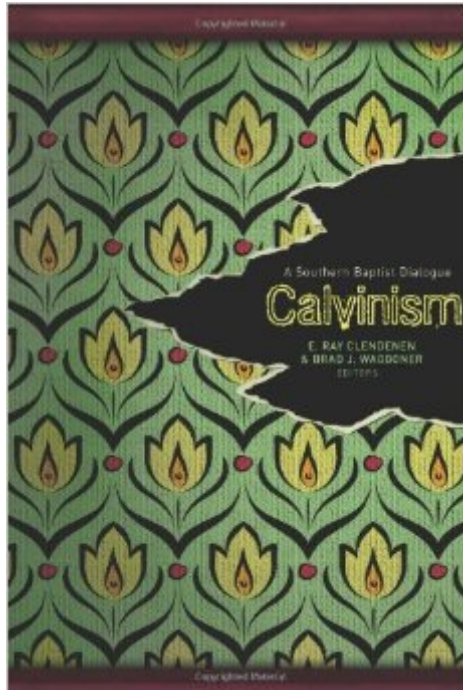


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# Calvinism: A Southern Baptist Dialogue



## Synopsis

What impact is the Calvinist/non-Calvinist debate having on the Southern Baptist Convention today? This book holds a theological conversation between followers of Christ about issues on which they often disagree. And while such controversial points of doctrine cannot be ignored, neither should they put up impenetrable walls between groups that are committed to the same essential Christian beliefs. *Calvinism: A Southern Baptist Dialogue* brings together new presentations from noted Southern Baptists including Daniel Akin, Tom Ascol, David Dockery, Charles Lawless, and Ed Stetzer that address misperceptions, stereotypes, and caricatures of the debate over Reformed theology. Each strives to speak the truth in love and humility while seeking clarity in the presentation of the Gospel, improving the health of our churches, and seeking the kingdom of Christ above all. Endorsements: "What do we have to agree on?" The doctrines of what it means for us to be lost, and of how we are saved could not be more important. This book explores how much we can disagree over these things and still work together. If you care about both evangelistic cooperation and doctrinal integrity, this book is a book for you." —Mark Dever, pastor, Capitol Hill Baptist Church and president of 9Marks.org

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I bought this book to better understand the whole Calvinism debate, and was richly rewarded. One of the best aspects of the book is the "Glossary of Some Important Theological Terms" in the back of the book. The book is a collection of articles from various theologians on a variety of subjects

related to Calvinism. For each subject, two articles are offered, from opposite viewpoints. Not all the articles may interest everyone, and you can pick and choose which ones you read, as I did. The only drawback to the book might be that it is written primarily to Southern Baptists, although I think Christians from other evangelical denominations would benefit from this great resource that explains the issues in the Calvinism debate.

if you are a southern baptist as i am and curious about the current debate within the convention, this book is a good starting point. if you are one who has studied this debate in detail, you will probably find this book lacking in substance.

This book is very detailed, but this dialogue is desperately needed. This book is balanced and fair to both sides. Whichever viewpoint one holds, it is important to understand that many Evangelicals don't know either side of this argument and in fact don't hold either of these traditional views. Our lack of Scriptural knowledge is a serious matter for Evangelicals. This book will inform you about both traditional views and ground you in Scripture and give you an historical perspective. To quote Cicero - "To not know what happened before you were born, is to forever be a child."

Lots of good history about the SBC and its theological foundations. I hope this book will help non-Calvinists and Calvinists see that they can work together, as both hold to the essentials.

The articles in this book provide a helpful guide to the issues surrounding Calvinism in the Southern Baptist Convention. Lawless and Akin's articles are particularly helpful.

It tries to be balanced but fails and is slanted toward Calvinism.

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