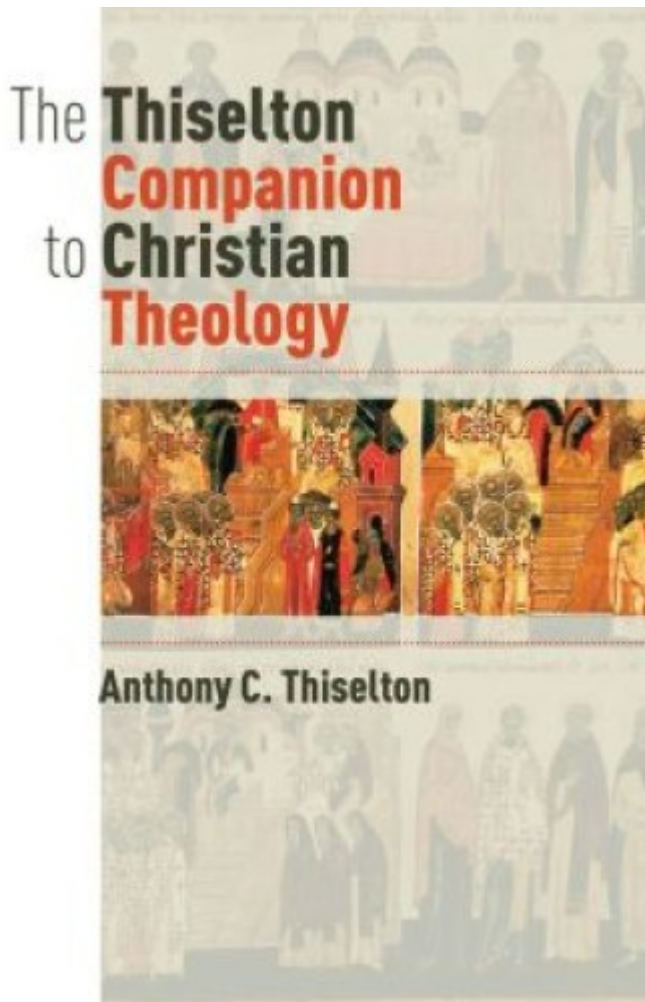


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In Review



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This doorstop of a reference book was written entirely by Thiselton, professor emeritus of Christian theology at the University of Nottingham. The single authorship has the advantage of yielding a consistent style, but compared to multiauthor works,

it lacks the expertise of specialists on the various topics. Most of the entries are quite short. However, there are a number of longer articles on key Christian loci: God, Christology, the Holy Spirit. Thiselton's own area of expertise, hermeneutics, gets longer treatment as well. The book's one great weakness is its lack of diversity. The theologians covered are largely white, male, and European or North American. Included is a useful chart listing key events and figures in the history of the church, again marked by lack of diversity, with a strong Western bias.