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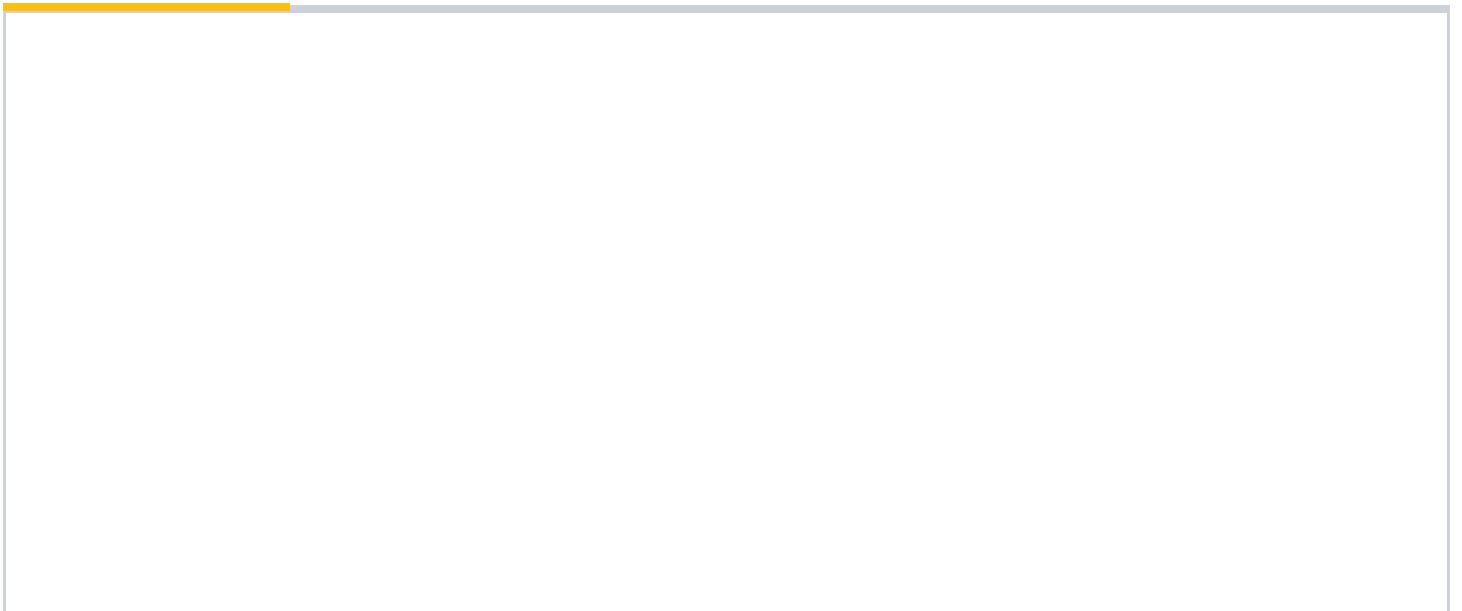
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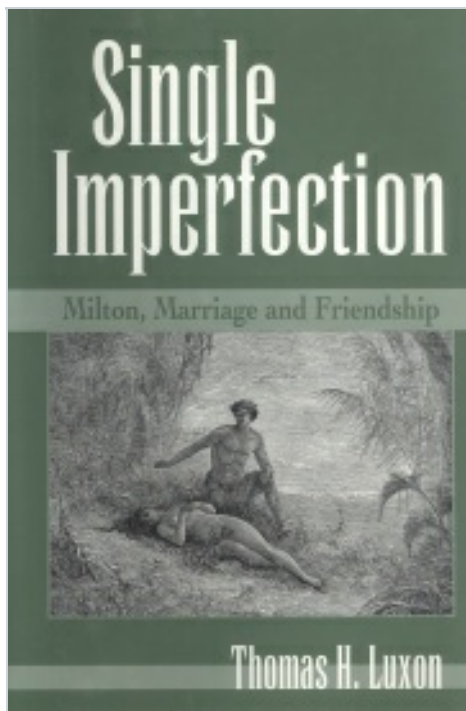


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SUMMARY

This book takes a fresh look at John Milton's major poems—*Paradise Lost*, *Samson Agonistes*, and *Paradise Regained*—and a few of the minor ones in light of a new analysis of Milton's famous tracts on divorce. Luxon contends that Milton's work is best understood as part of a major cultural project in which Milton assumed a leading role—the redefinition of Protestant marriage as a heteroerotic version of classical friendship, originally a homoerotic cultural practice. Schooled in the humanist notion that man was created as a godlike being, Milton also believed that what marked man as different from God is loneliness. Milton's reading of Genesis—"it is not good for man to be alone"—prescribes a wife as the remedy for this "single imperfection," but Milton thought marriage had fallen to such a degraded state that it required a reformation. As a humanist, Milton looked to classical culture, especially to Plato, Aristotle,



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