



No Safety Before Saving Faith: Septimus Sears, John Gadsby and the Gospel Standard Added Articles

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CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform. Paperback. Book Condition: New. This item is printed on demand. Paperback. 346 pages. Dimensions: 8.5in. x 5.5in. x 0.9in. Septimus Sears: I have great hope that the neglected doctrine of justification by faith will have come into greater prominence by means of the attack upon my sermon; and if such should be the case, it will be a clear gain to the church. In September 1875, in his magazine the Sower, Septimus Sears published the second half of a sermon he had preached on Psalm 31: 5. Its title reverberates to this day: A Safe Hand for a Sinful Soul. Sears argued that when a sinner commits his soul to Christ, trusting him for salvation, that soul is immediately and forever safe, but until a sinner does so trust Christ, he is under the wrath of God, he is anything but safe. As a consequence of this sermon, Sears came under fierce and sustained attack from the Gospel Standard those who believed in the hyper-Calvinistic doctrine of eternal justification. This was no storm in a teacup. The consequences are with us still. David Gay has written this book to examine the events of the 1870s as they...



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