

the strengths and weaknesses of pietism Kegley never loosens his hold on his central theme. Protestantism, he tells us repeatedly, is evangelical catholicity. 'The source of its strength is in the gospel.' In other words it is the function of the Church to point beyond itself to God in his goodness and grace. This has to be done not only by worship, sacrament and preaching but by the life and service of the Christian community in the world. Is there not a complementary emphasis required? It has been said that without Protestantism we lose the essence of the Church while without Catholicism we lose the fullness of the Church, because Catholicism reminds us that the God to whom the Church bears witness is present and active in the Church. In other words there could be no Church without grace, without the energies of the indwelling Spirit. Like Tillich, Kegley is aware of this—Tillich used to speak of Protestant principle and Catholic substance. It is this awareness that lies behind his use of the phrase 'evangelical catholicity'. Basically the book is a plea for an ecumenicity that recognises the priority of the Gospel as the reality which gives the Church its true foundation but also prevents the Church from making itself absolute.

Two further brief comments are in order. One could wish for fuller reference, in view of the author's own interest, to Orthodox thought. On the other side, one is grateful at many points for the way in which religious thought is related to contemporary issues. The discussion is always anchored in the real world.

This is not a work of pioneer thought; but it is an excellent survey and a lively and useful attempt to come to grips with issues that are vital for the whole Church.

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### CORRIGENDA

*Philosophical Studies* Vol. 2, No. 2, p. 163, l. 24 for 'Pocreon' read 'Creon' and p. 165, l. 4 for 'Nereus' read 'Nessus', l. 16 for 'corrolate' read 'correlate' and l. 27 for '*Trachimae*' read '*Trachiniae*'. Professor Mackinnon should also have been described as Norris-Hulse Professor of Divinity in the University of Cambridge and Fellow of Corpus Christi College.