

## WHY WRITE?

Doctor Johnson famously said that “nobody but a blockhead ever wrote, except for money.” But, three centuries later, nobody cares what Dr. J got paid for whatever he wrote, or indeed whether he got paid, or if he met his deadlines—rarely if ever, just for the record—or what his motives were in writing. We simply remain grateful that he wrote what he did, as well as he did.

We could go on and on (and have done, on occasion) regarding the subject of why people write about theological librarianship and related subjects. Submissions come our way from a number of directions, which is all to the good. But we can't think of a finer reason than the sense of good fortune shared by people who are one way or another connected to this vocation: we write because this is an excellent calling, and a rewarding one, and the process of writing in a broader forum provides a unique opportunity both for understanding our own work and for helping extend the horizons of our community.

All of which is to say two things: to those who have written for *TL* already, thanks for what you have contributed so far; to those who are still thinking about it, keep the ideas and proposals and drafts coming. All of us at *Theological Librarianship* are honored to provide this forum.

All best,

The Editors

