New Testament Commentary.  
Exposition of the Epistle to the Hebrews.

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When Dr. William Hendriksen died in January, 1982, he left behind a legacy of a  
thoroughly Reformed-evangelical commentary series on the four Gospels and all the  
epistles of Paul with the exception of I and II Corinthians. Personally I have found them  
excellent for Bible study and sermon preparation. Hendriksen had the gift to make  
complex ideas clear.

Dr. Kistemaker, who has been given the task to continue with the series, has proven to be a worthy successor. His commentary on Hebrews is free from technical language so that not only the pastor, but also the lay person can read the explanation of a text without much difficulty. Greek works, phrases and constructions are at the conclusion of each section for those acquainted with this language. Each chapter contains an introduction, comments about doctrinal considerations, and a summary. The practical helps, the poetry, hymns and psalms quoted, the sound exegesis, and the fine writing style makes for easy reading. I congratulate Dr. Kistemaker with this wonderful achievement.

Dr. Kistemaker has been a professor of New Testament at the Reformed Theological Seminary since 1971 and is chairman of this department. He was a home missionary for two years in Vernon, B.C., and then professor of Bible at Dordt College for eight. He is a past president of the Evangelical Theological Society, which he now serves as secretary-treasurer.
Every preacher and New Testament scholar should have a commentary by F. F. Bruce on Hebrews in his or her library.” About the Author. (1910–1990) The Rylands Professor of Biblical Criticism and Exegesis at the University of Manchester, England. Still one of the best commentaries on Hebrews for preaching teaching purposes. Recently, we had a teaching series through Hebrews, and I bought several of the newer commentaries, including the volume that replaced Bruce in the NICNT series. After reviewing all of the others, I decided to purchase several volumes of Bruce’s work for members of the preaching/teaching team. This statement reflects the underlying purpose of The New International Commentary on the New Testament. Begun in the late 1940s by an international team of New Testament scholars, the NICNT series has become recognized by pastors, students, and scholars alike as a critical yet orthodox commentary marked by solid biblical scholarship within the evangelical Protestant tradition. While