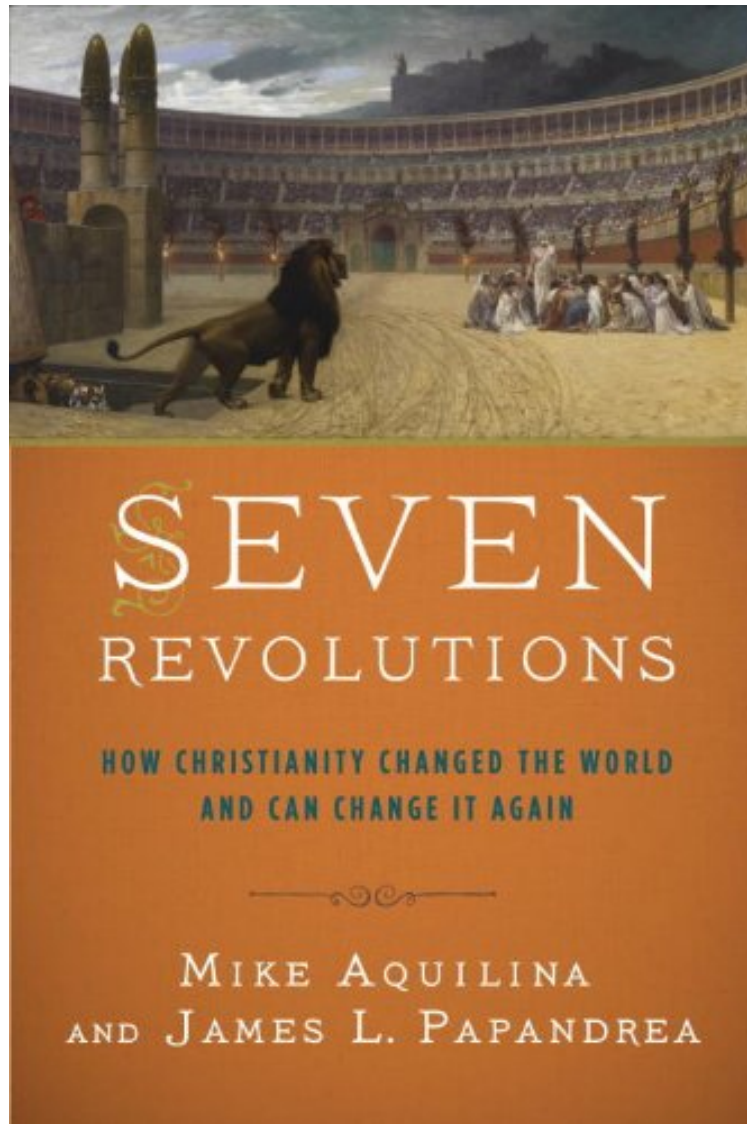


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look at the way the Christian church shaped our understanding of human dignity, family, love and other concepts we take for granted today. The descriptions of life in Pre-Christian Roman society were very powerful and startling particularly in the context of world that has mostly moved into post-Christian era and finds itself slipping back into many of the same terrible dysfunctions. Aquilina and Papandrea have crafted a well-researched book here. I had read Aquilina's "Yours Is the Church" and Papandrea's "Reading the Early Church Fathers" previously. This material is, in a way, a satisfying combination of themes in those two books (though the content here is new), and undeniably relevant to the world we live in today. One of my favorite books I've read this year. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The Attitude of the World Swirling About Christianity By Karon K. Booth The text educates us on the nature of the Greco-Roman world, separating the assumption that values of Western Civilization will continue once Christian influence is removed. The natural state of Western Civilization is reflected in Nazi, Germany illustrated by what happened when Christian influenced were deliberately removed. As a society we are ignorant of history, finding the study, as one American business man announced, "history is bunk,". Therefore, our ignorance leads to believing lies because we lack basic knowledge of what non-Christian societies were like, falsely believing the basic civilized nature of the West is a natural state of man. Therefore, because of clarity in writing style, concise sentence structure, correct historical information based on research of primary and secondary sources, and a reflection on current social developments, I have granted this work the highest level of stars. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A venture into the contemporary side of church history. By Matt Stump I am enjoying the connections between the early church and the church as it stands today. As a pastor, I am thinking of using this as a stepping stone to a summer preaching series this year. I know it will help our congregation understand the historical significance of early church decisions and how we might reflect on their thoughts in order to respond in contemporary thinking while remaining true to our foundation in Christianity.

Combining history, politics, and religion, Mike Aquilina and Jim Papandrea provide practical lessons to be learned from the struggles of the Early Church, lessons that can be applied to the day-to-day lives of Christian readers. Prolonged, multiple wars in the Middle East. Waves of immigrants crossing the borders. Ongoing economic recession. Increasing political polarization, often with religious overtones. Conflicts over ideologies that pit the progressive against the traditional. Sound familiar? These conditions not only describe the United States, but the situation of the Roman Empire in the third century. That situation led to religious persecution and the eventual collapse of the empire. In the middle of the third century, the Roman Empire was roughly the same age as the United States is now. In this book, authors Mike Aquilina and Jim Papandrea examine the practices of the Early Church a body of Christians living in Rome and show how the lessons learned from these ancient Christians can apply to Christians living in the United States today. The book moves from the Christian individual, to the family, the church and the world, explaining how the situation of the Early Church is not only familiar to modern Christian readers, but that its values are still relevant

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