

Dogmatics III

The Christian Doctrine of the Church, Faith and the Consummation

by Emil Brunner

DESCRIPTION:

One of the great twentieth-century works of theology, Emil Brunner's Dogmatics series presents a profoundly biblical systematic theology. Finding a path between Barth and Bultmann, Brunner explores key doctrines such as the doctrine of God, creation and redemption, and the doctrine of the church and of faith. These foundational texts from a leading theologian of the 20th century are crucial for scholars and students, illuminating how modern Protestant theology was formed in the last century.

The first volume serves as an introduction to Brunner's view of dogmatics, setting out the nature, position, and necessity of dogmatics before exploring the many facets of the doctrine of God. In detailed, vigorous explanation, Brunner considers the nature and will of God, including his name, his holiness, his wisdom, and his glory. Thorough, insightful and extensive, this first volume is an illuminating beginning to this series.

The second volume explores the fundamental concepts of the protestant doctrine, from creation and the creator, to man's position within creation, sin and its consequences, and the saving work of Jesus. Brunner explores all of the possibilities of these fundamentals, and his detailed, thoughtful arguments are designed, as he says, to set 'us free to have a faith which is based on nothing save the Love of God revealed in Jesus Christ'.

The third and final volume focusses on the theology of the Church as a reflection of God's self-revelation through the Holy Spirit, and an eternal consummation of Divine self-communication. Drawing together the understanding gleaned in the previous two volumes, Brunner addresses the nature of the church and faith to bring his systematic biblical theology into the experiences of his readers.

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