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# Opinion

## Series 3 Communion

The general tenor of your remarks seems to advocate the continuance of Series 3 Holy Communion as 'a unifying force in Anglicanism', although perhaps for a much shorter period of time than the 300 years of 1662; and yet the arguments you employ, from Michael Moreton's book, and your own conclusions drawn from that book, appear to destroy your own hypothesis.

We, the so-called 'East End Five', have used the same arguments to support our own contentions about Series 3: that *unaltered* it is unsatisfactory to both Evangelicals and Anglo-Catholics; that 1662 was itself the beginning of the slide away from the Reformed position and that it is time to call a halt to that slide; and that we have no contemporary evangelical service in the Alternative Services Book. Series 1 (or 1½ as it has come to be known) shows negative thrust towards a pre-Reformation position for Anglo-Catholics; so why are Evangelicals so slow to push for positive progress towards a Protestant Reformed doctrine in contemporary language, both as an answer to Anglo-Catholicism and for the more biblical worship of our Reformed Church of England?

I believe, sir, that we could be most helped by men such as yourself leading us in our evangelical faith, rather than advocating compromise and half-truth.

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