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Strong Was Her Faith: Women Of The New Testament



Synopsis

In this follow-up to his book *The Thirteen Apostles*, popular author J. Ellsworth Kalas focuses on several women of great faith who were crucial, in ways both obvious and understated, to the story of the New Testament. Kalas looks into the life and times of eleven different women. With his signature style, Kalas examines the Scriptures to see what we can learn about these women and what we can learn from them, and how each woman fit into as well as shaped the New Testament story. Chapters include: • Elizabeth: A Friend in Need • Anna: She Knew How to Wait • Martha, the Disciplined • Mary, the Extravagant • The Mighty Widow • The Anonymous Evangelist • Mary Magdalene: When Love Is Greater than Faith • Mary, the Mother of Mark • Dorcas: Worth a Miracle • Lydia, the Businesswoman • Mary in Life and Legend • Why Mary? • This book also includes a discussion guide.

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As a Christian it was very informative to read someone's else's interpretation of some of the women of the Bible. I also believe there was a bit of expounding on the few of the women that were included

To be honest, I was hoping that this book would be more involved in the lives of these women. However, most of the stories are that stories. Since many are only mentioned in one verse of the bible, the author tries to determine what their lives involved. As you read and go to the bible to read the verse, you also much try to figure out what their impact was on history.

Of profiles of women in the New Testament. Makes a lovely Easter gift. The biographies are brief and not connected to each other so its possible to just read one each Sunday morning, etc. It is wonderful to have a go-to resource that brings these special women to life.

Rev. Ellsworth Kalas is one of my favorite religious authors. I first heard him talk in Ocean Grove, NJ during the Methodist summer gathering. He's a very ecumenical thinker and speaker. His favorable comments about the spiritual writer, Brother Lawrence of the Resurrection, pleased me a Roman Catholic priest. The book was up to the same high standards. His Christian imagination nicely fills in the gaps of the bible stories..

I am amazed at how much information Ellsworth gleaned about a person from some very short passages of scripture. His knowledge of the biblical times gave great insight to the characters.

The author seems to be a feminist, not in a bad away, but there is some good content. It's more about what the people in our study gleaned in the mess of the author's thoughts...I would have preferred something a little more thought provoking.

Encouraging, empowering, and thought (and thus discussion in my book club) provoking. Consider who these women were, that they should be mentioned in a male - dominated culture and still remembered 2000 years later.

J. Ellsworth Kalas, though a man, he did an excellent job of picturing the women in this book. This book can be used as a self study book, using the "Study Guide" at the rear of the book. The Woman's Group at my church are using it as a Study Project with group discussions for this 2012-13 church year. It is full of many thoughts to ponder but in the same vane it is easy to read and understand.I highly recommend this book.

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