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Life And Times Of Jesus The Messiah



Synopsis

One of the most important, detailed works of history on the most important event in our history. The face of global politics, society, law, and belief changed irrevocably when Jesus of Nazareth was crucified. Through vivid, thoroughly painted historical research, you are invited to walk down the dusty streets of ancient Palestine, enter the dwellings, the Temple and the Synagogue, visit the Academy, market-place and workshops, associate with the locals in familiar discourse and discover the world that bore Jesus, and the world that decided to kill him. Across five books Edersheim attempts, with unflinching resolve, to construct a fresh, independent and impartial investigation into the historical development of philosophy and religion 2,000 years ago which bore the seeds of Christianity, and yet which was irreconcilably antagonistic to it. By analysing the leading figures of Church and State in Palestine, their views, teaching, pursuits, and aims; popular opinion, proverbs, customs and daily life, Edersheim hopes to produce a richer and clearer understanding of the life of Him Who is the Life of all our life. A consideration of each passage from the gospels produces an informal commentary on the scripture, dismantling interpretations of previous scholars whose evidence lacked context and was biased and fractured. Edersheim feels that as we transport ourselves into this historical scene, the Gospels become real; the people populating its pages become recognisable, speaking and acting how you would expect them to act, the scenarios and dramas playing out as products of a greater environment. Seven years of continual and earnest labour enabled Edersheim to construct, not only the frame in which to set the picture of Christ, but the very background of the picture itself. "And now I part from this book with thankfulness to Almighty God for sparing me to complete it, with lingering regret that the task is ended..." Alfred Edersheim (7 March 1825 – 16 March 1889) was a Jewish convert to Christianity and a Biblical scholar. Born in Vienna, he was educated in the Talmud, Torah and Rabbinical languages, entering the University of Vienna in 1841. He emigrated to Hungary, becoming a teacher of languages before converting to Christianity, studying theology at Edinburgh's New College and the University of Berlin. In 1846 Alfred married and entered the ministry in the Free Church of Scotland. In 1875 he was ordained into the Church of England and was Curate of the Abbey Church, giving lectures on Judaism and Christianity at the University of Oxford. Edersheim died at Menton, France, on 16 March 1889. For details of other books published by Albion Press go to the website at www.albionpress.co.uk. Albion Press is an imprint of Endeavour Press, the UK's leading independent digital publisher. For more information on our titles please sign up to our newsletter at www.endeavourpress.com. Each week you will receive updates on free and discounted ebooks. Follow us on Twitter: @EndeavourPress and on Facebook via

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Never has a book so completely clarified the rabbinical treatment of Scriptures from The Assyrian Captivity to the 20th century. Scholarly but readable like a story. Can' imagine a pastor or serious student of Israel or the Bible being without it.

This is one of the great Christian classics! Great Jewish scholar Alfred Edersheim accepted Jesus of Nazareth as his Messiah, and shared his knowledge of the world in which Jesus lived in this book. The language may be a little difficult for some today, but it's well worth it. I find the book fascinating and very helpful. Very highly recommended!

Great reference book. Swindoll calls this his go to reference book about Jesus' life. It might seem like TMI BUT BETTER TOO MUCH THAN NOT ENOUGHABOUT YOUR LORD.

This is the best book ever written by man! I love the reverent, loving and scholarly way this was written. Everyone should read this wonderful book! The author paints a full picture of the area and times of Jesus with wonderful insight and psychology of human behavior of the people in the stories. I feel like I am living among them as i read.

This book is wonderful for anyone wanting more detail about Jesus, the Apostles etc.... And the fact that Edersheim was a former Orthodox Jew meant that he was a very well trained scholar and teacher of the scriptures. The book is very meaty with lots of details, but it thoroughly fills in the background of Jesus' day and also teaches a good deal about Judaism. I would highly recommend it for any seminary student.

The language can get a bit flowery but solid Biblical/Jewish thought that we are seldom exposed to in 21 century seminary graduates.

Edersheim is unsurpassed in his knowledge of primary source material relating to the historical context of Jesus life, locations, deeds, and whereabouts. This book is daunting in its size, but well-worth the effort. In some respects, it gets better and better the further you go. It can really help bring you one step closer to the Jesus of the New Testament in his historical Jewish and Roman context. I read this book while referring frequently to Rose's book of Bible Maps and Charts, which has lots of nice maps of Israel, and have really grown in my understanding of the geography of Israel and biblical history as a result.

Excellent

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