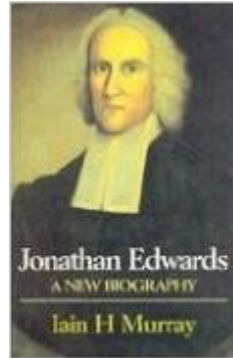


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Iain Murray believes that Edwards cannot be understood apart from his faith. Only when seen first and foremost as a Christian do his life and writings make sense. The integrity of this interpretation is confirmed in this study as Edwards is allowed on point after point to speak for himself. The result is a biography which is both factually and theologically reliable. Edwards' theology is set in the context of his everyday life in public and private. His family relationships punctuate the narrative, adding both interest and pathos. This outstanding study is not only an exceptional biography; it also serves as a classic illustration of how the church today can and should learn from its past history.

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Jonathan Edwards continues to be one of the most prominent figures in Anglo-American Christian history and Iain Murray presents a stirring, sensitive, and comprehensive evaluation of his life. Maybe (in my mind, definitely) one of the most exciting Christians to study, Jonathan Edwards' life is an inspiring example to all Christians across the globe. Murray captures Edwards' life of great achievement and heartache, and reveals the depth of thought that Edwards himself displayed throughout his life. This biography is thorough and very detail-oriented; Murray allows the reader to delve deep into Edwards' life and offers the opportunity to get acquainted with the entire family. Using letters that were passed throughout the Edwards family, Murray is able to convey a very doctrine-centered and eloquent biography that will edify its readers and inspire all Christians to strive "to be brought higher in religion, and to a higher exercise of grace than before." This book has

great personal sentiment, as well. Though I attribute its impact more to the actual life of Jonathan Edwards, this biography got a hold of my heart from the start. From the very first chapter I was introduced into a world of faith that I had never experienced; I was able to see and experience another's Christian life that has since altered my entire view of what it means to love and glorify God. I would recommend this book to any person who is looking for an example of what a Christian life--and a Christian family, for that matter--should look like. It is an eye-opening experience, one that is honest and reliable: Murray doesn't sugarcoat the difficulties that Edwards was blessed with.

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