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He worshipped in the church across the road and he lived in a house about ten minutes’ walk from here. Now a museum, and the museum curator, Natasha McEnroe, gave me a short tour and told me about Dr Johnson and his work. I think he’s arguably one of the greatest characters of the 18th century – great as a writer but also as an individual. He was a very charitable man, he had a great sense of fun, he was a really very strong character who stands out in society of that time. He was great company, people often described how much they loved talking to him, and that really comes across very strongly from all the letters that his friends have left behind. Groups have formed in many communities and demonstrations have been organized on a range of topics including women’s rights, science, immigration, and climate change. These have been powerful cathartic spaces for people to voice their concerns and find comfort in affinity groups. How effective they will be in the long run, however, is yet to be seen. Without more organized efforts, and dare I say it more prayerful and penitential spaces, I’m doubtful that these activities will be capable of doing, what Fr. I would like to repeat: the future of humanity does not lie solely in the hands of great leaders, the great powers and the elites. It is fundamentally in the hands of peoples and in their ability to organize. It is in their hands, which can guide with humility and conviction this process of change.[2]. He has written and edited thirteen books, including Baptist Church Discipline, The Concept of the Believers’ Church, We Baptists, and a two-volume Systematic Theology. He holds membership in several professional societies, including the Conference on Faith and History, the Southern Baptist Historical Society, and the American Society of Church History. Paige Patterson is President of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, North Carolina, and past President of the Southern Baptist Convention. Most, though not all, of the theologians surveyed in this volume have lived and worked within the context of the Southern Baptist Convention. Every one of them has been a formative shaper of that tradition.