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I really enjoyed this book. Despite the fact that I disagree with the overall conclusions, I found this book to be a helpful introduction into the biblical and patristic arguments for Universalism. I wish more "evangelical" books took the bible as seriously as this author did! I've rarely read a book with such academic excellence as this, especially amongst the pop-theology of most modern evangelicals. This book definitely presents one of the clearest and most scripturally backed arguments for universalism. It has expanded my perspective on the bible, and given fresh insights into the scary truth that universalism may not be so heretical after all. In the midst of an evangelical community that is up in arms against all traces of universalism, this book stands up and gives a clear, thought-provoking argument that makes clear that fact that perhaps we have jumped the gun, and gotten far too dogmatic with our doctrines of hell. I disagree with the overall position because, like Karl Barth, I believe in the freedom of God which creates the freedom of man. To say ipso facto that hell is real, eternal, or temporary, or that universalism is heresy of fact, is to deny God His right to be free in Himself, and to inspire our freedom along with Him. However, as a book, this is an excellent introduction into the perspective of universalism. If you think universalism is unbiblical, read this book! It will shed some light on the fact that the bible is not so one sided as the evangelical community seems to think.

--[Stephen Morrison](#)