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Christology: True God, True Man (Catholic Basics: A Pastoral Ministry Series)



Synopsis

Christology: True God, True Man is a thorough presentation of the convictions at the heart of Roman Catholic Christology. Examining faith, reasoning and history as they bear on the question, "Who is this Jesus?" this booklet provides a resource for guiding catechists to a clearer knowledge of Jesus Christ. Catholic Basics: A Pastoral Ministry Series offers an in-depth yet accessible understanding of the fundamentals of the Catholic faith for adults, both those active in pastoral ministry and those preparing for ministry. The series helps readers explore the Catholic tradition and apply what they have learned to their lives and ministry situations. Includes study questions and suggestions for further reading. Because of the intense media-driven culture of American society, many people have a hard time differentiating between these images of Jesus Christ. They wonder which one is true. Often, their own views wind up a mixture of disparate elements. This struggle may even be the case with people raised in one particular Christian tradition. Chances are they have seen several contrasting images on television and in movies even before beginning formal religious education. This dilemma causes no small challenge for pastoral ministers, who must not only accurately convey the Catholic Church's teaching but also deal deftly with the myriad other images of Jesus Christ and clearly show the difference. From the introduction Christology: True God, True Man addresses Standards #520.01-520.04, 520.07, 520.08, 520.17, 520.19, and 532.304.

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Neuman's "Christology: True God, True Man" as a part of the Loyola Press' Catholic Basics series is surprisingly comprehensive despite its short length. The first Chapter introduces the reader to the idea of Christology, goes on to talk about Jesus in the scriptures as divine and then Jesus in the New Testament as human. Neuman then moves to a history of the development of Christology starting with the first ecumenical councils through modern day, and includes other branches of theology such as soteriology and eschatology. He ends with a discussion of considerations of Christ in other religions. The book is laid out like the perfect intro course to Christology. Neuman does a good job of presenting the teachings of the Catholic Church straightforwardly. Note for the Theologians: though Neuman speaks of the legitimacy of both high and low/ascending and descending Christologies, (the sections on Jesus' humanity are particularly well written) the process of this work operates more from a high/descending Christology, noting the resurrection as the central event that, "chronologically,... first revealed God's total acceptance and exaltation of Jesus and his ministry."

This series is a must for those who want to get the full, "Who, when, when, why and how" of Catholicism in user-friendly language, one topic at a time. This book, in particular, amazed me with its in depth discussion of the many images of Christ and the many historical approaches to studying and understanding Christ. It clarified my own views about who He is in my life, while introducing me to a wide range of philosophies and disciplines. I intend to read every one of the books in the series, even though I already have the certification for which they're usually used.

Great book, great price.

Great job thank you!

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