Record Nr. UNINA9910824182303321 Autore Burton Simon J. G. Titolo The hallowing of logic [[electronic resource]]: the Trinitarian method of Richard Baxter's Methodus theologiae / / by Simon J.G. Burton Leiden ; ; Boston, ; Brill, 2012 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-280-49620-7 9786613591432 90-04-22641-9 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (430 p.) Brill's series in church history, , 1572-4107;; v. 57 Collana Disciplina 230/.59092 Soggetti Theology - Methodology Trinity - History of doctrines Salvation - Christianity - History of doctrines Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali 1. Introduction. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Preliminary Material -- Introduction -- I. Touchstones of Theology --II. The Quest for Method -- III. The Physics and Metaphysics of the Vestigia Trinitatis -- IV. The Soul as the Imago Trinitatis -- V. Metaphysics of the Trinity -- VI. The Eternal Foundations of Divine Government I: Divine Power, Understanding and Will -- VII. The Eternal Foundations of Divine Government II: Predestination and Foreknowledge -- VIII. Theo-Politics -- Conclusion -- Bibliography --Index. Sommario/riassunto While Richard Baxter (1615-91) has been called the 'chief of English Protestant schoolmen', few studies of his theology exist, and none of his major systematic work the Methodus Theologiae (1681). Through examining the scriptural and metaphysical foundations of his exemplaristic logic, and engaging extensively with his medieval and early modern sources, this study presents Baxter's understanding of method as the unfolding of the believer's relation with the Triune God through salvation history, revealing his profound debt to Scotist and Nominalist thought. In tracing the manifold ramifications of this method it offers a fresh reading of Baxter's soteriology, countering the charges of moralism and rationalism often levelled at him, and placing

his thought within a scholastic paradigm of 'faith seeking understanding'.