William Wilberforce

His Unpublished Spiritual Journals

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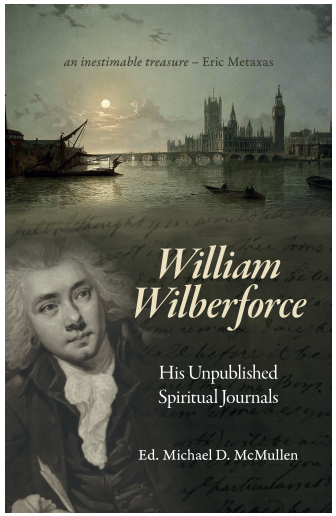

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DESCRIPTION

William Wilberforce (1759–1833) is best remembered as a leading figure in the movement to have the slave trade abolished throughout the British Empire. In these previously unpublished journals we have an honest record of Wilberforce's spiritual life: the Scriptures and Christian books he read; people he met; people he witnessed to; his spiritual and physical struggles; and many other fascinating observations. Michael McMullen's work gives an invaluable insight into the life and motivations of this great man.

MARKETING POINTS

Record of Wilberforce's spiritual life

Form of confession and self–introspection

Helpful explanatory annotations and footnotes

AUTHOR

William Wilberforce (1759 – 1833) was a British politician, philanthropist and a leader of the movement to abolish the slave trade.

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ENDORSEMENTS

In these pages we see a man, an undeniably fruitful man, abiding in Christ. Believers will find a brother travelling the path that they have known, and will be inspired to press on, rejoicing by faith in the One who brings fruit into sight. I can't think of a more thrilling or important publication from the last ten years.

Ben Virgo
Director, Christian Heritage London

William Wilberforce recorded many intimate details about his spiritual life, and thanks to Michael McMullen's painstaking work, many of them are published here for the first time. This book is an inestimable treasure – it draws back the curtain on Wilberforce's struggles and rejoicings in his own words as he wrestled both with himself and all that God had called him to be and do.

Eric Metaxas
Author of Amazing Grace: William Wilberforce and the Heroic Campaign to End Slavery and host of the nationally syndicated Eric Metaxas Radio Show

William Wilberforce was a man marked by a wonderful integrity between the private and the public. Now more than ever, integrity amongst all who bear the name of Jesus is needed. William Wilberforce has so much to teach the church today, and Michael McMullen has performed a significant task in making this possible by transcribing and explaining Wilberforce's journals. As the rector of the church where Wilberforce once worshipped, I am deeply grateful for Michael's work.

Jago Wynne
Rector of Holy Trinity Clapham, London

William Wilberforce has long been regarded as the classic example of evangelical activism in the long eighteenth century. His tenacious fight against the barbarous inhumanity of the slave trade and slavery have made him an iconic hero for many in our day. But what is often not remembered is the spiritual matrix out of which Wilberforce drew the resources to wage his indomitable battle for justice and social righteousness. Prof McMullen has put us all in his debt by editing these previously–unpublished diaries of this great human being. They

TECHNICAL DETAILS

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