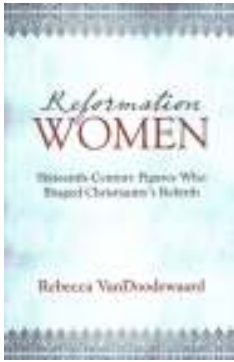


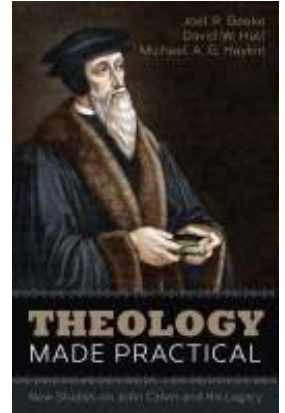
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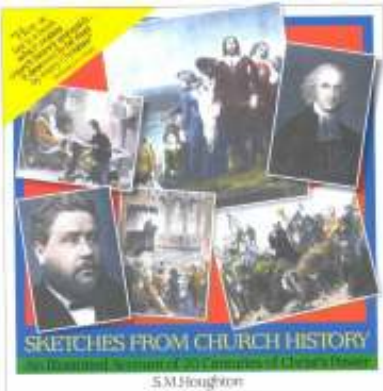
Reformation Women – *Sixteenth-Century Figures Who Shaped Christianity's Rebirth* by Rebecca VanDoodewaard (BIO VAN) “The modern resurgence of Reformed theology, publishing, and ministry is not just for those with beards. Nor has it ever been, for a healthy Calvinism has always seen women making incredible contributions. With crisp prose showing how biblical feminity resulted in a strength among a dozen Reformed women that was both “tough and lady-like,” Rebecca VanDoodewaard has done all the church – both men and women – a tremendous service in providing this work. She brings the lesser-known ladies from Good’s original Famous Women of the Reformed Church alive for a new generation.” ~ Barry York, professor of pastoral theology and dean of faculty, Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

## December 9

Theology Made Practical – *New Studies on John Calvin and His Legacy* by Joel R. Beeke, David W. Hall, Michael A.G. Haykin (239 BEE). “John Calvin stands as one of the giants in the history of Christianity. Unfortunately, his views are too often misunderstood. In this helpful book, three respected church historians model for us how to write historical theology in service to contemporary pastoral theology. As a pastor-theologian with a keen appreciation for the church’s past, Calvin himself would no doubt appreciate their effort. *Theology Made Practical* is a helpful resource for evangelical pastors who care deeply about theology and evangelical theologians who are committed to pastoral application, even those who may not share all of Calvin’s Reformed sensibilities.” ~ Nathan A. Finn, dean, School of Theology and Missions, Union University.



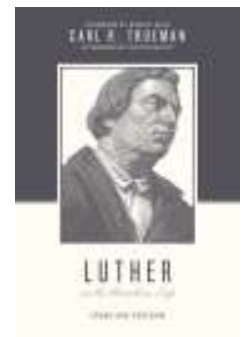
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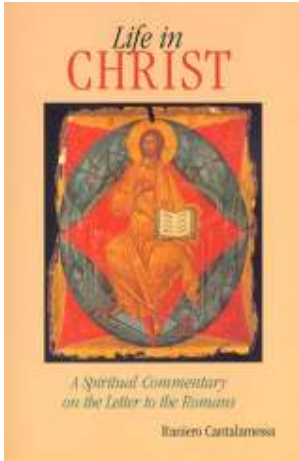
Sketches from Church History – *An Illustrated Account of 20 Centuries of Christ's Power* by S. M. Houghton (270 HOL). “Here at last is a book which makes church history enjoyable. It deserves to be read by every Christian.” This book outlines the thrilling story of the onward march of the Church of Christ from the earliest times to the end of the nineteenth century. It is not a dry-as-dust account of long-forgotten events and controversies, but rather a moving record of those who undertook the adventure of faith before us and, through their courage and steadfastness, left an example for the church in every age. Reading of the exploits of those who have gone before us, through times of prosperity and times of persecution, should stimulate, warn and encourage the church in our own age to persevere in the same path, and obtain the same everlasting reward.

## December 23

Luther on the Christian Life by Carl R. Trueman (248.4 TRU). Martin Luther’s historical significance can hardly be overstated. Known as the father of the Protestant Reformation, Luther has had an enormous impact on Western Christianity and culture. In Luther on the Christian Life, historian Carl Trueman introduces readers to the lively Reformer, taking them on a tour of his historical context, theological system, and approach to the Christian life. Whether exploring Luther’s theology of protest, ever-present sense of humour, or misunderstood view of sanctification, this book will help modern readers go deeper in their spiritual walk by learning from one of the great teachers of the faith.



December 30



Life in Christ – *walking in newness of life* by Edward Donnelly (248.4 DON). “To be a Christian is to be related to Jesus Christ. But in what way?” This book examines the significance of a favourite New Testament description of a Christian – a man or woman who is ‘in Christ’. Union with Christ has been called ‘the central truth of the whole doctrine of salvation’. In words of this writer, it is ‘so fundamental that it transcends time and space ... and includes within itself all the blessings of redemption’. In handling such a profound theme, he confesses to feeling ‘like a child paddling on the shore of an unfathomable ocean’, and yet finding the ground beneath his feet ‘reassuringly solid’. Beginning with the way in which we consciously enter into this union, the author shows how union with Christ provides us with a new identity, enables us to draw directly from him the strength to live Christlike lives, and brings us into a world wide family. Finally he helps us to see how ‘pain and suffering are God’s paradoxical means of bringing us closer to Jesus and making us more like Him’.