Dear Friend:

The present issue completes volume 19, the first volume with our new format, with three issues per year instead of two, and with certain new categories of material. We are grateful for your support and are pleased that this volume could go considerably beyond the 220-240 pages that we had projected (see p. 96 in the Spring number). We trust that you have found the contents both interesting and useful.

It is our plan to widen the AUSS horizons even more for the three issues of 1982. For instance, beginning in 1982 we will publish from time to time certain Doctor of Ministry Project abstracts. These abstracts, dealing with research into selected concerns in the practice of ministry, will be of special interest to parish ministers as well as to seminarians and academicians interested in the training of clergy.

Among regular materials projected for 1982 you will find:

A series of articles on archaeological highlights that pertain to certain of the historical chapters in the book of Daniel (William Shea)

Two articles reevaluating some of Thomas Hobbes's theological positions (Joyce Rochat)

An essay on Suffering and Cessation from Sin: A Study in 1 Peter 4:1 (Ivan Blazen)

A study on Pierre Viret's commentary on the "fourth commandment" (Sabbath commandment in the Decalogue) (Daniel Augsburger)

An analysis by a biblical scholar and an ethicist of current views regarding the relationship between biblical studies and Christian ethics (John Brunt and Gerald Winslow)

Some essays on chapters 12, 13, and 18 of the book of Revelation (Kenneth A. Strand)

... and much more in other articles, brief scholarly notes, book reviews, etc.

We will do our utmost to make AUSS useful to our reading audience. We express again our appreciation to you, and would also reiterate our statement on p. 96 of the Spring issue that we would count it a real favor if you would alert colleagues and friends who might be interested in subscribing to AUSS.

Yours sincerely,

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