

Taylor, Michael J., S. J., ed. *A Companion to Paul: Readings in Pauline Theology*. New York: Alba, 1975. xiv + 245 pp. Paperback, \$4.95.

This book is a collection of articles previously published in books and journals authored by leading Catholic scholars, F. F. Bruce and Pierre-Yves Emery being the only exceptions. The authors and titles are: Jerome Murphy-O'Connor, "Paul's Understanding of Christ as the Personal Presence of God in the World"; David M. Stanley, "Christ, the Last Adam"; Anton Grabner-Haider, "The Pauline Meaning of 'Resurrection' and 'Glorification'"; Barnabas Ahern, "The Fellowship of His Suffering"; F. X. Durrwell, "Faith: First Step in the Assimilation of the Easter Mystery"; Joseph Fitzmyer, "Paul and the Law"; Stanislas Lyonnet, "Paul's Gospel of Freedom"; Lucien Cerfaux, "Paul's Eschatological Message to the Nations"; Frederick F. Bruce, "The Idea of Immortality in Paul"; Leonard Audet, "The Pauline Meaning of Man's Risen 'Spiritual Body' (1 Cor 15:44)"; Ceslaus Spicq, "To Live in Christ: Reflections on 'Pauline Morality'"; Mitchel B. Finley, "The Spirit of Kenosis: A Principle of Pauline Spirituality"; Jacques Guillet, "Paul on the Discernment of Spirits"; Ignace de la Potterie, "The Christian's Relationship to the World"; Pierre-Yves Emery, "Prayer in Paul"; David M. Stanley, "'Become Imitators of Me': Apostolic Tradition in Paul"; Rudolph Schnackenburg, "The Pauline Theology of the Church"; Charles H. Giblin, "A Summary Look at Paul's Gospel: Romans, Chapters 1-8"; F. X. Durrwell, "Christ the Cosmic Lord in the Pauline Epistles."

While a few of Paul's leading themes, especially justification by faith, are noticeably absent and the treatment of others is not comprehensive, what we have here is a remarkable collection of articles dealing mainly with the spiritual life. What is impressive about this collection is the bringing together of good scholarship and Christian devotion. In a way these articles are simply an elaboration of the Pauline emphasis to be "imitators of Christ." Though basically a Catholic book, one will hardly be aware of this fact.

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