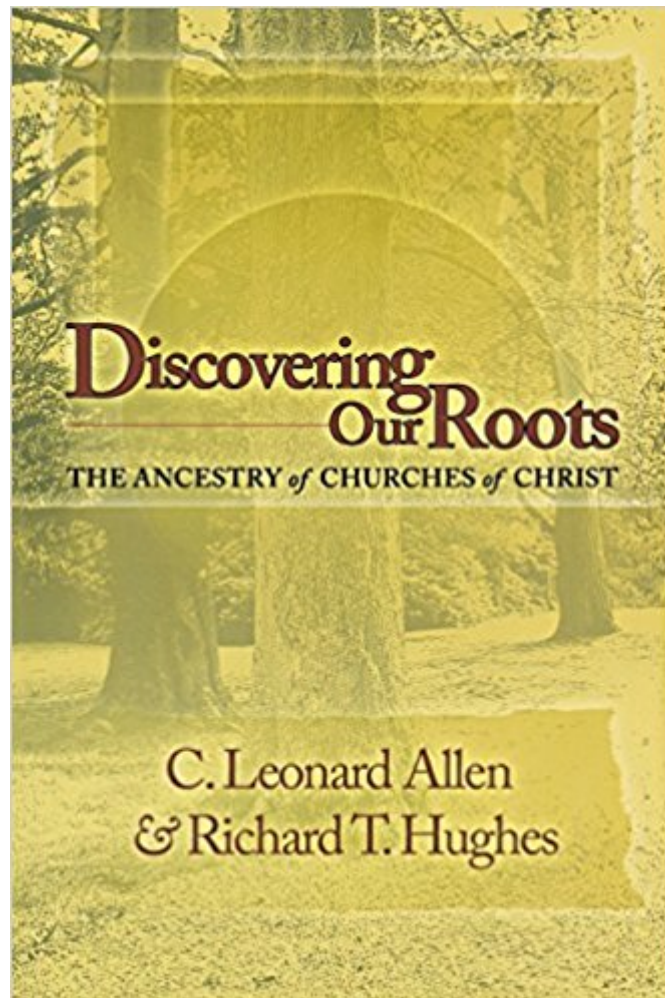




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Discovering Our Roots: The Ancestry Of Churches Of Christ



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This rich and challenging book explores the roots or ancestry of the Churches of Christ and others who stand as heirs to the Stone-Campbell movement of the early nineteenth century. It asks, 'Where did we come from? How did we get this way? Why do we read the Bible the way we do? What has been the heart of our movement?' And it asks further, 'What can we learn from those who have viewed restoration of apostolic Christianity in ways quite different from our own?' The authors begin their story in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries - the age of Renaissance and Reformation. They isolate the stream of restorationist thought that arose in that age and then follow that stream through the Puritans, the early Baptists in America, the frenzy of pure beginnings in the early decades of American nationhood, and down to the Stone-Campbell movement.

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This book contains a detailed and accurate historical account of the history of Churches of Christ. It may lead the reader to realize that Churches of Christ are not the only churches who have sought to restore true discipleship. The book will also recount the efforts of other denominations to follow God in a pure and authentic way and compare their beliefs to those in Churches of Christ. It is also interesting to read the various beliefs that have been held at various points in Churches of Christ and see how different views unfortunately led to denominational splits. I highly recommend reading this book!

Interesting book.

Arrived the other day in great shape!

landmark book

The authors do a nice job of building a case for the environments and events that lead to the movement known as the Churches of Christ. Many different traditions, denominations and shifts of thought culminated in the bursting forth of a new way of thinking that continues to shift and evolve today.

This book goes into depth and uncovers the whole process one goes through to "Discover Our Roots". It is a book I highly recommend to anyone interested in restoration history.

I guess I expected more information about the churches of Christ and less information about other religions. It traces the history along side other religions without letting the reader know much of why the church of Christ operates the way they do. It is interesting to know the reason why all religions do what they do including churches of Christ. I think it is sad that we follow Alexander Campbell's likes rather than what the Bible says. As Alexander Campbell chose to accept things his way even though they are in the Bible and some other things he did not agree with why the churches of Christ do things certain way. Tradition rather than the word of GOD stands out in this book and I wish it did not.

Not because of the information, it's just i expected the layout to be different and I don't enjoy reading books with small print and a lot of words on one page

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