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Review of *To Build Christ’s Kingdom, F. D. Maurice and His Writings*, edited by Jeremy Morris

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to one of the most significant of Anglican theologians. Although continuity is always a challenge in edited collections of this kind, Morris has organized a great variety of texts in a way that will interest many readers to learn more about Maurice. The chapter on Maurice’s early life provides intriguing insights into his feelings and perspectives as revealed in letters to family members. Other writings provide a clear expression of Maurice’s vibrant faith in Christ. For example, in one letter Maurice laments that “we have been dosing our people with religion when what they want is not this but the Living God” (46) and in another letter he yearns for the benefits that would follow “if once the teachers in our theological schools would have courage to proclaim theology to be the knowledge of God and not the teaching of a religion ...” (49).

Morris’s reader provides an interesting collection of texts that will help the reader to appreciate the main issues of Maurice’s theology and the vibrant commitment of his faith.

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At the heart of Thomas Cranmer’s liturgical reformation was what became, in principle, the supposition underlying all Anglican liturgy — that the church’s worship is not something the priest does for the people, but something the priest and people offer for the sake of the world and its transformation.

English priest Richard Giles has worked long and hard to recover this principle, and to put it into effective practice. In his Re-Pitching the Tent: Re-Ordering the Church Building for Worship and Mission (Liturical Press 1996 and 2006), he gave us a guide to re-ordering our church in Creating Uncommon Worship forming the Liturgy of the (Liturical Press 2004), its liturgical rites and rubrics such as a space.

Rounding out what essentially constitutes a trilogy of resources now gives us Times and Seasons: Transformative throughout the Church, a or customary for creating church services, can be said to meet the tension as “the work of the people” contended that the people are participants, and not mere liturgy. All the pieces gather at the baptismal rites of initiation, near the proclamation of the word, table for the eucharistic ban churchyard for the blessing fire, beside the Christmas blessing.

Consequently, instead of watching clergy and choirs in the place to process to another to acts that encompasses the entire building and sometimes even the whole churchyard in which it sits. Of more provocative example, is that because Jesus during Holy Week was from the unknown, perhaps the day processi move “from the of the parish the unknown the function pub at the of the parish.”

Giles’ writer entertaining, with much humor the reader laughs. He is a physical with strong opinions, no holds in this volume. For every position he assigns one who cares about the church’s theology and its worship can or should have passion-filled challenge.

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