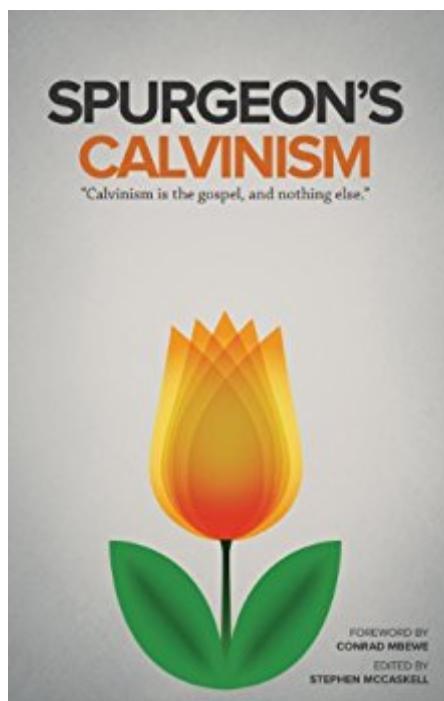


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# Spurgeon's Calvinism



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â œWhat Stephen McCaskell has done for us in this book is to bring back the forgotten Spurgeonâ "the Spurgeon who speaks clearly about what the true gospel really is.â •Conrad Mbewe (PhD, University of Pretoria), pastor, Kabwata Baptist Church, Lusaka, Zambia; author, Foundations for the Flockâ œWe all have hills we're willing to die on. For Charles Haddon Spurgeon, that hill was Calvinism. Godâ ™s sovereign work of salvation wasn't a preferenceâ "it was a matter of life or death. It was the lifeblood of his ministry, and Spurgeonâ ™s Calvinism puts this truth on display for all to see.â •Aaron Armstrong, author, Contend and Awaiting a Savior; blogger at [www.BloggingTheologically.com](http://www.BloggingTheologically.com) â œThe notion that embracing a high view of God, His word, and His gospel will lead to antinomian carelessness or a loss of evangelistic zeal can only be held disingenuously after acquainting oneself with Spurgeonâ ™s Calvinism.â •Matthew Robinson, producer of Behold Your God: Rethinking God Biblically - [www.MediaGratiae.org](http://www.MediaGratiae.org) â œWhen preparing for battle a wise General studies the best intelligence before committing troops. Likewise, when it comes to understanding the theology of how God saves, a wise student of the Bible will take the time to see what C.H. Spurgeon said on the topic.â •Josh Williamson, evangelist, Josh Williamson Ministries - [www.JoshWilliamson.org](http://www.JoshWilliamson.org)

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The seventeenth century theologians at Dort responded swiftly and decisively to the rising tide of Arminianism. The official response came as a result of the Synod of Dort which convened in 1618-1619, over one hundred years after John Calvin's birth in 1509. Their response is summarized in the famous TULIP acrostic:T - Total depravityU - Unconditional electionL - Limited AtonementI - Irresistible GraceP - Perseverance of the SaintsSo while the formulation of Calvinism as we know it today did not originate with Calvin himself, it is important to understand that these doctrinal moorings originated with the apostles and Jesus himself, 1500 years before the birth of John Calvin!This reality becomes clear in C.H. Spurgeon's little book, "A Defense of Calvinism." Spurgeon's Calvinism, edited by Stephen McCaskell is an updated version of Spurgeon's original work. The author has edited out much of Spurgeon's Victorian language which will be a valuable service for most readers. Spurgeon was a unashamed Calvinist, a label he wore until his death in 1892. He held that "Calvinism is the gospel, and nothing else." In Spurgeon's Calvinism, the Prince of Preachers walks readers through the five points that were formulated at Dort. Readers familiar with his style will be drawn to his passion for Scripture and his ability to relate the doctrines in a unified whole. While Spurgeon's treatment of the doctrines of grace prove to be unshakeable in the final analysis, the real highlight of the book is its ability to draw worshippers to the throne of God. Spurgeon's Calvinism is a fitting introduction to this biblical way of viewing God's purposes in redemptive history.

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