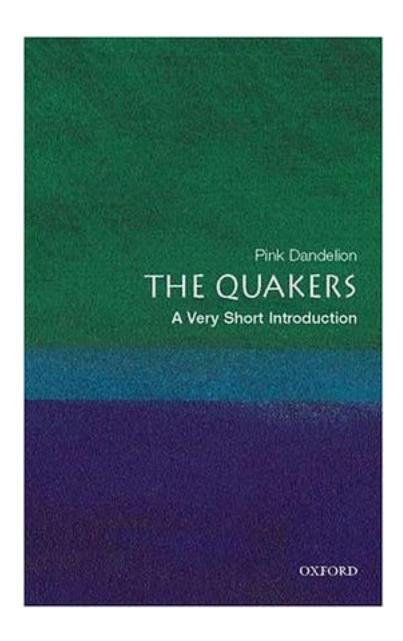
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The Quakers are a fascinating religious group both in their origins and in the variety of reinterpretations of the faith since. Emerging from the social unrest of the English civil war, the Quakers have gone on to have an influence way beyond their numbers: be it their continued stance against war or their pioneering work against slavery. At the same time, Quakers maintain a distinctive worship method to achieve the direct ts

encounter with God which has been at the heart of the movement since its beginning. This book charts the history of Quakerism and its present-day diversity, and outlines it approach to worship, belief, theology and language, and ecumenism.
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评论

主要想了解贵格会的历史,尤其是19世纪在英国的历史,可惜讲得太简略了(前两章, 36页)。后面五章为Worhsip, Belief, Theology and Language, Écumenism,the future

Quakerism主要讲信仰教义和教派分合;教内争议的焦点是内心神启和《圣经》哪个更具权威。1940年,全球有不到16万贵格教友。截止2000年,全球有33万多教友,其中非洲最多,占了46%;欧洲只有不到2万。考虑到如此少的人数,贵格会的影响算是很大了。废除死刑、废奴、反战都有他们的参与。1947年还获得诺贝尔和平奖。早期教友强调内心神启,把别的教派斥为叛教,举止怪异(不脱帽,不立誓,不用敬称you),还流行特别的行话(书后有术语表)。洪秀全弄拜上帝教的手段有些相似。

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