

THE WORD OF TRUTH. By Dale Moody. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1981. 628 pp.  
\$24.95.

The jacket ~~xx~~ assures us that "this <sup>study</sup> ~~book~~ will appeal to Christians of all traditions." How this could be true is beyond imagination. The author is anti-Calvinistic (calling it determinism, p. 314), anti-creationism, anti-dispenationalism, ~~anti~~-inerrancy, pro-documentary and hypothesis of the Pentateuch, pro-historic permillennialism.

The breadth of references to writers and movements, both modern and ancient, is astounding, but, alas, too often, one is left wondering just what <sup>The author believes and what</sup> God meant about a particular doctrine or subject. Though the author claims to base his theology on exegesis, often his knowledge of history <sup>is better</sup> ~~exceeds his quality of~~ <sup>than his</sup> exegesis. One of the goals seems to be to establish theological rapprochement between liberal and conservative viewpoints.

The significance of this book is highlighted by the position its author occupies--Professor of Christian Theology at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The use of the book should be restricted to those who can read with great discernment. The price of the book borders on robbery. Incidentally, the Geneva Bible did contain the Apocrypha (contra p. 45).

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