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## Reformation Revival



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... true religion claims the affections as well as the intellect; it is essentially, in Richard Baxter's phrase, "heart work." Second, theological truth is for practice. William Perkins defined theology as the science of living blessedly for ever; William Ames called it the science of living to God. Third, conceptual knowledge kills if one does not move on from knowing about God to a relational acquaintance with God himself.

J. I. Packer

## Rare Puritan Facsimiles for Book Lovers

Joel Beeke

The following rare titles are facsimile editions recently I reprinted from originals. Hence, they will be of interest primarily to real booklovers who don't mind odd spellings and reading "s" when it looks like "f"! Each volume contains a somewhat scholarly introduction of approximately five to twenty-five pages about the author and his work and writings. The prices given below are retail and no discounts are allowed. Postage is extra. Please send all orders to: Scholars Facsimiles & Reprints, Attention: Norman Mangouni, Delmar, New York 12054-0344. (Note: Rpt.=reprint; introd.=introduction; v.=volumes; pp.=pages.)

Byles, Mather, 1707-88.

The Works of Mather Byles. 19 v. in 1. Introd. by Benjamin Franklin V.

Mather Byles was named after his grandfather, Increase Mather, and his uncle, Cotton Mather, He was a close friend of Isaac Watts. This volume contains Byles's sermons and poems as originally published in nineteen separate volumes.

Contents: Prose: "The character of the Perfect and Upright Man" (1729), "A Discourse on the Present Vileness of the Body" (1732), "The Glories of the Lord of Hosts" (1740), "Affection on Things Above" (1740), "The Flourish of the Annual Spring" (1741), "The Visit of Jesus by Night" (1741), "God Glorious in the Scenes of the Winter" (1744), "The Glorious Rest of Heaven" (1745), "The Prayer and Plea of David" (1751), "God the Strength and Portion of His People" (1752), "The Man of God Thoroughly Furnished to Every Good Work" (1758), "The Vanity of Every Man at His Best Estate" (1761).

Poetry: "A Poem on the Death of His Late Majesty King George" (1727), "A Poem Presented to His Excellency William Burnet" (1728), "On the Death of the Queen" (1738), "The Comet (1744), Poems. The Conflagration" (1755).

Collections: Poems on Several Occasions (1744), A Collection of Poems by Several Hands (1744). 560pp./\$75.00

Davies, Samuel, 1723-61.

Collected Poems of Samuel Davies, 1723-1761. Rpt. Gainesville, 1968. Introd. by Richard Beale Davis.

Samuel Davies was born in Delaware, was ordained as a Presbyterian evangelist in 1747, and became an active promoter of the Great Awakening in Virginia and North Carolina. He succeeded Jonathan Edwards in 1759 as president of the College of New Jersey (now Princeton). He died at the age of thirty-eight.

Contents: *Miscellaneous Poems, Chiefly on Divine Subjects* (1752) and forty-two fugitive poems.

273pp./\$50.00

Foxcroft, Thomas, 1697-1769.

Sermons of Thomas Foxcroft of Boston. Rpt. Delmar, 1983. Introd. by Ronald A. Bosco.

Thomas Foxcroft, a staunch defender of old New England orthodoxy and a close friend of George Whitefield, served for many years as pastor of the renowned First Church of Boston and as overseer of Harvard College. This volume includes six rare sermons: "God's Face set Against an Incorrigible People," "Ministers, Spiritual Parents, or Fathers in the Church of God," "Observations Historical and Practical on the Rise and Primitive State of New-England," "Elisha Lamenting after the God of Elijah," "Some Seasonable Thoughts on Evangelic Preaching—its Nature, Usefulness, and Obligation," "The Saints united Confession, in Disparagement of their own Righteousness."

360pp./\$50.00

Hooker, Thomas, 1586-1647.

*Redemption: Three Sermons, 1637-1656.* Rpt. Gainesville, 1956; Delmar, 1977. 3 v. in 1. Introd. by Everett H. Emerson.

A contemporary of John Cotton of Boston and Thomas Shepard of Cambridge, Thomas Hooker of Hartford was an influential Puritan minister in both church and state in Connecticut. Though known as a fighter for American democracy and congregational church government, he excelled most of all in tracing out the work of the Holy Spirit in the souls of God's children. He was a prolific writer, publishing twenty-two volumes in all, of which most were sermons and have never been reprinted to date.

This reprint consists of three sermons drawn from three volumes and explains many points about how God converts His people: "No Man By Nature Can Will Christ and Grace" (1638), "The Heart Must be Humble and Contrite" from *The Application of Redemption* (1656), and "The Soules Ingrafting into Christ," from *The Soules Implantation* (1637).

160pp./\$50.00

Lessons for the Children of Godly Ancestors: Sermons For and About New England's Rising Generations, 1670-1750. Rpt. Delmar, 1982. 7 v. in 1. Introd. by Ronald A. Bosco.

Contents: Increase Mather, "Pray for the Rising Generation" (1679); "Cotton Mather, The Best Ornaments of Youth" (1707); "William Cooper, How and Why Young People Should Cleanse Their Way" (1716); "Benjamin Colman and William Cooper, Two Sermons Preached in Boston, March 5 ..." (1723); "Charles Chauncy, Early Piety Recommended and Exemplify'd" (1732); "John Barnard, A Call to Parents, and Children" (1737); "Jonathan Todd, The Young People Warned" (1740).

416pp./\$60.00

Mather, Cotton, 1663-1728.

Bonifacius: An Essay To Do Good. Boston, 1710. Rpt.

Gainesville, 1967. Introd. by J. K. Piercy.

Grandson of John Cotton and son of Increase Mather, Cotton Mather did more than any of his contemporaries to perpetuate the vision of the founding Puritan fathers during his forty-seven-year ministry in Boston. A champion of Reformed doctrine and a prolific writer, Cotton Mather is best known today for his valuable two-volume church history of New England, 1620-98 (recently reprinted by Banner of Truth Trust).

This volume is a guide for ordinary men written in the Puritan "plain style" on how to promote what is good in private circumstances (husband and wife, children, relatives, servants, neighbors) and in public circumstances (the minister, the teacher, the public office holder, the physician, the lawyer, etc.). Influenced Benjamin Franklin and others in developing practical ideas for humanitarian work.

220pp./\$50.00

Mather, Cotton, 1663-1728.

The Christian Philosopher: A Collection of the Best Discoveries in Nature, with Religious Improvements. London, 1721. Rpt. Gainesville, 1968. Introd. by Josephine K. Piercy, Indiana University.

Facts, analogies, and lessons to show the work of God shining through the work of nature.

320pp./\$50.00

Mather, Cotton, 1663-1728.

Days of Humiliation, Times of Affliction and Disaster. Rpt. Gainesville, 1970. 9 v. in 1. Introd. by George Harrison Orians.

Nine sermons preached from 1696 to 1727 on how to restore favor with an angry God. Emphasizes lessons drawn from the afflictions of fires and storms. Sermon titles: "Things for a Distress'd People to think upon," "Humiliations follow'd with Deliverances", "Advice from Taberah," "Advice from the

Watch Tower," "The Saviour with His Rainbow," "A Voice from heaven." "The Voice of God in a Tempest," "The Terror of the Lord," "Boanerges."

400pp./\$60.00

Mather, Cotton, 1663-1728.

Ornaments for the Daughters of Zion, or, The Character and Happiness of a Virtuous Woman. 3d ed. Boston, 1741. Rpt. Delmar, 1978. Introd. by P. Cowell.

Mather's influential treatise seeking to prescribe scriptural modes of dress, makeup, attitudes, and social behavior for women in colonial America.

128pp./\$50.00

Mather, Cotton, 1663-1728.

Paterna: The Autobiography of Cotton Mather. Delmar, 1976, 1978. Ed. and with an Introd. and Index by Ronald A. Bosco. Cotton Mather's previously unpublished autobiography. Retyped with original spelling, but now quite readable. 504pp./\$75.00

Mather, Increase, 1639-1723.

Departing Glory: Eight Jeremiads by Increase Mather. Rpt. Delma, 1987. 8 v. in 1. Introd. by Lee Schweninger.

One of the most important American Puritans, Increase Mather (1639-1723), served the New England community both as a religious and a political leader; he was preacher and statesman, minister and diplomat. In his lifetime Mather wrote 175 works: theological tracts, historical documents, scientific analyses, letters, and many sermons. Mather's career in the pulpit was a long one; he preached his first sermon in 1657, became teacher of the Second Church of Boston in 1664, and preached and published until his death in 1723. During his career he had ample opportunity to observe the

growth of New England. He watched his plantation change from a small religious community to a worldly metropolis. Much of the change he considered degenerate, and he blamed this degeneracy on his and his sons' generations. The founders had bequeathed to their sons a holy commonwealth; and, because of their backsliding, those sons were unworthy of their inheritance. Their degeneracy he lamented in the sermon form which has come to be called the jeremiad (introd., p. 9).

Contents: "The Day of Trouble Is Near" (1674), "An Earnest Exhortation" (1676); "Heaven's Alarm to the World" (1682), "Renewal of Covenant" (1682), "Returning unto God" (1684), "Ichabod" (1702), "Burnings Bewailed in a Sermon" (1711), "Advice to the Children" (1721).

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Mather, Increase, 1639-1723.

An Essay for the Recording of Illustrious Providences. Boston, 1684. Rpt. Delmar, 1977. Introd. by James A. Levernier.

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A contemporary biography of the renowned Puritan minister, John Cotton (1585-1652), pastor of the First Church of Boston (1633-52) and author of nearly forty works. Cotton stands with Hooker and Shepard on the front line of first-gen-

eration Puritan theologians. 80pp./\$50.00

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Essay Tending to Promote the Kingdom of Our Lord Jesus Christ" (1707); Benjamin Colman, "The Religious Regards We Owe to Our Country, and the Blessing of Heaven Assured Thereunto" (1718); Thomas Prince, "The People of New-England" (1730); Samuel Wigglesworth, "An Essay for Reviving Religion" (1733); Charles Chauncy, "Civil Magistrates Must Be Just" (1747).

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Reynolds, Edward, Bp. of Norwich, 1599-1676.

A Treatise of the Passions and Faculties of the Soule of Man. London, 1640. Rpt. Gainesville, 1971. Introd. by M. L. Wiley.

Edward Reynolds was the eminent Puritan bishop of Norwich, England, and a member of the Westminster Assembly. His forty works were first collected and published in 1658; a better edition was printed in six volumes with a biographical sketch by A. Chalmers in 1826. This particular, scarce volume (first published in 1640) is a unified book of forty-two chapters on the mind of man, his faculties and pas-

sions. Includes a detailed discussion of love, hatred, desire, joy, sorrow, hope, boldness, fear, shame, anger, understanding, conscience, will, etc.

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Sermon Preached to the Ancient and Honourable Artillery-Company in Boston, New-England, June 7, 1756" (1756); John Lathrop, "A Sermon Preached to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery-Company in Boston, New-England, June 6th, 1774" (1774).

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Taylor, Thomas, 1576-1633.

*Christ Revealed; or, The Old Testament Explained.* London, 1635. Rpt. Delmar, 1979. Introd. by Raymond A. Anselment.

One of the first and most popular typological studies analyzing Old Testament individuals, events, and ceremonies. Written by an able Puritan; instructive and experimental. 384pp./\$60.00

Turrell, Ebenezer, 1702-1778.

The Life and Character of the Reverend Benjamin Colman, D.D. Boston, 1749. Rpt. Delmar, 1972. Introd. by Christopher R. Reaske.

Biography of the prominent Puritan minister, Benjamin Colman (1673-1747), who pastored Brattle Street Church, Boston, for nearly fifty years, by his son-in-law, Ebenezer Turrell. Colman was a gifted peacemaker who "lived at or near the storm center of every ecclesiastical, civil and theological controversy to arise in New England in the first half of the eighteenth century" (introd., pp. v-vi).

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