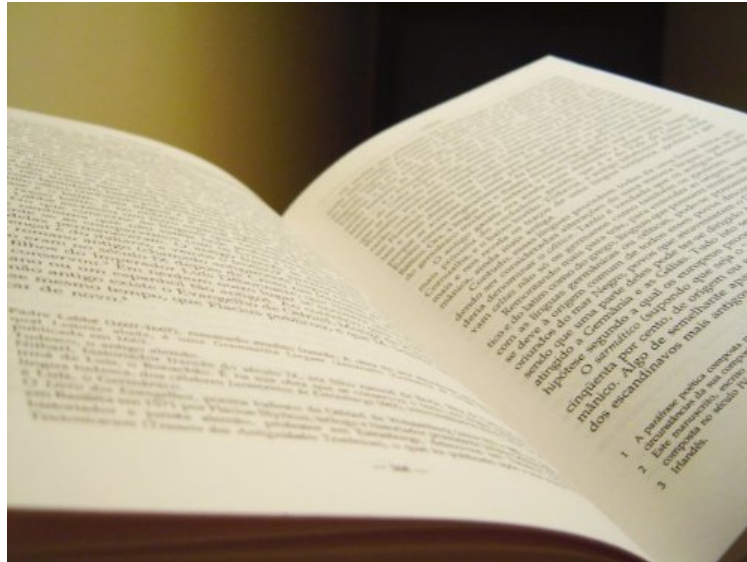


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Von John Calvin : The Institutes of the Christian Religion (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Institutes of the Christian Religion (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A good translation of Genevian Protestant systematicsVon Ein KundeThis present volume can truly be described as a good and well translated edition of the first dogmatic work of Protestant theology. Unlike Luther, Calvin tried to sum up and structure his belief in order to give rules and regulations of how to interpret the Scripture in the way upper German and Swiss Reformation saw God and the Christian Faith.The contents of this book is easily summarised: It serves to show the differences between Protestant theology furthered by Lutherans and the theological assumptions which did not find their way into the Confessio Augustana in 1530. Two points mark Calvin's argument in the "Institutes" which the reader will find clearly expressed (although the reader has to make up his own mind whether he or she will find the argument convincing): first Calvin's interpretation of the problem of sacraments, and second Calvin's dogma of predestination.Having the context of the religious talk of 1529 and the quarrels over Augustine's definitions of "res" and "signum" in mind, one will find the latin text translated into readable English. Concerning the predestination of the Calvinist faith in the "avancement du royaume de Dieu", though, one is always enclined to assume that the translator is not so unbiased as the reader (he or she) might want him to be.This book should nevertheless be considered as an easily available volume for all students of theology, history, and political thought, and even the interested reader will find it illuminating to consume this book, not as the one and only interpretation of Christian faith, but as a very influential interpretation of the Holy Scripture and some of its basic ideas. Considering the impact that Calvinist mission had on the course of French, English and American history, I regard this book a good option for many people to become aware of these roots.2 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. One of the greatest theologians ever!Von wdicksCalvin took the Bible without relying on heretical traditions and hearsay of his day and wrote his institutes. It is probably the greatest theological work ever. Calvin shows in his Institutes why God is sovereign and how man made ideas about faith and religion cannot bring us closer to salvation.1 von 10 Kunden

fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Heretical Sophistry
Von CustomerLike all Reformers, Calvin relied on his own understanding, rejecting the Tradition of the Church (both Catholic and Orthodox), substituting human philosophy for Christian Teaching. Rather than relying on the whole of scripture, he equates the truly Pauline doctrine of Salvation by Grace with Salvation by Faith, which, with Luther, leads him to reject the truth expressed by James that salvation is by faith and works (i.e. Grace results in faith and works). Rather than adhering to the consistent biblical injunction to follow scripture and tradition, he follows the Lutheran heresy, adhering to scripture alone. This book will be good if you want to learn human philosophy with a quasi-christian slant. If you want to learn Christianity, read "The Catechism of the Catholic Church", or "The Orthodox Church" by Timothy Ware, or one of Scott Hahn's books, or just about anything from St. Vladimir's Seminary Press or Ignatius Press

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Synopsis
Hendrickson offers a one-volume hardcover edition of one of Western Christianity's foundational works. Re-typeset into a clean and modern typeface, this edition is easy to read for the modern eye. This book will appeal to libraries, seminarians, pastors, and laypeople. "Institutes of the Christian Religion" by John Calvin is an introduction to the Bible and a vindication of Reformation principles by one of the Reformation's finest scholars. At the age of twenty-six, Calvin published several revisions of his Institutes of the Christian Religion, a seminal work in Christian theology that altered the course of Western history and that is still read by theological students today. It was published in Latin in 1536 and in his native French in 1541, with the definitive editions appearing in 1559 (Latin) and in 1560 (French). The book was written as an introductory textbook on the Protestant faith for those with some learning already and covered a broad range of theological topics from the doctrines of church and sacraments to justification by faith alone. It vigorously attacked the teachings of those Calvin considered unorthodox, particularly Roman Catholicism, to which Calvin says he had been "strongly devoted" before his conversion to Protestantism. The over-arching theme of the book - and Calvin's greatest theological legacy - is the idea of God's total sovereignty, particularly in salvation and election.