

# The Works of John Calvin

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# John Calvin, 1509-1564

In the past few years, IDC Publishers has released several important collections on the Reformation, such as *The Lutheran Reformation*, *The People Called Methodists*, *Guy de Brès* and *Huldrych Zwingli*. If there is one name that cannot be left out, it is that of John Calvin. IDC Publishers is therefore pleased to offer you this catalogue, in which we present the original editions in their original languages.

Of all the major Reformers, John Calvin had the most far-reaching influence on the modern world. Unlike Luther and Zwingli, he worked from a city, Geneva, which was not his 'home town' but a place of exile, and his target was always wider than the local community: France, Europe (both Western and Eastern), and even the New World, for Calvin had a global view of his vocation. Calvin's name has been associated with the development of two major phenomena of the modern world: democracy and capitalism. While the claims made for his direct contribution to either of these two movements have been exaggerated, the breadth of their implications is significant. Calvin's Reformation was not simply a religious movement, in the sense of an ecclesiastical reorganization or a doctrinal revision; it was something that touched all areas of life, and which involved a profound reorientation of the life of the individual and of society in line with the teachings of the Gospel.

## His works

So who exactly was Calvin? Though we can easily outline the major events of his life, getting to know his personality is a rather more difficult matter. He was, surprising to relate, a retiring and timid person, unwilling to talk about himself, concerned only with the task of communicating the message which he believed had been entrusted to him. What he has left us is his works - his theological treatises, his biblical commentaries and sermons, and his monumental *Institution of the Christian Religion*. The present collection seeks to make the writings of the Reformer available in the most direct form possible, by presenting, in almost every case, the original editions of his printed works. This is Calvin as he impacted on the reading public of the sixteenth century.

## His life

Many biographies of Calvin have been written, and this is not the place to provide yet another. A few words of introduction, however, will help to place the present collection in context. He was

born in Noyon, northern France, in July 1509, the son of a lawyer employed by the Noyon Cathedral Chapter. He studied in Paris from about 1521 to 1526 (studying Latin, rhetoric and dialectic, but not theology), at Orleans and Bourges from about 1526 to 1531 (studying law), and in Paris once again from 1531 to 1533, when he concentrated on classical literature. Some time between about 1528 and 1533, probably after a long period of hesitation, he was converted to the Reformed doctrines then sweeping Europe, and had to leave Paris. During 1534 he moved frequently, sometimes living under a pseudonym, studying the

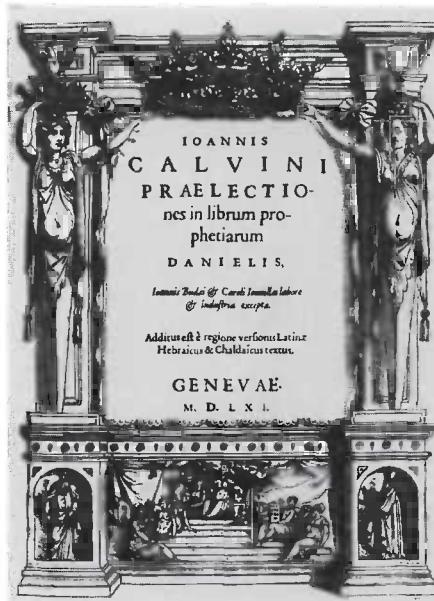
dragooned him into joining in the work of the Reformation in the city. Unlike Luther, Zwingli or Bucer, Calvin was never ordained in the Roman Catholic Church; he saw his ordination as a prophetic call from God (communicated by Farel) within the exceptional context of the early Reformation.

## Exile

His first sojourn in Geneva lasted only 20 months, ending in apparent disaster when he was exiled from the city, along with Farel, for opposing the city government in a conflict between the authority of State and Church; and for making himself thoroughly unpopular with the citizens by attempting to impose on each individual a confession of Reformed faith. He then went to Strasbourg, where his three years as pastor of the French refugee congregation and as lecturer in the Academy enabled him to mature his thinking (this was to be the only period of his life during which he was able to enjoy the company of his intellectual and theological equals). He extensively revised and augmented the *Institutio* and translated it into French (thereby creating, incidentally, a turning-point in the evolution of the French language). He also composed the first of his long series of commentaries on Scripture (Romans) and the short *Treatise on the Lord's Supper*, the first work that he wrote directly in French. He composed a liturgy for his congregation, and introduced the singing of metrical psalms in congregational worship. At the interdenominational colloquies at Worms and Ratisbon in 1540 and 1541, he made contact with the religious leaders of the Lutheran Reformation.

## Back to Geneva

In 1540, the Geneva City authorities, unable to find suitable leadership for the newly reformed Church, asked Calvin to return to the city. Much against his will, and after procrastinating for a year, he finally returned in September 1541. It is then that his real work began. He first proposed ordinances for the



Bible and the Church Fathers (and thereby laying the foundations of his self-taught theology), and writing his first works. His first published theological study, the *Christiane Religionis Institutio*, was probably completed by August 1535, though publication (in Basle) was delayed until early 1536.

## Geneva

After further travels to Italy and to Paris, he finally arrived at the recently reformed city of Geneva in July 1536. Here he found himself accosted by the forceful Guillaume Farel, who

regulation of the Church (and its relationship with the State); this was followed by a catechism and a liturgy, including the metrical psalms of Clément Marot. He then undertook the mammoth task of education: educating the local population through his massive series of sermons (about 250 each year, each an hour long); educating theological students and the wider scholarly community by his equally impressive series of commentaries on the Bible; and explaining the need for a Reformation, attacking the Roman Church, as well as the ‘radical Reformation’, the Anabaptists and ‘spiritual libertines’, in over 40 very varied treatises. These ranged from the popular and entertaining (*Traité des reliques*, 1543) to the satirical (*Articuli facultatis parisiensi cum antidoto*, 1544)

or the persuasively eloquent (*Excuse aux Nicodemites*, 1544), from the eirenical (*Petit traité de la sainte Cène*, 1541) to the bitterly controversial (e.g. the exchanges with Joachim Westphal and Sebastian Castellio). On the whole, the earlier treatises were more general and more popular, while, after 1550, the emphasis lay more on doctrinal conflicts over predestination, the Trinity, and the Eucharist.

The programme that Calvin set himself was of superhuman proportions, and it killed him: he died before his 55th birthday, in 1564. Geneva, and the world, had been changed by his intervention in history.

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## The present microfiche collection

The aim in this series is to present the complete works of Calvin in the original editions and in their original languages. We have deviated from this principle only in omitting three of the eight Latin editions of the *Institutio* produced under Calvin’s authority, and three of the seven French editions; we have retained only the five Latin and four French editions which represent radically different states of the text. We have likewise omitted the *déclarations* composed by Calvin on behalf of Count William of Fürstenberg, and some minor items of which the original editions are lost. In three cases (*Petit traité monstrant que doit faire...*, 1543, *Excuse aux Nicodemites*, 1544, and *Contre les libertins*, 1545), we have chosen to reproduce, both the original edition, and a later one, because in each case this includes not only a text that is essentially identical to that of the first editions, and also additional material on the subject. In a few cases where the translation of a Latin work into French

appears to have been the work of Calvin himself, and shows significant variants from the Latin text, we have reproduced both the Latin and the French text.

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The *Institution of the Christian religion* in the Latin editions of 1536, 1539, 1543, 1550 and 1559, and the French editions of 1541, 1545, 1551 and 1560. This selection displays the essential evolution of the work, but omits the relatively minor changes introduced into other editions.

### Sector 2

The *polemical and didactic* treatises.

### Sector 3

*Calvin as commentator*: the Biblical commentaries and *leçons* of Calvin, supplemented (where no commentary survives) by sermons on that book (e.g. *Job*).



## References

The following references to bibliographies or library locations are used in this catalogue:

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BNP	Bibliothèque Nationale, Paris
BVU	Universiteitsbibliotheek, VU, Amsterdam
Geneva BPU	Bibliothèque publique et universitaire, Genève
Geneva MHR	Société du Musée historique de la réformation, Genève
Lausanne BCU	Lausanne, Bibliothèque Cantonale et Universitaire
ÖNB	Oesterreichische Nationalbibliothek, Wien
Peter, Premiers ouvrages français	R. Peter, <i>Les premiers ouvrages français imprimés à Strasbourg.</i>
Pidoux, Psautier huguenot	P. Pidoux, <i>Le psautier huguenot du XVIe siècle: Mélodies et documents.</i> Bâle, 1962. 2 vols in-8°.
Berne StUB	Stadt- und Universitätsbibliothek, Berne (Bern)
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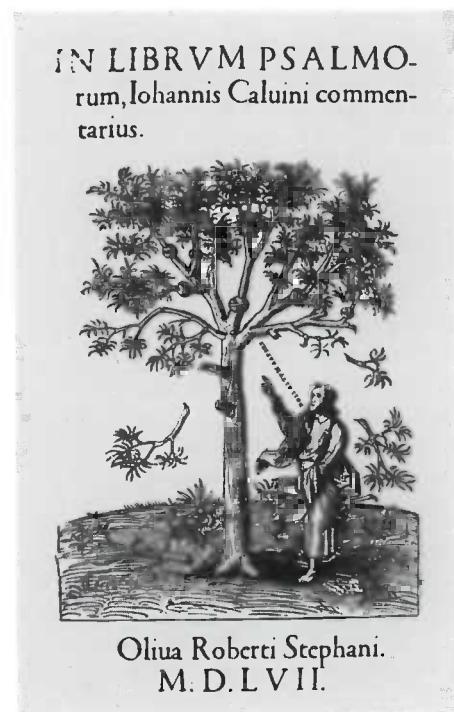
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## I. The Institutio

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**Calvin, J.** Institutio christianæ religionis nunc vere demum suo titulo respondens. Autore Joanne Calvino, Noviodunensi. Cum indice locupletissimo. Ed.2. Argentorati: Per Wendelinum Rihelium, 1539. [24], 434, [4] pp. [BC-39/4] Geneva BPU: Bc 60.  
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**Calvin, J.** Institutio christianæ religionis nunc vere demum suo titulo respondens. Authore Joanne Calvino. Joannes Sturmius. Joannes Calvinus homo accutissimo judicio ... Ed.3. Argentorati: Per Wendelinum Rihelium, 1543. [44], 505, [3] pp. [BC-43/5] Geneva BPU: Bc 61.  
One quarter of the text is new.  
10 microfiche  
Order no. CL-41/1

**Calvin, J.** Institutio totius christianæ religionis, nunc ex postrema authoris recognitio, quibusdam locis auctior, infinitis vero castigatior. Joanne Calvino authore. Additi sunt indices duo locupletissimi. Unus rerum insignium: alter vero locorum omnium, quos partim ex sacris bibliis, partim ex aliis theologiæ doctoribus, author, tanquam ex divite penu, in suum usum vel apte transtulit, vel docte interpretatus est. Singula operis huius capita, (in hoc memoriae tuae consultum cupientes lector) numeris ad marginem distinximus. Catechismum præterea, Institutionis huius veluti epitomem, magno piorum consensu huic operi annextere nobis visum est. Ed.5. Genevæ: Ex officina Joannis Gerardi, 1550. [32], 735, [81] pp. [BC-50/16] Geneva BPU: Bc 3318.

Extensive revision of 1543 edition, introducing division of chapters into numbered paragraphs, and adding copious indices.

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**Calvin, J.** Institutio christianæ religionis, in libros quatuor nunc primum digesta, certisque distincta capitibus, ad aptissimam methodum: aucta etiam tam magna accessione ut propemodum opus novum haberi possit. Johanne Calvino authore. Ed.8. Genevæ: Robert Estienne, 1559. [16], 564, [28] pp. [BC-59/4] Geneva BPU: Bc 64\*.  
Definitive edition in 4 books. 80 chapters.  
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**Calvin, J.** Institution de la religion chrestienne: en laquelle est comprimise une somme de pieté, et quasi tout ce qui est nécessaire à congoistre en la doctrine de salut. Composée en latin par Jean Calvin, et translatée en françois, par luymesme. Avec la preface addressée au treschrestien Roy de France, François premier de ce nom: par laquelle ce present livre luy est offert pour confession de foy. Ed.1. [Geneva: Michel Du Bois], 1541. [44], 822, [2] pp. [BC-41/3] Geneva BPU: Bc 2485 Rés.  
Translated from Ed.2 of Latin. 17 chapters.  
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**Calvin, J.** Institution de la religion chrestienne: composée en latin par Jehan Calvin, et translatée en françois par luymesme: en laquelle est comprise une somme de toute la chrestienté. Avec la preface addressée au Roy: par laquelle ce present livre luy est offert pour confession de foy. Ed.2. Geneve: Jehan Girard, 1545. [36], 1027, [25] pp. [BC-45/6] BVU: XC.00400.  
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**Calvin, J.** Institution de la religion chrestienne: composée en latin par Jean Calvin, et translatée en françois par luymesme, et puis de nouveau reveuē et augmentée: en laquelle est comprimise une somme de toute la chrestienté. Avec la preface addressée au Roy: par laquelle ce present livre luy est offert pour confession de foy. Semblablement y sont adjoustées deux tables: l'une des passages de l'Écriture, que l'autheur expose en ce livre: l'autre des matières principales contenues en iceluy. Ed.3. Geneve: Par Jean Gerard, 1551. [28], 648, [44] pp. [BC-51/11]  
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Translated from the 1550 edition. Adopts the numbered paragraphs of the 1550 Latin edition.  
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**Calvin, J.** Institution de la religion chrestienne. Nouvellement mise en quatre livres: et distinguée par chapitres, en ordre et méthode bien propre: augmentée aussi de tel accroissement, qu'on la peut presque estimer un livre nouveau. Ed.7. Geneve: Chez Jean Crespin, 1560. [20], 684, [40] pp. [BC-60/8] Geneva BPU: Bc 69 Rés.

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## II. Treatises

**Calvin, J.** Acta synodi tridentinæ. Cum antidoto. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1547. 288 pp. [BC-47/3] Geneva BPU: BC 2484.

Reproduces and criticizes the decrees of the Council of Trent, sessions of 1545-1547. French translation in 1548, probably by Calvin himself.  
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[**Calvin, J.**] Les actes de la journee imperiale, tenue en la cité de Regespourg, aultrement dictie Ratispone, l'an mil cinq cens quarante et un, sur les differens qui sont aujourdhuy en la Religion. Desquelz l'inventoire sera recité en la paige suyvante. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1541. [208] f. [BC-41/1] Geneva BPU: Ba 3028 Rés.

The *Acts of the Ratisbon Colloquy* were published in Latin by Bucer and in German by Melanchthon. Calvin provided a French version, adding to the official report his own comments drawing attention to the eirenicical stance of the Protestant representatives.

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**Calvin, J.** Les Actes du Concile de Trente: avec le remede contre la poison. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1548. 347, [5] pp. [BC-48/3] Geneva BPU: Bc 849.

Translated from the Latin of 1547. The freedom of the translation suggests that it is by Calvin himself.

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- [Calvin, J.]**. Admonitio paterna Pauli III. Romani Pontificis ad invictiss. Cæsarem Carolum V. qua eum castigat, quod se Lutheranis præbuerit nimis facilem: deinde quod tum in cogenda synodo, tum in definiendis fidei controversiis aliquid potestatis sibi sumpserit. Cum scholiis. Ed.1. [Basle: Robert Winter], 1545. 86, [10] pp. [BC-45/13] Geneva BPU: Ba 1489\*\*\*(3). Reproduces a letter from Pope Paul III to Charles V reproaching the latter with concessions made to the Protestants. Calvin adds comments.
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- Calvin, J.** Advertissement contre l'astrologie, qu'on appelle judiciaire: et autres curiositez qui regnent aujourd'hui au monde. Ed.1. Geneve: Jean Girard, 1549. 55, [1] pp. [BC-49/2] Wf: 287.12. Attack on astrology as contrary to divine providence.
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- Calvin, J.** Advertissement tresutile du grand proffit qui reviendroit à la Chrestienté s'il se faisoit inventoire de tous les corps saintez, & reliques, qui sont tant en Italie, qu'en France, Allemaigne, Hespaigne, & autres Royaumes et pays. Ed.1. Geneva: Jean Girard, 1543. 110, [2] pp. [BC-43/2] Zurich ZB: XVIII.2002(4). Calvin's most popular treatise, with 7 further editions in French, during his lifetime, and translations into Latin, German and English.
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- Calvin, J.** Appendix libelli adversus Interim adultero-germanum, in qua refutat Joannes Calvinus censuram quandam typographi ignoti de parvolorum sanctificatione, et muliebri baptismo. Ed.1. [Genevæ: Jean Girard], 1550. [24] f. [BC-50/1] Geneva MHR: A 50(49). Refutation of a criticism of Calvin's *Interim adultero-germanum*, added to some copies of the 1549 *Interim*.
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- [Calvin, J.]**. Les articles de la sacrée Faculté de Theologie de Paris, concernans nostre foy et religion chrestienne, et forme de prescher. Avec le remede contre la poison. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1544. 99, [5] pp. [BC-44/4] Geneva BPU: Bc 848 Rés. (4). Translated from Latin of the same year. Considerable liberties taken with the French translation: this suggests it was done by Calvin himself.
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- [Calvin, J.]**. Articuli a facultate sacrae theologiae parisiensi determinati super materiis fidei nostræ hodie controversis. Cum antidoto. Ed.1. [Genevæ: Jean Girard], 1544. 79, [1] pp. [BC-44/6] Geneva MHR: A 50(49)b3. Reply to the 26 Articles of faith published by the Paris theologians in 1543.
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- Calvin, J.** Brevis admonitio Joannis Calvini ad fratres Polonus, ne triplicem in Deo essentiam pro tribus personis imaginando, tres sibi Deos fabricent. Ed.1. Genevæ: Ex officina Francisci Perrini, 1563. 16 pp. [BC-63/4] Geneva MHR: A 67(52)5. Warning to Polish Protestants against anti-trinitarian ideas.
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- Calvin, J.** Congratulation à venerable Prestre Messire Gabriel de Saconay Precenteur de l'Eglise de Lyon, touchant la belle Preface & mignonnes, dont il a remparé le livre du Roy d'Angleterre. Ed.1. [Geneva], 1561. 70, [2] pp. [BC-61/10] Geneva MHR: A 87,1(61). Translation (with considerable liberties) of *Gratulatio ad ... Gabrielem de Saconay, ...*
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- Calvin, J.** Contre la secte phantastique et furieuse des libertins. Qui se nomment spirituelz. Ed.1. Geneve: Jean Girard, 1545. [244], [1] pp. [BC-45/4] Geneva BPU: Bc 3426 Rés. Attack on the "libertins spirituels" in particular Antoine Pocquet and Quintin Thierry. A second edition adds a letter against a Rouen monk.
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- Calvin, J.** Contre la secte phantastique et furieuse des libertins, qui se nomment spirituelz. Avec une epistre de la mesme matiere, contre un certain Cordelier suppost de la secte: lequel est prisonnier à Roan. Ed.2. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1547. 229 pp. [BC-47/7] Geneva BPU: Bc 3425 Rés. Attack on the "libertins spirituels", in particular Antoine Pocquet and Quintin Thierry, first published 1545. Here augmented by an Epître against a monk in Rouen, "suppost de la secte".
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**Calvin, J.** De æterna Dei prædestinatione, qua in salutem alios ex hominibus elegit, alios suo exitio reliquit: item de providentia qua res humanas gubernat, consensus pastorum Genevensis Ecclesiæ, a Jo. Calvino expositus. Ed.1. Genevæ: Ex officina Joannis Crispini, 1552. 211, [5] pp. [BC-52/4]

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Exposition of Calvin's doctrine of predestination, arising from the conflict with Bolsec in 1551.

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**Calvin, J.** Declaration pour maintenir la vraye foy que tiennent tous chrestiens de la Trinité des personnes en un seul Dieu. Par Jean Calvin. Contre les erreurs detestables de Michel Servet espagnol. Ou il est aussi monstré, qu'il est licite de punir les herétiques: et qu'à bon droit ce meschant a esté executé par justice en la ville de Geneve. Ed.1. Geneva: Chez Jean Crespin, 1554. 356, [4] pp. [BC-54/5]

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Exceptionally both the Latin and the French texts are reproduced here, since there are considerable variations, suggesting that Calvin himself did the translation.

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**Calvin, J.** Defensio orthodoxæ fidei de sacra Trinitate, contra prodigiosos errores Michaelis Serveti Hispani: ubi ostenditur haereticos iure gladii coercendos esse, et nominatim de homine hoc tam impio juste et merito sumptum Genevæ fuisse supplicium. Ed.1. [Geneva]: Robert Estienne, 1554. 261, [3] pp. [BC-54/6]

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Justification of Calvin's attitude to the condemnation of Servetus.

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**Calvin, J.** Defensio sanæ et orthodoxæ doctrinæ de servitute et liberatione humani arbitrii, adversus calumnias Alberti Pighii Campensis. Ed.1. Geneva: Jean Girard, 1543. [8], 239, [1] pp. [BC-43/3]

Geneva BPU: Bc 2493.

Refutation of Albert Pighius, *De libero hominis arbitrio et divina gratia, libri decem*. [Cologne, 1542]. A promised second part of this treatise only appeared in 1552.

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**[Calvin, J.]** De la predestination éternelle de Dieu, par laquelle les uns sont eleuz à salut, les autres laissez en leur condamnation. Aussi de la Providence par laquelle il gouverne les choses humaines. Ed.1. [Geneve: De l'imprimerie Jehan Crespin], 1552. 252, [4] pp. [BC-52/5]

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**Calvin, J.** De scandalis, quibus hodie plerique absterrentur, nonnulli etiam alienantur a pura Evangelii doctrina. Joannis Calvini libellus apprime utilis. Ad Laurentium Normandum. Ed.1. Genevæ: Apud Joannem Crispinum, 1550. 110, [2] pp. [BC-50/9]

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**Calvin, J.** Des scandales qui empescent aujourd'hui beaucoup de gens de venir à la pure doctrine de l'Evangile, et en desbauchent d'autres. Traicté composé de nouvellement par Jehan Calvin. Geneve: De l'imprimerie de Jehan Crespin, 1550. 149, [3] pp. [BC-50/12]

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2 microfiche

Order no. CL-78/1

**Calvin, J.** Dilucida explicatio sanæ doctrinæ de vera participatione carnis et sanguinis Christi in sacra Coena, ad discutiendas Heshusii nebulas. Joanne Calvino authore. Cui adjecta est ratio ineundæ concordiae, si veritas extra contentionem queratur. Item responsum ad fratres Polonos, quomodo Christus sit Mediator, ad refutandum Stancari errorem. Ed.1. Genevæ: Excudebat Conradus Badius, 1561. 106, [2] pp. [BC-61/11]

Geneva BPU: Be 432.

Response to the Lutheran Tileman Hesshus, and also to the Polish anti-trinitarian Francesco Stancaro.

2 microfiche

Order no. CL-37/1

**Calvin, J.** Epinicion, Christo cantatum ab Ioanne Calvino, Calendis Januarii, anno.

1541. Genevæ: Per Joannem Girardum,

1544. [4] pp. [BC-44/8]

Berne StUB: Bong. VI. App. 39 (5)

Calvin's only Latin poem, written during the Worms colloquy, celebrating the victory of Christ.

1 microfiche

Order no. CL-75/1

**Calvin, J.** Epistola Joannis Calvini, qua fidem admonitionis ab eo nuper editæ, apud Polonus confirmat. Ed.1. Genevæ: Ex officina Francisci Perrini, 1563. [8] f. [BC-63/12]

Geneva BPU: Bc 71.

A follow-up to *Brevis admonitio* ...

1 microfiche

Order no. CL-40/1

**[Calvin, J.]** Excuse de noble seigneur, Jaques de Bourgoigne, S. de Fallez et Bredam: pour se purger vers la M. Imperiale, des calomnies à luy imposées, en matiere de sa foy, dont il rend confession. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard, 1547-1548]. 49, [3] pp. [BC-47/1]

Geneva BPU: Be 3511 Rés.

Written on behalf of Jacques de Bourgogne, cousin of Charles V, to justify his adherence to the Reformation. The work was printed in 1547, but delayed and partly recomposed in March 1548.

1 microfiche

Order no. CL-28/1

**Calvin, J.** Excuse de Jehan Calvin à Messieurs les Nicodemites, sur la complaincte qu'ilz font de sa trop grand' rigueur. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1544. [32] f. [BC-44/9]

Zurich ZB: XVIII.2002(2).

Three further editions in Calvin's lifetime, all together with the *Petit traité monstrant* ...

1 microfiche

Order no. CL-55/1

**[Calvin, J.]** Gratulatio ad venerabilem presbyterum, dominum Gabrielem de Saconay, Præcentorem Ecclesiæ Lugdunensis, de pulchra et eleganti præfatione quam libro Regis Angliae inscripsit. Ed.1. [Geneva: Conrad Badius], 1561. 55, [1] pp. [BC-61/13]

Geneva MHR: A 67(52)6.

Gabriel de Saconay, canon of S.-Jean de Lyon, published an edition of Henry VIII's *Assertio septem sacramentorum*, with a long preface denouncing "heretics". Calvin composed this counter-attack "par manier de passe-temps".

1 microfiche

Order no. CL-10/1

**[Calvin, J.]** Histoire d'un meurtre execrable: commis par un Hespagnol, nommé Alphonse Dias, Chambellan du Pape, en la personne de Jehan Dias son frere. Le 17. de Mars. 1546. Qui est un bel exemple du zele des Papistes. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1546. [8] f. [BC-46/5]  
Geneva BPU: Ba 4689 Rés.

Brief account of the murder of Juan Diaz by his brother in March 1546. The work is anonymous, but there are good grounds for attributing it to Calvin.

1 microfiche  
Order no. CL-26/1

**[Calvin, J.]** Impietas Valentini Gentilis detecta, et palam traducta, qui Christum non sine sacrilega blasphemia Deum essentiatum esse fingit. Ed.1. [Geneva: Conrad Badius], 1561. 106, [2] pp. [BC-61/14]  
Geneva BPU: Bc 2496 Rés.

Valentino Gentile fled from Geneva in 1558 after being convicted of holding anti-trinitarian sentiments. Calvin here replies to a confession of faith by Gentile.

2 microfiche  
Order no. CL-38/1

**Calvin, J.** Interim adultero-germanum: cui adjecta est, vera christianæ pacificationis, et Ecclesiæ reformatæ ratio. Per Joan. Calvinum. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1549. 202, [6] pp. [BC-49/6]  
Geneva BPU: Bc 3428 Rés.

Text of the 1548 Augsburg Interim of Charles V, followed by Calvin's essay on the reformation of the Church.

3 microfiche  
Order no. CL-29/1

**Calvin, J.** L'interim, c'est à dire, provision faicte sur les differens de la religion, en quelques villes et pais d'Allemagne. Avec la vraye facon de reformer l'Eglise chrestienne, et appointer les differens qui sont en icelle. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1549. 248 pp. [BC-49/9]  
Geneva MHR: A 50,1(49).

Translated from the Latin of the same year.

3 microfiche  
Order no. CL-53/1

**Calvin, J.** Joannis Calvini responsio ad Balduini convicia. Ad leges de trans fugis desertoribus et emansoribus, Francisci Balduini epistolæ quædam ad Joannem Calvinum pro commentariis. Francisci Duaren I.C. Ad alterum quemdam juriscon[sultum] epistola, de Francisco Balduino. Antonii Contii I.C. admonitio de falsis Constantini legibus, ad quendam qui se hoc tempore jurisconsultum christianum profitetur. De officio tum in religione tum in scriptioribus retinendo, epistola ad Franciscum Balduinum jurisconsultum. Ad legem III, C. Impp. de apostatis, Joannis Crispini commentarius ad jurisconsultos. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Crespin], 1562. 117, [3] pp. [BC-62/27]  
Geneva BPU: Bc 2502.

Calvin's reply to Baudouin's response to the *Response à un cauteleux et rusé moyenieur*, followed by several texts by various authors.  
2 microfiche  
Order no. CL-39/1

**Calvin, J.** Joannis Calvini, sacrarum literarum in Ecclesia Genevensi professoris, epistolæ duæ, de rebus hoc sæculo cognitu apprime necessariis. Prior, De fugiendis impiorum illicitis sacris, et puritate Christianæ religionis observanda. Altera, De christiani hominis officio in sacerdotiis papalís ecclesiæ vel administrandis, vel abiciendis. Ed.1. Basileæ: Per Balthasarem Lasium et Thomam Platterum, 1537. 78, [6] pp. [BC-37/1]

Geneva BPU: Bd 1462 Rés.  
Two letters to ex-friends who had accepted office in the Roman Catholic Church. The second (to Gérard Roussel) is adapted in the French *Petit Traité* of 1543.

1 microfiche  
Order no. CL-17/1

**Calvin, J.** La Manyere de faire prières aux églises Francoyses, tant devant la predication comme apres, ensemble pseaumes et cantiques francoys qu'on chante aus dietes églises, apres s'ensuyt l'ordre et facon d'administrer les Sacrementz de Baptesme, et de la saincte Cene de nostre seigneur Jesu Christ, de espouser et confirmer le mariage devant l'assemblée des fideles, avecques le sermon tant du baptesme que de la cene. Le tout selon la parole de nostre seigneur. Ed.2. Argentorati: J. Knobloch Jr., 1542. 159, [1] pp. [Pidoux Psautier huguenot 42/1. Peter, Premiers ouvrages français No. 9]  
Geneva MHR: A 27,1(42).

Calvin's liturgy, with metrical psalms and melodies, based on Bucer's German liturgy of 1539.

2 microfiche  
Order no. CL-4/1

**Calvin, J.** Petit traicté de la saincte Cene de nostre Seigneur Jesus Christ. Auquel est demontré la vraye institution, profit et utilité d'icelle: ensemble la cause pourquoy plusieurs des modernes semblent en avoir escrit diversement. Geneve: Par Michel Du Bois, 1541. [BC-41/4]  
ÖNB: 79.V91.

6 further editions during Calvin's lifetime. Latin translation 1545.

2 microfiche  
Order no. CL-79/1

**Calvin, J.** Petit traicté, monstrant que c'est que doit faire un homme fidèle connoissant la vérité de l'évangile: quand il est entre les papistes, avec une epistre du mesme argument. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1543. p. 1-89, 100-125, [1]. [BC-43/6]  
Lausanne BCU: IU 451(3)

Four further editions during Calvin's lifetime. One of Calvin's most influential treatises, rejecting all compromise with Rome. Several editions add the *Excuse aux Nicodemites* (1544), and opinions from various Reformation leaders, all translated into Latin in *De vitandis superstitionibus* (1549).

2 microfiche  
Order no. CL-56/1

**Calvin, J.** Petit traicté monstrant que doit faire un homme fidèle connoissant la vérité de l'évangile quand il est entre les papistes, Avec une epistre du mesme argument, ensemble l'excuse faite sur cela aux Nicodemites. Ed.3 of Petit traicté, ed.2 of Excuse. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1545 [1546]. 216 pp. [BC-45/9]  
Geneva BPU: Bd 1432 Rés.

*Petit traicté* first published in 1543, *Excuse* in 1544. The 1545 edition brings together the two treatises, and (in a complement, p. 161-216) also adds "conseils" from Melanchthon, Bucer, and Martyr. Of two final letters by Calvin to friends on the subject, one is dated 14 July 1546; the complement was thus later bound onto some copies of the 1545 edition.

3 microfiche  
Order no. CL-22/1

**Calvin, J.]** Response a un cauteleux et rusé moyenieur, qui souz couleur d'appaiser les troubles touchant le fait de la Religion, a tenté tous les moyens d'empescher et rompre le cours de l'Evangile par la France ... Ed.1. [Paris: Nicolas Edoard], 1561. 56 f. [BC-61/21]  
Geneva MHR: D 14(62)4.

Translated from Latin original of the same year. Unique specimen of a Calvin text published in Paris, albeit anonymously.

2 microfiche  
Order no. CL-54/1

**Calvin, J.** Responsio ad versipellem quendam mediatorem, qui pacificandi specie rectum Evangelii cursum in Gallia abrumpere molitus est. Ed.1. [Geneva]: Apud Jo. Crispinum, 1561. 144 pp. [BC-61/22]

Zurich ZB: VI 385(3).

Reply to the eirenic Catholic theologian Georg Cassander, *De officio pii viri* (1561) - though Calvin thought it was by Francois Baudouin.

2 microfiche

Order no. CL-74/1

**Calvin, J.** Secunda defensio piæ et orthodoxæ de sacramentis fidei, contra Joachimi Westphali calumnias, ... Ed.1. [Geneva]: Ex officina typographica Joannis Crispini, 1556. 172, [4] pp. [BC-56/4]

Geneva BPU: Bc 1432 Rés.

Calvin's answer to Westphal's response to the *Defensio sanæ et orthodoxæ doctrinæ de sacramentis*.

2 microfiche

Order no. CL-34/1

**Calvin, J.** Supplex exhortatio, ad invictiss. Cæsarum Carolum quintum, et illustriss. Principes, aliasque ordines, Spiræ nunc imperii conventum agentes. Ut restituendæ Ecclesiæ curam serio velint suscipere. Eorum omnium nomine edita, qui Christum regnare cupiunt. Ed.1. [Genevæ: Jean Girard], 1543. 142, [2] pp. [BC-43/7]

Geneva MHR: A 30 (43).

2 microfiche

Order no. CL-5/1

[**Calvin, J.**] Supplication et remonstrance, sur le faict de la chrestienté, et de la reformation de l'Eglise, faicté au nom de tous amateurs du regne de Jesu Christ, à l'Empereur, et aux princes et estatz tenans maintenant journée imperiale à Spire. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1544. 206, [2] pp. [BC-44/13]

Geneva BPU: Bc 860 Rés.

Translation of the *Supplex exhortatio* of 1543.

3 microfiche

Order no. CL-46/1

**Calvin, J.** Ultima admonitio Joannis Calvini ad Joachimum Westphalam, cui nisi obtemperet, eo loco posthac habendus erit, quo pertinaces haereticos haberet jubet Paulus. Refutantur etiam hoc scripto superbæ Magdeburgensi um et aliorum censuræ, quibus cælum et terram obrucere conati sunt. Ed.1. [Geneva]: Apud Joannem Crispinum, 1557. 325, [3] pp. [BC-57/11]

Geneva BPU: Bb 217(3) Rés.

Third and final contribution from Calvin to the argument with Westphal.

4 microfiche

Order no. CL-35/1

**Calvin, J.** Vivere apud Christum non dormire animis sanctos, qui in fide Christi decedunt. Assertio. [Psychopannychia]. Ed.1. Argentorati: Per Wendelinum Rihelium, 1542. [8], 51, [1] pp. [BC-42/5]

Geneva BPU: Bc 2762.

The title *Psychopannychia* appears in the 1545 re-edition.

2 microfiche

Order no. CL-20/1

**Nicolas Des Gallars'** [= **Calvin, J.**] Pro G. Farelio et collegis eius, adversus Petri Caroli theologastri calumnias, defensio Nicolai Gallasii. Ed.1. [Geneva: Jean Girard], 1545. 92, [4] pp. [BC-45/10]

Geneva BPU: Bc 3431 Rés.

Published under the name of Nicolas Des Gallars, but mainly written by Calvin, refuting various communications from Pierre Caroli.

1 microfiche

Order no. CL-50/1

**Sadolet, J. and J. Calvin.** Epistola ad Senatum Populumque Genevensem, qua in obedientiam Romani Pontificis eos reducere conatur. Joannis Calvini responsio. Ed.1. Argentorati: Per Wendelinum Rihelium, 1539. 48 pp. [BC-39/5]

Geneva BPU: Bc 3079 Rés.

A French translation, not by Calvin, published in 1540.

2 microfiche

Order no. CL-18/1

**Sadolet, J. and J. Calvin.** Epistre de Jaques Sadolet cardinal, envoyée au Senat & Peuple de Geneve: par laquelle il tasche les reduire soubz la puissance de l'Evesque de Romme. Avec la response de Jehan Calvin, translatées de Latin en François. Ed.1. Geneve: Par Michel Du Bois, 1540. 161, [3] pp. [BC-40/7]

Geneva BPU: Bc 1989 Rés.

Translated from the Latin (published 1539). While the translation is not by Calvin, the influence of the text justifies its inclusion here.

2 microfiche

Order no. CL-45/1

### III. Commentaries, lessons and sermons

**Calvin, J.** Commentaires de M. Jean Calvin, sur les cinq livres de Moyse. Genese est mis à part, les autres quatre livres sont disposez en forme d'Harmonie: avec cinq indices, dont les deux contenant les passages alleguez et exposez par l'auteur, sont adjoustez de nouveau en ceste traduction. Ed.1. Genevæ: Imprimé par François Estienne, 1564. [16], 370, [10]; 716, [28] pp. [BC-64/5]

Geneva MHR: A 102,1(64).

Translated and revised by Calvin himself from the Latin of 1563.

20 microfiche

Order no. CL-70/1

**Calvin, J.** Commentariorum Joannis Calvini in Acta Apostolorum. Liber I. Ad sereniss. Daniæ Regem. Ed.1. Genevæ: Ex officina Joannis Crispini, 1552. [8], 178, [2] pp. [BC-52/3]

Geneva MHR: A 115(52).

4 microfiche

Order no. CL-71/1

**Calvin, J.** Commentariorum Joannis Calvini in Acta Apostolorum, liber posterior. Additus est utriusque libri index rerum et sententiarum. Ed.1. Genevæ: Ex officina Joannis Crispini, 1554. [8], 145, [15] pp. [BC-54/3]

Geneva MHR: A 115(52).

3 microfiche

Order no. CL-72/1

**Calvin, J.** Harmonia ex tribus Evangelistis composita, Matthæo, Marco et Luca: adiuncto scorsum Johanne, quod pauca cum aliis communia habeat. Cum Joh. Calvini commentariis. Ed.1 of the *Harmonia*. Ed.2 of the commentary on J. [Geneva]: Excudebat Robertus Stephanus, 1555. [16], 446, [1]; 237, [7] pp. [BC-55/9]

Geneva BPU: Bb 1375.

13 microfiche

Order no. CL-63/1

**Calvin, J.** In librum Psalmorum, Johannis Calvini commentarius. Ed.1. [Geneva]: Robert Estienne, 1557. [8], 645, [15] pp. [BC-57/4]

Geneva BPU: Bb 1156.

The preface contains an important autobiographical element.

12 microfiche

Order no. CL-62/1

**Calvin, J.** In omnes Pauli apostoli Epistolas, atque etiam in Epistolam ad Hebræos, item in canonicas Petri, Johannis, Jacobi, et Judæ, quæ etiam catholicæ vocantur, Joh. Calvini Commentarii. Hanc commentariorum postremam esse recognitionem, ex lectione atque collatione cum prioribus, deprehendet lector. Ed.1 of the assembled commentaries on the NT Epis. [Geneva]: Robert Estienne, 1556. [8], 775, [1]; 180 pp. [BC-56/3] Geneva BPU: Bb 1476. Assembles Calvin's commentaries, which had been published separately from 1540 on. 17 microfiche Order no. CL-64/1

**Calvin, J.** Joannis Calvini commentarii in Isaiam prophetam. Nunc demum ab ipso authore recogniti, locupletati, magnoque labore et cura expoliti. Additi sunt duo indices: prior rerum et sententiarum, posterior vero locorum utriusque Testamenti, quos in his commentariis aut ipse author interpretatur, aut apposite ad sensum suum accommodat. Ed.2. Genevæ: Apud Jo. Crispinum, 1559. [16], 560, [44] pp. [BC-59/1] Geneva BPU: Bb 2241.

Revision of the 1551 edition. The earlier edition was done from notes taken by Nicolas Des Gallars. This edition was written by Calvin himself, and dedicated to queen Elizabeth of England.

11 microfiche  
Order no. CL-61/1

**Calvin, J.** Joannis Calvini in librum Josue brevis commentarius, quem paulo ante mortem absolvit. Addita sunt quædam de eiusdem morbo et obitu. Cum indice. Ed.1. Genevæ: Ex officina Francisci Perrini, 1564. [32], 316 pp. [BC-64/9] Geneva BPU: Bb 2131.

Calvin's last work. Includes the Latin translation of Beza's *Life of Calvin*.

4 microfiche  
Order no. CL-60/1

**Calvin, J.** Joannis Calvini prælectiones in duodecim Prophetas (quos vocant) minores. Ad serenissimum Suetiæ et Gothiæ regem. Reconditam harum commentationum doctrinam facile commonstrarunt indices in calce operis adiecti. Ed.1. Genevæ: Apud Joannem Crispinum, 1559. [12], 795, [37] pp. [BC-59/5]

Geneva BPU: Bb 1099(1). Calvin's lecture notes, taken down by Jean Budé and Charles de Jonviller and rechecked by Calvin. The lectures on Hosea had previously appeared in 1557.

15 microfiche  
Order no. CL-67/1

**Calvin, J.** Joannis Calvini prælectiones: in Librum prophetarum Jeremiæ, et Lamentationes. Joannis Budæi et Caroli Jonvillæi labore et industria exceptæ. Cum duobus indicibus, priore quidem rerum ac sententiarum maxime insignium: posteriore vero locorum qui ex veteri et novo Testamento citantur, et explicantur. Ed.1. Genevæ: Apud Jo. Crispinum, 1563. [6], 436, [10] pp. [BC-63/19] Geneva BPU: Bb 1245 Rés. Calvin's lectures, taken down by Jean Budé and Charles de Jonviller and rechecked by Calvin. 16 microfiche  
Order no. CL-65/1

**Calvin, J.** Joannis Calvini prælectiones in librum prophetarum Danielis, Joannis Budæi et Caroli Jonvillæi labore et industria exceptæ. Additus est e regione versionis latinæ hebraicus et chaldaicus textus. Ed.1. Genevæ: Excudebat Joannes Laonius, 1561. [8], 171, [11] f. [BC-61/20] Geneva BPU: Bb 1260. Calvin's lecture notes, taken down by Jean Budé and Charles de Jonviller and rechecked by Calvin. 7 microfiche  
Order no. CL-66/1

**Calvin, J.** Mosis libri V, cum Johannis Calvini commentariis. Genesis seorsum: reliqui quatuor in formam harmoniæ digesti. Præter indices duos alphabeticos rerum quarundam in hisce Johannis Calvini commentariis notabilium, calci huius voluminis adjectos, unum in Genesin, alterum in reliquos quatuor libros in formam harmoniæ dispositos: habes et tertium, qui, singulorum capitum quilibet versus (variè alioqui, prout operis ratio postulavit, dispersi) quota pagina inveniri possint, protinus indicabit. Ed.1. Genevæ: Excud. Henr. Stephanus, 1563. [12], 339, [1]; 625, [27] pp. [BC-63/16] Geneva BPU: Bb 1079.

Includes the Genesis commentary of 1554, and adds the new commentary on the four other books of the Pentateuch.

18 microfiche  
Order no. CL-59/1

**Calvin, J.** Quatre sermons de M. Jehan Calvin, traictans des matieres fort utiles pour nostre temps, comme on pourra veoir par la preface. Avec briefve exposition du pseaume LXXXVII. Ed.1. [Geneva]: Robert Estienne, 1552. 82 f. [BC-52/9] Geneva BPU: Bd 1814 Rés.

The only sermons edited by Calvin himself, probably preached in 1549.

2 microfiche  
Order no. CL-69/1

**Calvin, J.** Sermons de M. Jean Calvin sur le livre de Job. Recueillis fidelement de sa bouche selon qu'il les preschoit. Ed.1. Geneva: Jean de Laon, 1563. [8], 897, [3] pp. [BC-63/22] Geneva BPU: Bd 426.

Sermons taken down by Denis Raguenier in 1554-1555.

16 microfiche  
Order no. CL-68/1