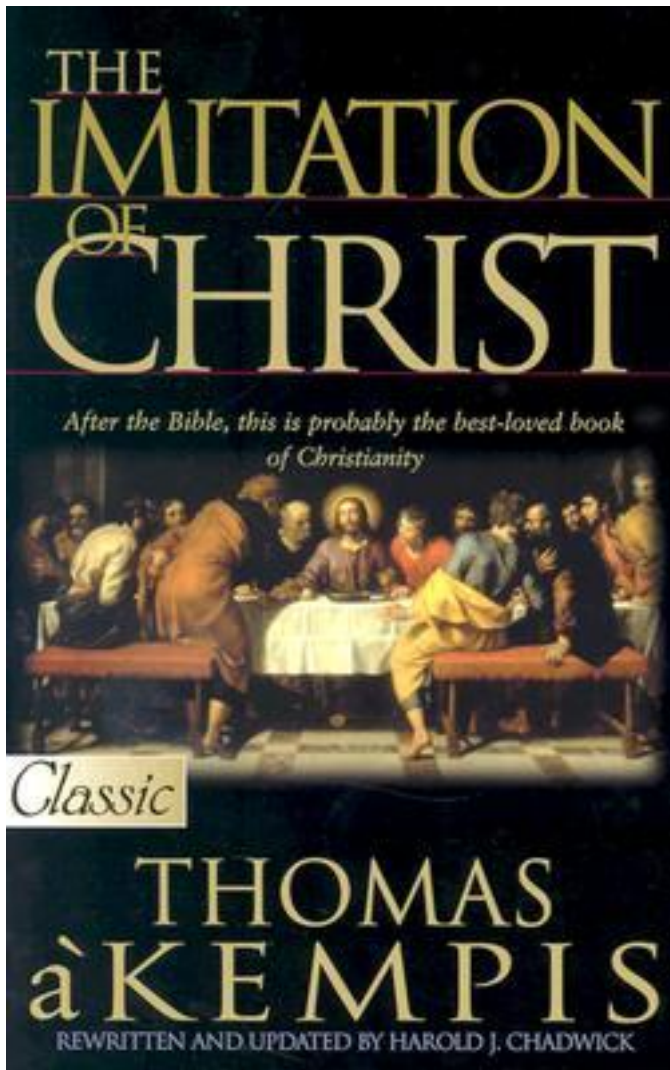

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Description

Written over five centuries ago by Thomas Kempis, *The Imitation of Christ* has been translated into more languages than any other book except the Bible. It has been acclaimed by countless readers as one of the greatest spiritual masterpieces ever written.

Insightful reviews

Nathan Eilers: I picked up *The Imitation of Christ* after seeing that Eugene Peterson recommended it (though I'm no fan of *The Message*). I had no idea it has had such an enormous impact on the Church for centuries. A Kempis wrote this in the early 1400s!

I was in this book for 10 months--August 08-June 09--so I'm afraid I lost a lot of my sense of the totality of the book. I read *The Imitation* as my devotions until January; then, I picked up Oswald Chambers and this one took a back seat. All this to say, I don't remember all of the reasons why this book is so invaluable. I can say that God met me several times in its pages, and what is better than that?

There is a special blessing that comes with reading the works of authors from centuries past. Their world was so different from yours, so they have thoughts and ways of putting things that you do not. Thomas a Kempis is supremely devout and humble in his approach to God, which I need a lot more of. I learned a lot from his example and passion for the faith.

I recommend this to any and all Christians and anyone else who is interested. There is depth and beauty in a Kempis' faith that taught me much. I hope to return to this book someday.

Rebekah Disch: This is my go-to daily read I've carried around for the last few years, and it never gets old. When I need a good kick in the butt, I read Kempis. His excerpts are short but pack so much truth, and I can't tell you how many times I've just cried over his words as God has used this book to convict me of my self-exaltation and pride, and how the mercy of God meets us in our repentant and contrite hearts.

Tim: Somehow I am cheered that this is one of the best-selling Christian devotional books in history, though I imagine it has fallen down the list in recent years. Not that market penetration has anything to do with the reality of devotional life, but this is a serious work that calls the believer to a life of intense and disciplined following after Jesus. Taken from the Catholic monastic-like setting of the Brethren of the Common Life in the early 15th century it does feel medieval and Catholic at times (in its deference to authority, its value of community, its welcoming of suffering, its adoration of the Eucharist), but also overflows with a personal and experiential faith that also feels modern (heart religion, individualistic, dualistic in its divisions of the physical and spiritual world). The book works against pride, seeks the benefit of the brother, and always wants Christ first. Its goals are lofty, but its understanding of human nature is deep. One chapter titled "We Ought to Deny Ourselves and Imitate Christ Through Bearing the Cross" is followed by "A Man Should Not Be Too Downcast When He Falls Into Defects." As an aside to Protestants, its call to hard work and effort to merit more grace is balanced by an entire

surrender and acknowledgment that only God's grace allows us frail humans to act. All of the four books into which this book is divided are useful, but I found the first book hit particularly close to my condition and will be dipping into it again and again (which is the way it should be read anyway - bit by bit with room for reflection). If you know me some of the chapter titles of Book 1 ("Having a Humble Opinion of Self," "Acquiring Peace and Zeal for Perfection," and "Avoiding Rash Judgment" among others) will probably raise an amen.

Brian : I learn this again in 2006. even though i do not believe a lot of the theology provided by way of a Kempis, i discovered the ebook appealing and moving. the guy enjoyed God and he pours out his center at the pages. He additionally writes what he believes Jesus tells him in response. The e-book introduced tears to my eyes a couple of times.

Josiah: Thomas A. Kempis speaks to us around the centuries with the timeless, challenging truths in regards to the Christian's quest to develop into as like our Lord and Savior as is feasible during this lifestyles right here below. The writing and beliefs of this publication appreciate strongly of the ascetic lifetime of the monastery yet don't succumb to an absolutely monastic body of thought, or even notwithstanding the writer might communicate too strongly every now and then in prefer of forsaking the corporate of guys to be by myself with Christ, I worry many folks are up to now the apposite course that if we settle for a tempered model we are going to be some distance in the direction of real communion with Christ than currently.I hugely suggest it for your considerate perusal.

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