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- Amy Frykholm [reviews Richard Beck](#): "A man stumbled into church drunk and bleeding from his hand. 'I have hepatitis C,' he said. I remembered this as I read *Unclean*."
- Colin Mathewson on [losing weight at church](#)

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