

Reconciliation Propitiation And The Barrier

We think of ourselves as free, but we are born in an inescapable slavery;bondage to sin. As members of the human race we exist in a slave market of sin, helpless to redeem ourselves. We enter the world with a sin nature, separated from God and powerless to establish a relationship with Him. We have no way to emancipate ourselves from the captivity of our inherited depravity. However, the gracious plan of God for mankind calls for a savior, a redeemer!the Lord Jesus Christ!to purchase our freedom from the slave market. Christ is the only Person qualified to make such a purchase. The only requirement for eternal release from the slave market of sin is faith alone in Christ alone.

Vital . . . pertaining to life; essential; of critical importance. Christology . . . the study of the person and work of Jesus Christ. Issues . . . a point or matter, the decision of which is of special or public importance. A dictionary can define the terms, but tackling the tough texts and difficult issues of church leadership requires skillful study and balanced reflection upon the whole of Scripture. Vital Christology Issues draws upon the insights and study of numerous evangelical scholars and writers to address crucial issues in Christology. Some of the chapters included are: The Ministry of Christ in His Life on Earth by John F. Walvoord The Temptation of Christ by S. Lewis Johnson Jr. The Savior's Sufferings in Life by Robert P. Lightner Christian readers, church leaders, and pastors will appreciate the helpful guidance of Vital Christology Issues.

The extent of Christ's atoning work on the cross is one of the most divisive issues in evangelical Christianity. In The Extent of the Atonement: A Historical and Critical Review, David L. Allen makes a biblical, historical, theological, and practical case for a universal atonement. Through a comprehensive historical survey, Allen contends that universal atonement has always been the majority view of Christians, and that even among Calvinist theologians there is a considerable range of views. Marshalling evidence from Scripture and history, and critiquing arguments for a limited atonement, Allen affirms that an unlimited atonement is the best understanding of Christ's saving work. He concludes by showing that an unlimited atonement provides the best foundation for evangelism, missions, and preaching.

Their History and Explanation

Theology for the Church in Renewal

The Barrier

A Biblical Guide To Understanding, Impairments, Afflictions, & Suffering Within Today's World

Conversations and Questions from the Indian Context

Truth Aflame

"Larry Hart's Truth Aflame brings together charismatic renewal and classic evangelical faith better than anything I have read. An important contribution to the contemporary renaissance in systematic theology!" Timothy George Dean of Beeson Divinity School of Samford University, Executive Editor of Christianity Today As the Pentecostal/charismatic movement continues to grow, so does the need for solid theological resources for its members. While there are many volumes of systematic theology available, very few are written from a distinctly charismatic perspective. Truth Aflame seeks to meet that need. While academically sound, Truth Aflame is written with a practical, pastoral flavor. Larry Hart defines systematic theology as the process of taking what the Bible teaches and relating it to contemporary questions and knowledge. His passion for the subject is evident: he is concerned that the reader both grasps the magnificence of the study of God and allows these great truths to be transformative. This Truth, then—liberating, enlivening, and transforming Truth—becomes central to the ongoing renewal of the church that we are seeing in our day. Dr. Hart treats each of the traditional categories—revelation, God, creation, humanity, sin, Christ, salvation, the church, and last things—from a Pentecostal/charismatic perspective. He addresses other theological viewpoints but does not get bogged down in analysis and rebuttal. Further, he seeks to build bridges of understanding to those evangelicals outside the charismatic tradition. Clear, succinct, and readable, this revised and updated edition of Truth Aflame is well-suited not only for students, but for anyone desiring a greater understanding of Pentecostal/charismatic theology.

Life on the Highest Plane has blessed several generations with its blend of biblical teaching and personal application. Ruth Paxson presents the biblical progression of the spiritual life from that of the natural person (the unsaved) to the carnal person (the immature believer) to the spiritual person (the mature believer). This last position is God's intention for all believers--a life lived on the highest spiritual plane.

It is basic to the Christian understanding of theology, history, and every other field of knowledge. Indeed, it is an issue so vast and significant that few books even attempt to span the broad spectrum of topics it raises.

Facing Goliath

The Moody Handbook of Theology

Volume IV: (Part I: Pleroma -- Shimon)

The Atonement

A Dictionary of the Bible: Pleroma-Zuzim

The Thirty-nine Articles

This detailed look at all 66 Bible books in a single volume contains helpful introductions to the 10 major units of Scripture plus maps, charts, and in-depth sidebars.

This substantially revised second edition of Revelation and Reconciliation, first published by Cambridge University Press in 1995, gives a fresh account of the intellectual breakdown of Christianity in the West. In contrast to the familiar focus on epistemological questions and the collision between reason and revelation, Stephen Williams argues that underlying this collision is a deeper conflict between belief in human moral self-sufficiency and Christian belief in reconciliation in history. Taking issue with thinkers including the philosopher of science, Michael Polanyi, and the theologian, Colin Gunton, the argument proceeds by examining the contributions of Descartes, Locke, Barth and Nietzsche before coming to conclusions on the theological reading of intellectual history and the prospects of revitalising a contemporary Christian belief in reconciliation in history. Students of both theology and the history of modern thought will find in Williams' analysis an alternative interpretation of the balance of forces in post-Reformation Western thought with implications for how they should be addressed.

A Call to Follow Jesus When He Challenges Our Traditions There are many challenges to adequately representing Jesus to the majority world, and often Western Christian traditions create unnecessary hindrances to people accepting His truth. This book grew out of many interviews with Indian Jesus-followers—both Christians and Yesu bhaktas—who identified painful stumbling blocks to receiving and sharing the gospel. While Hindus often have a high view of Jesus, they struggle with the conventions, practices, and labels around "church." Christian Barriers to Jesus uniquely challenges readers to examine nine barrier-producing Christian traditions, exploring:
• The assumptions Christians may hold about the value, origin, or necessity of their customs
• The concerns Hindus commonly raise about traditions that confuse, offend, or alienate them
• Teachings from Jesus in Scripture that often question the same ideas or practices
Pennington suggests that by not asking deep enough questions about what is essential for following Jesus and what is a non-essential human invention, the church is unnecessarily alienating millions of people from Him. As a body, it is time to honestly address these concerns, developing new patterns of discipleship that reveal Jesus's heart for breaking down barriers instead of creating them. The analysis presented in this book will empower readers to critically examine their personally cherished traditions and the purity of the gospel they present, with insights that are relevant in all contexts.

A Biblical, Theological, and Historical Study of the Cross of Christ

A Christian Perspective

A Dictionary of the Bible

Dictionary of the Bible: Pleroma-Zuzim

Holman Concise Bible Commentary

The International Standard Bible Encyclopaedia

Barriers and Bridges, a practical and in-depth guide designed to educate the reader on issues, concerns, and biblical instruction regarding physical impairments, afflictions, and personal suffering within today's world. The book helps the reader better understand the origin of these afflictions, society's view and treatment of the impaired, the role our perspective of man plays in our treatment of him, God's role in relation to the impaired, the means of gaining personal victory over impairment, afflictions and suffering, and much more. The book is a must read for those who are physically impaired, for those who counsel or care about those who are impaired, afflicted or suffering, and for those simply seeking answers to these complex issues. The book comes with a resource section and small group study questions for those interested in presenting the subject in a class or small group setting.

Traill balances the Old Testament with the New Testament outworking to bring the whole topic of who man is into a contemporary, Bible-based understanding.

The BarrierR. B. Thieme, Jr., Bible Ministries

Vital Christology Issues

The Expositor

Life on the Highest Plane

Who Am I?

An Angle on Modernity

A Dictionary of the Bible, Dealing with Its Language, Literature, and Contents, Including the Biblical Theology: Pleroma-Zuzim

The Moody Handbook of Theology leads the beginner into the appreciation and understanding of this essential field of study. It introduces the reader to the five dimensions that provide a comprehensive view of theology: biblical, systematic, historical, dogmatic and contemporary. The apostle Paul wrote that all Scripture is 'profitable for teaching' (2 Tim. 3:16), that Timothy should 'pay close attention to...your teaching' (1 Tim. 4:16), and that leaders should 'be able both to exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict' (Titus 1:9). When he wrote these statements, Paul was referring to theology. Beyond giving basic definitions and general descriptions, author Paul Enns summarized the substantial features of theology. In this way, he provides a concise doctrinal reference tool for the newcomer as well as the seasoned scholar seeking a refresher. There are fifty-five informative charts located at strategic points throughout the book.

Arthur W. Pink (1890-1953) launched his yearly publication, *Studies in the Scriptures* in 1921. These continued until his death, altogether 33 volumes of 288 pp. each. Most of Pink's books are taken from these yearly books (written monthly in 24 page format). This title is one of the many taken from eight of those monthly magazines. Readers will find thorough consideration of all the facets of this Biblical Doctrine of Reconciliation. Pink covers: Its Arrangement; Its Need, Its Effectuation; Its Meaning; Its Scope; and Its Reception. There are Scriptures galore cited. Undoubtedly the reader will grow rich in knowledge and in the grace of Christ. The pages are full, with probably 400 words to a page, so buyers will get their moneys worth. As an example of what a master workman like Pink does, note that he cites Romans 12:1, 2: [This verse] "supplies an interpretation of the rites of the Law and of the reasonable part of the O. T. order of things. Thus, he who would make a covenant with God is required to give up himself wholly unto God with a sincere and firm resolution unto a new life of obedience to Him. If there is any reservation the covenant is marred in the making of it: "Their heart was not right with Him, neither were they steadfast in His covenant" (Ps. 78:37). Goodwin's Reconciliation by the Blood of Christ is a sermon he preached on Colossians 1:20, in which He describes the seeming impossibility of reconciling totally depraved men to a holy God. Who is sufficient for such a task? He proves that only Christ Jesus had the fitness to fill this role of perfect obedience to the Law, together with an acceptable sacrifice to propitiate the wrath of God toward men.

Witnessing is the declaration of the good news of salvation, the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the unbelieving world. But is this responsibility and privilege reserved solely for the pastor, missionary, and evangelist? Definitely not! Every believer is responsible for presenting the Gospel to a lost and dying world. What do you tell unbelievers about Christ? You must explain what He accomplished on the cross and how anyone can receive His incomparable gift. Your guiding principle is faith alone in Christ alone. You are the point of contact in the unbeliever's search for meaning and purpose in life. Without faith in Christ and an eternal future, ultimately his life is meaningless. When a loved one, friend, or even stranger believes in Christ as Savior from your presentation of the Gospel, you will experience the inexpressible reward of serving our Lord through witnessing.

Seven Pillars of Christianity

God's Work for Us

Spiritual Worship. A Lay Discourse

Christianity in Relation to Science and Morals

Examining Contemporary and Classic Concerns

Sacrifice and Atonement

This work, carried out prior to the creation of The Republic of South Sudan, focuses on the Christian perspective of reconciliation and peace in South Sudan. In a country gripped in what was set to be, until recently, Africa ' s longest running civil war the Sudanese state had been, on many occasions, inherently unjust, repressive, and extremely violent against sections of its own citizens resulting in long lasting conflict and war. This conflict stretches deep into the history and geography of the region. This study investigates people ' s views and trends to find out whether the end of hostilities would mark the end of interpersonal, group, tribal, and interethnic conflict created by the war. It asks, are people ready to forgive those who have wronged them during the war without demanding justice? What would constitute true peace in Sudan? Do the church and the government in Sudan each have a role in bringing sustainable peace? Findings of the research show an overwhelming desire for reconciliation and peace but with very different ways of reaching it. It is however recognized that to constitute true peace in South Sudan there is need for equality and justice, observation of the law, democratic governance, complete transformation, equitable distribution of resources and services, and freedom of worship. For this to be achieved both the church and government must play critical roles. Memories of the war are still fresh in people ' s minds. The government must recognize the trauma people have suffered, deal with the roots of the conflict and address the crimes committed so that wounds inflicted can be healed and people can then live harmoniously. The church must teach people the biblical understanding of peace and reconciliation through repentance and forgiveness so that peace can have true meaning.

For over a century the ten-volume Dictionary of the Bible has been the definitive reference. "It is a Dictionary of the Old and New Testaments, together with the Old Testament Apocrypha, according to the Authorized and Revised English Versions, and with constant reference to the original tongues. ... Articles have been written on the names of all Persons and Places, on the Antiquities and Archaeology of the Bible, on its Ethnology, Geology, and Natural History, on Biblical Theology and Ethic, and even on the obsolete or archaic words occurring in the English Versions." James Hastings (1852-1922) was a distinguished scholar and pastor. He was founder and editor of the Expository Times and is also well known for editing the Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics, the Dictionary of Christ and the Gospels, and the Dictionary of the Apostolic Church.

The atonement of Christ is the heart of Christianity. Christians are not only a people of the Book, but a people of the cross. In this accessible resource, author David L. Allen carefully summarizes the doctrine of the atonement, with definitions of key terms, discussion of key Old and New Testament texts, and a survey of the historical theories of the atonement.

Addressing topics like the atonement ' s necessity, nature, intent, extent, and application, The Atonement answers questions such as, " is the atonement actual or potential? " and " is the blood of Christ wasted on those who are eternally lost? " This book will be a go-to resource for all those who wish to understand what Christ accomplished on the cross by his death.

The Reformation Settlement Examined in the Light of History and Law

On the atonement and intercession of Jesus Christ. Second edition

Barriers And Bridges

Witnessing

Christian Barriers to Jesus (Revised Edition):

Reconciliation and Peace in South Sudan

Overcome giants and experience a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ. When it comes to their spiritual journey, many men feel defeated. Hindered by 'giants' they stand motionless feeling like wimps instead of warriors. Whether they feel intimidated, unmotivated, or just downright out of touch with what it means to pursue a relationship with God, Facing Goliath offers help to every man who wants to overcome his giants and experience a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ. Addressing topics like intellectual doubt, fear, pride, and selfishness, men will find practical steps to discovering the answers to questions, of faith, salvation, and spiritual growth. This discipleship game plan will help men learn Christian essentials in a way that appeals to those who are seeking what it means to be a follower of Jesus and those who have already found Jesus and want to grow.

Robert R. McLaughlin is the pastor of Grace Bible Church in Somerset, Massachusetts and the President of Robert McLaughlin Bible Ministries. Both ministries are non-denominational grace ministries dedicated to teaching the Word of God from the original languages and making it available at no charge throughout the world. For over 30 years Pastor McLaughlin has taught from the original languages of scripture. The Ministry is dedicated to equipping the believers in the Lord Jesus Christ to live the life that the Lord has designed for them. This is a life of contentment and strength as we go through the inevitable problems and challenges that life brings. Like it or not, believe it or not, we are all a part of an Angelic Conflict. One can hardly live in today's society and not come across the concept of good versus evil. Books, movies, video games, news, it is found everywhere. It is actually a measure of Satan's genius that he uses all of these

things to disguise, obscure, and pervert the truth. This book explains why most people, including many Christians, are unable to associate the events of their lives with the big picture, the Angelic Conflict itself. The Bible teaches that before the creation of man, a conflict arose between God and His angels, when Satan attempted to ascend to the Mount of Heaven and wrestle God's ruler-ship away from Him. The resulting battle left the surface of the earth in ruins, at this point the earth was packed in ice. Presumably it was at this time that the trial occurred in which Satan and the angels that followed him were found guilty and sentenced to the Lake of Fire. Since Satan is obviously not yet in the Lake of Fire, the logical conclusion is that he appealed his sentence. We can speculate a number of grounds on which he is making this appeal. One is an accusation against God's character that we hear often enough in life: How can a loving God cast His creatures into hell? To answer this appeal, God created man, a lower being, and set him in the great stadium of earth for all the angels to observe. God would take on the form of this lower being Himself. He would allow sinful man to abuse and mock Him, and finally to nail Him to a Roman Cross in an attempt to destroy Him. Our Lord Jesus Christ would then bear the penalty for the sins of all mankind. By doing so He neutralized the claims His justice had against us, so that we could live with Him and fellowship with Him forever. This book unlocks the secrets of the Angelic Conflict!

So many in Christianity are confused about their beliefs, it's no wonder that those new to the faith have trouble knowing where to start. In "Real Life Christianity: 7 Basic Principles for Successful Christian Living," author Alan Kelly helps both kinds of readers see that with the right guide, it is not hard to bring our faith into our daily lives. Beginning with a solid foundation of who God is and who we are, "Real Life Christianity" then demonstrates what went wrong in our relationship with God and what God has done to redeem us. With these principles in place, Alan moves on to show in simple terms how God has planned for us to live a successful life by changing the way we think. This daily process of applying what we learn in the Bible to the routines and events of our real lives helps us to go from just surviving to flourishing, from living a hectic and harried life to living the abundant and prosperous life God promised in his word.

Sin, Salvation and Redemption

On the Atonement and Intercession of Jesus Christ

The Cross of Christ

Slave Market of Sin

A Historical and Critical Review

The Barrier is impassable and insurmountable. No human being can break through this obstruction. Mankind is born on the wrong side of the barrier hopelessly separated from any relationship with God. God always knew that man, through negative volition, would alienate himself from his Creator. Consequently, in eternity past God the Father designed a perfect plan to remove the barrier. He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to be judged for our sins on the cross to bring man from enmity to peace with God. Even though Jesus Christ removed the barrier, your relationship with God depends on you. Only one issue remains: What do you think of Jesus Christ? Only one decision separates you from God. If you believe in Christ, you cross the line of separation and receive God's gift of eternal life.

The revelations contained in the Bible serve as a supreme guide by which to measure all human conduct, creeds, and religious opinions—and today's Christians are in steady moral and spiritual decline. A 2010 survey by the Barna Research Group reveals that in American churches, Christians have become less knowledgeable about the Bible, less interested in spiritual disciplines, and more desirous of secular techniques to solve life's problems, thus blurring the distinction between their conduct and that of nonbelievers. In Seven Pillars of Christianity: An Introduction to the Essential Christian Doctrines, Dr. William Ekane reveals the life-transforming foundations of the Christian faith and issues a clarion call for Christians to return to authentic Christianity. First presenting his compelling case for the scientific reliability and divine origin of the Bible, Dr. Ekane works closely with Scripture as he leads us through everything from the Lord Jesus Christ to trust and faith in the living God to, finally, the five major judgments and Revelation. These practical, strategic insights and essential truths are invaluable to new converts as well as mature believers. The Word of the Holy Spirit offers transformation, illuminating our hearts and minds as we strengthen our spiritual foundation and grow deeper in God.

Connecting the Chasm seeks to provide assistance with individual spiritual growth and instruction regarding the essential and foundational biblical truths. It covers the fall of mankind into sin through the purpose of the local church. All Christians should know what the Bible states regarding salvation, discipleship, sanctification, and their roles in the church. However, there is a dearth of knowledge of the fundamental teachings of Scripture, which has created a chasm between the believer and the Bible. Therefore, attention is given to biblical and theological issues that will compel the reader to go beyond the surface and build a firm foundation on the Word of God. Each facet is designed to facilitate individual spiritual growth for the new Christian as well as the mature Christian. A workbook is included to provide further interaction with the material so it may be utilized as a course text for basic biblical beliefs, a new member's orientation course, or a new believer's course.

The Apostle Paul's Letters from Prison

The Extent of the Atonement

7 Basic Principles for Successful Christian Living

Journal of Theology for Southern Africa

Real Life Christianity

How a Man Overcomes His Giants to Follow Christ