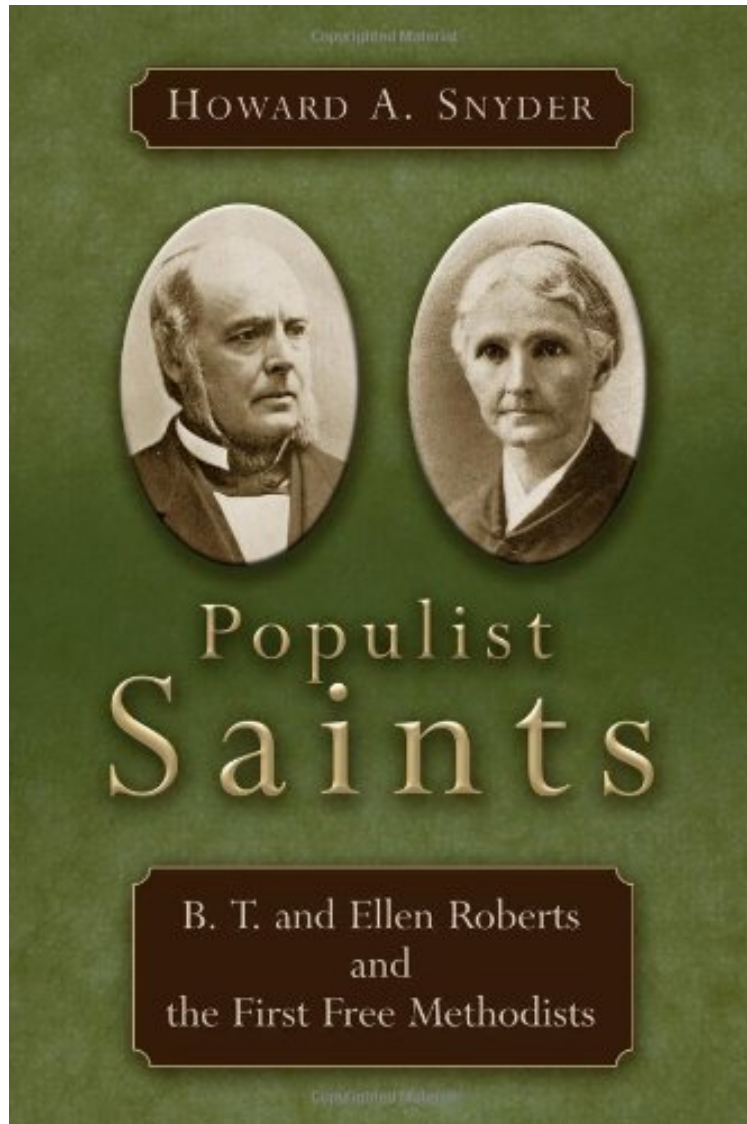


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Arksey B.T. Roberts, the founder of the Free Methodist Church, is a 19th century religious figure who deserves to be better known. His advocacy for the abolition of slavery, the needs of the poor, opportunities for women, and a return to forms of worship closer to the practice of John Wesley brought him into conflict with the newly affluent and somewhat secularized Methodist Episcopal Church of his day. Earlier biographies exist, but **POPULIST SAINTS: B.T. AND ELLEN ROBERTS AND THE FIRST FREE METHODISTS** is now the definitive treatment of the subject, putting the Roberts's lives and influence into the context of the events and culture of the period. Although over 900 pages of fairly small print, I found the book engrossing throughout. Historian Howard Snyder has done a masterful job. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. **Become a Part of the Free Methodist Story** By Colleen D. Having recently joined the Free Methodist church and somewhat uncertain why God brought me to this denomination, reading this book opened my eyes and stirred within me such excitement to be a part of the Free Methodist Community. B.T. and Ellen Roberts have such an amazing story. I am committed to carrying out their mission for the church. This book is very detailed, enjoyable, and well written. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. **Book Review** By Orleans Seminary I recently purchased the subject book, and am pleased with the transaction, both by , and by the author of the book. That is, I feel they did a very creditable job in covering the subject. My ancestors, who were involved in the founding of the Free Methodists, are covered quite adequately, although brief, as many people were involved. In whole, the book reads well, for a subject that is perhaps of limited interest to most people. B T Roberts officiated at the marriage of my great-grandparents, and with the information presented in the book, I feel a close relationship with him and understand him better. He also wrote the obituary of my great-great grandmother, one of the earliest ladies with a certificate to preach the word in the Free Methodist church. This fact is noted.

"Populist Saints" warmly tells the story of B. T. and Ellen Roberts' lives, recounting their critique of powerful elites and illuminating the "crisis of Methodism" that gave rise to the Free Methodist Church. Benjamin Titus Roberts (1823-1893), best known for founding the Free Methodist Church, was also an outspoken voice for such reform causes as the abolition of slavery, women in ministry, and farmers' rights - so much so that he played a role in the rise of the Populist Movement. Ellen Stowe Roberts (1825-1908), scion of a prominent Methodist family, shared her husband's passion for holiness, for speaking good news to the poor, and for urban ministry. Howard Snyder's detailed biography views key nineteenth-century currents and events through the lives of these two extraordinary figures, who taught a "holy populism" of simplicity, justice for the common people, and radical discipleship.

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