

### RECENT REPRINTS

Once again Baker has sent us several important reprints. All are bound in paper. Pride of place goes to the detailed, devotional work by J. Brown, *An Exposition of Our Lord's Intercessory Prayer* (1850, pp. xvi + 255, \$6.95). Five more volumes have been released in the "Thornapple Commentaries" series, two of which are from the pen of J. A. Alexander: *The Gospel According to Mark* (1858, pp. xxiii + 444, \$8.95) and *The Gospel According to Matthew* (1860, pp. 456, \$8.95). Little known but still useful is the work by E. Henderson, *The Twelve Minor Prophets* (1858, 463 pp., \$8.95). Rich in theological insight is the classic by W. G. T. Shedd, *Commentary on Romans* (1879, 439 pp., \$8.95). C. Hodge, *A Commentary on the Epistle to the Ephesians* (pp. xx + 398, \$7.95), completes the set.

Three of Baker's reprints deal with some aspect of Church history or historical theology. Useful source material is compiled in D. J. Theron, *Evidence of Tradition: Selected Source Material for the Study of the History of the Early Church, the New Testament Books, and*

*the New Testament Canon* (1957, pp. xiv + 135, \$4.95). J. G. Davies, *The Early Christian Church: A History of Its First Five Centuries* (1965, pp. xiii + 314, \$7.95), is eminently readable and in some respects complements the work by F. F. Bruce, *The Spreading Flame*, better known among evangelicals. The turn-of-the-century work edited by W. P. Armstrong, *Calvin and the Reformation* (1909, 260 pp., \$6.95), makes available four important studies: "Calvin: Epigone or Creator" (E. Doumergue), "The Reformation and Natural Law" (A. Lang), "Calvin and Common Grace" (H. Bavinck) and "Calvin's Doctrine of the Knowledge of God" (B. B. Warfield).

In a class by itself is the reprint of G. H. Clark, *Thales to Dewey: A History of Philosophy* (1957, pp. xii + 548, \$9.95).

Three books of particular interest to the student of the OT are: W. H. Green, *General Introduction to the Old Testament: The Canon* (1898, pp. xvii + 209, \$6.95); J. D. Davis, *Genesis and Semitic Tradition* (1894, pp. xiv + 150, \$4.95), a useful if dated discussion of Genesis 1-11 against its ancient Near East background; and M. F. Unger, *Israel and the Arameans of Damascus* (1957, 189 pp., \$5.95). The introduction by K. L. Barker points to the most useful bibliography to bring the work up to date.

Baker offers two more reprints, neither of which is easily grouped with others. The first is the work by W. M. Alexander, *Demonic Possession in the New Testament: Its Historical, Medical, and Theological Aspects* (1902, pp. xii + 291, \$6.95). Very thought-provoking is the book by A. Edersheim, *Prophecy and History in Relation to the Messiah* (1901, pp. xxiv + 391, \$7.95), the Warburton Lectures of 1880-1884. Edersheim, it is now known, is capable of embarrassing anachronisms, but he offers many stimulating suggestions concerning the relations between the Testaments.

Finally, Baker has also sent us the attractive exposition of Psalm 23 written by J. J. Davis, *The Perfect Shepherd* (1979, 155 pp., \$4.50). with its carefully chosen pictures and sound exposition it would make someone a fine gift.

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