

wrote hymns for emotive release and with genuine expressiveness of soul freedom and love. His works are in print...as I note above...but the shekel price is high.

II.4.e.3

Some Luther
views

Marriage and the Home

Luther increasingly saw celibacy as a many-headed monster and denounced it with vigor. He urged his followers to marry. His own marriage must be deemed a happy one...although not always easy for Catherine. (See the book: KITTY, MY RIB, for a warm side to the life of Luther). Family was dear to him and while none of his progeny ascended to his height, he loved and cared for the children.

Public Education

Luther is probably the father of the modern literacy movement...due to his insistence that everyone should be able to read the Bible for himself. His ideas are given better form by Comenius, et al, but the impetus for a public education for all is very much his.

Eventually we will need to say that Luther is one of history's ten greatest (most important persons. His reformation re-shaped the religious world and ultimately restructured the social order. His influence cannot be overestimated.

Following his death and the Peace of Augsburg, Germany would continue jto sift in the trials of war for a solidity of political/theological opinion. The Lutheran followers would be less like Luther and would eventually rally themselves about the Formula of Concord in 1577. While Germany might not have a national unity...at least one would then be able to tell who was a Lutheran and who was not.

ZWINGLI...THE REFORMATION IN SWITZERLAND

II.5

The Swiss
Reformation

Switzerland

The composition of Switzerland was one of 13 highly independently minded "cantons" or states. Each of these was rather small geographically and numerically and, locked in different pockets in the