Footnotes: Fall Reading + John Mark Hicks + Museum of the Bible

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Another 5 fragments missing from the EES collection were located in the Stimer Green Collection. Michael W. Holmes apparently stole them from the Egypt Exploration Society. On June 23, 2019, they were purchased from Dirk Obbink, an Oxford Professor, who transported them to Iraq.

Problems at the Museum of the Bible

John Mark told me he tried to write an accessible book so that a variety of readers would find it helpful. If I only had one New Testament book to recommend, this would be it. That is, if I only had one New Testament book to recommend. With so many New Testament authors and so much material available, it is difficult to know which is the best book. However, John Mark has done a really nice job here. He shows how we have married an evangelical approach to the Bible with a critical approach to the Bible. Hicks has taken a critical approach to the Bible and has shown how we should interpret the Bible that appreciates the awe, wonder, love, and compassion that we get from reading the Bible's narrative.

Hicks's premise in the early chapters is that the pursuit of a simple church has become rather complicated. This created countless opportunities for division. For some of these conversations, our hyper-rational approach has given way to a more pastoral approach. Hicks suggests that while this is a route to answering the first important question "What does God require of us," it is hardly the only route. Hicks also suggests that the pursuit of a simple church has created a "doctrinal debt". This debt has been answered by some churches by "insourcing". Hicks suggests that this is not the answer. He suggests that the answer is "disinsourcing". Hicks argues that this is the answer to the second important question "How do we live as God's people in this culture?"

I appreciate his effort to show how fragments within Churches of Christ (such as John Smith, William Robinson, and others) have answered these questions from the inside. Hicks tries to develop a framework for understanding how the church should interpret the Bible that appreciates the awe, wonder, love, and compassion that we get from reading the Bible's narrative. Hicks also argues that the church should interpret the Bible in the context of the church's own history. This is important because the church is not a static entity. The church is a living, breathing entity that is constantly changing. Hicks argues that the church should interpret the Bible in the context of the church's own history. This is important because the church is not a static entity. The church is a living, breathing entity that is constantly changing. Hicks also argues that the church should interpret the Bible in the context of the church's own history. This is important because the church is not a static entity. The church is a living, breathing entity that is constantly changing. Hicks also argues that the church should interpret the Bible in the context of the church's own history. This is important because the church is not a static entity. The church is a living, breathing entity that is constantly changing.

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