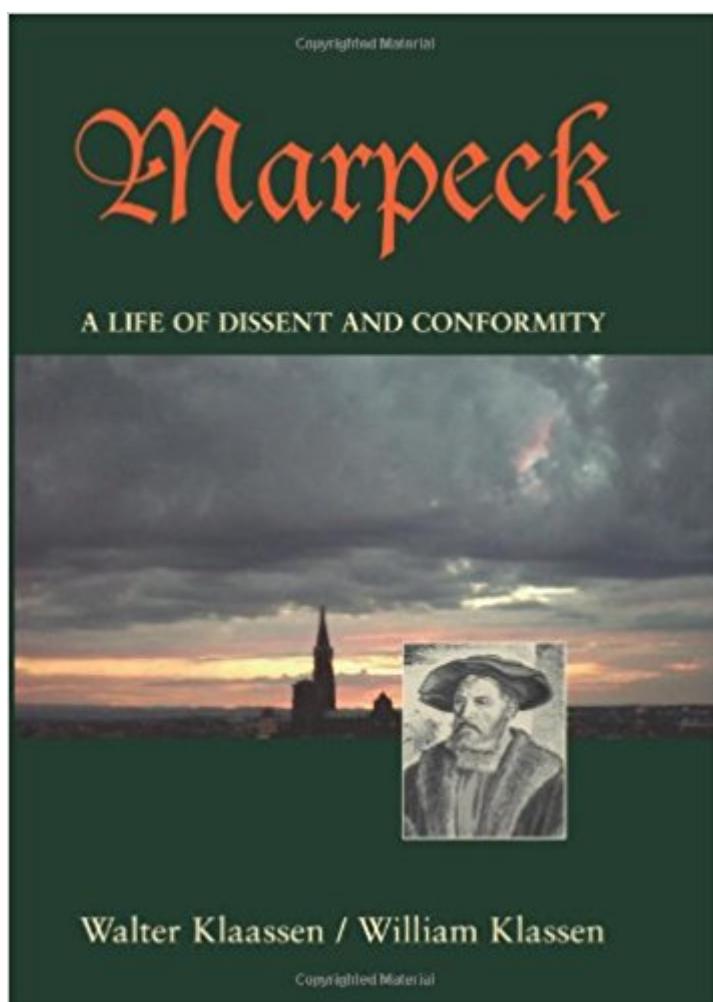


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Pilgram Marpeck was a brilliant engineer and passionate theologian committed to justice and nonviolence. While thousands died during the tumultuous years of the Reformation, Marpeck consistently stood up to the ruling powers, calling for freedom of religion and separation of church and state. Walter Klaassen and William Klassen, editors of *The Writings of Pilgram Marpeck*, have deeply mined Marpeck's writing and dialogue with other Reformation leaders placing his life, work, and theology in the context of his violent, changing times. This thorough biography shows that Marpeck, perhaps more than any other early Anabaptist figure, helped lay the theoretical and practical foundations of the believers church. Volume 44 in the *Studies in Anabaptist and Mennonite History Series*.

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