

## LUCAS, RICHARD (1648 - 1715), cleric and author

**Name:** Richard Lucas  
**Date of birth:** 1648  
**Date of death:** 1715  
**Parent:** Richard Lucas  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** cleric and author  
**Area of activity:** Literature and Writing; Religion  
**Author:** Griffith Milwyn Griffiths

Born at Presteigne, Radnorshire, the son of Richard Lucas. Educated at Jesus College, Oxford, he graduated B.A. 1668, M.A. 1672, and was a Fellow 1671-84. Entering holy orders he was for several years master of the free school at Abergavenny. In 1678 he became rector of S. Stephens, Coleman Street, London, and in 1683 lecturer at S. Olaves, Southwark. He was awarded the degree of D.D. in 1691, and in 1697 was appointed prebendary of Westminster. He had lost his sight previous to this appointment. Lucas enjoyed a high reputation both as preacher and writer. His published works include, *Enquiry after Happiness*, 1685; *Practical Christianity or an account of the Holiness which the Gospel enjoins*, 1690; *Christian Thoughts for every day in the week*; *The Plain Man's Guide to Heaven*, 1692; *The Morality of the Gospel*; *Influence of Conversation*, 1707; *The Duty of Servants*, 1710. He also translated *The Whole Duty of Man* into Latin. Several volumes of his sermons were published by his son. He died 29 June, 1715, and was buried in Westminster abbey.

### Author

Griffith Milwyn Griffiths

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