

BOOK NOTICES

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Inclusion in this section does not preclude the subsequent review of a book. Where two prices are given, separated by a slash, the second is for the paperback edition.

Bacchiocchi, Samuele. *The Time of the Crucifixion and the Resurrection*. Biblical Perspectives, no. 4. Berrien Springs, Mich.: Biblical Perspectives, 1985. 119 pp. Paperback, \$4.95.

Certain contemporary Christian groups teach that Christ's crucifixion was on a Wednesday afternoon and that his resurrection took place seventy-two hours later, on the following Saturday afternoon. Unaware of such a view at the time he prepared his earlier books relating to the Sabbath and Sunday, Bacchiocchi has now been prompted to treat this subject because of questions raised by readers of those earlier publications (pp. 8-9). Four chapters are devoted specifically to this topic, responding to the arguments set forth by the "Wednesday-Saturday" proponents and defending the traditional "Sunday-Resurrection" view. Two additional chapters are "not directly related to the main objective of this study" (p. 9), but have arisen from somewhat corollary concerns: "The Reckoning of the Day in Bible Times" and "The Reckoning of the Sabbath Today."

Cameron, Euan. *The Reformation of the Heretics: The Waldenses of the Alps, 1480-1580*. Oxford Historical Monographs. Oxford, Eng.: Clarendon Press, 1984. xvii + 291 pp. \$45.00.

This volume, a revised form of the author's doctoral dissertation at Oxford University, carefully analyzes primary source materials pertaining to the "Waldenses of the Alps" during the century from 1480-1580, and in the process

challenges various long-held opinions. The author breaks new ground in research on three matters of long-standing interest: Waldensian beliefs and practices; persecution of the Waldenses by church authorities; and the mid-sixteenth-century merging of these "Waldenses of the Alps" into Swiss Protestantism.

Chapman, Colin. *The Case for Christianity*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1984. 313 pp. Paperback, \$12.95.

A new paperback edition of a significant Christian apologetical work published in 1981. This book is a sort of "manual" on the subject, and includes more than one thousand quotations from individuals who have dealt with aspects of the topic and/or various issues involved.

Earle, Ralph. *Word Meanings in the New Testament*. Vol. 6: *Hebrews-Revelation*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Baker Book House, 1984. 174 pp. Paperback, \$9.95.

The final volume in the six-volume set of *Word Meanings* begun in 1974. The purpose of the series, according to the author, is "to help all students of the Word to discover the rich mine of truth to be found in a study of the original languages of the biblical text."

Eisenstein, Elizabeth L. *The Printing Revolution in Early Modern Europe*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 1984. 297 pp., 52 plates. \$34.50/\$9.95.

This publication represents an abridgment of Eisenstein's monumental two-volume *The Printing Press as an Agent of Change* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1979). It explores the general implications of the advent of the use of movable type and assesses the impact of printing on Renaissance, Reformation, and the rise of modern science.

Fitzmyer, Joseph A. *The Gospel According to Luke X-XXIV*. Anchor Bible, vol. 28A. Garden City, N.Y.: Doubleday and Company, 1985. Pp. [i]-xxxvi and 841-1642. \$18.00.

This commentary volume continues where the previous one (also by Fitzmyer) concludes. The usual Anchor-Bible format is used. There is translation of sections of the biblical text, followed by "comment," "notes," and "bibliography." The in-depth treatment characteristic of the AB series prevails, as does the wide reference to source materials. The present volume is "updated" in the sense that it utilizes tools and commentaries not available when the commentary on Luke 1-9 was prepared—e.g., the 26th ed. of Nestle-Aland, commentaries by I. H. Marshall and E. Schweizer, and Joachim Jeremias's study of the Lucan language. Also, substantial addenda to the bibliographies in vol. 28 have been supplied.

Fretheim, Terence E. *The Suffering of God: An Old Testament Perspective*. Philadelphia, Pa.: Fortress Press, 1984. 224 pp. Paperback, \$10.95.

A volume that treats a generally neglected aspect of OT thought, utilizing three main themes regarding the "suffering of God": "God suffers because of us"; "God suffers with us"; and "God suffers for us." Examines related matters (e.g., OT rulership metaphors, the "God-world connection," etc.), as well as

surveying discussions of God as represented in present-day OT scholarship.

Grayston, Kenneth. *The Johannine Epistles*. New Century Bible Commentary. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1984. 180 pp. Paperback, \$5.95.

A further volume in a standard Bible-commentary series that utilizes the RSV English text. "The aim of the commentary is to involve the reader in the effort of trying to understand these New Testament writings in their appropriate cultural situation."

Gura, Philip F. *A Glimpse of Zion's Glory: Puritan Radicalism in New England, 1620-1660*. Middletown, Conn.: Wesleyan University Press, 1984. xv + 398 pp. \$25.95.

One might assume from the title of this volume that the content is basically a study of radicalism of the sort manifested by England's "Fifth-Monarchy Men" and James Naylor, who staged "triumphal entries" in London and in Bristol, respectively, and who belong to the same time period between 1620 and 1660 covered in Gura's study. But the Puritan "radicalism" in New England did not, apparently, involve such elements of "radical" behavior; and Gura's volume treats rather a "radicalism" of "Puritanism" (somewhat broadly defined) that he can describe under *ideological* categories (such as, millenarians, Baptists, and Quakers, among others) and that he can illustrate by in-depth studies of Anne Hutchinson, Samuel Gorton, and William Pynchon.

Hildebrandt, Franz, and Beckerlegge, Oliver A., eds. *The Works of John Wesley*. Vol. 7: *A Collection of Hymns for the Use of the People Called Methodists*.

Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1984. xv + 848 pp. \$86.00.

The text of this volume is the Methodist hymnbook of 1780, and includes numerous hymns by John Wesley's brother Charles, the chief hymn-writer in the family. Wesleyan theology and piety ring out in the words of the hymns; and in addition, there are numerous annotations. The occurrence in the hymns of an abundance of "poetic twists" and other felicitous expressions—especially characteristic of Charles Wesley—provides another dimension for study and enjoyment in reading this book.

Hsia, R. Po-Chia. *Society and Religion in Münster, 1535-1618*. Yale Historical Publications, Miscellany 131. New Haven, Conn.: Yale University Press, 1984. xiv + 306 pp. \$25.00.

This book details a complex period in the history of the Westphalian city of Münster, during which time the political, religious, social, and economic structures had to be re-established, subsequent to the radical-Anabaptist regime of Jan Matthys and Jan of Leiden in 1534-35. The volume traces major developments in the city from the initial re-entry of Catholics and Lutherans into Münster, onward to the beginning of the Thirty Years' War in 1618. Notice is taken of the successes of the Counter-Reformation in Münster during this period.

Kaiser, Walter C., Jr. *Malachi: God's Unchanging Love*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Baker Book House, 1984. 171 pp. Paperback, \$6.95.

A commentary on the book of Malachi that is both exegetical and homiletical, and stresses the theme of God's constancy of love and care in difficult times. The introduction treats the questions of author, date, and nature of this concluding OT book.

Krahn, Cornelius. *Menno Simons. Ein Beitrag zur Geschichte und Theologie der Taufgesinnten*. Scottdale, Pa.: Herald Press, 1984. 192 pp. Paperback, \$9.95.

A new edition of an older standard biography (published in 1936) of Menno Simons, famous Dutch Anabaptist leader of the sixteenth century. The new edition adds illustrations and photographs to the text of the original edition.

Leonard, Harry, ed. *J. N. Andrews: The Man and His Mission*. Berrien Springs, Mich.: Andrews University Press, 1985. xi + 355 pp. Paperback, \$10.95.

This volume consists of seventeen papers on John Nevins Andrews (1829-83), from whom Andrews University has drawn its name and who served as the first overseas missionary for the Seventh-day Adventist church—to Switzerland in 1874. Most of these papers were originally delivered at a symposium held from August 30 to September 1, 1983, in Collonges-sous-Salève, France, though several had been given earlier, at Andrews University in September, 1979. The international flavor of Andrews' work is stressed, giving attention to his missionary activity in Switzerland and noting, as well, the outreach of his influence to Great Britain, Germany, and Italy. Several chapters are devoted to his scholarly pursuits, and there is also treatment of him as "family man" and "churchman." The authors of these papers, interestingly and pertinently, represent a wide array of scholarship—from England, France, Italy, Germany, Poland, Switzerland, and the U.S.A.

Marty, Martin E. *Being Good and Doing Good*. Philadelphia, Pa.: Fortress Press, 1984. 128 pp. Paperback, \$4.95.

A succinct treatment of essential concerns in contemporary Christian ethics,

with a "practical-application" type of orientation. Marty sees "doing good" as a result of "being good," and he views Christians as people through whom God's goodness can make a genuine impact on society. The book is designed for group study and/or discussion.

Moore, John Allen. *Anabaptist Portraits*. Scottsdale, Pa.: Herald Press, 1984. 256 pp. Paperback, \$9.95.

Provides biographical sketches of Conrad Grebel, Felix Manz, George Blaurock, Michael Sattler, Hans Denck, and Balthasar Hubmaier.

Pater, Calvin Augustine. *Karlstadt as the Father of the Baptist Movements: The Emergence of Lay Protestantism*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1984. xiv + 350 pp. \$37.50.

Andreas Bodenstein von Karlstadt is most frequently treated in connection with the Lutheran Reformation, but Pater finds him even more important as a forerunner of, and background for, the theological/ideological stance of the Anabaptism that emerged in Switzerland, South Germany, and the Low Countries (distinct, however, from the Central-German variety of Anabaptism that came more under the influence of Thomas Müntzer). The three main parts of the volume treat Karlstadt's theology (including, e.g., his views on Scripture, ecclesiology, and the sacrament of baptism), the Reformation in Zurich, and Karlstadt and Melchior Hoffmann.

Patte, Daniel. *Preaching Paul*. Philadelphia, Pa.: Fortress Press, 1984. 96 pp. Paperback, \$4.95.

The author of *Paul's Faith and the Power of the Gospel: A Structural Introduction to the Pauline Letters* (Philadelphia, Pa.: Fortress Press, 1983) has here provided a brief workbook for preachers

on Paul's teachings and faith. Treating certain central passages in Paul's epistles and their relevance in Paul's own context, Patte moves on to suggest ways in which the examples from Paul can help preachers today to discover manifestations of God's power.

Potter, G. R. *Zwingli*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 1984. xvii + 432 pp. Paperback, \$18.95 (cloth ed., \$64.50).

This 1984 publication is a paperback edition of one of the standard biographies of Zwingli (published originally in hard cover in 1976). This new edition is timely (as well as useful), appearing during the 500th anniversary year of the Swiss Reformer's birth.

Rasi, Humberto M., and Guy, Fritz, eds. *Meeting the Secular Mind: Some Adventist Perspectives*. Berrien Springs, Mich.: Andrews University Press, 1985. 195 pp. Paperback, \$7.95.

Described on the title-page as "Selected Working Papers of the Committee on Secularism of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists 1981-1985." The authors and editors represent specialties in theology, Christian ethics, the sciences, anthropology, linguistics, church administration, and church outreach ministries. Aside from the "Introduction" and an "Epilogue," the volume contains fourteen papers, divided into the following four categories: (1) "Exploring the Secular Mind," (2) "Preparing to Meet the Secular Mind," (3) "A Message for the Secular Mind," and (4) "Case Studies in Meeting the Secular Mind." (In Part 4, the case studies are: "Reaching the General Television Audience," "Urban Ministry in New York City," and "Campus Ministry in Orange County.")

Rawlins, Clive. *William Barclay: The Authorized Biography*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1984. 704 pp. \$29.95.

A detailed biography of the famous Scottish theologian whose seventeen-volume *Daily Study Bible* has become a standard reference set, and many of whose sixty or more other published books are widely cherished by clergy and laity alike. The present comprehensive biography "is a bold witness to Barclay's belief that the story of Jesus, plainly told and anchored to a simple acceptance of biblical narrative, has an extraordinary power over people in all walks of life."

Riesen, Richard Allan. *Criticism and Faith in Late Victorian Scotland: A. B. Davidson, William Robertson Smith and George Adam Smith*. Lanham, Md.: University Press of America, Inc., 1985. xxiv + 466 pp. \$27.50/\$18.75.

A slightly modified version of the author's doctoral dissertation presented to the Faculty of Ecclesiastical History of New College, the University of Edinburgh. The study focuses on the three individuals mentioned in the subtitle. The "only modification of interpretive significance" in this volume as compared to the dissertation itself relates to "William Robertson Smith's view of the death of Christ" (p. v). Some other "Victorians" besides Davidson and the two Smiths receive at least brief attention, as well: e.g., James Bannerman, Alexander Black, and Robert S. Candlish.

Samuel, Vinay, and Sugden, Chris, eds. *Sharing Jesus in the Two Thirds World*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1984. 432 pp. Paperback, \$12.95.

This publication contains fourteen papers that were presented at the First Conference of Evangelical Mission

Theologians, held in Bangkok, Thailand, in March, 1982. The conference, with representation from some twenty-two countries, met to discuss understandings of Christ and christology as represented "in the two-thirds of the world whose people live in situations of poverty, powerlessness, and oppression." (First published in India, in 1983.)

Skinner, Craig. *Lamplighter and Son: the Forgotten Story of Thomas Spurgeon and His Famous Father, Charles Haddon Spurgeon*. Nashville, Tenn.: Broadman Press, 1984. 269 pp. \$11.95.

A popular (and very sympathetic) treatment of C. H. Spurgeon and his son Thomas Spurgeon. The emphasis is on the latter, who achieved fame as an evangelist in Australia and New Zealand, and who returned to England to become the elder Spurgeon's successor at London's Metropolitan Tabernacle in 1894.

Torrance, Thomas F. *The Mediation of Christ*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1984. 112 pp. Paperback, \$6.95.

This book is the American edition of a work originally published in 1983 by the Paternoster Press in England. Renowned Scottish theologian T. F. Torrance, who retired in 1979 from his headship of the Department of Christian Dogmatics at the University of Edinburgh, provides in this compact volume four essays on the mediation of Christ: "The Mediation of Revelation," "The Mediation of Reconciliation," "The Person of the Mediator," and "The Mediation of Christ in Our Human Response." (These chapters are expanded from Torrance's Didsbury Lectures presented at the British Isles Nazarene College in Manchester in October, 1982.) The book is not annotated, and there is no bibliography;

the author's purpose is "to help students, ministers and pastors, and other Church leaders and workers, to think theologically about the Gospel, so that they may get a firmer grip upon its content for their various ministries" (p. 9).

Verhey, Allen. *The Great Reversal: Ethics and the New Testament*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1984. 288 pp. Paperback, \$13.95.

A study that examines the ethic of Jesus as the basis of NT ethics and as the reconciling center for what may seem to be differing ethical messages in the NT. The author considers the Apostle Paul to have made legitimate adaptation of Jesus' message to the widespread areas Paul evangelized. The concept of "great reversal" (in the title of this book) relates to Jesus' ethic emerging as a striking contrast to that of ancient Judaism.

Zundel, Veronica, comp. *Eerdmans' Book of Famous Prayers*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1984. 126 pp. \$12.95.

In the tradition of *Eerdmans Book of Christian Poetry* and *Stories of Our Favorite Hymns*, this volume provides a selection of more than one hundred of the best-loved prayers of Christians throughout the centuries, beginning with prayers in the Bible itself. The arrangement is chronological, with brief biographical and other background information provided. The anthology contains prayers ranging from those of famous personalities to those that are anonymous. It represents virtually every part of the world, and includes various types of prayer (e.g., folk prayer, missionary entreaty, doxology, and benediction, plus others). Among modern Christians represented are Dietrich Bonhoeffer; Martin Luther King, Jr.; Corrie Ten Boom; and Mother Teresa.