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Synopsis

The Book of Concord or Concordia is the doctrinal standard of the Lutheran Church. It is composed of ten documents, each of which has been recognized as authoritative in Lutheranism since at least the 16th century. (The Three Ecumenical Creeds, The Augsburg Confession, The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, The Smalcald Articles, A Treatise of the Power and Primacy of the Pope, Luther's Small and large Catechisms, and The Formula of Concord.) They are also known as the symbolical books of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, or the Lutheran Confessions. The Book of Concord was published in German on June 25, 1580 in Dresden; this date was chosen to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the presentation of the Augsburg Confession to Emperor Charles V at the Diet of Augsburg. This Concordia Triglotta edition was published in 1917 "as a Memorial of the Quadricentenary Jubilee of the Reformation anno Domini 1921 by resolution of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and Other States," (which later became the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod).

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The language is dated, but it's really less difficult than reading KJV Bible. After all, the English is only about 100 years old. The "go to" granularity is good. I read reviews on the Readers Edition that said you couldn't "go to" the section numbers of the different documents, and with this version you can. I use this on my tablet in conjunction with the "PrayNow" app for Android. After my daily devotion, then I read the suggested Book of Concord article.

In a couple of weeks I will be meeting to discuss overtures submitted to a convention committee on theological matters. I want to travel light and take only my Kindle, if possible. I already have a full Bible in biblical Greek and the Hebrew Old Testament with glossary on my Kindle, as well as a couple of English versions. I am very familiar with the 1923 English text of the Concordia Triglotta after listening through an audio recording of it a few times, so I do not find the prose especially archaic. My big concern was ease of navigation for this version on my Kindle Touch, but that is not a problem. I can easily use the Menu and Go To in order to get to the Table of Contents. Each section of the Triglotta text is linked and I can get to it quickly. The price is very good, too.

This is a heavy read, but it's good theology to study. I recommend reading it after you've watched the movie Luther. You'll understand better the documents that Luther and the other reformers were so passionate about.

The Book of Concord-Concordia Triglotta Edition is an early translation of the Christian confessions. I use this book to supplement the Concordia Publishing House publication CONCORDIA THE LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS, As a supplement, I want to have complete understanding of the writings of our early church fathers in the 16th and 17th centuries. The writings of the early twentieth fill in the gaps that latter writers have created in more recent publications.

As a Lutheran this is a wonderful addition to my library. I do have the later version of the Concordia as a hardcopy but this gives me access to what we believe, teach, and confess wherever I go.

I would recommend this to anyone who is interested in learning about the history of how the Book of Concord was formed and the true meaning of the Word of God. I am still reading and if you are looking for answers about God's Word you will find it in this Book.

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