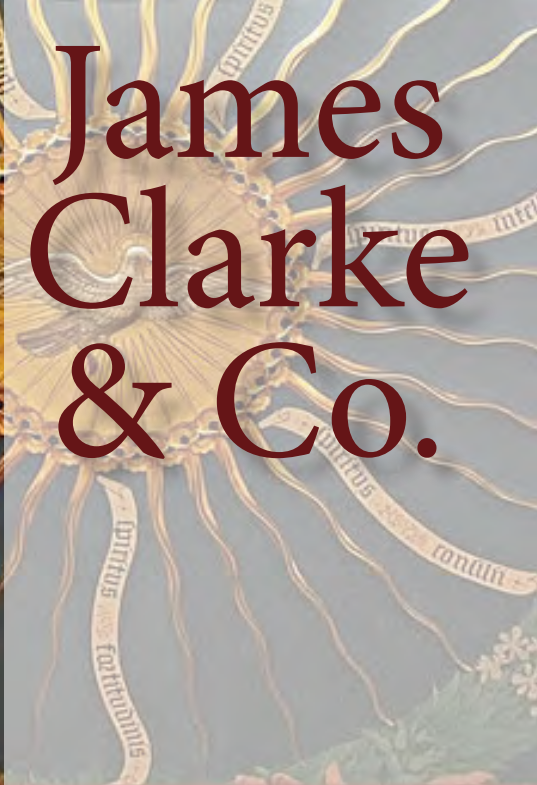




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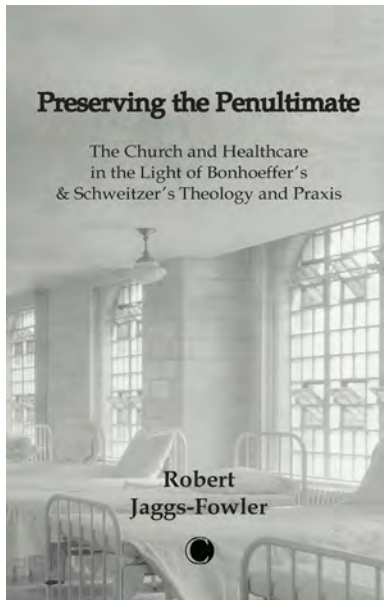
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Preserving the Penultimate

The Church and Healthcare in the
Light of Bonhoeffer's and Schweitzer's
Theology and Praxis

Robert M Jaggs-Fowler

Preserving the Penultimate brings two of the 20th century's most renowned Christian thinkers, Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Albert Schweitzer, into conversation around the emerging possibilities of healthcare. Here Bonhoeffer's theology meets Schweitzer's philosophy and praxis to examine the place that healthcare should hold within the Church and its mission. Using the crisis within the National Health Service in the United Kingdom as an example, the insights which these renowned thinkers bring to healthcare are explored.

Is the Church ignoring a part of its mission having retreated from the world of healthcare? Taking Bonhoeffer's notion of redeeming the penultimate (our present reality), as well as Schweitzer's emphasis on the practical application of Christian tenets, *Preserving the Penultimate* courses a path through the overlaps of these two thinkers, ultimately leading to a 're-envisioning the praxis of healthcare as theologically central to the mission of the Church.' As questions around healthcare become more urgent than ever, the role of Christianity to offer alternatives and inspire a broader vision of care is illuminated, considering not only the physical but the spiritual well-being of the person.

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He Descended into Hell

An English Reformation Controversy

Charles F. Camlin

The phrase 'he descended into hell' in the Apostles' Creed caused a major controversy in England during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, yet this debate has been largely overlooked in modern scholarship. Camlin reapproaches the descensus clause in the context of its initial composition, before exploring the Reformation context, and especially, the debates during the Tudor period.

He Descended into Hell considers how closely the English church aligned with the Patristic understanding of the doctrine during the Tudor period. It also considers how the English view correlated with the views of the Continental Reformers, as well as pressures within Protestantism to distance this view from that of the Roman church. Drawing on doctrinal, liturgical, catechetical and devotional material, Camlin shows how understandings of the purpose of Christ's descent were debated, leading to the established Anglican creeds we see today. Camlin's investigation thus offers new insight into this often overlooked or even misunderstood part of the Creed.

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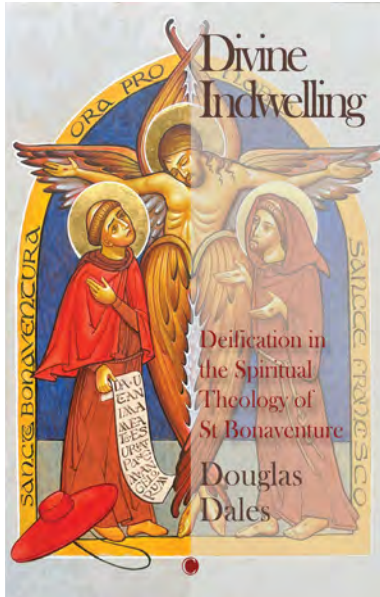
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Divine Indwelling

Deification in the Spiritual Theology
of St Bonaventure

Douglas Dales

Written to commemorate the 750th anniversary of St. Bonaventure's death, *Divine Indwelling* is the fourth of Douglas Dales' comprehensive studies of the theology of St. Bonaventure. Deification, the belief that God can be directly known through Jesus Christ by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, is becoming increasingly important in current theological thought, and unites Eastern and Western Christianity. This book explores deification in Bonaventure's distinctive teaching, and through close study of his various writings, reveals that deification is an important and uniting theme within his thought.

As with the preceding books, *Divine Indwelling* acts as a bridge into the thought of Bonaventure, whilst addressing the spiritual needs of the modern Church. Beginning with the New Testament texts that support belief in the divine promise of deification, Douglas Dales reveals Bonaventure's deep belief that deification is an immediate spiritual reality and the vocation for any Christian.

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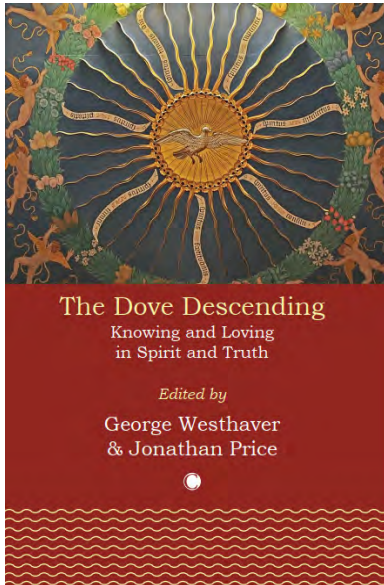
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The Dove Descending

Knowing and Loving in Spirit and Truth

*George Westhaver and
Jonatha Price (Editors)*

For *The Dove Descending*, eminent theologians, priests, writers and thinkers came together to consider the immersive, irreducible vision of the Holy Spirit and His presence in Christ, the Scriptures, the Church, the Saints, the Father, and the world. The collected essays from the Pusey House Conference 2022 draw from a rich history of theological and literary figures - from Augustine of Hippo to Hans Urs von Balthasar, from John Milton to T.S. Eliot - whilst continually centring vigorous and incisive scriptural analysis.

Crystallising around the third article of the creed, the communion of the Holy Spirit, these articles explore the centrality of the sacraments, the necessity of yielding any possession of the spirit, and the recognition of Christ in the Holy Spirit, and, through Him, in the other. These papers, published here for the first time, are a crucial read for any academic, theologian or curious Christian, illuminating the complexity in envisioning the Spirit alongside the hope for the future His presence represents.

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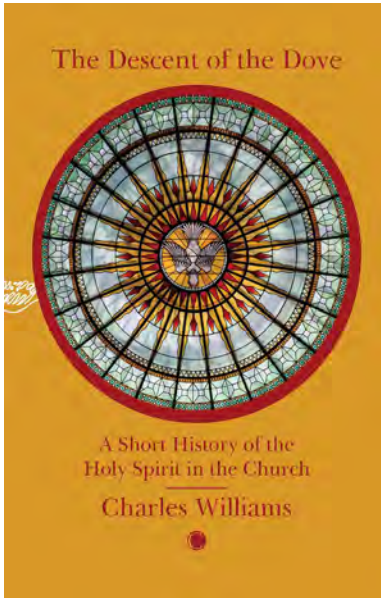
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The Descent of the Dove

A Short History of the Holy Spirit in the Church

Charles Williams

The Descent of the Dove brings the most significant of Charles Williams's theological writings to the modern reader. Tracing the history of the church through the activity of the Holy Spirit, this unconventional and imaginative historical study offers a fresh and accessible perspective on spirituality in the church. By studying the crisis points of theological conflict, Williams remains convinced that theological tensions are not only reconcilable, but indispensable for the church.

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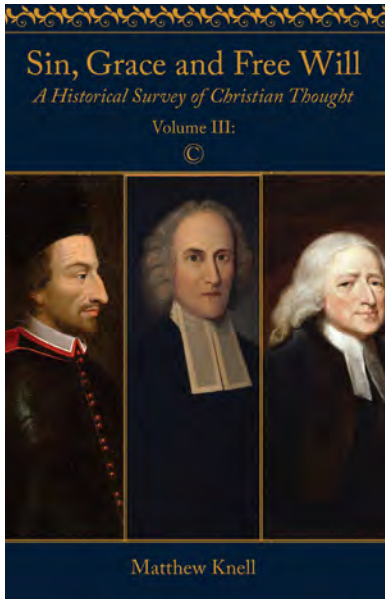
When I started reading Williams, I was a sectarian 'related' only to a small coterie of people who lived and thought and prayed like me. When I finished,

I was part of a congregation centuries deep and continents wide. I started with a spirituality that was almost totally subjective; then I found myself in something large-creational and incarnational. I'm not sure this is what Williams intended, but it is what happened. 'Unintended consequences' are common

in spirituality.

Eugene H. Peterson

Charles Williams (1886-1945) was an influential theologian, poet and author, and a member of the famous literary group 'the Inklings' alongside C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien. He also lectured on literature in Oxford, tutoring at St. Hilda's College until 1945, and was an Editor at Oxford University Press.



Sin, Grace and Free Will

A Historical Survey of Christian Thought:
Volume 3 – From Molina to Barth

Matthew Knell

In the third and final volume, Matthew Knell takes his readers through the crucial thinkers of the early modern and modern period. Tracing the new traditions of authority in the interpretation of scripture, and the continuities and developments that emerge through the work of thinkers such as Luis de Molina, Arminius, Jonathan Edwards, and Karl Barth, Knell illuminates the key concepts of *Sin, Grace and Free Will* anew. Considering the impact of such ideological and cultural shifts as Modernism and the Enlightenment, as well as the growing influence of agnostic or atheistic philosophy, his nuanced, source-focussed approach is an indispensable primer for any beginning scholar.

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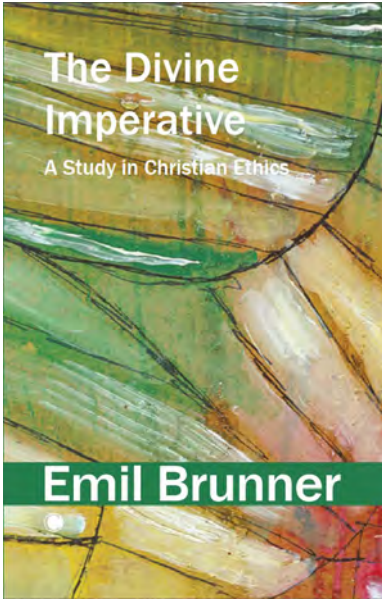
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The Divine Imperative

A Study in Christian Ethics

Emil Brunner

“What ought we to do?” is the guiding question of Emil Brunner’s *The Divine Imperative*. Here this age-old question is taken up by Brunner and is answered in light of his Reformed Christian theology. Dubbed a “Protestant Ethic”, *The Divine Imperative* is a systematic ethical treatise, and for Brunner the first to be centred around the Reformed faith. Here Brunner lays the groundwork for a Christian conception of the moral life in a world where morality itself is often doubted or denied. Animated by the need to respond to an encroaching moral relativism, where many believe that there is no true Right nor Wrong, no true Good nor Evil, Brunner provides an answer to the problem of ethics and morality in the modern age. In doing so, Brunner engages with a wide range of theoretical and practical issues: from philosophy’s rationalisation of morality, to the crisis of marriage, to the task of the Christian living under capitalism.

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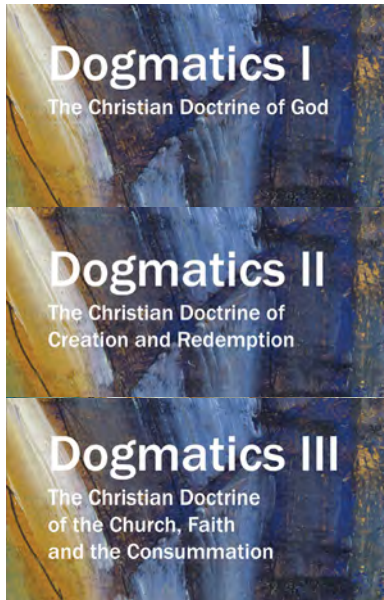
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Emil Brunner (1889-1966) was one of the leading theologians of the twentieth century, and helped pave the course of modern Protestant theology. He was Professor of Systematic and Practical Theology at the University of Zürich and lectured around the world.



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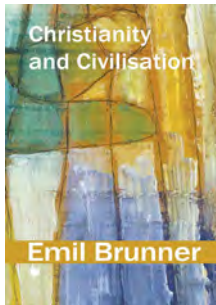
The first volume serves as an introduction to Brunner's view of dogmatics, setting out the nature, position, and necessity of dogmatics before exploring the many facets of the doctrine of God. In detailed, vigorous explanation, Brunner considers the nature and will of God, including his name, his holiness, his wisdom, and his glory. Thorough, insightful and extensive, this first volume is an illuminating beginning to this series.

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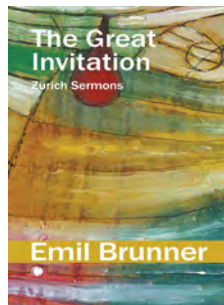
The third volume focusses on the theology of the Church as a reflection of God's self-revelation through the Holy Spirit, and an eternal consummation of Divine self-communication. Drawing together the understanding gleaned in the previous two volumes, Brunner addresses the nature of the church and faith to bring his systematic biblical theology into the experiences of his readers.

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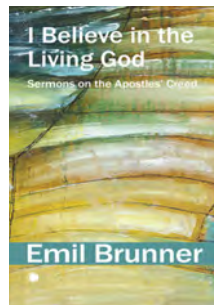
The Emil Brunner Library gathers together English translations of key works by the notable 20th-century Swiss theologian. Along with Karl Barth, Brunner was a key proponent of neo-orthodoxy and the dialectical theology movement, and his contributions to Reformed theology in the German-speaking church and further afield are as relevant today as ever. Including sermons, lectures and doctrinal treatises, alongside his towering three-volume *Dogmatics*, this series captures the full wealth of Brunner's thought.



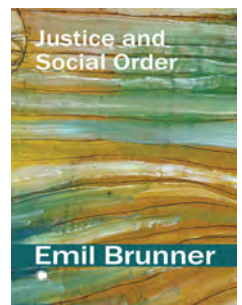
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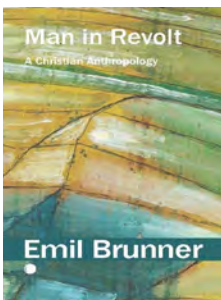
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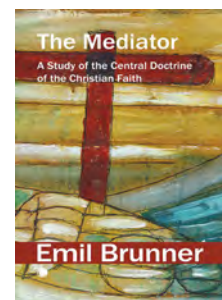
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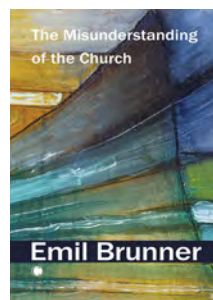
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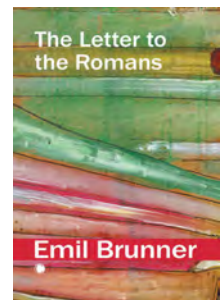
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