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G. DE VIRGILIO, *La teologia della solidarietà in Paolo. Contesti e forme della prassi caritativa nelle lettere ai Corinzi*, Supplementi alla Rivista Biblica 51 (Bologna: Dehoniane, 2008, paper €33) 375 pp. Bibliography. Indexed. ISBN: 978-88-10-30239-2.

De Virgilio, professor of NT at the Pontificia Università della Santa Croce in Rome and the Istituto Teologico Abruzzese-Molisano in Chieti, investigates the theme of solidarity in Paul's letters, with particular attention to contexts and forms in his letters to the Corinthians. After a seven-page introduction, he discusses the following topics: the environments of Pauline formation and the analogies with practices of solidarity; the forms of solidarity and the early Christian ethos; references to solidarity and charitable forms in other Pauline writings; the context of the forms of solidarity—the social configuration of the *ekklēsia* of Corinth; the forms of solidarity in 1 Corinthians; the forms of solidarity in 2 Corinthians; and theological aspects of the practices of solidarity in 1 and 2 Corinthians. R. Fabris has provided a two-page preface.