

They should, under the guidance of Navarra, or someone else who knows the exact spot from which the wood has been obtained, objectively examine the evidence and publish it. It should also be one of their primary objectives to establish the nature of the structure from which the wood comes. Until this happens all reports of sightings of Noah's ark on Mt. Ararat brought back by amateurs will only produce sympathetic smiles on the part of skeptical readers of these reports.

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Morris, Leon. *Apocalyptic*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1972. 87 pp. Paperback, \$1.95.

This small paperback literally abounds with information on the topic indicated in its title. The author is, of course, particularly interested in NT apocalyptic, and he analyzes Jewish backgrounds so as to enlighten the Christian reader about the significance of this kind of literature. Virtually every important aspect of the subject is treated in the some two dozen sections into which the book is divided and which cover such topics as the following: "The Milieu of Apocalyptic," "Revelations," "Symbolism," "Pessimism," "Determinism," "Dualism," "Pseudonymity," "Ethical Teaching," "Prediction," "Historical Perspective," "Apocalyptic and Law," etc.

On the whole, the treatment is balanced; and one of its chief contributions is the fact that the author shows excellent acquaintance with literature in the field, together with a keen ability to evaluate this literature. Conclusions are not always definitely drawn, and probably should not and cannot be. Nevertheless, in the debate over various points regarding apocalyptic, Morris has endeavored to point in the direction of the solutions which he feels are the most tenable.

A particular point with which the reviewer has previously taken exception (*AUSS*, 11 [1973], 187-191) is the manner in which Morris contrasts the book of Rev with apocalyptic. In this particular publication, Morris has provided essentially the same analysis of this matter as he has in his earlier commentary on Rev (see the review immediately below).

It can hardly be said that Morris has solved the problems of apocalyptic, but this short book is an excellent contribution to the literature in the field. It will be especially helpful to the beginning student and to the layman in giving direction with regard both to the main scholarly concerns and questions relating to the subject and to the most important relevant literature on apocalyptic.

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Morris, Leon. *The Revelation of St. John: An Introduction and Commentary*. Tyndale Bible Commentaries, New Testament Series, Volume 20. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1969. 263 pp. \$4.50.

It is gratifying to see the number of publications which have recently appeared treating Rev, for this final NT book has too often in the past been precisely what Morris terms it: "a very neglected book" (p. 13). Morris