

in connection with the words "By whose stripes ye were healed," (p. 99). "Do not let us overlook the experience because we cannot find an explanation. Do not let us reject the fact because we cannot contrive a theory. The sorest places in human life, the raw, festering wounds of indwelling sin, can only be remedially touched by the healing influence of his stripes." One will naturally turn also to the discussion of "the spirits in prison" (1 Pet. iii. 19, 20). From this passage the author draws the conclusion, "No man's destiny is to be fixed until he has heard of Christ" (p. 144), but as usual no reason is given for the statement. Here at least it might fairly be said that exegetical justification of the position taken is imperatively demanded, but it is searched for in vain. The book as a whole will doubtless be found a helpful stimulus for many preachers; if only it had been made even more helpful!

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The Bible and Christian Life.

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Dr. Lock has a ripened culture and a balanced judgment that show to great advantage in this collection of essays. They are partly critical and exegetical and partly practical. The discussion of The Sources of the Prologue of St. John's Gospel, Presuppositions of N. T. Study, and the Christology of the Earlier Chapters of the Acts of the Apostles is rich in original suggestion and penetrating insight. Common sense is applied to matters of criticism, a trait by no means common among great scholars. Dr. Lock accepts more of the modern critical view of the O. T. than I think the facts justify and a Baptist cannot indorse the ecclesiastical views at all points. But for great ability blended with rich scholarship and real wisdom these papers have a high place. They are modern in spirit, devout in tone, and really edifying and stimulating. One is grateful to Dr. Lock for publishing the volume.

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