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## Quarles' "Illustrated life of Paul" (Book Review)

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seminary presidents, deans, professors, and denominational leaders alike should read and consider the insightful information found within its pages. Drawing interested youth into a more challenging exploration of and reflection upon theology will help identify and develop future leaders of our congregations as well as produce strong members. The church would do well encouraging its youth and remembering the words of Benjamin Disraeli, “The youth of a nation are the trustees of posterity.”

### **Reviewer**

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Quarles, C. L. (2014). *Illustrated life of Paul*. Nashville, TN: B & H Publishing Group. 300 pp. \$29.99 ISBN: 9780805494532

Although there have been many fine books written on the life of the Apostle Paul, one might question whether it is necessary for another to be written. After reading this book, my vote is a resounding “YES.” Professor Quarles has taken great care to incorporate the latest archeological discoveries as well as including many colorful photos of the places visited by Paul on his missionary journeys.

Written with the lay person in mind, the author penned the life of Paul based on the information given in the scriptures. For those interested in digging deeper into various aspects of the apostle’s life, endnotes provided by the author provide the necessary information needed to conduct further research. As the title indicates, there are plenty of illustrations throughout the book to guide the reader to the locations where Paul traveled and people to whom Paul ministered.

So why should you purchase this book for your library? You probably have material on the apostle’s life in other books so why would you want to add another one? I thought the same thing when I started the book, but I soon changed my mind as the author drew me into the story. The historically accurate background information based solely on Scripture coupled with photos, maps, and charts neatly bring together the message and theology of this important apostle. I would highly recommend you add this book to your collection.

### **Reviewer**

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