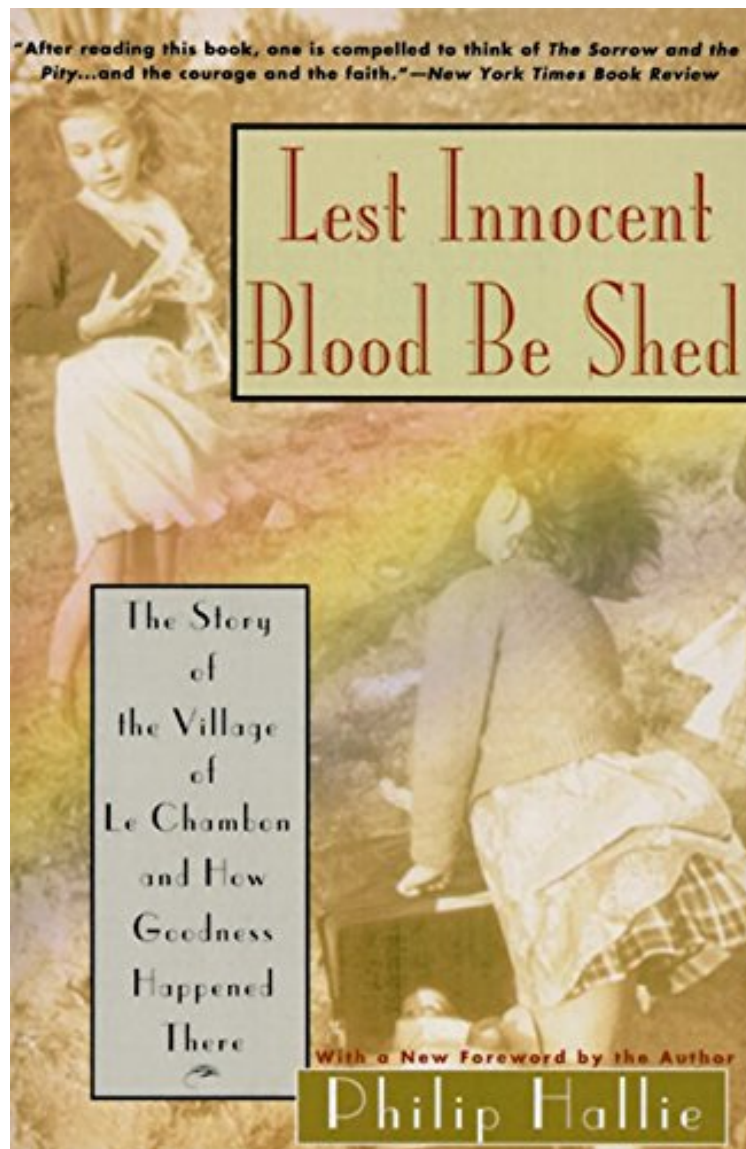


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7 of 7 people found the following review helpful. StunningBy R. CannataI read this last summer, and I wish I had written this review when it was still fresh in my mind.It is the wonderful story of Le Chambon, a poor French Protestant (Calvinist) village of 3,000 that successfully hid 2,500-5,000 Jews from the Gestapo and Vichy for the entire occupation. The author (Jewish philosopher) shows that the Calvinism of the villagers led them to risk everything to rescue Jewish strangers. Beautiful portraits of Pastor Trocme, his Italian wife, the theologian/physician Le Forestier (who worked with Schweitzer, but left to work with Trocme), etc. Incredible picture of the violence of the Resistance (and sad infighting). Stark contrast to incredible principles of the pacifist Trocme et al.Writing style is overwrought, even goofy, at points, and longwinded, but this book will push a Christian to feel why Christ matters.4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. what is possibleBy Elaine RhodesA World War II veteran, author Philip Hallie had seen humanity's inhumanity up close and took it very personally. He found out about Le Chambon, France, a town that was able to retain its human integrity and goodness in the face of the Nazis on the doorstep. He felt that writing a book about Le Chambon and its leaders would redeem him and others, because "redemption lies in remembering." The story is told with the authenticity of one who values the truth and with a love for those who embody it. Without sugar-coating it, the truth he tells reveals not only inhumanity but what is possible when committed people lead not with fear, but with compassion, courage, and wisdom: The way opens for miracles to be seen. It is a moving story that is well worth a careful read, both for the story and for the questions it raises about how we live our own lives. In an age filled with horrendous fears and little commitment outside ourselves, this book can be a "light shining in the darkness."0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Fresh peanutsBy BeezeeLike going to a baseball game without being at the ball park. Tasted fresh-not stale.

During the most terrible years of World War II, when inhumanity and political insanity held most of the world in their grip and the Nazi domination of Europe seemed irrevocable and unchallenged, a miraculous event took place in a small Protestant town in southern France called Le Chambon. There, quietly, peacefully, and in full view of the Vichy government and a nearby division of the Nazi SS, Le Chambon's villagers and their clergy organized to save thousands of Jewish children and adults from certain death.

"The subject makes a deservedly beautiful book. Mr. Hallie is wholly equal to it."--Paul Horgan"The thing that makes the story of this village supremely beautiful is simply that it happened. These events took place and therefore demand place in our view of the world. If awareness of history has pushed us to the point of losing faith in ourselves, the case may also be, as professor Hallie says, that 'redemption lies in remembering.' "Lest Innocent Blood Be Shed is one of the rarest of books, the kind that can change the way we live."--"Harper's"If, as has often been alleged, our old ethics do not work well, the alternatives work worse. But what is stunning about the people of Le Chambon is that the old ethics worked perfectly for them. Its citizens attained in virtue the perfection that in artistic creation or performance we recognize as glamorous--magical, mystifying, romantic, alluring. The Chamonnais set new standards of excellence."--"The New Yorker"After reading this book, one is compelled to think of "The Sorrow and the Pity...and the courage and the faith."--"New York Times Book About the Author Philip Hallie was Griffin Professor of Philosophy at Wesleyan University, where he taught for thirty-two years. He died in 1994, leaving this manuscript. That it can now be published is do to the devotion of his wife, Doris Ann Hallie, who contributed an afterword. The foreword by John Compton, fellow philosopher and longtime friend of the author, will help the reader to understand this unusual document in the context of Hallie's life and thought.