

Movements And Men Of Christian History

Excerpt from Christian Work for Men and Boys: As Outlined by the Federal Council of the Churches in America, Syllabus Presented at the Christian Conservation Congress of the Men and Religion Forward Movement, Carnegie Hall, New York City, April 19–24, 1912 Various fragmentary and unrelated forms of federation have been proposed for conservation, but surely the bringing together of the churches themselves should promise the greatest effectiveness. Otherwise we shall have a multiplicity of federations, which, in turn, will have to be federated. About the Publisher Forgotten Books publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at www.forgottenbooks.com This book is a reproduction of an important historical work. Forgotten Books uses state-of-the-art technology to digitally reconstruct the work, preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy. In rare cases, an imperfection in the original, such as a blemish or missing page, may be replicated in our edition. We do, however, repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully; any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works.

In 1894 Jesus appeared in a dream to Rainisoalambo during a period of intense national crisis shortly before the French colonial invasion of Madagascar. An educated member of the southern highlands aristocracy, Rainisoalambo was also a traditional medicine man who had fallen into grave difficulty. Being stricken with a case of then-rampant leprosy, his business had vanished and he and his family were starving. In this vision, Jesus told Rainisoalambo to put away his sampy, the small idols and charms he used for his traditional divining and healing. When he awoke, he found that he was healed. He quickly got rid of his charms and began a new life of fervent prayer, witnessing to his neighbors about what had happened, and reading the gospels with new eyes, as current reality rather than ancient reports of the far-away dealings of the white man's god. A group of believers soon gathered around him. Within a year of intense activity they had formally organized themselves at Soatanana into what we would now call a base community, the Disciples of the Lord. Their simple rules called them to lives of economic sharing and self-sufficiency, cleanliness and orderliness in their persons, houses, and lands, learning to read the Bible, daily communal prayers and study, and sending out apostles and evangelists to establish other such households and communities. This was the beginning of what is now called the Fifohazana, or Awakening. More than a century later the movement comprises several tobys, or base communities, following the appearance of several more prophets, female and male, and their miracle-working. The members of the movement, or mpiandry, live throughout the island, some in the tobys but most in the cities and villages as members of a variety of churches. The Fifohazana continues to stress spiritual healings, exorcisms, personal service to the poor and sick, cleanliness, prayer, Bible study, and witnessing. This volume provides the reader with a very clear understanding of what the Fifohazanamovement is all about historically, theologically, in terms of the main characters involved, its tremendous contributions to what a Christian healing ministry might ideally be, and as it relates to the larger world of church and society. The book is strengthened by the contributions of a diverse international group of scholars and participants in the movement. This has fostered the creation of an authentic piece of research, which combines the actual voices of participants within the movement itself along with the perspectives of scholars, who analyze the movement from the external periphery. This is the first book-length treatment of the Fifohazana in English. Editor Cynthia Holder Rich has gathered contributions from authors from five countries, including several members of the movement, to offer several perspectives onto the history and current life of the movement. Articles include analysis of major movement leaders, the place of healing in the movement, history of the conflict between the missions and the movement, the significance of oral expression in proclamation and as a means of revival, the role of women as leaders in the movement, and theological issues. The Fifohazana is one of the most intriguing current instances of indigenous Christianity in the world. While the movement has greatly evolved and changed in over a century, Jesus continues to appear and raise up new leaders. Various branches of the movement have developed a variety of institutions, but the movement has not lost its power of transformation and change. The Fifohazana: Madagascar's Indigenous Christian Movement is an important volume for research libraries, universities, African studies institutions and theological schools."

The Young Men's Christian Association as a Christian Educational Movement

Christian Work for Men and Boys

Of Gods and Men

Messages of the Men and Religion Movement ...

Sexual and Christian Conversions in the Ex-gay Movement

Containing a Directory of Missionary Societies, a Classified Summary of Statistics, an Index of Mission Stations, and a Series of Specially Prepared Maps of Mission Fields

The Pacific Northwest is known for its diverse, unusual politics. There are thriving gay and lesbian communities and populations of staunchly conservative Christians. Both groups wield political power out of proportion to their numbers and yet both feel beleaguered. How do members of these groups—both community leaders and everyday citizens—perceive the political climates that surround them This book tells a tale of two Northwestern cities: Seattle, well known nationally for its liberalism, and Spokane, its conservative cousin to the east. **Weathering Change characterizes the ways these liberal and conservative environments translate into hostility and hospitality for the Christian conservatives, gay men, and lesbians who live within them. Linneman gives us a firsthand account of how people from both groups think about social change in relation to the media, the public, the government, their communities, and their opposition. Indeed, we gain much needed insight into why Christian conservatives view the progress of the gay and lesbian movement as such a threat.**

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER The “paradigm-influencing” book (Christianity Today) that is fundamentally transforming our understanding of white evangelicalism in America. Jesus and John Wayne is a sweeping, revisionist history of the last seventy-five years of white evangelicalism, revealing how evangelicals have worked to replace the Jesus of the Gospels with an idol of rugged masculinity and Christian nationalism—or in the words of one modern chaplain, with “a spiritual badass.” As acclaimed scholar Kristin Du Mez explains, the key to understanding this transformation is to recognize the centrality of popular culture in contemporary American evangelicalism. Many of today’s evangelicals might not be theologically astute, but they know their VeggieTales, they’ve read John Eldredge’s Wild at Heart, and they learned about purity before they learned about sex—and they have a silver ring to prove it. Evangelical books, films, music, clothing, and merchandise shape the beliefs of millions. And evangelical culture is teeming with muscular heroes—mythical warriors and rugged soldiers, men like Oliver North, Ronald Reagan, Mel Gibson, and the Duck Dynasty clan, who assert white masculine power in defense of “Christian America.” Chief among these evangelical legends is John Wayne, an icon of a lost time when men were uncowed by political correctness, unafraid to tell it like it was, and did what needed to be done. Challenging the commonly held assumption that the “moral majority” backed Donald Trump in 2016 and 2020 for purely pragmatic reasons, Du Mez reveals that Trump in fact represented the fulfillment, rather than the betrayal, of white evangelicals’ most deeply held values: patriarchy, authoritarian rule, aggressive foreign policy, fear of Islam, ambivalence toward #MeToo, and opposition to Black Lives Matter and the LGBTQ community. A much-needed reexamination of perhaps the most influential subculture in this country, Jesus and John Wayne shows that, far from adhering to biblical principles, modern white evangelicals have remade their faith, with enduring consequences for all Americans.

Great Men & Movements of the Christian Church

The Word of Faith Movement : a Reformed Analysis of the Beliefs with the Christian Alternative Also Presented

Jesus and John Wayne: How White Evangelicals Corrupted a Faith and Fractured a Nation

Messages Including the Revised Reports ... at the Congress ... 1912 ... with the Principal Addresses

Dynamic Religious Movements

The Church Impotent

First Published in 1998. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

Looks at the lives of men and women at New Hope Ministry, where the strict Christian beliefs are incompatible with their same-sex desires.

Gays and Lesbians, Christian Conservatives, and Everyday Hostilities

Christian Social Movements and American Democracy

Read Before the Fifth Annual Conference of Volunteer Workers in City, Town and Railroad Young Men's Christian Associations, 1902. (With, The Work of a Boys' Department Ina Young Men's Christian Association)].

Men and Religion Forward Movement

A Study with Recommendations

Religious Movements in the Armenian Church from the Fourth to the Tenth Centuries

"How do I relate to a God who is invisible when I'm never quite sure he's there?" -- Philip Yancey Life with God doesn't always work out like you think it should. High expectations slam against the reality of personal weaknesses and unwelcome surprises. And the God who, you've been told, wants a personal relationship with you may seem remote, emotionally unavailable. Is God playing games? What can you count on this God for? How can you know God? This relationship with a God you can't see, hear, or touch--how does it really work? Reaching for the Invisible God offers deep, satisfying insights to the questions you are sometimes afraid to ask. Honest and deeply personal, here is straight talk on Christian living for the reader who wants more than pat answers to life's imponderables. Ultimately, Yancey shifts the focus from your questions to the One who offers himself in answer. "A brilliant book. It is both profound and simple, the best blend, in my view. Simple is neither shallow, nor simplistic. The sections on doubt and God's 'absence' are classics." -- Rick Warren, pastor and author, The Purpose Driven Life

The Foreword is by John F. MacArthur, and a recommendation by Michael Scott Horton is on the back cover. Every aspect of the word-faith movement is evaluated, from the teaching that Christ did not function as God on earth to making one's own providence, to healing,

positive confession, what faith is, and the history of the movement. Very readable.

Social Service Message

The Feminization of Christianity

The Fifohazana

Statistical Atlas of Christian Missions

Movements & Men of Christian History

Reports of Student Christian Movements

The Reformation put the grace of God in the right place in the salvation of man. Luther's proclamation of "justification by faith" brought the concept of grace to the fore and made it the centrality of Christian theolgy. But the overemphasis on the doctrine of justification in the Reformation created the imbalance between justification and sanctification in the soteriology of the Protestant church and some people just the profession of faith without an accompanying godly life was not good enough for salvation. It seemed that "salvation by grace of God" in the doctrine of justification made man's salvation too easy, thereby opening the floodgate for nominal Christians who were no different from pagans in their hearts. Christian leaders and theologians in the modern church age have tried to "rectify" this problem by injecting the necessity of works into the Christian life. The spiritual movements such as pietism and perfectionism, and new theologies such as the New Perspective on Paul and the Federal Vision, are such endeavors that have stressed good works in the salvation of man. However, without the concept of definitive sanctification, they all lost the monergistic nature of salvation and deviated to the humanistic theology of Arminianism or Pelagianism.

"In an era of military conflict and economic hardship, religious and political leaders adamantly speak in the language of crisis. Whether one attributes this public religious fervor to a response to the attacks of September 11, 2001, millennial hopes and fears, a sense of moral decay (generally based on either growing economic inequality or the 'breakdown of the American family'), or a sign of the normal progression of the stages of history, the discourse of religious revival is increasingly prominent. And, as is amply evident in the United States and throughout the world, devout declarations of religious belief in the public sphere can bring intractable passions to politics."—from Chapter 1 What are the relationships among religion, politics, and narratives? What makes prophetic political narratives congenial or hostile to democratic political life? David S. Gutterman explores the prophetic politics of four twentieth- and twenty-first-century American Christian social movements: the Reverend Billy Sunday and his vision of "muscular Christianity"; Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Civil Rights movement; the conservative Christian male organization Promise Keepers; and the progressive antipoverty organization Call to Renewal. Gutterman develops a theory based on the work of Hannah Arendt and others and employs this framework to analyze expressions of the prophetic impulse in the political narrative of the United States. In the process, he examines timely issues about the tense and intricate relationship between religion and politics. Even prior to George W. Bush, faith-based initiative, debates about abortion, family values, welfare reform, and environmental degradation were informed by religious language and ideas. In an interdisciplinary and accessible manner, Gutterman translates the narratives employed by American Christian social movements to define both the crises in the land and the path to resolving these crises. The book also explores the engagement of these prophetic social movements in contentious political issues concerned with sex, gender, sexuality, race, and class, as well as broader questions of American identity.

The Rise of Promise Keepers

The Place of the Mind in the Christian Life

What Can We Expect to Find?

Lectures Delivered Before the Young Men's Christian Association, in Exeter Hall

Movements and Men of Christian History (1909)

Social Service Message: Men and Religion Movement

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Case Studies of Rapidly Growing Religious Movements Around the World

The Relation of the Young Men's Christian Association Movement to the Boy

Lectures Delivered Before the Young Men's Christian Association

New Religious Movements in the West : Proceedings of the 1981 Annual Conference of the British Sociological Association, Sociology of Religion Study Group

Social Christianity in the Orient

Wild at Heart

Movements & Men of Christian HistoryMovements and Men of Christian History (1909)Kessinger Publishing

While Christians have had a long heritage of rigorous scholarship and careful thinking, some circles still view the intellect with suspicion or even as contradictory to Christian faith. And many non-Christians are quick to label Christians as anti-intellectual and obscurantist. But this need not be so.

Christian Mass Movements in India

The Tondrakian Movement

A Christian Men's Movement, and Its Implications for American Civic Engagement

Read Before the Twelfth Annual State Convention in Charlotte, N. C., April 21, 1888, and Published by the Executive Committee at the Request of the Convention

Who Do Men Say I Am? Snapshots of Christ as Seen in the Denominations Movements Evangelists Various Groups and Countries Religions Sects, Cults Demons

Weathering Change

Excerpt from A History of the Young Men's Christian Association Movement in North Carolina, 1857-1888: Read Before the Twelfth Annual State Convention in Charlotte, N. C., April 21, 1888, and Published by the Executive Committee at the Request of the Convention We have the pleasure to announce that the students of the University of North Caro lina have established a Young Men's Christian Association. If parents and others who send young men to the University will give them letters of introduction to us, it will afford us pleasure to introduce them to the pious students of the University, and also to the pastors of the church to which they or their friends may belong. The Association hopes in this way to accomplish much good for sad experience has taught us that many pious and moral young men are led astray by falling into the company of the dissipated and the vicious when they enter college. About the Publisher Forgotten Books publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at www.forgottenbooks.com This book is a reproduction of an important historical work. Forgotten Books uses state-of-the-art technology to digitally reconstruct the work, preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy. In rare cases, an imperfection in the original, such as a blemish or missing page, may be replicated in our edition. We do, however, repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully; any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works.

How do the people most resistant to the transformative power of the gospel come to be its most devoted followers? Miraculous Movement recounts an amazing change taking place within Muslim communities where the truth of Jesus Christ is turning around the lives of many thousands of Muslims from more than twenty people groups. Discover through the sometimes humorous, often sobering, but always enlightening and encouraging true stories how imams, sheikhs, and entire mosques are forsaking Islam and embracing Christ. This close look at what the Lord is doing to spread the gospel highlights the key scriptural principles that help Christians reach out in love to share the gospel in their own community. The authors outline the principle of service to others that open doors of opportunity to the work of the gospel. Author Jerry Trousdale works with CityTeam Ministries, an organization dedicated to helping disciples make disciples through CityTeam's own ministry and through training other ministries in more than thirty countries. Features includes: Outlines important principles on how to share the gospel with non-Christians Explains how ordinary people can lead neighbors to Christ in love and humility Tells many exciting and encouraging stories of Muslims who have accepted Jesus Describes CityTeam's unique program focused on God's work through disciple-making movements, a strategy that harnesses the power of disciples making disciples and churches planting churches

Man as God

Reaching for the Invisible God

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Men and Religion Movement : a Survey of Social Perils and how the Church Can More Effectively Combat Them

Gymnastic Nomenclature of the Young Men's Christian Associations of North America

Straight to Jesus

Every group that declares Christ to be their ruler and leader sees Christ Jesus in a slightly different light. Sometimes it is the Christ of historical Christianity or to concepts taken from a variety of sources. Some will be images of this prophet or founder while others come from science fiction or even imagination. My purpose in writing this book is not to inspire hate, distrust, or rejection but rather to open your eyes that you may evaluate who is the Christ that you follow. I encourage each reader to go back to the Scriptures and discover again the real face of Jesus the Christ as seen in the prophets and the gospels. And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me. 45. Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures, (Luke 24:44-45) When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? 14. And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. 15. He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? 16. And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. 17. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. 18. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. (Matt. 16:13-18) In this book you will find who men say that Jesus the Christ is; it will be you who must answer the question, "But whom do you say I am?"

John Eldredge revises and updates his best-selling, renowned Christian classic. God designed men to be dangerous, says John Eldredge. Simply look at the dreams and desires written in the heart of every boy: To be a hero, to be a warrior, to live a life of adventure and risk. Sadly, most men abandon those dreams and desires-aided by a Christianity that feels like nothing more than pressure to be a "nice guy." It is no wonder that many men avoid church, and those who go are often passive and bored to death. In this provocative book, Eldredge gives women a look inside the true heart of a man and gives men permission to be what God designed them to be-dangerous, passionate, alive, and free.

The Story of a Man, a Mission and a Movement

Discovering the Secret of a Man's Soul

Miraculous Movements

Your Mind Matters

The Ground of Holy Life

May this book bring us information needed for a more effective dissemination of Christian truth and the building of the Church of Christ. Surely there is much for us to learn in the manner in which other movements in various cultures are expanding. May it also impress upon us a sense of urgency for the proclamation of the gospel. And, may it loosen a volume of intercession for those who seek to present the Christ who saves men, sets them free and makes them whole.

The current preoccupation with the role of women in the church obscures the more serious problem of the perennial absence of men. This provocative book argues that Western churches have become women's clubs, that the emasculation of Christianity is dangerous for the church and society, and that a masculine presence can and must be restored.After documenting the highly feminized state of Western Christianity, Dr. Podles identifies the masculine traits that once characterized the Christian life but are now commonly considered incompatible with it. He contends that though masculinity has been marginalized within Christianity, it cannot be expunged from human society. If detached from Christianity, it reappears as a substitute religion, with unwholesome and even horrific consequences. The church, too, is diminished by its emasculation. Dr. Podles concludes by considering how Christianity's virility might be restored.In the otherwise stale and overworked field of gender studies, The Church Impotent is the only book to confront the lopsidedly feminine cast of modern Christianity with a profound analysis of its historical and sociological roots.

Prophetic Politics

Lectures Delivered Before the Young Men's Christian Association, 1845-1846--1864-1865

A Reformed Response to the Holiness Movement in America with Progressive and Definitive Sanctification

A History of the Young Men's Christian Association Movement in North Carolina, 1857-1888

Madagascar's Indigenous Christian Movement