

ANOTATION

This work deals with the controversial issue of the salvation of non-Christians. Its purpose is to search for a solution while probing various positions that have been argued. The salvation of non-Christians has been an issue in the history of theology from its rudiments until present times. Firstly we will present it in the context of postmodern thought as it reverberates in the life and theology of the churches as well as through the prism of our subject. We will track the meaning of the individual components of our subject in Scripture and in the theological tradition. Afterwards we will expound what Scripture says concerning the salvation of non-Christians in so far as it offers a solution. Then several chapters follow describing various other solutions of this issue that have been offered. At first will we adumbrate the issue in historical perspective.

Then we will turn to its interpretation by selected theologians of the 20th century. Next comes an analysis of fundamental directions in the present conversation: exclusivism, inclusivism, and pluralism. The last major section points to some theological areas in which the solution of our subject was or is being searched for. In conclusion I will attempt to present my own solution, though a partial one, inclusivistic in its direction.