Agnew, Gospel Folio Press, Grand Rapids, U.S.A.

This paper covered booklet presents the work and exercise of William Agnew over a period of years. In it, he uses selected manuscripts and articles by eminent Bible scholars. These, he combines into one uniform treatise. The work deals with the manner of Christian baptism as set forth in the Holy Scriptures, and as expounded by those mentioned in the preface. It is concise, clear, and convincing, and should settle any

reasonable question relative to the formula that should be used during the baptismal act.

Recommended to all who would know the ways of the Lord more perfectly.

Price 25 cents. Christian Book Room 853 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Nov 1958)

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Jonathan Edwards The Preacher — Ralph G. Tumbull, Baker Book House, Grand Rapids, Mich.

This is more than a biography of an eminent Puritan preacher, it is an analysis of his personality as this was manifest in his Christian service. Furthermore, it is an analysis of his style of preaching and his method of writing.

Although Edwards lived in the 18th century, he presents to the servant of Christ today, a real challenge in the pathway of duty and diligence.

He sought to serve his own generation with true conformity to the divine light he had received. He worked incessantly, studied carefully, preached earnestly, and wrote thoughtfully.

Edwards possibly is best known today by his sermon, “Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God.” His doctrinal sermon, “The Sovereignty of God” (Rom. 9:18), should be perused by gospel preachers of this day. This is a rebuke to the shallow thinking of our generation.

Price $3.95, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Canada.

Edwards’ Sermon Outlines — Sheldon B. Quincea, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Grand Rapids, Mich.

This volume contains some of Jonathan Edwards’ best. They manifest his careful preparation, deep understanding of the Word of God, and his concern to make God’s will known to man.

Price $2.50, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W. Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Dec 1958)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 4 No. 12, Dec 1958.

An Analysis Of The Gospel Of Mark — Harold St. John, Pickering and Inglis Ltd., London, England.

John Mark gives us a record of the labours of Jehovah's Perfect Servant; not as an eye-witness, but as he had learned of them from Peter. He wrote especially for the benefit of Roman Christians in order that they enjoy those incidents that he had heard Peter narrate so frequently.

Mr. St John treats this Gospel in a most extraordinary manner. An analysis is only a skeleton, and most skeletons are lifeless and ugly. This volume is much more than a mere analysis; it is full of action and vitality. Moreover, it is very informative, fragrantly spiritual, and definitely inspirational.

The author possessed a clear insight into the geography and the customs of the Holy Land at the time of Christ. This along with his profound knowledge of all parts of the Holy Scriptures, makes his work invaluable.

Highly recommended. Price, $3.00. Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W. Toronto, Canada.

Unger's Bible Dictionary — Merril F. Unger, Moody Press, Chicago, U.S.A.

Here, in one volume, is an excellent Bible Encyclopaedia. It has been prepared in the light of the latest historical, archaeological, and linguistic discoveries. There are many photographs, maps, and drawings, Everything humanly possible has been done to

give the exact and specific information the reader of the Bible needs.

This dictionary is most highly recommended. Price $8.95, Christian Book Room. 853 Bloor St. W. Toronto, Ontario.

Book Review (Feb 1959)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 5 No. 2, Feb 1959.

The Spreading Flame — F. F., Bruce, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co. Grand Rapids, Mich. U.S.A.

Actually, this volume contains three books: The Dawn of Christianity which introduces the story of the infant Church up to the fall of Jerusalem to Titus in A.D. 70. The Growing Day embraces Christian history from A.D. 70 through to the accession of the Roman Emperor Constantine in A.D. 313. Light in the West presents the development of Christianity and Christendom throughout Europe until it spread to the English speaking world.

Dr. Bruce, professor of Biblical History and Literature at the University of Sheffield, England, not only knows Church history, but he makes that knowledge easily accessible in th's volume.

The author writes, "Christianity was organized for catastrophe." This the early Christians knew for Christ and His Apostles had forewarned them.

The trial and afflictions endured by the first century Christians appear as a challenge to the reader. It is obvious that the more they were persecuted the more they multiplied. They had a message of light, and the darkness could not confine it.

The primative Church was prepared to take up and carry forward the Lord's great commission in a spirit of obedience and devotion, and the results of her efforts were in evidence all over the world.

This volume is not only informative, but it is a challenge to be considered by the Church on earth today.

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Book Review (Mar 1959)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 5 No. 3, Mar 1959.

THE SUFFERING SAVIOUR, Meditations on the Last Days of Christ. F. W. Krummacher. Moody Press, Chicago, 1947. 440 pp.

One of the Wycliffe Series of Christian Classics, this splendid volume of spiritual meditations cannot fail to inspire the believing heart with a fresh and lively devotion to the Man of Sorrows, the Suffering Saviour. In the first part of the volume, the author takes the reader through “The Outer Court”, beginning with “The Announcement” (“Behold the Lamb of God”), and culminating with “The Converse by the Way” to Gethsemane. Then, in “The Holy Place”, the coldest heart must warm and melt with awe and bow in reverent worship in the presence of the Saviour Who suffered so much at the hands of His creatures as well as of His God.

Price $4.00 Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Canada.

THE EVIDENCE OF THE RESURRECTION. J. N. D. Anderson. Inter-Varsity Fellowship, 39 Bedford Sq., London, W.C. 1, England, 1950. 16 pp.

Here is a brief but scholarly treatise on a subject too little understood and too seldom emphasized amongst Christians today. After first describing the scriptural documentary evidence, the author then proceeds to demonstrate the futility of various human and naturalistic explanations of the empty tomb and the resurrection story. In conclusion, he summarizes the

evidence still to be observed in the world today. Both this and the preceding booklet by Dr. Smith make excellent reading especially for senior high school and university students.

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Book Review (Apr 1959)

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The Sin of Sectarianism, Andrew Stenhouse, Chile.

Already, a second edition of this work has become necessary. Words of commendation and reports of definite help received from a perusal of this book have been received. The first issue was quickly sold out, making another printing imperative.

Criticisms have also been made, as would be understood, for while we know that on occasions a lance must be used before healing can be expected, the flesh shrinks from the lance.

The pernicious effects of sectarianism, as these corrupt our simplicity toward Christ, are scripturally exposed. The detrimental influence of this blight upon the testimony of a local church is conscientiously examined.

In this volume, some of the disturbing problems which arise among sincere Christians are discussed. Moreover, the author expeditiously expounds the Word of God relative to the constitution and responsibility of the New Testament Church. He deals with the matter of ministry, discipline, and administration. In his treatment of these and other subjects, brother Stenhouse raises warnings enforced by illustrations of the weaknesses and failure manifest in Church history.

The two chapters, Circles of Fellowship and Causes of Sectarianism might have been amplified because of their importance. These chapters should be repeatedly read and their contents carefully noticed.

Price — Cloth cover, $2.00. Paper cover, $1.25. Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (May 1959)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 5 No. 5, May 1959.

The Son of His Love, W. J. Hocking.

A reprint of this splendid defence of the doctrine of Christ has recently been made. Originally published in 1946, this treatise contains, as the introduction states, a series of papers written to consider what Scripture teaches concerning the Eternal Sonship of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The denial of this truth is such an affront to the glory of the essential being of our blessed Lord, it is gratifying to follow an exposition which not only exposes the error, but in a positive approach substantiates from the Word of God this vital truth.

There will be found in this small volume that which will satisfy both the heart and the intellect.

The premise of the author is clearly stated thus: first, that the Lord's Eternal Sonship is involved in His own words, "I came forth from the Father"; second, that His revelation of the Father, and our association for blessing with the Son form the essence of Christianity; third, that the denial of the Eternal Sonship of Christ Jesus is anti-Christian in its effect, since it impairs the doctrines of the Father and the Son.

This is an excellent refutation of the errors of Unitarianism, Christadelphianism, Christian Science, and all modern cults that deny Christ was the Son of God from Eternity in virtue of His own essential being.

Price $1.30, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W. Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (June 1959)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 5 No. 6, June 1959.

Jehovah of the Watch Tower—Walter R. Martin and Norman H. Klann, Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich., U.S.A.

The propaganda of the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society indubitably is responsible for the phenomenal growth of the Russellite movement, a pseudo-religio movement which began as a small Bible class at Pittsburg, Pa., in the 1870's and appears now as a very large international organization.

Under the different names which the movement from time to time has assumed, Russellite, Millennial Dawn, Jehovah's Witnesses (a misnomer), the society, the spokesman of which is the Watch Tower, has publicized its false doctrines and spurious expositions of the Holy Scriptures.

One is truly thankful to the Lord for the patient research behind this Complete Exposé. The scholarly authors disclose the true character of the originators and systematically investigate their unscriptural teachings.

The falsehood, pride, and blasphemy of their founders, the deception and contradiction which have characterized their history, and the indefatigable and relentless efforts of their emissaries make the so-called Jehovah's Witnesses the greatest challenge to evangelical Christianity today.

Christians must awake, and stand fast in defence of the truth of God. May this volume be blessed of God in the accomplishment of this end.

Price, Cloth $2.50; Paper, $1.50. Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (July 1959)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 5 No. 7, July 1959.

Unity, William Bunting — John Ritchie Ltd., Publishers, Kilmarnock, Scotland.

This booklet appears as the answer to many a heart-prayer. The dreadful spirit of disintegration, the fondling of carnality, which has blighted the testimony of the assemblies is causing much exercise on the part of many. How true are the words of R. C. Chapman as quoted by brother Bunting, “God holds in His own hand the golden bowl of the Church’s unity unbroken, but the earthly replica committed to us we have smashed to atoms.”

Shame upon us!

The writer of this booklet sanely and scripturally has considered this subject from many different angles, and while he modestly refuses any claim to an exhaustive study; nevertheless, he has examined both the scriptural teaching and the contempory practice among assemblies in a very thorough manner.

Here is a forceful appeal for unity and a more joyous and intimate fellowship among the assemblies of the saints. Notwithstanding, the writer does not fail to stress as equally important the pathway of loyalty and separation. He fearlessly states the dangers of compromise and co-existence.

There is a depth of spirituality in these pages; they breathe of deep concern for the people of God, and are characterized by the spirit of the Master Who prayed,

“That they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that Thou hast sent Me.”

These chapters previously received considerable acceptance through the magazine, Assembly Testimony. It is hoped that in their present form they may be given a very much wider distribution among the saints.

This Editor would suggest the purchasing of a number of copies, and the circulation of these among responsible brethren.

Price, 30c. Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor Street W., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Aug 1959)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 5 No. 8, Aug 1959.

“Is There Not a Cause?” Words of Faith, Box 41, Grand Rapids, Mich., U.S.A.

The subtitle of this pamphlet, A Call to Recovery, might well have been A Call to Repentance. The very appearance of the booklet intimates the great degree of declension from the simplicity toward Christ.

Brethren who have discerned the low spiritual condition among the assemblies of the saints have prepared this article. It is hoped that it may be read prayerfully and considered seriously in the presence of the Lord.

The evidences of departure are graciously indicated, and so also are the dangers of extremes and the injuries suffered by the evangelical testimony in many localities.

Because of the importances of this paper, we suggest that a number be purchased and distributed among responsible brethren, and among the Lord’s servants both at home and abroad.

Price 15 cents. Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Sept 1959)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 5 No. 9, Sept 1959.

THE MIDDLE EAST — War Theatre of Prophecy, Dr. Fredk. A. Tatford, Litt. D. Advent Testimony and Preparation Movement, Inc. Kingsway Hall, London, W.C. 2, England.

This booklet was received for review by this office only a few days ago; consequently, we do not have the Canadian or American prices, but suggest that 25 cents will cover both cost and postage.

The first reaction in the reading of these few chapters is one of surprise, if not shock. In reviewing contemporary books on prophecy, one is frequently repelled by the apparent speculative approach; there is little of that in Dr. Tatford's treatment of his subject.

He has acquainted himself well with his material which he has gathered from the Bible, current events, the statements of world leaders, and the writings of scientific societies and men.

A forceful impact results from the reading of each page, an impact which deepens the conviction and the Second Advent of Christ is much more imminent than many Christians think. That the Middle East has been, is, and will be the most important earthly centre in all God's purpose toward men, is obvious. From out of it, humanly speaking, came our salvation; to it, God will gather His enemies; upon it, He will pour out His final premillennial judgment.

This pamphlet deals with the nations of the Middle East identifying the ancient with the modern. It likewise deals with the natural resources of these nations, recent events affecting them, and Biblical prophecies concerning them.

In a most interesting chapter (5), the doctor treats of the future possible physical and geological changes in that area after the descent of Christ as King. Of course, he, in this connection, has a chapter on The Battle of Armageddon.

This pamphlet merits wide distribution. May many who read be aroused to the brevity of the time remaining for testimony.

The Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor Street West, Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Oct 1959)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 5 No. 10, Oct 1959.

He That is Spiritual, Lewis Sperry Chafer — Dunham Publishing Company, Findlay, Ohio, U.S.A.

The truths discussed in this exceedingly valuable volume could transform the life and service of every Christian and every church the world over, if only these truths were appreciated, appropriated, and experienced.

The general theme is “true spirituality” — “that quality of life in the child of God which satisfies and glorifies the Father.” After reviewing the three classes of men — natural, carnal, and spiritual — Dr. Chafer then presents a masterly, detailed, analysis and discussion of, first, the Holy Spirit’s ministry in relation to the believer; second, the conditions essential to spirituality.

He deals with such fundamental subjects as the ministry of the Spirit in restraining, reproving, regenerating, indwelling, baptizing, sealing, and filling. He also answers a number of questions for which many Christians cannot give a clear, scriptural answer: What is the Spirit’s filling; What spirituality is, and what it is not; What it is that grieves the Spirit; What it is that quenches the Spirit; What is a sacrificial life; What is meant by “walk in the Spirit”?

With clarity and force, he deals with the scriptural doctrines of perfection, sanctification, the Adamic nature, and the believer’s death with Christ.

In this reviewer’s opinion, it cannot be stated too strongly that the present divided and powerless state of

the Christian Church is purely the result of ignoring and neglecting the three basic requisites for true spirituality: “Grieve not the Holy Spirit”; “Quench not the Spirit”; and “Walk in the Spirit”.

Price $2.50. Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor St., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Nov 1959)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 5 No. 11, Nov 1959.

How to Understand and Influence Children (Ages 5, 6, 7, and 8), by Clyde M. Narramore, Ed. D. — Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich., 1957.

Few authors are as well equipped as Dr. Narramore for writing such a volume. Only 93 pages in length, this book demonstrates a notable breadth of experience and depth of insight in this vital field. Employed as a consulting psychologist with the public school system of Los Angeles County, Dr. Narramore combines professional competence and parental experience with an excellent knowledge of the Lord and the Word of God. The principles he expounds are just as sound biblically as they are psychologically.

Also skilled in the techniques of writing, the author is able to make these principles just as intelligible to the new teacher as to the one with years of experience. Although specially designed for those teaching children from five to eight years of age, the book can be warmly recommended to all teachers. In fact, the book is so readable that any Christian would enjoy it — truly a pleasure to peruse and an inspiration to study.

In his first chapter, “Teacher and Learning”, the author deals with many practical topics, including a simple plan for carrying out the week’s preparation of the Sunday school lesson and some helpful suggestions for presenting the lesson more effectively.

In the second chapter, “Ages and Stages”, he discusses the child’s development and its significance for Sunday

school teaching. This chapter is of special interest to parents as well as teachers.

In the last chapter, Dr. Narramore deals with the child's "Spiritual Development" and the many important ways in which it can be stimulated and encouraged by both parents and teachers.

Typical of the balance between psychological principles and spiritual emphasis is the author's stress on the spiritual life of the teacher.

"As Christians, our efforts are in vain unless they are energized by the Holy Spirit … God wants us to be well-trained, but first of all, He wants us to be men and women who are wholly dedicated to Him. If there has to be a choice, deep spirituality is much preferred to 'technical know-how'. As a psychologist, I am keenly aware of the importance of excellent training. But as I work with parents and teachers, I am deeply convinced that their greatest single need is close fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ!"

Dr. Narramore's book is both a contribution to excellent training and an encouragement to fellowship with our Lord: a volume which rates as an absolute "must" for every conscientious Sunday school teacher and superintendent.

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Price: in paper covers, $1.50; cloth $2.00.

Book Review (Jan 1960)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 6 No. 1, Jan 1960.

Many years ago a prominent American student of Bible prophecy said that there were two sandard expositions of the Book of the Revelation in the English language: one American, The Revelation of Christ by F. W. Grant, Loizeaux, New York; the other British, Exposition of the Revelation of Jesus Christ by Walter Scott, Bickering and Inglis, London.

It will be gratifying to many that the British standard on Revelation has reappeared. Several have enquired at The Christian Book Room regarding this excellent work. We are pleased that it is now available.

Walter Scott's explanation of this difficult book so full of strange symbolism evinces an immense amount of research. Carefully and meticulously he gives this in a very readable style. One is grateful to the Lord for the help from such a Learned Scholar.

The author accepts the futurist view for his interpretation, and as a premise believes that the main contentsof the Apocalypse await fulfilment. While the Church remains on earth, the greater accomplishments of prophecy will not develop.

In these days when there is much confusion among different schools of prophecy, the article entitled "The Celebrated Prophecy of 70 Weeks or 490 Years" is of much value.

Each chapter of the Revelation is treated individually and extensively.

This volume is highly recommended. In fact, the Reviewer feels that God's people would derive much more factual knowledge and spiritual understanding through its pages than through many of the current speculative, so called, hand books on prophecy.

While the cost seems considerable, it is as nothing in comparison to the profit acquired from a diligent study of this treatise.

Price $4.20, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor Street W., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Feb 1960)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 6 No. 2, Feb 1960.

Into the Light of Christianity, William J. Schnell — Baker Book House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.A.

This, in many respects, is a complement to the author's previous book, Thirty Years a Watchtower Slave. In the July number, 1958, Food for the Flock reviewed that earlier work. At that time we rejoiced in the author's deliverance from the cult of Jehovah's witnesses, but wondered where he stood in regard to historic fundamental Christianity. In this second volume he declares himself clearly.

He discusses at some length the seven areas of doubt which forced him to a biblical examination of Watchtower teaching. This candid investigation, along with the testimony of his dying father, eventually led him back to his early Christian faith.

With experience and knowledge he draws a contrast between this modern cult and the community of Christians as taught in the Bible, and shows a deep appreciation of intimate Christian fellowship.

At considerable length and in great detail, he contrasts the scriptural doctrine of eternal punishment with that taught by the Jehovah's Witnesses, and asserts, "Flesh denies hell because it wants to escape the penalty of sin."

The constitution of man in the image and likeness of God, he biblically explains, and exposes in this connection certain heresy.

The Lord Jesus he declares to be the Son of God in the truly bibical and unique sense, and accepts and states a sound trinitarian belief.

A second issue was called for within a month of its first printing. Hundreds who read Thirty Years a Watchtower Slave were delivered from the, meshes of this error. All should pray that a similar blessing might follow the perusal of Into the Light of Christianity.

Purchase, read, and distribute this examination of the teaching of the Jehovah’s Witnesses.

Price $2.95, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor Street W., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Mar 1960)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 6 No. 3, Mar 1960.

The Gift of Tongues, J. M. Davies — Scripture Literature Press, Bangalore 1, India.

This pamphlet is published in anticipation of a larger and more detailed treatise.

It is a small yet splendid enquiry into the features of this spectacular gift. The examination is made in the light of its historical manifestation, its relative value, its regulated exercise in the primitive Church, and its true purpose as a sign to Israel.

Naturally, we expect a much fuller treatment when the author produces his “Pentecost and Today —A Straight Course”; nevertheless, this excellent booklet is most instructive. No one interested in the subject should fail to read, especially, the first and last sections.

Small and inexpensive, it is exactly what is necessary for free distribution among those exposed to the errors which have invaded this field.

Price 10 cents, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor Street W., Toronto, Canada.

Healing, What Saith the Scriptures? Same Author and Printer.

This second pamphlet is also produced in anticipation of the larger work, “Pentecost and Today.”

The Author approaches the subject with sympathy and yet with candour. His examination of the falsities

involved in the teaching of healing in the atonement rests upon Scripture clearly and logically applied.

The exposition of the difficulties found in James 5:7-20, is sound and illuminating. One could wish that such an exposition were frequently given at Bible conferences.

This booklet is inexpensive and so suitable for distribution.

Price 15 cents, Christian Book Room, 853 Bloor Street W., Toronto Canada.

Book Review (Jun 1960)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 6 No. 6, Jun 1960.

In His Name — Food for the Flock, 853 Bloor Street W., Toronto, Ontario.

Here is a history full of information and instruction. The first chapters deal with the early movements in Toronto of those who gather in the Name of the Lord; the remainder of the book focuses attention upon the Central Assembly and those other Assemblies in the Metropolitan area which, either directly or indirectly, came into existence through its instrumentality.

The work represents many painstaking hours of research and investigation the results of which have been factually and concisely recorded.

There is so much disclosed by this account for which the heart is profoundly thankful to God. A knowledge of God’s power and guidance in the past encourages the heart, stimulates faith, and produces an attitude of reliance upon God.

Mr. Robertson, with exquisite delicacy mentions the failures and divisions which have marred the testimony of the saints and dishonoured the Lord only that lessons might be learned for contemporary times.

Realism faces the possible danger of unpleasant history being repeated, and it likewise accepts the warnings that recorded truth provides.

The many pictures and photographs which form an important part of this book make it a definite link with the past that all will enjoy.

Price, $2.00; either at Food for the Flock, 853 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Canada, or from John Robertson, Apt. 211, 177 Stephen Drive, Toronto 18, Canada.

Book Review (July 1960)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 6 No. 7, July 1960.

It Can Be Done, William Williams — 139 North Carson Street, Toronto 14, Canada. Price: $2.50.

An off-set edition of this missionary volume presenting the early days of assembly endeavour in Venezuela has appeared. In reviewing the content, the writer has relived many of the recorded events and has recalled some of the trials, triumphs, and tragedies of the work of the Lord in that South American Republic during the 20's.

Here in the home-land there has been some criticism of the title, "It Can Be Done." Some have thought that the author implied that it had been done scripturally only in Venezuela, but the sub-title on the flyleaf expresses clearly the original intention: "Carrying out the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) in Venezuela." "It Can Be Done" is a witness to the fact that simplicity toward Christ and dependence upon the Lord alone for support are basic principles in missionary work in the twentieth century even as they were in the first century of the Church era.

Since there is some agitation in certain quarters for a centralization of funds, and in other quarters an equal distribution of monies for the Lord's work, it would be well to read this volume in order to review the accomplishments of Christian simplicity and dependence alone upon God, not only in regard to money, but the time of its arrival, and its amount.

There is no field, foreign or home, characterized by perfection, but where there is a desire to adhere to the principles of Scripture, the blessing of the Lord is enjoyed, “Them that honour Me, I will honour.”

The pathway of the missionary to any part of the great vineyard is one of sacrifice. Those dedicated to the work in Venezuela are not exempt from this rule. The volume presents in a realistic manner the sacrifices and successes of a modern missionary enterprise.

From the experimental efforts of the evangelist is shown the attempts of Roman Catholicism to hinder the spread of the gospel and the light of the Holy Scripture.

Furthermore, this book pictures the salutary results of faith in Christ and Bible teaching in the lives of those who once were steeped in darkness and superstition.

We recommend this work to those who are interested in the work of the Lord abroad.

Book Review (Sept 1961)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 7 No. 9, Sept 1961.

Muffled Drumbeats in the Congo — William A Deans, Moody Press, Chicago, U.S.A.

Here is recorded the evacuation of Evangelical Missionaries from the Congo by one to whom that ordeal was another experience among the many of thirty years in that land.

In his account brother Deans explains some provocative measures which eventually mititated against the former rulers of Congo, the Belgians. He also recounts the clamor for independence, and the lawlessness and murder which featured the irrational movements for liberation.

His description of the chaos which characterized the early days of the Republic are vivid and discriminative.

William Deans does not write as a defeatist; he has profound confidence in God and in the Congolese Christian. He credits the indigenous churches with the devotion and ability to carry on the work of the Lord entrusted to them.

The closing chapter, Methods and Means, might be considered a message to all who serve our Lord Jesus whether in Congo or elsewhere.

The book is sober, informative, and opportune.

May be procured at Christian book sellers throughout the continent. Price $2.25.

Book Review (Nov 1961)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 7 No. 11, Nov 1961.

The Return of Jesus Christ, Rene Pache: Moody Press, Chicago, U.S.A.

For the student of prophecy no more instructive volume on the Second Advent of Christ is available. The author, a lawyer by profession, has used his many natural talents and spiritual gifts to investigate with an open mind the absorbing subject. The results he has carefully and methodically tabulated.

The book was translated from the original French by Dr. LaSor who is to be complimented for his excellent work.

There are nine parts (450 pages) dealing with the different phases of the subject, Tome of which are: The Time of Christ's Return, The Rapture of the Church, The World and The Return of Christ, Israel and the Return of Christ, The Great Tribulation, The Millenium, etc.

Each chapter is replete with valuable information that should be an aid to the student.

Obtainable at Christian Book shops everywhere.

Book Review (Dec 1961)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 7 No. 12, Dec 1961.

A Survey of World Missions, John Caldwell Thiessen, Moody Press, Chicago, Ill. U.S.A.

This is an exceptional volume, one of its kind. Its publication is timely for it enables one to follow the work of Protestant missions in spite of the many political changes in the world.

The work represents a tremendous amount of research and diligent effort to be accurate in its presentations of knowable facts.

A methodical arrangement as well as a good general index facilitate ready reference to the contents. The author deals with the geography, people, religion, political background and the missionary history of each given country.

The book is a survey, consequently biographical references are few and very brief. The coverage is so comprehensive that it lacks the detail some might expect. In some instances only a passing allusion is made to a work in which one might be vitally interested. Some of the relevant material might have been abridged to allow more space for further treatment of actual missionary enterprise.

Nevertheless, an extensive bibliography at the close will enable one to secure other volumes treating specific fields in greater detail.

Obtainable at Christian Book Shops everywhere. Price $5.95.

Book Review (Jan 1962)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 8 No. 1, Jan 1962.

Swallow Cliff: Ellen L. Drummond: Moody Press, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

The authoress, a daughter of missionary parents who went to China in 1889, writes out of a prolonged and deep experience.

She has surrounded certain composite characters with the true facts of life in China before the revolution. The story is a romantic tale which embodies the traditional customs of Old China.

It describes some of the passing glory and power of the wealthy, and the poverty of the lowly. Furthermore, the tale delineates the cruelty of the lawless brigand, and the hopeless struggle to maintain law and order in a society that was quickly disintegrating.

For those who like factual history in the form of a novel, this book provides interesting reading. It is suitable as a reward in Sunday School and other youth projects.

Procurable at Christian Book Sellers. Price $3.50.

Book Review (Feb 1962)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 8 No. 2, Feb 1962.

Personality — Development in the Christian Life: Dr. John D. Frame, M.D.: Moody Press, Chicago, U.S.A.

One feels deeply indebted to Dr. Frame. This work in Christian psychology merits a very attentive perusal.

The author is well equipped both in training and experience to prepare such a volume for he has been intimately associated with Christian work all his life. He was born of missionary parents, and served as a missionary himself. Probably, one of his greatest contributions to this particular line of service is in his counselling of candidates for evangelistic work in the foreign field.

In an expeditious manner and with spiritual delicacy Dr. Frame deals with, not only personality as that may be understood, but also with every relationship which is formed in this life and the complex responses to these relationships.

One would hope that this book may be studied by every Christian leader, and that they might accept its advice and warning.

At all Christian Book Shops. Price $3.25.

Book Review (Mar 1962)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 8 No. 3, Mar 1962.

The Companion of the Way: H. C. Hewlett; Moody Press, Chicago, U.S.A.

The author is the editor of The Treasury, a monthly magazine for Christians published in New Zealand. He also contributes articles to other publications.

His oral ministry among the assemblies, which is of an expository and devotional character, has been a blessing to many.

In this present volume (We hope that others will follow.) he deals with some of the Theophanies of the Old Testament and with some of the appearances of the Lord to His own in the New Testament.

As Mr. Hewlett guides one through the details of these remarkable manifestations of the Lord and through the extraordinary experiences enjoyed by those to whom these were given, one learns that He who walked and talked with Abraham, He who fitted Moses and strengthened Joshua, He who disciplined Jacob and encouraged Elijah, is just the same today. What God was to His own in the past, the author teaches, He is to His own today.

This is a book of deep interest for Christians, young and old. It is likewise of doctrinal and exegetical value to the Bible student and teacher.

At Christian Book Shops everywhere. Price $2.75.

Book Review (Apr 1962)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 8 No. 4, Apr 1962.

Gleanings in Exodus: Arthur W. Pink; Moody Press, Chicago, U.S.A.

Those who have derived benefit from the use of this author's volume, Gleanings in Genesis, will welcome this excellent work full of historical, expositional, and typical values.

Mr. Pink, in his inimitable style, examines in detail the record of Israel's redemption from Egypt. He expounds the organization of the nation at Sinai; develops the typical teaching of certain worthy persons, national institutions, the Levitical offerings, and the structure and furniture of the Tabernacle.

He not only mines from the Book of the Exodus precious ore, but he teaches the reader how to dig for himself, and how to process and reduce the rich ore discovered into nuggets of pure gold.

Gleanings in Exodus should be read by Christians of every rank. Bible Class leaders, Sunday School teachers, and ministers of the Gospel will acquire through a perusal of this treatise a deep knowledge of the work of Christ for the believer, in the believer, and through the believer.

Highly recommended. At all Christian Book Stores. Price $4.50.

Book Review (May 1962)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 8 No. 5, May 1962.

Saints and Society: Earle E. Cairns; Moody Press, Chicago, U.S.A.

The Author begins his book with a carefully prepared description of England in the eighteenth century. He traces changes of government and the dreadful moral, social, and spiritual conditions of that country, and indicates the rise of rationalism during that same period.

Against this dark background, he delineates the Wesleyan revival under the preaching of such men as George Whitefield and the Wesley brothers.

This small volume in a very lucid manner presents the radical changes accomplished in society through an aggressive testimony to the Lord. Furthermore, it presses upon the reader his responsibility to the community and the nations as well as to his own family.

There are recommendations to which some may object. The Author sustains democracy and the exercise of the Christian’s right to use his franchise. He emphasizes the need of Church leadership ignoring the fact that many leaders within Christendom have rejected the very message, the Gospel which produced the early reforms of modern civilization.

Obtainable at Christian Book Shops. Price $3.25.

Come Wind Come Weather: Leslie T. Lyall; Moody Press, Chicago, U.S.A.

Frequently we wonder what may be the experience and condition of evangelical Christians in China. This small book attempts to answer some of these grave questions which naturally arise in interested minds.

The writer is well qualified for this task; he served under the China Inland Mission in the Provinces of Shansi and Kweichow form 1929 to 1951. Through many contacts made during those years of residence, he has kept in touch with the China mainland.

Mr. Lyall reveals some of the satanic stealth and deception of Communism; and, at the same time, some of the weakness of nominal Christianity.

Admist the failure of some, there is proof of loyalty in others. A report referred to by the Author dated in 1958, says, “Many are earning the crown of life.”

This book provides information, stimulates prayer, and induces interest on behalf of China’s Christians. It should be read by all believers, especially those mindful of missionary endeavours.

Obtainable at Christian Book Shops. Price $2.00.

Book Review (July 1963)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 9 No. 7, July 1963.

Who Was Who In Church History: Elgin S. Moyer, Moody Press, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

The purpose of this volume is to sketch briefly the biography of some of the prominent men and women who have distinguished themselves during the Church era.

Dr. Moyer is well acquainted with the subject of Church history having prepared an earlier work, Great Leaders of the Christian Church.

The amount of research represented by these two volumes is tremendous, making one grateful that by such painstaking diligence so much important information is accessible.

The work now recommended is especially valuable to the Bible Student for beyond its original purpose it provides suitable information, direction, and illustrations for sermon use; furthermore, it is most reliable.

Through Home Evangel Books Ltd., 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada. Price, $6.50.

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New Testament Church Principles: Arthur G. Clarke, Loizeaux Brothers Inc. 1238 Corlies Avenue, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Those who have received blessing and help in the use of Mr. Clarke’s larger work, Analytical Studies in the

Psalms, will want a copy of this book which is an exposition of those scriptural principles given for the control of the corporate testimony of the New Testament Church, the administration of the mystery.

This, the third edition, has been carefully revised and enlarged. In all, it has eleven chapters, within which will be found assistance upon such difficult matters as: Overseer-ship, Discipline, and the Woman's sphere in the Church.

From the Publishers, price $2.50, U.S.A.

Book Review (Oct 1963)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 9 No. 10, Oct 1963.

Missionary Preparation: Stephen F. Olford, Moody Press, Chicago, U.S.A.

Here is a very concise guide to missionary preparation. The author rightly stresses the need for a divine call, but the major part of the pamphlet emphasizes disciplined preparation in all fields. Those who delight in simplicity of church order may differ slightly in certain points, but in the over all content, the words of counsel and caution merit strong support.

One hopes that this booklet might receive wide distribution among young Christians, especially those exercised about service for the Lord.

Price: 11c or $9.75 per hundred; Home Evangel Books Ltd., 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto, Canada.

Borneo Breakthrough: Sylvia Houliston, China Inland Mission, London, England.

This lucid story of the triumphs of the Gospel in Borneo, the world's third largest island, a possession of the Republic of Indonesia, presents the trials and disappointments as well as the success of missionary endeavour.

The problems of persons possessed by demons are described, and the restraining and curative power of the Lord Jesus in this regard demonstrated.

Those participating in this work are convinced that the best evangelist for that country is the national, and that

methods should be used that will establish a truly indigenous work.

Price: $2.25; Home Evangel Books Ltd., 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Jan 1964)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 10 No. 1, Jan 1964.

The Holy Spirit: Professor John F. Walvoord; Dunham Publishing Company, Findlay, Ohio, U.S.A.

In this volume lectures from the class room are made available to all Christian readers. The work is a comprehensive presentation of the doctrine of the Holy Spirit. Its seven parts cover: the personality of the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament, His work in relation to Christ, to salvation, to the believer, and to prophecy. Part seven is a review of the history of the doctrine of the third Person of the Holy Trinity throughout the Church centuries.

The book is especially good for reference work, and most suitable for the busy Bible student. This study in the Scriptures very accurately and systematically covers the subject, and is of inestimable value today when there is much confusion in regard to the baptisms and the filling of the Spirit. While one may differ slightly in the working out of certain details, the volume is highly recommended to every Christian who seeks to know the ways of the Lord more perfectly.

Price $4.29, Home Evangel Books Ltd., 24 Hobson Ave., Toronto 16, Ontario.

Book Review (Feb 1964)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 10 No. 2, Feb 1964.

William Carey, Father of Modern Missions, Walter Bruce Davis: A Moody Pocket Book, Moody Press, Chicago, Illinois.

Many missionaries today are convinced that the objective of Dr. Carey in India was sound, and that his method should become their own. Dr. Carey firmly believed that his work was to prepare and direct native preachers and teachers to propagate Christianity among their own peoples. He was persuaded that the native preacher had more acceptance and more influence with nationals than did the foreign missionary.

This concise history of the man and his ministry is informative, inspirational, and directive, and should be read by all who have the work of God at heart.

Price 65 cents, Home Evangel Books Ltd., 25 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

Book Review (June 1964)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 10 No. 6, June 1964.

Living Obediently: Dr. J. Allen Blair; Loizeaux Brothers, Inc. Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

This devotional study of the Book of Jonah is not only instructive and challenging, it is refreshing. The emphasis of the exposition is upon the missionary aspect of Jonah's ministry. It also stresses the need of implicit obedience to the will of the Lord in special service. The penalty of carnality is disclosed, and the grace and patience of God in restoration and instruction are clearly traced, and all to the spiritual profit of him who reads.

While certain technicalities are not treated, and no attempt is made to combat the evil notions of infidelity, the message presented is for the spiritual who discern all things.

Price $2.75, Loizeaux Brothers, Inc. Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A. At Canadian Christian Book Shops, approximately $2.97.

Book Review (Aug-Sept 1964)

From Food for the Flock, Aug-Sept 1964.

Truth For Today: John F. Walvoord, Editor; Moody Press, Chicago, U.S.A.

This commemorative volume contains strong meat. It is a collection of articles by capable scholars in their respective fields each placing emphasis upon the truth of God's Word for today.

Some of the articles are doctrinal dissertations, some instructions in the developing of methods of practice, some prophetical in character, and some may be classified as apologetic. One even finds among these, discussions relative to Church history.

Inasmuch as the many articles are documented by references to the writings of others, one realizes that these references are of great value to the student for they provide guidance to an extensive library.

This is a book for the honest student who is willing to do further research work in the Holy Scriptures and in the testimony of the Christian Church. Furthermore, in it he will receive ample warning relevant to the questionable and erroneous trends in Christendom.

Price, $3.25, Home Evangel Books Ltd., 23 Hobson Ave., Toronto 16, Canada.

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The Mystery Of Godliness: W. Ian Thomas, Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

There is no doubt that most Christians live at too low an altitude and that there is a much higher experience than they enjoy. The objective of Major Thomas is to induce this higher godly living. One may take exception to some of his deductions; as for example, what he says regarding Adam's life before the Fall; nevertheless, one has every sympathy with the purpose of his book.

A careful reading of its content should be a blessing to any sincere and honest believer.

Price $3.25, Home Evangel Books Ltd., 25 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

Book Review (Oct 1964)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 10 No. 10, Oct 1964.

Sky Waves: Gleason H. Ledyard; Moody Press, Chicago, Ill.

This lucidly written and well-documented account of the founding and developing of the Far East Broadcasting Company reveals the power of God in answers to prayers, and presents a challenge to Christians everywhere that they trust in the Lord more implicitly.

That God would deeply exercise three friends separately in regard to radio ministry in the Far East, and then bring them together is a remarkable story. This story becomes even more remarkable when one realizes that John Broger, a warrant-officer in the American Air-Force, had been much impressed by the use of radio work in time of war, and felt that it could be used equally effectively in the spread of the Gospel of peace. Robert Bowman had participated in actual broadcasting out of Los Angeles, and Pastor William J. Roberts also had conducted programs in connection with his church work in California.

To follow each successive step from their first meeting to discuss and pray about this venture until June 4, 1948 when they made their first broadcast over The Call of the Orient Station in Manilla is fascinating.

Those especially interested in radio ministry should not fail to read this volume; it is instructive and inspiring. In fact all may read it to profit for it traces the guidance of the Lord in a highly specialized field of Christian ministry.

Price $3.80: Home Evangel Books Ltd., 25 Hobson Ave., Toronto, Canada.

Book Review (Nov 1964)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 10 No. 11, Nov 1964.

The Living Word: Stephen F. Olford; Moody Press, Chicago, Illinois.

Here is a small volume with a great subject, Jesus Christ the Eternal Son of the Father. This treatise on the personality of the Lord is profoundly theological and yet blessedly simple. The author extols the Saviour and ascribes all honour, glory, and power to Him. He also unveils Him to the heart until the heart bows in reverence and exclaims, “My Lord and my God!”

In an hour when some leaders of apostate Christendom are publishing books which question even the existence of a personal God, this book is both informative and convincing.

Price $1.90 Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

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New American Standard Bible —New Testament: Moody Press, Chicago, Illinois.

The Foreword of the volume reads: “The New American Standard Bible has been produced with the conviction that the words of Scripture as originally penned in the Hebrew and Greek were inspired of God, the Holy Scriptures speak with fresh power to each generation, to give us wisdom that leads to salvation, that we may serve to the glory of Christ.

“It has been the purpose of the Editorial Board to present to the modern reader a revision of the American

Standard Version in clear and contemporary language. The attempt has been made to adhere to the original languages of the Holy Scriptures as closely as possible and at the same time to obtain a fluent and readable style according to current English usage."

The Reference Edition in the margin contains besides references, alternate translations, reading of variant manuscripts, and explanatory equivalents. All these are helpful to the understanding of the original meaning.

Splendid for the student of The Word.

Price $5.40, Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

Book Review (Dec 1964)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 10 No. 12, Dec 1964.

Gleanings In Joshua: Arthur W. Pink; Moody Press, Chicago, Ill., U.S.A.

This volume represents a valuable contribution to the exegesis of this highly profitable portion of the Old Testament Scriptures. The author develops the typology of Israel's conquest and possession of the Land of Promise.

Mr. Pink has a happy penchant for directing his written ministry to the conscience and heart of the Christian. He therefore never misses an opportunity to emphasize the typical teaching of Joshua in such a way as to demand implicit obedience on the part of the believer. It may be that his exceedingly practical application of the types may not differentiate sufficiently between the significance of the Old Testament law (the ministration of condemnation) and the significance of the New Testament commandments (which are not grievous). Similarly, his understandable distaste for ultra dispensationalism occasionally seems to obscure true dispensational relationships. For example, he likens the judgment of Achan to the goats being separated from the sheep at the Last Assize, although the former event occurs at the start of the millenial kingdom, with respect to living nations, while the latter event occurs a thousand years later, with respect to the wicked dead.

Approximately the last four chapters of the book were written by Mr James Gunn of Midland, Ontario, following Mr. Pink's decease. They deal most ably with

the final stirring acts and messages of Joshua, the servant of the Lord, together with the significance of Gilgal, Shiloh and Shechem, the key centres of those momentous times.

Price $5.40 Home Evangel Books Ltd., 24 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Ont.

—R.H.

Book Review (Jan 1965)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 11 No. 1, Jan 1965.

“Devotional”; Moody Press, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

An entirely new series of paper bound books is being produced by Moody Press. These present excellent spiritual messages well illustrated by beautiful photography.

Four are now available:

“Love’s Unfailing Flower:” Meditations on 1 Corinthians 13.

“The King of Love:” Meditations on Psalm 23.

“Bells of Bethlehem:” Meditations relative to the birth of Christ.

“Love’s Questions:” Meditations on our Lord’s questions recorded in John’s Gospel.

Price: each one dollar; Home Evangel Books Ltd. 25 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Ontario.

Book Review (Feb 1965)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 11 No. 2, Feb 1965.

The Beatitudes of Jesus: William Fitch; William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.A.

Dr. Fitch believes that the laws of the Kingdom of God should govern the loyal citizens of that Kingdom just as much during the absence of the King as during His glorious reign.

He sees clearly in the beatitudes of the Lord a moral portrait of the Master Himself, and teaches from them that all who would be like Christ must build into their character the qualities indicated by each beatitude.

This book makes delightful reading; is thoroughly evangelical; it presents the life that is a gift from God, and teaches the life that is a testimony to God.

Price $3.25, Home Evangel Books Ltd., 25 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Ontario.

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The Trinity: Edward Henry Bickersteth; Kregel Publications, Grand Rapids 6, Michigan, U.S.A.

Some have enquired about a volume on the doctrine of the Trinity. Here is our selection. The book is a systematic treatment of Scripture’s own testimony to the One Eternal God who has revealed Himself in the threefold distinction of Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Bible Students will find this volume informative and inspirational.

Price $3.20; Home Evangel Books Ltd., 25 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Ontario.

Book Review (Mar 1965)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 11 No. 3, Mar 1965.

The Book of the Revelation: Lehman Strauss; Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

These recently published outline studies of the Apocalypse meet a definite need. Obviously the Church is nearing the end of her pilgrimage. Defection from the truth and its standards appears in every department of Christendom. The lack of zeal and devotion in the Church of the Living God has developed in large proportions.

This exposition, written from the futurist's perspective directs the feet of the saints in these last days; exposes the character and intention of apostasy; and challenges the failure in fidelity to the Word of God and in devotion to Christ.

The volume is lucidly written and very methodically arranged; these make for ready reference.

While each chapter is thought provoking, the two chapters treating respectively the "overcomers" and the "woman clothed with the sun" are exceptionally good.

Here is a volume of things new and old for the student of prophecy. While in minor points of interpretation we differ from Dr. Strauss, and feel that literalism is inappropriately forced in a few passages of his work, we warmly recommend the perusal of each chapter.

Price, 4.50: Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Book Review (Apr 1965)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 11 No. 4, Apr 1965.

Missionary Methods: St. Paul's or Ours? Roland Allen; Eerdmans Publishing Co. Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.A.

The reprinting of this volume is most appropriate. Serious persons feel that the time for rethinking our evangelical missionary effort is overdue.

The author carefully examines the methods of the Apostle Paul in his use of miracles, his handling of finances, his teaching, his authority and exercise of discipline; then indicates the desirability of adopting these apostolic principles.

Although written by an Anglican missionary over half a century ago, this work in its spirit, research, and application extends beyond all denominational borders.

We not only recommend this book, but urge those who are interested in the propogation of the truth to read it carefully and prayerfully.

Price $1.80 Home Evangel Books Ltd. 25 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

Book Review (June-July 1965)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 11 No. 6, June-July 1965.

The People Of The Way: A Saint to the Saints; Bible Truth Depot, Swengel, Pa. U.S.A.

Inasmuch as two persons separated by many miles have asked that this book be reviewed, a copy was borrowed and perused.

One appreciates the stated purpose of the editor. “The writer, minister to a Baptist church, pleads with the saints the world over, to repent of the age-long strife of denominationalism and once more walk in the ways of unity commanded by the Lord and His Apostles.”

His positive approach to the problems and sin of denominationalism in his first chapters is followed with sympathetic approval. His teaching relative to the Church is endorsed with but little reservation. The premise upon which he rests his logic in these opening chapters encourages one to expect a candid yet gracious presentation of error and a persuasive and warm appeal for recovery of lost simplicity toward Christ.

It is this high expectation that intensifies one’s disappointment as he reads chapter by chapter. Professor Schoenfeld teaches that a journalist should possess four commendable qualities: courtesy, reliability, ability, and confidence. It is therefore disconcerting to discover that the greater part of this book develops into a wordy and discourteous discussion of Christian personalities, some of whom are now in the presence of their Lord. What at the first appears to be an expose’ of a wrong and unscriptural system degenerates into an

attack upon the convictions and the consciences of other brethren in Christ, even to the point of questioning motives.

This becomes the more grievous as names of men are mentioned who, in spite of their affiliations, have left in their written ministry a legacy to the whole Church, as for example, Dr. J. Gresham Machen. Does the author think that his volume is more to the edification of the Church than the several excellent volumes left by Dr. Machen?

Is it not discreditable in a denounciation of a wrong and unscriptural system to misjudge the motives and misconstrue the language of an honourable gentleman like Mr. George Landis whose ministry on a nondenominational level has been a blessing to God's people from the Atlantic to the Pacific? Is it necessary in order to attain the stated purpose of the author to hold in ridicule the exemplary action and noble behaviour of this devouted servant of Christ?

No one has ever denounced sectarianism as resolutely as the Apostle Paul, yet in so doing he politely refrains from literally mentioning those he considered wrong. He says, "These things, brethren, I have in a figure transferred to myself and to Apollos for your sakes" (1 Cor. 4:6). There is a holy delicacy and refinement in the manner in which he treats the offenders.

One is puzzled by the chapter, "The Way Out." Could it be proper for Christians to do in mass what is wrong for them to do individually, forsake denominationalism? The proposal for Church unity in this chapter is best described by language from the front jacket, "unrealistic, impractical, and misleading." The author

should realize that, humanity being what it is, his visionary suggestion is impossible, but he should also acknowledge that what is impossible in the masses is blessedly possible in the few. It is possible for the people of The Way in a locality to reject all names, creeds, and parties, and to gather in Pentecostal simplicity, and thus give an expression to the oneness of the Body of Christ.

Do the statements, implications, deductions, and proposals given under a psuedonym present a sure and safe guide, especially when the one veiling his identity so readily publicizes the identity of those whom he considers in error?

This reviewer, without further comment, cannot recommend the purchase of this book.

Book Review (Aug-Sept 1965)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 11 No. 7, Aug-Sept 1965.

The Unfolding of the Ages: Paul R. Alderman Jr. Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey.

Here is a small excellent work upon an extensive subject. Premillennial in his approach, the author, while of firm convictions, nevertheless is tolerant with other viewpoints. His style is clear and concise. The outlines at the beginning of the chapters are helpful especially for the student and teacher.

These chapters provide a splendid text book for a group study of prophecy.

Price: paper cover, $1.00. Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New York, U.S.A.

Design for Christian Marriage: Dwight Hervey Small; Fleming H. Revell Company.

There are other volumes which cover the same moral area, but very few cover it so well. The author writes with frankness yet restraint; he is pointed in his remarks yet dignified. Few could discuss as he does the intimacy of love with such discrimination and delicacy.

This volume makes profitable reading for those about to be married or recently married. Furthermore, it should be carefully studied by Christian elders who occasionally are asked for counsel in regard to marital relationships.

The author has made a good contribution to the literature on marriage, its pleasures and problems.

The Psychology of Counselling: Clyde M. Narramore Ed. D.; Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.A.

Here is excellent counsel for counsellors. Elders and teachers among the saints of God should prayerfully and carefully peruse this volume. It is informative, directive, and spiritual. Its advice is applicable to one's personal behaviour and the techniques it teaches are so helpful when applied graciously in the cases of those in need of aid.

Of his book Dr. Narramore says, "Counselling is indeed complex, embracing many concepts and techniques. May I suggest you consider each chapter of this book as only one aspect of counselling, integrating the other chapters with it to make it meaningful. In this way you will gain a comprehensive picture of counselling rather than a onesided view."

The fact that 50,000 copies of this book are in print is a strong recommendation.

Price: $4.29; Home Evangel Books Ltd. 25 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Ontario.

Book Review (Oct 1965)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 11 No. 8, Oct 1965.

An Introduction to Evangelical Christian Education: J. Edward Hakes; Moody Press, Chicago, Illinois.

This symposium offers essential information on Christian education. Its comprehensive survey covers the many phases of the subject; beginning at the home it covers the Sunday School, Christian day schools and colleges. It also deals with the vacation Bible school, the Christian camp, and the different youth groups.

Each chapter is written by a specialist in the particular field. Consequently, the suggestions relative to a Christ-centred curriculum, audio-visual material, and organization are presented with experience and authority.

This book is invaluable to those who are teaching the Word of God to our children and youth. A prayerful and careful perusal of each chapter is recommended.

Price, $6.50; Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Ontario.

For those interested in the book Design for Christian Marriage reviewed last month, we are pleased to state that we now can quote a price and source of supply.

Price: $3.75; Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto, Canada.

Book Reviews (Nov 1965)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 11 No. 9, Nov 1965.

Jesus the Master Teacher; Dr. Herman Harrell Horne: Kregel Publications, Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.A.

This reprint is an extraordinary work; it deals with the pedagogy of the Lord Jesus, with the teaching methods He employed during the years of His ministry on earth.

The author makes no attempt to expound the content of the Lord's teaching, but he carefully examines the forms and means by which the Master taught His various subjects.

As in all else, this investigation reveals the perfections of Christ. Here His perfection is seen from an unusual viewpoint, the reliable principles of education.

This is a book to be studied; it is recommended to all who wish to learn better techniques for teaching the Bible to both children and adults.

Price, $3.80: Home Evangel Books Ltd. 25 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

The Christian Educator's File; Violet C. Carlson: Moody Press, Chicago, U. S. A.

Here is an extraordinary volume in loose leaf form. A file according to Fowler is an appliance for holding papers arranged for reference. "Papers arranged for reference" describes this work perfectly. Here is a massive collection of ideas and ideals. Here are helps, suggestions, and information regarding every phase of work among children and youths: the home, the Sunday

School, Camps, Young Peoples' Groups, Vacation Bible Schools, Week Day Bible Schools, etc.

Material is given for the development of programs, curriculums, libraries, music, recreational activities, etc.

An old book printed in London, England, in 1898 bears the title, "Enquire Within upon Every Thing." This is true of the Christian Educator's File. It is such a store-house of information that one might enquire within upon every aspect of work among the young. We highly recommend it.

Price, $6.50; Home Evangel Books Ltd., 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

Book Review (Feb 1966)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 12 No. 2, Feb 1966.

Reception to God's Assembly: W. Bunting; Northern Publishing Office, Ann Street, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Over 25,000 copies of this pamphlet have been sold. We have been advised recently that the fourth edition is now on sale.

In the preface to this last edition, the author says, "This revised and slightly enlarged edition is sent forth with the earnest prayer that its contents may be blessed to many."

We have been asked to draw special attention to the content of pages 26-30. This we do not only conscious of the wrongs there mentioned but of other similarly unscriptural practices.

The author suggests: "Prove all things, hold fast that which is good" (1 Thess. 5:21).

May be obtained through: Northern Publishing Office, Ann Street, Belfast, Ireland; John Ritchie Ltd., Kilmarnock, Scotland; or William Bunting, 14 Somerton Park, Belfast 15, Ireland.

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Two other small booklets have been submitted for review:

My Reasons for not Being Free to Engage in Inter-Denominational Service: William Trew; John Ritchie Ltd., Publishers, Kilmarnock, Scotland.

This in substance is an address given before an audience who assumed a church position in obedience to what they had ascertained from the Word of God, and is now an appeal in writing to all who appreciate Christian simplicity.

May be procured from Ormer G. C. Sprunt, Apartment 502, 111 The West Mall, Etobicoke, Ontario. Price 10 cents.

The Use and Abuse of the Term “Brethren”: Rowland C. Edwards; 204 Lydham Avenue, Rockdale, New South Wales, Australia.

Whether or not one accepts all that is presented in this pamphlet does not detract from the honest attempt to confront an evil, nor from the appeal for a more scriptural use of terminology. This is a thought-provoking treatise.

May be obtained directly from the author.

Book Review (Mar 1966)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 12 No. 3, Mar 1966.

Sunday School Handbooks: Gospel Light Publications, Glendale 5, California, U.S.A.

Here is a remarkable series for the Sunday School teacher and the Bible Class leader. The different members of the series discuss methods of teaching, programs, aids to teaching, and follow-up work. These handbooks cover the grades: Fours and Fives, Primaries, Juniors, Junior Highs, and Adults.

Price each, $1.65. Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Ontario.

Evolution, Fact or Theory? Cora Reno; Moody Colportage Library, Press, Chicago, Illinois.

This little paper back is written in non-technical language and written especially for High School students. The author very capably exposes theories and presents facts, both biblical and scientific, to refute a theory which admittedly is beyond the possibility of experimentation.

Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Ontario.

The Art of Preaching: A. Skevington Wood; Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.A.

This book is recommended to every young man who feels called of God to publicly preach the Word. Not that we agree with each detail of the book. Nevertheless, the author very capably deals with the message, method, and motive in preaching. He gives safe and sound

counsel, and emphasizes the importance of delivering God’s great message in the most effective manner possible.

Young preachers may learn through this small volume the way to improve their habits of study as well as their style of delivery.

Price: 2.75. Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Ontario.

Book Review (Apr 1966)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 12 No. 4, Apr 1966.

It's your Business Teen-Ager: Margaret Anderson; Moody Press, Chicago, Illinois.

One wishes that all teen-agers would read this book. Its short readable chapters are full of excellent advice. They seem to produce a spiritual understanding and confidence, and show how and why certain decisions on the highway of life ought to be made.

Highly recommended.

Price: $2.20. Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Ontario, Canada.

Youth's Courtship Problems: Alfred L. Murray; Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.A.

There is in this book an evidence of Christian candour and deep spiritual interest in the well-being of youth. Problems are faced realistically and wise counsel given, counsel well illustrated by the experiences of life.

Highly recommended.

Price, $1.65. Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

Book Review (May 1966)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 12 No. 5, May 1966.

Out of the Jaws of the Lion; Homer E. Dowdy: Harper and Row, Publishers, New York, U.S.A.

Here is a lucid account of the horrors, sufferings, imprisonment, and martyrdom of missionaries of all affiliations in the Congo. The author has gathered the data and recorded the triumphs of faith in the Lord, the heroic acts of selflessness, and the devoted loyalty of the servants of Christ. He tells the story of the abuses, indignities, cruelties and deaths committed by the very people these missionaries sought to love, serve and bless.

This book is very informative and definitely inspirational.

We hope that it may be extensively accepted, and that it may be widely read by the Christian public.

Price, 4.35: Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 6, Canada.

World Aflame; Billy Graham: Doubleday and Company, Inc. Garden City, New York, U.S.A.

In this book Dr. Graham analyses the state of the world today; he probes deeply into the confusion that exists in every sphere of life, and frankly discusses sin and its devastating influence, immorality, tensions, and the idolatry of the masses before science and philosophy. He demonstrates the hopelessness of man when left to himself.

Dr. Graham also presents the only cure for a sin-crazed humanity; repentance, conversion, and Christian

commitment. He deals with the future, the return of Christ to reign and the peace and social justice that will follow.

This volume is very thought-provoking. The author says concerning it: “This book is intentionally controversial. I hope that something of what I have written will shock readers out of apathy into the reality of our desperate condition individually and socially.”

It is hoped that this book will be read and reread and distributed among acquaintances.

Price, 4.75: Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

Book Review (June-July 1966)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 12 No. 6, June-July 1966.

Spirit Manifestations and “The Gift of Tongues”; Sir Robert Anderson K.C.B., LLD., Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

The Publishers, in reprinting this excellent pamphlet, have performed a service to the Lord’s people. In this day when extravagant claims of the miraculous are being made, it behoves the Christian to have an understanding of the signs, wonders, and diverse miracles of early apostolic times in order to contrast them with the counterfeits of the present, the foreshadowings of the powers, signs and lying wonders of the Anti-Christ.

This pamphlet is most helpful and merits extensive acceptance among Christians.

Price, 25 cents. Loizeaux Brothers Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Book Review (Aug-Sept 1966)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 12 No. 7, Aug-Sept 1966.

The Name Above Every Name; Charles J. Rolls: Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

This is Dr. Rolls fourth volume on the names and titles of the Lord Jesus. Those who have the first three will want to add this one to the others. It contains names and titles beginning with the letters P, Q, R, and S.

As in the earlier volumes: The Indescribable Christ, The World's Greatest Name, and Time's Noblest Name, Dr. Rolls presents the personal glories of the Lord in a very illuminating way. The reading of these chapters stimulates worship and adoration. Price, $3.50: Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Cremation; James W. Fraser: Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey.

In some thirty pages the author attempts to answer the question, Is Cremation Christian? Originally given as messages over the radio, this pamphlet sets forth the will of God in Christian burial. We agree with the author, the hope of the Christian is not expressed by an act of cremation but in the resurrection.

Price, $0.50, Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Book Review (Oct 1966)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 12 No. 8, Oct 1966.

How to Know God's Will: Marion H. Nelson, M. D. Moody Press Chicago, Illinois.

Many have been looking for just such a book as this. While each Christian must determine what is God's specific will for him, in this volume much good help and sound advice may be found. The author discusses different phases of the subject: What Is God's Will, How Does God Make Known His Will? Prerequisites for Determining God's Will, etc.

This book is worthy of careful reading and prayerful application.

Price, $2.75: Home Evangel Books Limited, 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

Christian Marriage; W. F. Naismith: John Ritchie Ltd. 16-18 Sturrock Street, Kilmarnock, Scotland.

This treatise was originally given by the author to a large audience of young people in New Zealand. It deals with the purpose of marriage, its principle, some of its problems, the unequal yoke, the family altar, etc.

Its lucid style and attractive appearance make it suitable to give those contemplating marriage.

May be purchased directly from the Publishers or through Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

Book Review (Nov 1966)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 12 No. 9, Nov 1966.

Living Patiently; Dr. J. Allen Blair: Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Those who have read some of Dr. Blair's other books will want this one, this devotional commentary on the Book of Job.

This work is of a decidedly evangelical character and repeatedly presents the Lord Jesus as the solution to life's perplexities.

Each chapter is very relevant to the Christian life: its confidence and consternation, its trials and triumphs, its sufferings and successes.

Here are words of good counsel, warm comfort, and spiritual guidance especially when one is confronted by the mystery of human suffering.

We highly recommend this volume to our readers. Price 4.00: Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Book Review (Apr 1967)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 13 No. 4, Apr 1967.

Studies in Isaiah: F. G. Jennings; Loizeaux Brothers, Inc., Neptune, New Jersey.

Loizeaux Brothers are to be complimented for making this splendid volume again available to the Bible student.

No book in all the Old Testament Canon has suffered more at the hands of modern liberal critics than has this major prophecy. In his exposition, Mr. Jennings contended for what the Dead Sea Scrolls now confirm a single author, and that Isaiah himself.

Three printings of this excellent work were long ago sold out. We trust that this present one may find its way not to many library shelves but into many devout hands and hearts.

Although a verse by verse exposition, this book is lucidly and attractively written. We highly recommend it to the beginner as well as to more mature student of Holy Scripture.

Price: $5.95; Loizeaux Brothers, Inc., 238 Corlies Avenue, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Pentecost and Today, Tongues and Healing: J. M. Davies; Walterick Publishers, Kansas City, Kansas.

In this small paper-covered book the author, through extensive biblical research and observation, reaches a sound and logical conclusion to the matter of tongues and healing. He examines the gift of tongues

dispensationally, doctrinally, comparatively and governmentally.

We recommend a careful perusal of each chapter.

Price:$0.40; Walterick Publishers, Box 2216, Kansas City, Kansas, U.S.A.

Book Review (May 1967)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 13 No. 5, May 1967.

How to Build a Happy Home; B. Charles Hostetter: Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.A.

If the words of Hobson are true, “Christianity begins at home,” we build our characters there, and what we become in after years is largely determined by our training and home environment, then we should construct for ourselves and our families a happy home.

Charles Hostetter is an author courageous enough to write on Delinquent Parents, Divorce, and how to view matters through your children’s eyes, as well as on many other aspects of family life.

The fundamental principles set forth in the pages of his book are highly recommended.

Price $2.20. Home Evangel Books Ltd. 23 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

Book Review (June-July 1967)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 13 No. 6, June-July 1967.

The Theory of Evolution and the Facts of Science: Harry Rimmer; Wm. B. Erdmans Publishing Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.A.

That the theory of evolution is beyond experimentation is obvious; by actual observation it cannot be proved. Why, then, is it accepted by so many? Why do certain professors and lecturers teach it as fact?

Dr. Rimmer has engaged in extensive research in this field; in this book he gives the results; he points out some of the illogical impossibilities which characterize this theory.

Learn the other side of the matter by reading this volume, and discover why honesty rejects the theory, and accepts the Word of God not only as a divine revelation but as a scientific reality.

Price: $2.50; Home Evangel Books Ltd., 25 Hobson Avenue, Toronto 16, Canada.

Book Review (Jan 1968)

From Food for the Flock, Vol. 14 No. 1, Jan 1968.

The First Person: Dr. Lehman Strauss; Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Here is a volume that is both doctrinal and devotional on the personality of God. It is lucidly written and its material is well organized. This work completes a series of three on the Holy Trinity. While Dr. Strauss has entitled them: The First Person, The Second Person and The Third Person, he does not infer that any one of the Divine Personalities is either superior or inferior to the others, much to the contrary.

The author emphasizes man's need of God and God's own divine nature. He also engages in a study of fifteen of the names of God. This last section of the book is very instructive and inspirational.

We recommend this work, especially because of its relevance to the present when men dishonour the Father as they dishonour the Son with their theory that God is dead.

Price: $3.75, from the Publishers.

The Lord And The Churches: J. M. Davies; Walterick Publishers, Kansas City, Kansas, U.S.A.

The author of this volume presents truths which may be considered of vital importance today. While Christendom popularizes the ecumenical movement and hopes for one great united church, the devil fosters discord among the assemblies of God.

A wholesome and sane presentation of Church doctrine, if carefully perused will do much to defeat Satan's evil influence and reconcile companies which have been estranged. We believe that this volume contributes to such a desirable end. We recommend this book to our readers.

Price: $3.50, from the Publishers.

Book Review (June-July 1968)

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Jerry McAuley and His Mission: Loizeaux Brothers Inc. Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Anyone interested in the salvation of souls and the salvaging of human derelicts should read this book.

Here is a lucid account of how God in His grace saved an ex-convict, transformed his life, and sanctified that life to the benevolent services of others.

Here is the story of the first man to open a rescue mission, and of the mission in its work of mercy to the slaves of vice and misery.

Throughout this volume tragedy and triumph are curiously interwoven, faith and works co-related, and grace and gumption interestingly blended.

This book is not only history, the history of men of God and their work; it is as well the account of a contemporary ministry of love and compassion to social outcasts.

Price: $4.95: Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

Book Review (June-July 1968)

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Angola Beloved: T. Ernest Wilson, Loizeaux Brothers Inc. Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.

How grateful we are to the author and the Publishers of this book! We now have in permanent record some of brother Wilson’s experiences that have been such a blessing in his ministry. He has used them as illustrative material and through them has cast light upon obscure subjects and topics.

This account of 40 years pioneering in Angola is informative, instructive and inspiring. Here are drama, romance, struggle, hardship and frustration. Here also are spiritual vigour, success and triumph. Each part becomes more fascinating. Some report the almost miraculous.

Those who are interested in the work of the Lord either at home or abroad will find both pleasure and profit in the reading of this volume.

Price: $3.95; Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, U.S.A.