

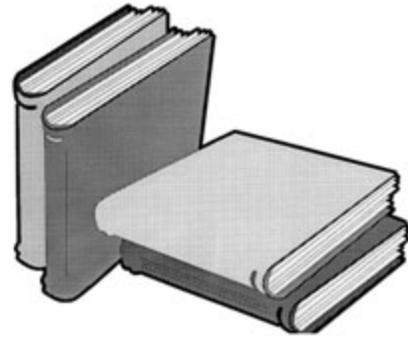
The Rock and Pit

*Look unto the rock whence ye are hewn,
and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged.*

Isa 51:1

Selections from the Christian's heritage in print,

collected by Dean Brown



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I Shall Not Die, but Live. 2. I Obtained No Clear Grasp of the Gospel.

I went up to Glasgow University in October 1966 [age 18] ... The immediate result of the CU [Christian Union] getting in touch was that I attended their Freshers' events and began to attend other meetings. I was befriended by a fellow-student who stood out from the other CU members in his outspokenly **Calvinistic** views. **He introduced me to books** published by the Banner of Truth Trust, **to great preachers of the past and present**, especially Whitefield, Spurgeon, and Lloyd-Jones, **and to other aspects of the historic faith** of which I was previously ignorant.

Other students strongly recommended that I go to **the CU's conference to be held ... on Loch Lomond-side** ... This was the real turning point for me. I was religious before, but I believe that it was at this conference that I was born again.

I had an impression on my spirit that I had not before **of the spiritual world and the nearness of God**. As I walked outside with others in the evening, the starry sky seemed like a thick shell behind which was the reality of God....

The other main impression on my spirit came **from reading the Scriptures alone, particularly John 3**. I saw clearly for the first time that God required of me the very thing I had not rendered, faith in his beloved Son. I at once tried to render it, but did not truly understand what faith was till later. Nevertheless the events of that conference changed me permanently. ... I was hearing things with new ears and was deeply impressed.

Douglas Taylor (1948-2014), *I Shall Not Die, but Live*. BoT 2016.
The title of this book and the name of the blog from which most of the book is taken, 'Works Worth Declaring', come from Ps 118:17, *'I shall not die but live, and declare the works of the Lord*.

To Be Continued.