

Making Sense of Martin Luther

David J. Lose

“This book captures Luther’s conviction that in this life, God meets us in the manger and the cross. God comes to us, not the other way around. Therefore, we are set free to be a reforming, courageous, and loving presence in a divided world.”

—**Claire Schenot Burkat, bishop, Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

“David Lose unlocks the heart of Luther’s remarkable theology through questions and answers that take the reader deeply into Luther’s thinking and, at the same time, apply it to the daily life of faith. A splendid way to introduce all kinds of people to the grace of justification by faith and the mercy of the cross!”

—**Timothy J. Wengert, professor emeritus, The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia**

“This introduction to Luther’s theological legacy is at once accessible and nuanced. Here we are guided to make sense of Martin Luther and—perhaps more powerfully—to make sense of the good and loving God Luther pointed toward.”

—**Paul C. Pribbenow, president, Augsburg University, Minneapolis, Minnesota**

“Approachable, clever, and honest, like a coffee shop conversation with a friend who asks great questions. I am eager to recommend this book to my congregation, as both a good refresher and a great intro for all learning about Luther.”

—**Lydia Posselt, pastor, Family of God Lutheran Church, Buckingham, Pennsylvania**

“Luther opened the windows asking, ‘What does this mean?’ Lose echoes Luther’s lively communication, engages fierce questions, and welcomes the Spirit’s freedom. This small book will empower rich conversations among generations of seekers and believers.”

—**David L. Tiede, emeritus New Testament professor and president, Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota**

“In 1517, Martin Luther started a conversation about God that blew the lid off the Western world. Five hundred years later, David Lose—writing in dialogue style—continues the mind-blowing conversation Luther started. What a winsome and understandable way to introduce people to the great reformer and his still-crucial theology.”

—**Rolf Jacobson, professor of Old Testament, Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota**

“David Lose springs Luther and his theology from mere momentary historical footnote, bringing him into living, dynamic conversation with today’s world. Lose does not shy away from those points in Luther’s writing that often turn people away; instead readers engage in conversation alongside Luther, resulting in a compelling engagement with a God who makes all things new for us in Jesus Christ.”

—**Paul Lutter, adjunct religion instructor, Augsburg University, Minneapolis, Minnesota**