

ARCIC II : GRAYMOOR DRAFT : DRAFTING SUGGESTIONS

para. 3 pp. 1-2

"Luther...proposed a revolution"

"proposed" should be changed, I think; Luther did not officially intend a (violent) revolution; substitute something like:-

"The interpretation of the Epistle to the Romans, proposed by Luther, had a revolutionary effect".

para. , p.4, line 10:- "...only extrinsic to the believer."

I think "extrinsic" will have to be changed here, to something like "external".

I have not got Luther's Commentary on Romans here at home with me, so cannot be sure of the references, but I think it is in comment on chapter 4, that Luther uses "intrinsic" and "extrinsic" in a particular, specialised sense, which is more technically precise than the general drift of the sentence in the Graymoor draft.

para 31, Prof.O'Donovan, 4.9.85: 2.30.pm. line 11

"...programmes of social service"

Could this phrase be altered? My reason for dissatisfaction with it is that some of us (including those teaching seminarians) have to spend quite a lot of time persuading folk that the Church is not just a humanitarian "do-gooding" institution.

I did discuss this objection with Oliver before leaving Graymoor, and he sympathised with it, and was quite willing for his draft to be amended to avoid all such suggestion. He said that the point he wanted to get over, in that phrase, was that the Church should engage in social schemes etc. set up by other people, and not merely rest content with the social works initiated and run by itself. I share that concern, and it is only the wording, not the sentiment, with which I have some difficulty.

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