

Thomas More's Tower Works:
The Treatise upon the Passion

Manuscripts

B501. Oxford Bodleian Library MS Bodleian 431, folios 1–137, 148–49. [*CW* 13: xviii–xx.]

B502. British Library MS Royal 17 D. XIV, folios 193–314. [*CW* 13: xx–xxii.]

See also *Cambridge University Library, MS Dd.xii.41* in **Dialogue of Comfort: Manuscripts**

Editions

B503. More, Thomas. "*A treatise vpon the passion of Chryste (vnfinished) made in the yere of our lorde .1534. by syr Thomas More knyght, whyle he was prisoner in the tower of London. To which he made this tytyle folowing. A treatyce hystorycall, conteyning the bytter passion of our savioure Christe, after the course and order of the foure euangelistes, with an exposicion vppon theyr woordes, taken for the more parte, oute of the sayinges of the sundrye good olde hoye doctours, & begynnyng at the fyrst assemblye of the bysshoppe, the priestes, and the seniours of the people, about the contriuing of Christes death, written the .xxvi. Chapiter of Saynt Mathewe, the .xxiii. of Saynt Marke, and in the .xxii. of S. Luke. And it endeth in the committing of hys blessed body in to his sepulchre, with the frustrate prouision of the Jewes, about the keepyng therof with souldiours apoynted thereto, written in the .xxvii. of Saynte Mathewe, the .xv. of Saynte Marke, and the .xxiii. of Saynte Luke, and the .xix. of Saynte John.*" *The Workes of Sir Thomas More Knyght . . .* [Edited by William Rastell.] London: J. Cawod, J. Waly, and R. Tottell, 1557. sigs. LL_v–QQ₇. [1270–1349] **Available online** at <http://www.thomasmorestudies.org/library.html>. [See STC 18076; Gibson 73 + Smith 1981:35 + 1988:139; *CW* 13: xvii–xviii. Base text for Yale edition. Rastell's edition also includes Mary Bassett's translation of More's Latin *De Tristitia*, which he treats as a continuation of the English *Treatise*, see **De Tristitia: Mary Basset Translation.**]

B504. Haupt, Garry E., ed. "A Treatise upon the Passion." *Treatise upon the Passion, Treatise on the Blessed Body, Instructions and Prayers*. Vol. 13 of *The Complete Works of St. Thomas More*. New Haven: Yale UP, 1976. xv–cxxii, clxvii–clxxx, 1–188, 243–297. [Add.&Corr.: *CW* 9: 460; *CW* 6: 885–886. Geritz B018; Wentworth 794.]

Review(s):

B504.1. J. W. Blench, *Renaissance Quarterly* 31 (1978): 640–41.

B504.2. Geoffrey R. Elton, *English Historical Review* 93 (1978): 399–404. Rpt. in *Studies in Tudor and Stuart Politics and Government*. 4 vols. 1974–1992. Vol. 3: *Papers and Reviews, 1973–1981*. Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 1983. 454–60.

B504.3. Dermott Fenlon, *Journal of Theological Studies* 30 (1979): 366–71.

B504.4. Walter M. Gordon, *Moreana* 15, no. 55/56 (December 1977): 129–36.

B504.5. E. E. Reynolds, *Moreana* 14, no. 54 (June 1977): 63–73.

B505. Haupt, Garry E., ed. "A Treatise upon the Passion." *The Tower Works: Devotional Writings*. Selected Works of St. Thomas More. New Haven: Yale UP, 1980. xi–xvi, 1–169. [Geritz C027; Wentworth 728. Modernized spelling version.]

Review(s):

B505.1. Ward S. Allen, *Moreana* 18, no. 71/72 (November 1981): 109–12.

B506. *A Treatise Upon the Passion* (CTMS 2013). [Page and line numbers correspond to *CW* 13 with standardized spelling.]

Reference Works

B507. *Concordance of Treatise on the Passion, CW 13*. (CTMS 2014?).
http://www.thomasmorestudies.org/Passion_Concordance/framconc.htm

Selections

B508. Fowler, John, ed. "Here folowe certaine Praiers taken out of the Treatise upon the Passion of Christ, made by Sir. Tho. More knight. while he was prisoner in y^e in the Tower of London, 1534." *A Brief Fourme of Confession*. Antwerp: John Fowler, 1576. sigs. i_v–k₂ [fols. 99^v–104^r] [Gibson 96; *CW* 13: cxxiii–cxxiv, cxli. See **A Treatise to Receive the Blessed Body** for further details.]

B509. Allen, P. S., and H. M. Allen, eds. "A Treatise on the Passion." *Sir Thomas More: Selections from His English Works and from the Lives by Erasmus and Roper*. Oxford: Clarendon P, 1924. 151–53. [A short selection.]

B510. Hallett, Philip E., ed. "Prayers from the Treatise on the Passion." *English Prayers and the Treatise on the Holy Eucharist by St. Thomas More*. London: Burns Oates & Washbourne, 1938. Rpt. as *The English Prayers of Sir Thomas More*. Springfield, IL: Templegate, 1995. 43–54. **Available online** at <http://www.thomasmorestudies.org/library.html> [Geritz C006; Wentworth 785; Sullivan 2:77–78.]

B511. Leyris, Pierre, trans. "Douze prières extraites du *Traité sur la Passion du Christ*." *Thomas More: Écrits de Prison. Précédés de la vie de Thomas More par William Roper*. Paris: Éditions du Seuil, 1953, 1981. 149–153.

B512. "Prayers from the Treatise on the Passion." *Prayers of St. Thomas More with A Treatise on the Holy Eucharist*. London: Catholic Truth Society, 1979. 19–24. [Geritz C016.]

B513. Marc'hadour, Germain, and Jocelyne Malhomme, trans. "Douze Collectes de Thomas More." *Prions avec Saint Thomas More*. Angers: Éditions Moreana, 1997. 95–110.

- B514. Marc'hadour, Germain, and Jocelyne Malhomme, eds. "Twelve Collects." *Praying with Saint Thomas More*. Angers: Éditions Moreana, 1998. 49–55.
- B515. Marc'hadour, Germain, ed. "A Treatise upon the Passion." *Saint Thomas More and the Body of Christ*. Angers: Moreanum, 2001. 30–49. [Selections and Commentary.]
- B516. Wegemer, Gerard B., and Stephen W. Smith, eds. *A Thomas More Source Book*. Washington, DC: Catholic U of America P, 2004. 217–220, 264–267.
- B517. Taillé, Michel, ed. "Traité sur la Passion du Christ." *Thomas More: Histoire, Église et spiritualité. Textes et correspondance*. Paris: Bayard, 2005. 161–169. [Selections.]

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- B518. Thecla [Schmidt], Sr. Mary. "New Corn from an Old Field: St. Thomas More's *Treatise upon the Passion*." *Catholic World* 164 (1947): 344–50. [Geritz T063.]
- B519. Curran, Michael. "St. Thomas More's *Treatise on the Passion*." Ph. D. Diss. University College, Dublin, 1956.
- B520. Sullivan, Frank. "Sir Thomas More." *TLS* 9 Jan. 1960: 19. [Geritz E006. On More's discussion of *Neomenia* (the new moon) in MS. Bodleian 431 (Rogers 192*).]
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- B522. Haupt, Garry E. "The Late Devotional and Exegetical Works and More the Man." *Treatise upon the Passion, Treatise on the Blessed Body, Instructions and Prayers*. Vol. 13 of *The Complete Works of St. Thomas More*. Ed. Garry E. Haupt. New Haven: Yale UP, 1976. clxvii–clxxx. [On the relationship between the *Treatise on the Passion* and *De Tristitia*. See also The Personal and the Impersonal in the Late Works of Sir Thomas More. [1974] in **Tower Works: General Studies.**]
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