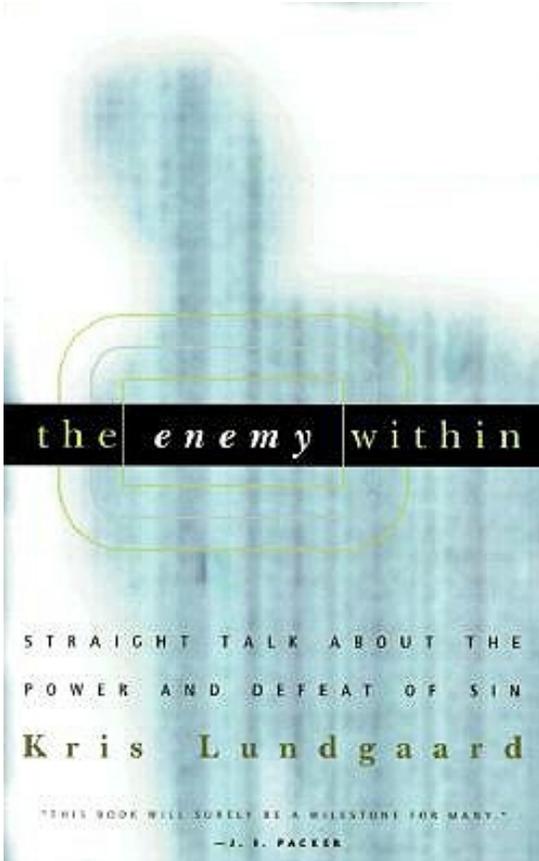


book of the month *The Enemy Within – Kris Lundgaard*



The Puritans are rightly regarded as the finest theologians native to the English language. John Owen, the “Prince of the Puritans” wrote extensively on the biblical doctrines of sin and holiness. In this book, *Kris Lundgaard confesses, “I decided to bring Owen into the twenty-first century. I kidnapped Owen. By force I took him as my co-author and together we’ve written a new book.”* The Enemy Within is Lundgaard’s attempt to impart Owen’s rich theological understanding of the Christian’s relationship to sin and pursuit of holiness to a modern audience. His attempt is a success!

If you have never tried reading John Owen’s writings, then you should give it a try! He really is worth the hard work. But if that is not possible, then this book is an excellent option! You will be encouraged to renew your own resolve against sin and your striving for “the holiness without which no one will see the Lord” (Hebrews 12:14). This book is short and easy to read; a worthwhile investment for the month of February.

One word of caution is necessary. Lundgaard’s teaching on the believer’s relationship with the old self/nature/man seems to differ slightly from the position of the GBC elders. For further teaching on these subjects, see the resources listed below.

- Omrl Miles

HELPFUL RELATED RESOURCES

1. **“God’s Transformation of Man” fold-out pamphlet. This resource is primarily utilized in Build and Wellspring classes. See the BookTable servants for extra copies.**

During our Ephesians series in 2010, Scott preached three sermons describing how the believer should think about his conversion, his new nature, his relationship to the old self, and his sin. You can hear those and view the sermon outlines here:

2. **“Preparing Believers in the School of Christ (Part 1)”**
(<http://www.gbcaz.org/sermon/preparing-believers-in-the-school-of-christ-part-1/>)
3. **“Preparing Believers in the School of Christ (Part 2)”**
(<http://www.gbcaz.org/sermon/preparing-believers-in-the-school-of-christ-part-2/>)
4. **“Prepared to Obey Jesus Christ”**
(<http://www.gbcaz.org/sermon/prepared-to-obey-jesus-christ/>)

Also...

5. **Jon Anderson - “Usefulness is Holiness”**
(<http://www.gibcjupiter.org/pages/sermons/detail/sermon/3466>)

Suggested One-Month Reading Plan (less than 5 pages per day)

Week 1: January 28th – February 3rd

- Evil at My Elbow - 8 pages
- The Long Arm of the Law - 7 pages
- The Haunted House - 8 pages
- Irreconcilable Differences - 6 pages

Week 2: February 4th - 10th

- The Tricks of the Trade – 8 pages
- Getting Carried Away – 8 pages
- No Idle Mind - 10 pages

Week 3: February 11th - 17th

- Excursus: Loving God with All Your Mind - 12 pages
- Hooked - 8 pages
- Maculate Conception - 8 pages

Week 4: February 18th - 24th

- Slip-Sliding Away – 12 pages
- A Bone Marrow Transplant - 6 pages
- No Easy Peace - 8 pages
- Lethal Faith - 9 pages