Editorial

Readers continue to express to us their appreciation of this journal and how much they look forward to receiving it each May and November. This is an encouragement to the editorial board and we are thankful to God for any help or blessing which comes to readers and churches through the ministry of *Foundations*. If you have specific subjects you would like handled in the journal or suggestions for improving its over-all content and value then the Editor will be pleased to hear from you. Please put pen to paper and write to us!

In this issue I complete the second part of my **Review of Theological Journals** '85. I concentrated on New Testament studies in Part I but Part II is more wide-ranging and takes in church history, contemporary theology, ecumenism and new religions.

Exegesis is a brief study in 1 Corinthians 14:26 on **congregational worship** by John Cook. **Back to Basics** and **Abandoning Basics** are the titles chosen for two articles by Dr. R.E.L. Rodgers on "**mission**". This again, like the subject tackled in Exegesis, is an extremely relevant and much-debated subject. Part I deals with the nature of mission and Part II provides a detailed examination of the changed concept of mission in the World Council of Churches 1961—1968. In my review article on ecumenical theology in the last issue, I drew attention to the new concept of mission which emerged within the WCC during the sixties. Now Dr. Rodgers fills in some of the details for us in a study which was originally part of his MA thesis in the University of Hull.

Our final article, **Male and Female**, is the first part of a consideration by our Associate Editor, the Rev. Hywel Jones, in which he pinpoints and surveys the relevant biblical texts relating to a subject which is receiving considerable attention at the present time from both theologians and churches. The second part has been held back until our next issue, as has the Editor's Focus article on **Christology**.

We hope this issue will again be helpful to you and your church.

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