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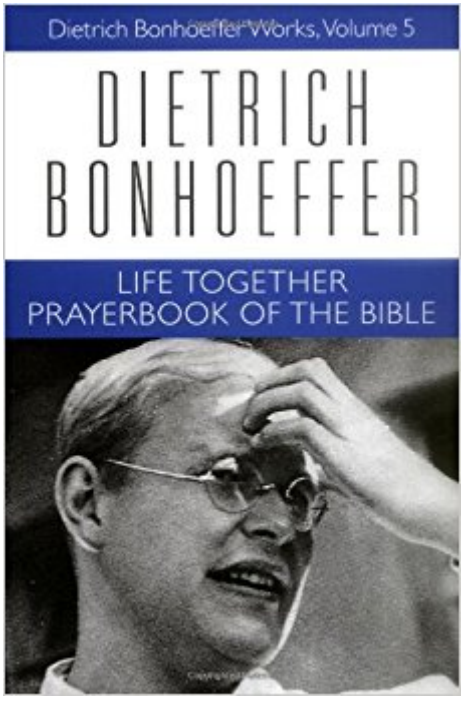

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Synopsis

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, one of the most influential Christian martyrs in history, bequeathed to humanity a legacy of theological creativity and spirituality that continues to intrigue people from a variety of backgrounds. Dietrich Bonhoeffer Works, a sixteen volume series, offers a fresh, critical translation of Bonhoeffer’s writings, with introductions, annotations, and interpretations. The stimulus for the writing of Life Together was the closing of the preacher’s seminary at Finkenwalde. The treatise contains Bonhoeffer’s thoughts about the nature of Christian community based on the common life that he and his seminarians experienced at the seminary and in the "Brother’s House" there. Bonhoeffer completed the writing of Life Together in 1938. Prayerbook of the Bible is a classic of Christian spirituality. In this theological interpretation of the Psalms, Bonhoeffer describes the moods of an individual’s relationship with God and also the turns of love and heartbreak, of joy and sorrow, that are themselves the Christian community’s path to God.

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If this was just life together I would pay $1,000 For its intrinsic wisdom. Dietrich Bonhoeffer was one of the true martyrs of the twentieth century who went back to Germany on the last boat possible against the cries of his friends to lead the confessing church eventually to be arrested and placed in 9 concentration camps presence where the Nazi guards felt him so strongly that they protected his papers at the risk of their own lives. Sadly he was hung on the direct orders of certain Heinrich Himmler 2 days before the liberation of the camp he was. It’s rare enough that one can say THIS WAS A MAN!

I am a fan of Bonhoeffer. The quality of the book is not great but the price was.

What wonderful two books in one book! For Life together book, the modern English helps very much. For "Prayerbook of the Bible", what a gem! Very few people know that Bonhoeffer wrote this short book on Psalms. This book really started my journery of praying the Psalms! "Thus if the Bible contains a prayerbook, we learn from this that not only the word which God has to say to us belongs to the Word of God, but also the word which God wants to hear from us, because it is the word of God’s dear son. It is a great grace that God tells us how we can speak with, and have community with, God. We can do so because we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. The Psalms have been given to us precisely so that we can learn to pray them in the name of Jesus Christ."

I think that every Christian should read this deep, yet easily-grasped work by Bonhoeffer. Excellent for anyone skeptical of the Christian community, for this helps lay out what it is intended to look like. I meant to skim through the book for a class project/presentation, but was immediately drawn in to read the entire thing. Kindle edition is a bit difficult to navigate at times, though.

Life Together is Bonhoeffer’s description of community life at the Finkenwalde seminary, the underground seminary for the Confessing Church that he led until it was closed by the Nazis. Life Together provides a practical conclusion to Bonhoeffer’s early concentration on ecclesiology. It is an excellent tool for both academic and devotional studies of the nature of community.The Bonhoeffer Works edition of Life Together provides historical clarification with extensive notes from leading Bonhoeffer scholars. It is an excellent resource both for those who are studying Bonhoeffer academically and those who use this book in church groups.

Life together is essential reading for Christians; IMHO, and the Prayerbook of the bible is a great

bonus. Do yourself a favor though: Buy new. My used copy was filled with notes that I found very distracting.

Excellent treatment of the Psalms. Instructive and encouraging. I had previously read Life Together but in a much older English translation. This was much easier to navigate. Again, encouraging and instructive for Christian living in community.

Very accessible. Inpirational and easy to use. So glad I was able to get it for my kindle. Could read it in segments and not lose track of my thoughts. I am going to re-read it frequently because it is so helpful in my daily life in a community of faith.

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