

able criticism of the weaknesses in Freud's attitude to religion, should get a one-sided view of that great man's contribution to knowledge. The reviewer of this work in *The Times Literary Supplement* headed his article *Freud's Blind Spot*, and that, I think, is how it should be taken. While looking at that blind spot in Freud, the reader becomes painfully aware of his own blindness, if a somewhat different one, and certainly the lack of precise knowledge on the very points he rejects in Freud must be obvious to any honest reader.

The value and the delight of the book lie in the fact that, while seeing the weaknesses in Freud's attitude to religious beliefs and following the carefully reasoned arguments of Dr Philp, the reader is aware of a tremendous challenge to his own position as Gentile, psychologist and Christian.

I can warmly recommend Dr Philp's book to anyone who is neither afraid of re-assessing his own position, nor of becoming aware of some of his own unconscious assumptions.

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PLOTINUS: THE ENNEADS. Translated by Stephen MacKenna. Revised by B. S. Page. Preface by E. R. Dodds. Introduction by Paul Henry, S.J. (Faber; 63s.)

MacKenna's great English translation of Plotinus has long been out of print and difficult to obtain, and its re-issue is a very welcome event for anyone interested in Plotinus. It has been revised in the light of the important progress which has been made in Plotinian scholarship by B. S. Page, himself an excellent Plotinian scholar, who collaborated with MacKenna in the original translation of the Sixth Ennead. Professor Dodds contributes a very good short account of MacKenna and his translation, and Fr Paul Henry, who is both Professor of Dogmatic Theology at the Institut Catholique in Paris and one of the most eminent of Plotinian scholars, provides an introduction which is of the greatest value to anyone concerned with the difficult and delicate topic of the relationship of the thought of Plotinus to Christian philosophy and Christian mysticism.

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GOLGOTHA AND THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE. By André Parrot. Translated by Edwin Hudson. (Studies in Biblical Archaeology, No. 6: S.C.M. Press; 10s. 6d.)

Time was when Christian Europe rose in arms to defend the Holy Places. Today, the traditional guardians of the Holy Places, and many others, engaged upon numberless works of mercy and charity amongst a very poor people, if they happen to have British passports, are banished. No one hears about it. Less care about it. The writer finds it