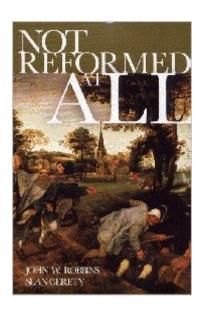
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In this book John Gerety and Sean Robbins do an excellent job of contrasting the biblical doctrines of the Reformation with those teachings purported by certain modern theologians. It should be noted that this book is a direct response to Douglas Wilson \hat{A} ¢ \hat{A} \hat{A}^{TM} s book Not Reformed at All. As such the book spends a considerable amount of time discussing the arguments put forth by Wilson in his book, and telling the reader why they opposed to the biblical doctrines supported by the Reformers. The authors cover, for example, misinterpretations of passages cited by Wilson which he used in support of a broader covenant. They cover how Wilson did not really cite any pre-20th century author in his book in support of his accusations, even while claiming that he was representing Reformed Theology. The book also takes considerable time to discuss how Wilson \hat{A} ¢ \hat{A} \hat{A} TMs teachings do not match the Confessions which he claims to subscribe to. This book is not necessarily an evangelistic tract that you should hand out to people who believe in Wilson \hat{A} ¢ \hat{A} \hat{A} TMs doctrines. Gerety and Robbins intended this book for the laypersons in Presbyterian and Reformed Congregations where this teaching has tried to creep in. The only pitfall

of this book which I can think of is their focus of Van Til in the Forward section. In short, if you wish to consider a short book explaining why Wilson is not Reformed for your own purposes, buy this book. If you are looking for a tract to hand out to people who subscribe to Federal Vision, look somewhere else. If you are looking for a more detailed refutation of Federal Vision, consider the \tilde{A} ¢ \hat{A} \hat{A} e Report of the Synodical Study Committee on the Federal Vision and Justification \tilde{A} ¢ \hat{A} \hat{A} e conducted by the United Reformed Churches in North America, or a similar report or book. Yes, I would recommend this book to a friend.

A very clear, consistent and comprehensive defense of the biblical/scriptural standards of the 1648 Westminster Standards against a new 60 year ecumenical, Neo-Romanist movement under various names such as Shepherdism, Federal Vision, Auburn Avenue Theology, Moscow Monroe Axis and Neolegalism which all characterize the final apostasy of the Orthodox Presbyterian Reformed churches in America today. A highly recommended study of how Bavinck and Van Til created medieval irrational-ism and apostasy in the 20th century American Calvinist seminaries just as Arminius and Vorstius did in Holland in the early 17th century. Gary Johnson

Consider this: I'm reformed and living in Idaho, not Moscow, ID, but Idaho. I hoped to be able to read this book and be able to use it when talking with many of the Wilson devotees around here. But I can't.Dr. Robbins' approach in this book was to turn theology into a personal attack on Doug Wilson's character. This is instead of using it as a forum for debating the theological fallacies of Wilson. He does go through Wilson's theology, but he can't drop the tone loathing that evident throughout the book.My word to Dr. Robbins: Get someone else to write another book that just discusses the theology. Something I can hand to people who like Wilson and doesn't put my friendship in jeopardy. Your book, while informative, is useless to me because it will never make it out of my book case. I will never be able to loan it to other believers. Your book is not what I want other believers to think Reformed thinkers sound like.

Another pathetic diatribe by Robbins. Everyone in the world, except him, is unorthodox. He alone (and fellow authors from his private publishing house) hold to true Reformed Doctrine. Sad, as well as sectarian. The book has so many uncharitable misunderstandings that an review could not contain them. Suffice to say, the author has little or no regard for the 9th commandment, especially as explained in the Larger Catechism. The one redeeming value of the book is that although he vastly overstates his case, willfully misunderstands & misrepresents his opponents, quotes them out

of context giving them meanings they likely never intended, draws out their arguments in ways they never intended, etc; his conclusion is right on. The Auburn Ave/Wilson devotee's doctrines are way off track. There are MANY other MUCH BETTER refutations of this doctrine available now. Robbin's book was one of the first out of the starting block, but many others have long surpassed him & done a much better job. It would be quite sad to think that someone might consider this the definitive response to Wilson, et al. It is not. It is one of the poorest. Don't waste your time with this book. It's really bad. Look elsewhere.

I couldn't hardly make it through half of this book, it is filled with so many false assumptions and conclusions, as well as venomous attacks, that the title is ultimately true of the authors and the content within...they are "Not Reformed at All."

This book is simply terrible and not worth any money let alone the money being asked for it. BOTH authors are venomous loud mouths who rarely have anything nice to say about anyone that does not agree with them. One of the co-authors is so vile one has to wonder if he is even a Christian.

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