# 关于本书

"福斯特牧师,把整部圣经细细冲刷并搜寻,为的是要来回答这个很少有人提出或是面对的问题:在基督的至高宝座前,对信徒们是否也会进行某种的审判,正如保罗在《哥林多后书》第五章所点明的那样?本书作者得出的结论是,的确是将会有这样的审判的,并且有一些人,将会获得奖赏,乃是千禧年当中的那些祝福。而其他人呢,则是将会遭到排斥。作者还纵览了许多虔诚的圣经学者们的著作,发现他们所得出的结论乃是同他自己如出一辙的。在本书当中,福斯特也将这些作者的名字、著作、以及他们原话的引证一一列出,以便论述与证实他们的观点。估计会有许多的牧师,将会起来抵制本书,因为他们实在不想让自己的事工遭受审判。只要他们仍然娇纵自己的会众,让他们继续沉溺于昏睡和懈怠的基督徒生活中,他们也就不会去向别人推荐这本书。而有少数的人,却是会苏醒过来,并且好好地去预备自己,为着要面对基督那至高的审判台。"

# George W. Dollar 教授、博士,《美国基要派的历史》(A History of Fundamentalism in America) 的作者

"在现今的日子和世代,我看到许多自称是重生的人,他们在基督的宝血里洗净了,且参与到服侍耶稣的事工中,却是用大部分的时间在按照自己所想要的生活方式而活着,其原因是,他们毕竟是'一次得救,永远得救'了的。我所知道的是,圣经的确有用简洁的方式说明了,人一旦重生了,就不能再倒退回母腹中了,因此,我知道圣经教导说,信徒的得救是有保障与确据的。碰巧,我所在的南方浸信会这个宗派,也相信救恩是有确据的,我为此而自豪。

我知道,此刻我很多的弟兄姊妹们,将认为我是改弦更张了。但我的确是认同福斯特弟兄从堆积的灰尘当中所发掘出来的这个真理的。他的著作,集合了教会史上所出现过的多年积攒下来的教导。

假设这样的教训是错误的,所带来的也不过是一些小的争议而已。但从另一方面来 看,如果这教训是正确的,正如我相信它是的,那么,那些有一天将要面对责打之杖的信 徒们,到时候会懊悔不迭,遗憾自己当初为什么没有认真去阅读此书。

一言以蔽之,我信若这真道被好好教导,神的百姓就会警醒起来,开始过那种主耶稣希望他们过的生活。就我自己而言,我会竭尽全力地将这真道变成每日的生活、变成我的教会事工,并且传授给一切有耳愿听的人。我记得,圣经记载说,在古时候,当百姓们正在兴建许多宏大建筑之际,神的话语提醒他们说,神的道已被遗失在尘土之中了。只有当这样的真道被彰显出来,我们才能见到真正的复兴。

赞美神,兴起象福斯特弟兄这样年轻的人,能将我们引领,回到圣经所昭示的真理的根源处,尽管这样的教训似乎与当今教会(church)的传统有些矛盾。请小心看,我上面一句提到的教会,用的是小写字母。而大写的普世教会(Church)的历史所验证的真理,却正是本书揭示给我们每个人的。经我自己认真将本书的教训与圣经做对照,我得出的结论是,神不会放弃他责打的板子,因为那样作不符合他的神圣本性。"

Wiley S. Drake 博士,加州 Buena Park 第一南方浸信会牧师、《美南浸信会总会迪斯尼童子军》(Disney Boycott by Southern Baptist Convention)一书的作者、国会祷告会副主席:总统祷告团队,

## "A"组带领人。

"乔伊·福斯特(Joey Faust)作出了杰出的贡献,就教会的奖赏和损失这个重要教义,展开了详细的研究。相形之下,相当遗憾的是,太多的信徒从没有机会被教导说:尽管得救是本乎恩典的,但是奖赏却是要自己去赢得的。在这一本通过认真调研而写成的书里,乔伊提醒了我们这个教义,而这些正是以往诸多的世纪中,许多的牧师和神学家们,曾经多次挑战过信徒的真道。关于基督之审判台的真理,是经常被人忽视的。然而,呈现在我们眼前的这些书页,让我们去面对事实,就是,得胜的信徒将会获得奖赏,而那些在基督徒生活中失败的人们,将会遭受亏损。"

## Robert Dean 牧师,达拉斯神学院,神学硕士,文学硕士

"《管教的杖:上帝会收回吗?》,不能算是对目前自由神学所发起的一个全新的挑战,而是从历史和研经的角度上,去回顾一个常常被人们忽略了的教义。类似于'落在永生神的手里真是可怕的'这样的教训,已经被那些抗拒这一真道的基督徒,从许多的圣经当中给撕毁、删除了。然而,基督徒将要与震怒的主面对面的那日子,正在快速地逼近着。当今世代的基督教,试图教导人们说,所有的基督徒,都会因着十字架上基督的顺服,而统统获得极大的奖赏。但是,该份奖赏仅仅是属于那一位顺服者,也就是主耶稣基督的。如果我们只是来到了基督的面前,却未曾多走一步的话,我们就必会在他的审判台前站立,去接受审判。圣经清楚地记载说,那洁白的细麻布,就是那为基督的新妇所预备的,正是圣徒自己所行的义,而并非基督的公义。有太多的人,被自由神学引诱,进入悠然自得、甚至昏昏欲睡的状态,于是相信了异端邪说,以为基督徒不需要面对任何未来的审判。但是,要知道,审判永远是从神的家开始的。福斯特牧师提供给我们一份经过详细的历史研究、并且获得充足的圣经依据之支持的观念,那就是,基督徒在将来是需要面对审判的。我们每一位信徒,凡是宣告主名的,最好都来认真地聆听福斯特牧师这本书中的教训,以便让我们作好充分的预备。"

## John Melancon,神学硕士,前往科罗拉多州 Cortez 服事的宣教士

"时间上,没可能让我们细嚼慢咽地详细研究之后,再去认可这本由乔伊·福斯特牧师所写的《管教的杖:上帝会收回吗?》书中的全部的结论。然而,这本写作精湛、调研精准的书,必定会成为这一代人中,最能引起争议的著作之一。若该书没有其它方面的建树,仅将那几乎被遗忘的基督审判台的教义,向那沉沦在世俗中的教会、那'在自己眼目前方对上帝毫无敬畏'的教会,再次高高举起,就已经可以算是完成了一项重要的使命了。"

#### Greg Dixon 博士,印地安纳波利斯浸礼圣殿的名誉退休牧师

"乔伊·福斯特在我们面前所铺开的圣经真理,对于过一个得胜的基督徒生活而言,是至关重要的。但是,这个真道,却没有在今日的教会中得以宣扬。顺理成章的结果就是,人们就错误地以为,这样的真道在教会史上从没有人讲过。福斯特不仅让圣经自己闪光,让真理不言自明,他还通过大量详细的研究工作,充分论证说,这些真理在教会的整个历史上,早就被人们所坚信和教导了。这本书里边的研究份量,是无可比拟的,并且提供了一个价值连城的工具,能将真相弄个水落石出,好让基督徒们不至于如同瞎子走路,跌跌撞撞、凄凄惨惨地来到基督的审判台前。"

#### Donald W. Gilmour III 牧师, 达拉斯神学院, 神学硕士

## ABOUT THIS BOOK

"Pastor Faust has scoured the entire Bible to answer a question seldom asked or faced. Will there be a judgment of believers at the Bema Seat of Christ as Paul points out in 2 Corinthians 5? He has come to the conclusion there will be a judgment and some will be rewarded with millennial blessings. Others will be rejected. He has also scoured the works of many devout Bible scholars and found that they have come to the same conclusion and provided us with their names, works and actual quotations to substantiate their views. Many pastors will reject this book for they do not expect their ministries to be tried. They will not recommend the book, for so long they have pampered their members into continuing lethargy and laxity in Christian living. A few will awake and get ready for the Bema Seat."

Professor George W. Dollar, Ph.D., author of "A History of Fundamentalism in America."

"In this day and age I see many people who claim to be born again, washed in the blood, and serving Jesus spending a great deal of their time living the way they want to because, after all, they are 'once saved always saved' etc. I know that in its simple form the Bible says born again, and you cannot be unborn, therefore I know the Bible teaches the security of the believer. It just so happens that my Southern Baptist denomination believes in the security of the believer, and I am proud of them.

I know at this point many of my brothers and sisters will feel I have left the bus, but I agree with the teaching that Brother Faust has brought to the surface, after it was left in the dust. His book brings together what has been in the history of the church for years.

If this teaching is wrong, it could possibly bring some minor blips of argument. But if on the other hand it is right, and I believe it is, then those who will be under the Rod will wish that they had read this book more closely.

In short, I believe if this truth is taught, God's people will wake up and start living like Jesus wants them to live. I for one will do everything I can to apply this truth to my life, my ministry, and with anyone who will listen. I am reminded when the people of old in Scripture were building great buildings, the Word pointed out that the Word of God had been lost in the dust. Only after this truth comes forth will we see Revival.

Praise God for a young man like Brother Faust, who has brought us back to the roots of the true teachings of the Bible, even if it runs against 'church' tradition. Notice the little c, real "Church' history is what this book is pointing out to each of us. My conclusion after searching the Bible with this book in hand is, God will not spare the Rod, and to do so would be contrary to His Holy nature."

Dr. Wiley S. Drake, pastor of First Southern Baptist Church of Buena Park, California; Author, Disney Boycott by Southern Baptist Convention; Vice President, Pastoral Congressional Prayer Conference; "A" Team leader, Presidential Prayer Team

"Joey Faust has done a remarkable job of researching a crucial doctrine for the church-rewards and their loss. Too many believers have, unfortunately, never been taught that salvation is by grace, but that rewards are earned. In this well researched book Joey reminds us of this doctrine and the pastors and theologians who have challenged believers throughout the centuries with these truths. The truths of the judgment seat of Christ are often ignored, but in these pages we face the reality of rewards for winner believers and the loss who fail to live the Christian life."

### Pastor Robert Dean, Jr., M.A. Dallas Theological Seminary

"The Rod: Will God Spare It? is not a fresh challenge to contemporary liberal theology, but a historical and Biblical approach to doctrine that is too often ignored. "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God" has been torn from too many Bibles by Christians that refuse the truth. Yet the day is fast approaching Christians will come face to face with the terror of the Lord. Today's Christianity tries to teach that all Christians will receive great reward just for obedience of the cross. That reward belongs to the one that was obedient, the Lord Jesus Christ. If we come to Christ but go no further, we will stand in judgment before Him at the judgment seat of Christ. It clearly states that the white raiment given to the bride of Christ is the righteousness of the saints – not the righteousness of Christ. Too many have been lured into complacency and even sleep by liberal theology and believe heresies that there is no coming judgment for the Christian. Yet judgment has always begun at the house of God. Pastor Faust has presented a viewpoint well researched historically and supported with Scripture to show there is a coming judgment for Christians. Each and every one that names the name of Christ would do well to take heed of what has been written in Pastor Faust's book and make themselves ready."

## John Melancon, ThM, Missionary to Cortez, Colorado

"Time does not permit the amount of study that it would require to agree to all of the conclusions of the book "The Rod: Will God Spare It?" by Joey Faust. However this well written and meticulously researched book will no doubt become one of the most controversial works in this generation. If it does nothing else but to elevate the near forgotten doctrine of the Judgment Seat of Christ to a worldly church that has 'no fear of God before their eyes,' then it no doubt will serve an important purpose."

## Dr. Greg Dixon, Pastor Emeritus Indianapolis Baptist Temple

"Joey Faust clearly lays out Biblical truths which are so vital for an overcoming Christian life but which are not being taught in churches today. As a result, people wrongly believe that these truths have never been taught in the church. Faust not only lets the Bible speak for itself, but through an incredible amount of research, he also substantiates that these truths have been held and taught throughout church history. The research in this book is without equal and an invaluable tool for setting the record straight so that Christians will not be walking blindly into the judgment seat of Christ."

Pastor Donald W. Gilmour III, ThM., Dallas Theological Seminary