

BOOK NOTICES

EAVON LEE MOBLEY AND WINFRIED VOGEL

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

Evans, W. Glyn. *Beloved Adversary: Our Complex Relationship with a Loving God*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Zondervan Publishing House, 1985. 161 pp. Paperback, \$5.95.

The author tries to show how God accomplishes his purposes through what we perceive as an adversarial role. Addressed are the issues of alienation and the struggle of will, and Evans comes to the conclusion that an adversarial relationship with God is crucial to spiritual growth.—W.V.

Firet, Jacob. *Dynamics in Pastoring*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1986. xiv + 319 pp. \$24.95/\$19.95.

A study of pastoral theology upon its scriptural foundations is Firet's aim. He makes a distinction between, and discusses the interrelationship of, the *hermeneutic* moment—the impetus toward understanding—and the *agogic* moment—the impetus toward change. This publication focuses mainly upon the latter and the role of the pastor therein. The study is said to be widely used as a textbook in its original Dutch edition.—E.L.M.

Fitzmyer, Joseph A. *The Gospel According To Luke X-XXIV*. Garden City, N.Y.: Doubleday & Company, Inc., 1985. xxxvi + 801 pp. \$18.00.

This is the author's conclusion of a two-volume study of Luke in the Anchor-Bible series. Each of the 15 chapters is studied with respect to the Gospel as a whole. A bibliography included after

each section and subject and author indices are helpful to the reader.—E.L.M.

Gaede, S. D. *Belonging: Our Need for Community in Church and Family*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Zondervan Publishing House, 1985. 277 pp. Paperback, \$9.95.

The human need for community is analyzed and the major forces in today's fast-moving, fragmented society that undermine the relationships which make people human and life worth living are identified. Gaede offers positive suggestions on how to live in the modern world without succumbing to its pitfalls and pressures.—E.L.M.

Gaede, S. D. *Where God May Dwell: On Understanding the Human Condition*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Zondervan Publishing House, 1985. 186 pp. Paperback, \$7.95.

This book first explores the possibility and legitimacy of approaching the social sciences from a Christian perspective, and also provides a model for a Christian approach, arguing for a worldview that should be rooted in biblical thinking. The second part of the volume focuses on the area of human relationships as an example of applying a biblically based theoretical framework to this subject.—W.V.

Hubbard, Reuben A. *Historical Perspectives of Religion and Health*. Published by the author, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Mich., 49104. 211 pp. Paperback, \$7.95.

The author presents an in-depth treatment of biblical health concepts and unfolds a new perspective in disease prevention and abundant living, as biblical health principles are revealed. The volume also delves into the field of paleopathology, as the diseases of ancient Egypt are discussed through information gained by means of autopsies of mummies. The ancient lifestyle is compared with the ancient diseases, and the findings are correlated with health problems of today.—E.L.M.

Kendall, R. T. *Stand Up and Be Counted*. Ministry Resources Library. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Zondervan Publishing House, 1984. 127 pp. Paperback, \$5.95.

This volume deals with the practice of the "altar call" at the conclusion of gospel preaching. The objectives of this practice are examined, and note is taken of the possibilities for misuse and misunderstanding. The author proposes a new term, "public pledge"—as opposed to the emotionally-loaded "altar call." The "public pledge" is to "go public" with one's faith in Jesus on a regular basis.—E.L.M.

Kopp, Ruth L. *When Someone You Love is Dying*. Ministry Resources Library.

Grand Rapids, Mich.: Zondervan Publishing House, 1980. 238 pp. Paperback, \$8.95.

Formerly published under the title *Encounter With Terminal Illness*, this is a handbook of practical help. It is intended for those seeking to provide care and comfort not only to friends and loved ones who are terminally ill but also to family members and others who too need support during this trying time.—E.L.M.

Watts, John D. W. *Isaiah 1-33*. Word Biblical Commentary. Waco, Texas: Word Books, 1985. lvii + 449 pp. \$24.95.

The author has divided vol. 24 in the Word Biblical Commentary into two parts, of which this is the first. The author's primary goal is to present an understandable interpretation of the Book of Isaiah. The translations are deliberately literal. Since the commentary is lay-reader-oriented, background information is furnished. The bibliographies provide access to helpful literature, and the notes in each section deal with textual variations and explanations for the translations.—E.L.M.