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2000 years of Charismatic Christianity

By Eddie L Hyatt

The book . . . <https://tinyurl.com/y7t7unah>

From the preface

"Its purpose is to show that Pentecostals and Charismatics do have a legitimate history. It also suggests that instead of being on the fringes of orthodox Christianity , Pentecostal and Charismatic Christianity is in the mainstream of both biblical and historic Christianity"

From the introduction

"has it reappeared suddenly in the 20th century with no historical link to the past as some contend"

"The fact is that Pentecostals and Charismatics do have a legitimate history . . . found in the various revival and renewal movements that have emerged constantly in the life of the church"

He makes the point that the book is not cobbled together bits and pieces of church history but a solidly researched scholarly work that will stand up under serious scrutiny. Its also easy to read

Augustine's book "City of God" had a whole chapter on miracles. I read that and went and checked my copy. Strangely enough my edited version didn't have that chapter in it. I wonder why.

Martin Luther

Luther's remarks on the cessation of miracles were taken out of context. The author of the book believes that Luther had a direct experience of seeing the Lord just like Paul. 11 Cor. 12 Many of his followers believed he was a prophet. He also had prophesies fulfilled/prayed for the sick cast out demons etc. You sure don't read that in all the edited biographies of his life.

He gives a lot of info in the book. Also answers some questions I had about some supposedly heretical groups in history. The book has been out for 20 yrs. I don't know why I've never heard of it. Anyway the book is interesting and well worth reading.

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