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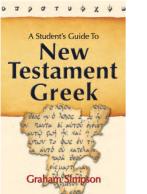
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A Student's Guide to New Testament Greek

Authored By: Graham Simpson

Pages: 256 ISBN: 978-81-87712-18-3 Price: INR 300.00

Can I learn Greek?

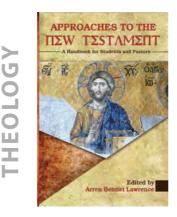
Of course! Thousands of others before you have learned this language. The main issue is not whether you have the ability but whether you have a positive attitude and the determination to succeed. If you approach this language with enthusiasm, and follow the advice in this book, there is no reason why you should not do well.

"This book can be warmly recommended as a useful guide to anyone who desires to learn New Testament Greek. Dr Simpson has been teaching Greek here in South Asia for just over 30 years, and on every page of this book is displayed his knowledge of the language on the one hand, and of the average student of Greek on the other.

I firmly believe that it will not be long before this book becomes a standard guide to New Testament Greek."

Brian Wintle, PhD

Asia Theological Association, Bangalore



Approaches To The New Testament A Handbook for Students and Pastors

Edited By: Arren Bennet Lawrence

Pages: 456 ISBN: 978-93-86549-13-6 Price: INR 450.00

Approaches to the New Testament provides an introduction to twenty-eight different approaches to study the New Testament in one volume. This edited volume is an attempt to introduce popular, and newer approaches in order to help students and pastors understand and use them in their study of the New Testament.

"For sheer breadth of coverage, Approaches to the New Testament stands alone among other introductions to New Testament hermeneutics. Arren Bennet Lawrence's team of Indian biblical scholars presents and reviews 28 text- or reader-oriented approaches to interpreting New Testament texts. This is an excellent guide to lead students through learning about, experimenting with, selecting, and using a variety of tools for reading the text."

Ernest Clark (PhD, St Andrews)

Classics Consultant South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies

"Finally, here is a book for students in seminaries, pastors and anyone who wishes to understand nuances in New Testament interpretation. Approaches to the New Testament is a readable, condensed and well-crafted book. Drawing upon the expertise of both Indian and Western scholars, we are pulled into this fascinating world of biblical interpretation. Had such a book existed during my early years of Theological Education, my reading of the New Testament would have been enhanced richly! This is a book that must find a place in both personal and institutional libraries."

Paul Cornelius, PhD

Regional Secretary - India Asia Theological Association



Qualitative Research and Transformative Results A Primer For Students And Mentors In Theological Education

Authored By: Jessy Jaison

Pages: 240 ISBN: 978-93-86549-10-5 Price: INR 350.00

An immensely valuable resource for those who seek to do qualitative research in theological education! It calls for a holistic transformation of the church and society by helping researchers and their mentors develop capacities that will be up to the task. This masterful work informs and inspires researchers to explore the qualitative domain in theological research as a vital link between the academy and the world. Bringing a fresh perspective to theological study in human socio-cultural environments through eight comprehensive chapters, it offers theoretical and practical guidance on every aspect of qualitative inquiry.

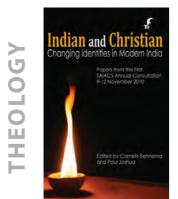
"The roots of this book lie in the author's own experience of research in India, UK and USA but the work itself is significant for two other reasons: (i) It combines both the conceptual and practical aspects of QR but in a style, scope and format that is accessible and applicable without much fuss; (ii) It exceptionally assumes the praxis of theology as the particular source and object of research. For these reasons, it will particularly be useful for practical theologians interested in investigating problems around them 'in the world' and those that are auditing their preparedness for research."

David Immanuel Singh, PhD

Research Tutor, University Link Tutor & PhD Stage Leader Oxford Centre for Mission Studies (OCMS), UK

"This book is a valuable resource for theological educators committed to the task of equipping transformational leaders for the church and the world."

Theresa Roco-Lua, EdD General Secretary, Asia Theological Association



Indian and Christian Changing Identities in Modern India Papers from the 1st SAIACS Consultation

Edited By: Cornelis Bennema & Paul Joshua

Pages: 336 ISBN: 978-81-87712-26-8 Price: INR 300.00

The overall purpose of the Consultation is to stimulate, encourage and provide directions for academic, evangelical and missional thinking in South Asia. The SAIACS Annual Consultation strives to hold together theory and practice within an evangelical framework, and be relevant for the Church in South Asia. The first SAIACS Annual Consultation took place during 9-12 November 2010 at SAIACS in Bangalore, and had as its theme 'Indian and Christian: Changing Identities in Modern India'. This book is the fruit of that Consultation and contains sixteen articles covering areas of Biblical Studies, Theology & Philosophy, Religion & Culture, and Pastoral Theology & Psychology.

"This book is a unique contribution in the larger area of Missions. 'Who am I?' is a question that every human needs to ask himor herself. In this book, this question is looked at from a dual perspective—Indian and Christian. Can one be both 'Indian' and 'Christian' in the modern world? Should one have a single identity or can one have multiple identities? The book tries to address these issues with great clarity and conviction. I warmly commend this academic treatise to a wider readership with the hope that it will stimulate further thought and reflection on crucial issues of faith pertaining to our life and work."

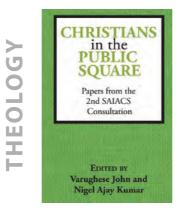
Rev. Dr. M. Mani Chacko

General Secretary, The Bible Society of India

"SAIACS as an evangelical and academic institution of excellence has in this book forthrightly addressed the crucial issue of Christian identity which is also distinctively Indian. A stimulating book setting the direction of the debate!"

Rev. Dr. Richard Howell

General Secretary, Evangelical Fellowship of India & Asia Evangelical Alliance



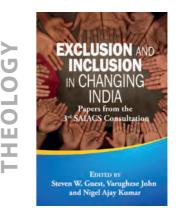
Christians In the Public Square Papers from the 2nd SAIACS Consultation

Edited By: Varughese John & Nigel Ajay Kumar

Pages: 208 ISBN: 978-81-87712-31-2 Price: INR 315.00

Christians in the Public Square is a collection of essays about Christians engaging in the arena where politics and religion, environment and ethics, leadership and education, all collide. The authors of these essays come as scholars and practitioners and they address various issues related to the South Asian context from a Christian point of view. The 11 articles featured here include a wide range of topics such as Business as Mission, Christians in Government, Justice and Law, Public Religion, Education, and Environment.

The purpose of the SAIACS Consultation has been to stimulate, encourage and provide direction for academic, evangelical and missional thinking in South Asia. The SAIACS Consultation strives to hold together theory and practice, within an evangelical framework, and be relevant for the Church in South Asia. The 2nd SAIACS Consultation took place during November 2011 at SAIACS, Bangalore. It had the theme "Christians in the Public Square." This book is the fruit of that Consultation.

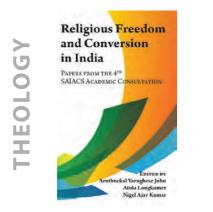


Exclusion and Inclusion in Changing India: Papers from the 3rd SAIACS Consultation

Edited By: Dr Steven W. Guest, Dr Varughese John and Dr Nigel Ajay Kumar Pages: 248 ISBN: 978-81-87712-38-1 Price: INR 300.00

Exclusion and Inclusion in Changing India is a collection of essays, by scholars and practitioners, about the struggles of exclusion and inclusion facing human community in the complex Indian context from a Christian perspective. These essays are broadly grouped into two parts. The first part features articles with themes concerning Theology and Philosophy. The second part addresses issues arising from Mission and Culture.

The purpose of the SAIACS Consultation has been to stimulate, encourage and provide directions both in theory and practice, for evangelical and missional thinking in South Asia. Exploring the theme "Exclusion and Inclusion: Human Communities in Changing India," the 3rd SAIACS Consultation took place during November 2013 at SAIACS, Bangalore. This book is the fruit of that Consultation.



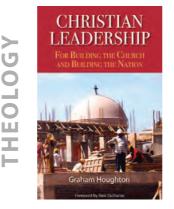
Religious Freedom and Conversion in India Papers from the 4th SAIACS Academic Consultation

Edited By: Varughese John, Nigel Ajay Kumar and Atola Longkumer Pages: 328 ISBN: 978-93-86549-06-8

Price: INR 350.00

Religious Freedom and Conversion in India is a collection of essays that addresses the political and practical concerns about "religious freedom" and "religious conversion" in the Indian context. These essays were first presented in the SAIACS Academic Consultation in September 2015 at SAIACS, Bengaluru. The 14 papers represented here have all been revised and edited in view of the discussions during the Consultation. They approach the topic from various angles such as historical, legal, biblical, theological, missiological and cultural.

The purpose of the SAIACS Academic Consultation, and the aim of this book, is to stimulate, encourage and provide direction for academic, evangelical and missional thinking in South Asia.



Christian Leadership For Building the Church and Building the Nation

Authored By: Graham Houghton

Pages: 250 ISBN: 978-81-87712-34-3 Price: INR 275.00

Many books have been written from a uniquely Christian perspective. Graham Houghton has been careful to incorporate in this volume the essential ingredients that set Christian leadership apart from other models of leadership, particularly the biblical emphasis on servanthood. His style of simple eloquence, his eagerness to learn and share from the wisdom of others and the evidence of mature reflection upon years of personal experience in ministry all serve to illustrate those elements of cheerful humility and resourceful dedication that characterize the biblical style of leadership Houghton envisions for this generation of Christians.

"Graham Houghton, a greatly respected leader of international stature, has penned with integrity his book, Christian Leadership, the principles and values of which he has consistently practiced. The book is a mini library, challenging an honest reader to introspection and growth. A must read for budding and experienced leaders."

Rev Richard Howell

General Secretary,

Evangelical Fellowship of India and Asia Evangelical Alliance

"Dr Graham Houghton's book has skilfully interwoven both the theories and workable practices. The principles of this book emerged from over 40 years of his experience as a missionary, teacher and founder Principal of SAIACS. This manual for leadership is applicable to all audiences across the world, as the author has insights into multiple cultures and situations."

K Rajendran

Associate Director, World Evangelical Alliance Mission Commission



The Gentle Answer To the Muslim Accusation of Biblical Falsification

Authored By: Dr Gordon Nickel

Pages: 502 ISBN: 978-0-9939972-1-1 Price: INR 500.00

The Gentle Answer is a scholarly response to a claim that many Muslims have made in relation to non-Muslims for more than 1200 years: that the text of the Bible is corrupt and/or falsified. Since critical writing on the Bible is more abundant and has a longer history, Muslim polemicists have selectively used Western biblical criticism in an attempt to support the traditional Muslim accusation of biblical falsification. Only guite recently have the techniques used in biblical criticism been applied to the Qur'an. The Gentle Answer responds to the Muslim claims by placing the Bible and the Qur'an on a level scholarly playing field to show that questions about the Qur'an are at least as challenging as questions about the Bible.

The Gentle Answer invites Muslims into a conversation about the contents of the scriptures themselves. Respect for the conversation partner means taking issues of truth seriously. It means doing one's best to thoroughly understand accusations. It also means commending one's own faith in terms of the partner's worldview. Differences in faith between Muslims and non-Muslims show no sign of going away in the years to come. But in a world of considerable political tension and violence, Muslims and non-Muslims must seize the freedom to openly discuss their differences together while nurturing mutual respect and committing to peaceful coexistence.



Excavating John's Gospel: A Commentary for Today

Authored By: Dr Cornelis Bennema

Pages: 240 ISBN: 978-81-87712-44-2 Price: INR 275.00

Among people who read the bible, some barely scratch the surface; others want to dive deeper and gain a better understanding of its original meaning and significance for today. This commentary will aid the latter category of people. Cornelis Bennema presents the study of John's Gospel as an archaeological expedition at the site of John's Gospel where one digs up its meaning and applies it to today's context.

"Now in this commentary the author takes us through the gospel in a way that is scholarly but not technical, bringing out the original author's meaning, but also reflecting on its relevance. The gospel is simple, but profound, and the commentary is similar – easy to follow, but full of insight."

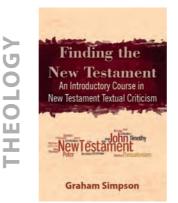
Dr David Wenham

Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, UK

"This is a fresh and helpful look at the Gospel of John. Dr Bennema treats the biblical text with respect and yet is not afraid to suggest that in certain passages in the Gospel, it is very likely that the right interpretation is not the conventional one. Bedsides, his concern to help his readers understand the text contextually is reflected right through the commentary. This work can be warmly recommended to all those who read the Word so that they might gladly submit to its authority."

Dr Brian C. Wintle Regional Secretary India,

Asia Theological Association



Finding the New Testament An Introductory Course in New Testament Textual Criticism

Edited By: Graham Simpson

Pages: 176 ISBN: 978-93-86549-09-9 Price: INR 299.00

In this book Graham Simpson offers an introduction to the subject for classroom use. This is not an area in which you will become an instant expert, but here is a guide that will point you in the right direction.

"The hallmark of a great teacher is the ability to simplify complex ideas for his students to enhance their learning. Dr. Graham Simpson with his in-depth knowledge of Textual Criticism introduces well a beginner in the field with his simple language, systematic presentation, host of important examples, and lucid explanations. I am sure that the book, by its origin in a teaching environment, is also useful to every teacher who seeks to help his/her students grow in serious engagement with the New Testament text. I congratulate Dr. Simpson for his valuable contribution."

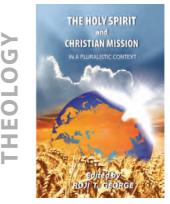
Roji T George, PhD

Professor of New Testament South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies, Bangalore, India

"New Testament textual criticism is the study of textual variations in the Greek manuscripts in order to ascertain the original text. It is a technical, complex discipline where one can easily get lost in the details. Graham Simpson ensures this will not happen. With great clarity, he introduces textual criticism in plain language and with many examples, thus boosting the students' confidence that they can actually do this themselves. I know of no other person who is better qualified to introduce textual criticism than Dr Simpson. This book is a must for every serious student of the New Testament."

Cornelis Bennema, PhD

Academic Dean & Senior Lecturer in New Testament Union School of Theology, Wales, UK



The Holy Spirit and Christian Mission in a Pluralistic Context

Edited By: Roji T. George

Pages: 289 ISBN: 978-81-87712-99-2 Price: INR 299.00

This is a collection of articles from various church backgrounds and theological viewpoints. It reaffirms the necessity and urgency of a pneumatic missiology. It does not speak of God's saving mission as originating simply from God; it highlights the central role of the Spirit in the effective mission of the church.

"The contributors in this volume ask how a pneumatological imagination and a charismatic praxis can empower Christian witness in a pluralistic public square. Herein is an ecumenical contribution to a robust vision of Pentecost and Third Article Theology inspired by the Indian experience but for the third millennium global context!"

Amos Yong

PhD, Professor of Theology & Mission, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA.

"Addressing burning issues surrounding the role of the Holy Spirit in Christian witness, this compendium reaffirms the urgent necessity of a pneumatic missiology and the significance of a missional pneumatology in bearing witness to Jesus Christ in a pluralistic world. I highly recommend it for reading to every serious student of Christian mission in a pluralistic world."

Roger E. Hedlund, PhD

Chief Editor, Oxford Encyclopaedia of South Asian Christianity, & Director Emeritus, Mylapore Institute for Indigenous Studies.

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VARUGHESE JOHN Truth and Subjectivity, Faith and History Serkepard's Insight for Christian Faith

Truth and Subjectivity

Authored By: Varughese John

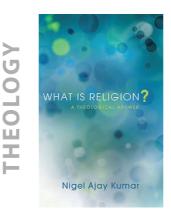
Pages: 178 ISBN: 978-81-87712-30-5 Price: INR 250.00

What is truth? Philosophical explorations have merely presupposed truth, rather than define it. The inscrutable nature of truth is a recognition of human finitude, which is both Socratic (the recognition that one does not know) and non-Socratic (the recognition that truth has to be given from without). This opens the way to locating truth outside the individual, which can be appropriated only when the condition to recognize it is given. For Kierkegaard, the incarnation of Christ is the point when both revelation and the condition to recognize it, are given. However, incarnation, being historical, raises the question of objectivity and evidence. This book explores what truth implies for the individual and examines the value of historical research for Christian faith.

"John admirably balances the claims of rational truth and historical experience, through a close reading of Kierkegaard. In doing so, he has successfully reoriented Christian apologetics to a postcolonial mission. In an Asian turn to apologetics, he contrasts Western intellectual and spiritual hubris with the humility of the devout idolater, rendering the cultural crossroad of India contemporary with the New Testament."

Richard Nelson

Author of Aesthetic Frontiers



What is Religion? A Theological Answer

Authored By: Nigel Ajay Kumar

Pages: 320 ISBN: 978-81-87712-32-9 Price: INR 500.00

What Is Religion? is one of those questions rarely asked by Christian theologians who engage in interreligious discourse. Nigel Kumar makes the case, however, that to answer the question is critical for Christian scholars attempting to negotiate multiple religious identities, as well as for those who want a clearer understanding of their own faith as religion. Kumar takes a historical approach to answering the question. He traces the development of the concept of religion and then formulates a theological answer, not only by looking at an Indian theologian, Chenchiah, but also by listening to other secular and theological voices.

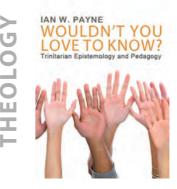
"Drawing deep from the wells of Indian Christian theology and Indian religiosity, Author waters our thinking and refreshes our imagination through his erudite engagement with the question as to what religion is. Refusing to be elbowed aside at the wells by those who would claim that the waters are muddied beyond redemption, he enables us to be rejuvenated by his careful and painstaking analysis, as we drink from this outstanding book."

J. Jayakiran Sebastian

The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia

"This fine theological study of the nature of 'religion,' by one of India's brightest younger theologians, speaks into a world convulsed by 'religious' conflict and confused about 'religious identity.' Using the influential Indian theologian, Pandipeddi Chenchiah, as a foil for his work ensures that Kumar's book is as relevant to India as it is to scholars, diplomats, and religious leaders worldwide who face with all of us 'the crisis of religion' today. I commend the book warmly."

Christopher Hancock Wolfson College, Oxford



Wouldn't you Love to Know? Trinitarian Epistemology and Pedagogy

Authored By: Dr Ian Payne

Pages: 266 ISBN: 978-1-62564-077-2 Price: INR 350.00

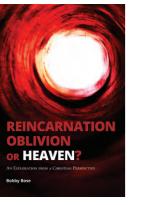
With all the jumble of human disagreements, how can we know? Can the Christian church think coherently about knowledge? Can it regain confidence in teaching what it knows? In an increasingly divided and pessimistic postmodern world this book offers a theology for epistemology and for pedagogy that aims to be faithful and fruitful.

Building on Karl Barth, it argues that God's knowing guides how humans know. We should imitate God's epistemic stance--his love--for that is the best model for knowing anything. The Trinitarian theme in Barth identifies three key concepts: committedness, openness, and relationality. These mean being committed and open towards what we wish to know. Relational open committedness also profoundly clarifies and shapes what love means in knowing and in teaching. This book unpacks an epistemology and pedagogy of love. Wouldn't you love to know?

"Wouldn't You Love to Know? is a significant contribution to Christian perspectives on education. If you are an educator like me, you may be drawn to read chapter 5 first. But take your time then to work backwards to appreciate the soundly Trinitarian foundations for lan's intriguing model--a process all the richer if you do so with others you are coming to know and love."

Allan Harkness

Director of Education Programs and Dean, AGST Alliance (Asia Graduate School of Theology Alliance), Singapore



Reincarnation, Oblivion or Heaven? An Exploration from a Christian Perspective

Authored By: Bobby Bose

Pages: 336 ISBN: 978-81-87712-33-6 Price: INR 250.00

...this is no mere Theology of Death...A Theology of Mission emerging from the majority world and inter-religious encounter...Highly recommended for students of world religions, and for all who question, "What happens when I die?"

Roger E. Hedlund,

PhD, Calimesa, CA, Director Emeritus, Mylapore Institute for Indigenous Studies, Chennai; Managing Editor, Dharma Deepika; Chief Editor, Oxford EOSAC, New Delhi

"...a vast global and historical survey which can hardly be matched....a kind of one-stop shop if you want to understand how life after death is understood historically and globally through religious and secular eyes...Bose remains unfl inching in his commitment to the biblical proclamation of the power of eternal life through Jesus Christ...a must read."

Timothy C. Tennent

PhD, President, Asbury Theological Seminary

"Biblically faithful, well researched,...challenging and timely. Highly recommended."

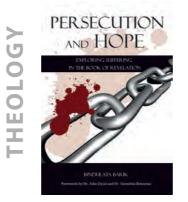
Rev. Steve Brady

PhD, Principal, Moorlands College, Chair of the Association of Bible College Principals, Trustee of the Keswick Convention, UK

"As a Christian thinker, he has invested the lion's share of discussion into a careful evaluation of...theologians across the globe, so readers encounter a breadth of analyses of insights..."

Rev. Dr. William D. Spencer

Ranked Adjunct Full Professor of Theology and the Arts, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Boston Campus/Center for Urban Ministerial Education.



Persecution and Hope : Exploring Suffering in the Book of Revelation

Authored By: Ms Bindulata Barik

Pages: 178 ISBN: 978-81-87712-37-4 Price: INR 200.00

This book examines suffering from the perspective of a most difficult book in the Bible - The Book of Revelation. While there are many 'popular' books on in-depth exegetical Revelation, an of Revelation treatment with applications for the Indian church is greatly needed. First century Christians faced sporadic outbursts of religious violence and great pressure to conform to their cultural environment and the Book of Revelation was intended to encourage them to remain true to their faith. Similarly, Persecution and Hope is aimed at encouraging twenty-first century Indian Christians to resist various cultural pressures and to live according to the truth of the Gospel.

"Through her study, Miss Batik offers a message of hope and confidence in God's sovereignty and protection, while at the same time issues a clarion call not to pray for vengeance, but to continue to proclaim the message of salvation. As a person from Odisha herself, she treats the subject of persecution with great passion and ends the study with a resounding note of hope. This book will be a useful tool for every serious reader of the Book of Revelation looking for meaningful praxis."

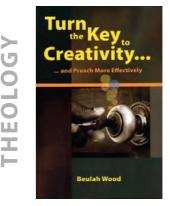
Dr Babu Immanuel Venkataraman

Associate Professor of New Testament, Theological Centre for Asia College, Singapore

"Bindulata Barik carries forward the conversations of scholars who have addressed the reasons for persecution. She further explores the question - 'Is hope promised for the present (earthly) age or is it only eschatological?' This scholarly work has great depth and is laden with pastoral implications."

Rev. Dr Richard Howell

General Secretary Evangelical Fellowship of India and Asia Evangelical Alliance



Turn the Key to Creativity and Preach More Effectively

Authored By: Beulah Wood

Pages: 182 ISBN: 81-87712-08-2 Price: INR 145.00

A preacher must make a bridge between the scriptures and today's hearers. The task needs every ounce of creativity a preacher can rake up. Unfortunately many preachers put low priority on creativity, or say they are not creative or do not need it. This one weakness empties the effectiveness of many thousands of sermons every year. So this book asks: How creative are our sermons? What is creativity? What are the barriers to creativity? How do people find creative ideas? Where within a sermon do preachers need creative ideas? ans especially, What is the Key to Creativity and how can we turn it?

"Turn the Key to Creativity provides a breath of fresh air to every preacher who dares to engage with God's Word. The book will stir up your much neglected gift of creativity and equip you for effective service."

Rev Richard Howell

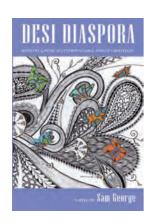
General Secretary, Evangelical Fellowship of India and Vice Chairman World Evangelical Alliance

"Dr Wood's book is a significant contribution to the field of homiletics training. Her careful research combined with her own excellent insights make it a very helpful text. She has combined her own practical experience with her rich resources of theoretical and theological understanding to gives us the best of both worlds."

Sid Buzzell PhD

Professor of Bible Exposition, Colorado Christian University, USA

CROSS - CULTURAL MINISTRY



DESI DIASPORA MINISTRY AMONG SCATTERED GLOBAL INDIAN CHRISTIANS

Authored By: Sam George

Pages: 262 ISBN: 978-93-86549-20-4 Price: INR 410.00

This book portrays a contemporary account of Christians of Indian origin who live around the globe and showcases triumphs and challenges of religious life of dispersed people. It presents Christian experiences from a plethora of discrete perspectives like Orthodox, Catholic, Reformed, Evangelical and Pentecostal of Kerala, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, Gujarati, Punjabi, Goan and other backgrounds.

This book comprises of diasporic communal history, struggles of identity and belonging, religious conversion, preservation and adaptation of faith practices, ties between ancestral homeland and host nation and generational tensions from a pastoral and missiological dimensions in diaspora.

"I recommend Desi Diaspora wholeheartedly to everyone who desire to understand the far-reaching repercussions of migration on religious faith and particularly to Indian origin followers of Jesus all over the world."

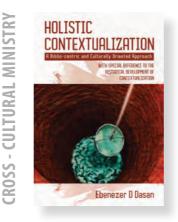
Ram Gidoomal

CBE, International Entrepreneur, London, UK.

"Desi Diaspora introduces readers to multiple dimensions of diaspora mission and to appreciate a variety of expressions of Christianity among diasporic Indian communities. This is a much needed volume and highly informative, deeply insightful and truly inspirational!"

Dr. T.V. Thomas

Chairman Global Diaspora Network



Holistic Contextualization A Biblio-centric and Culturally Oriented Approach

Authored By: Ebenezer Duraiswamy Dasan

Pages: 496 ISBN: 978-89-3865-491-12 Price: INR 400.00

Holistic Contextualization is a very substantive work of scholarship that reviews the history of contextualization from the birth of modern mission in the sixteenth century to the present. Ecumenical in approach, Dasan reviews contributions of Catholic, Mainline Protestant, and Evangelical missionaries and scholars over five centuries of mission outreach, illustrating the breadth and depth of diverse approaches and models to contextualization. He concludes the volume by reviewing ecumenical and evangelical perspectives on holistic mission-evangelism, social action, and ecological concerns-exploring substantive emphases and initiatives in the history of mission in the 20th century, with reflection on applications for the 21st century.

"As a review of vast western literature for an Indian audience, this book will be highly valued by Asian seminary students for the next decade and beyond."

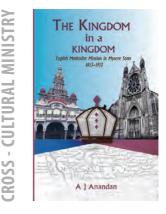
Dr Sherwood Lingenfelter

Senior Professor of Anthropology and Mission, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA

"This book has a potential to serve as a good reader both for the students of Missiology as well as Theology. By writing this important monograph, Dr Dasan has perhaps provided almost everything one needs to know about contextualization and its relevance for mission and evangelism today."

Dr Atul Y Aghamkar

Director, National Centre for Urban Transformation, Bangalore

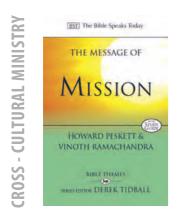


The Kingdom in a kingdom English Methodist Mission in Mysore State 1813-1913

Authored By: A J Anandan

Pages: 218 ISBN: 978-93-86549-12-9 Price: INR 280.00

The Kingdom in a kingdom is a historical study of the English Methodist Mission's work in the princely State of Mysore from 1813 to 1913. It uses valuable archival resources to provide as well as evaluate comprehensive information on the Mission's activities in the state. It discusses the methods and processes adopted for spreading the gospel, and the educational, medical and social concerns ministries of the Mission. It also explores the unique nature of the relationship between the Maharajas and some of the missionaries.



The Message of Mission (South Asia Ed.)

Authored By: Howard Peskett & Vinoth Ramachandra Pages: 288 ISBN: 978-81-87712-17-6 Price: INR 350.00

The root of the word 'mission' means 'sending'. All Christian mission has its fountainhead in the God revealed in Scripture, who sent his Son for us, sends his Spirit to us, and summons all people to himself. The privilege and responsibility of his church, sent into all the world, is to testify by its words and deeds to Jesus Christ, God's unique Son, crucified, risen and ascended.

This East-West partnership in missiological exploration expounds a variety of Old and New Testament text, and examines a wide range of issues. The authors' desire is that Jesus Christ might be glorifi ed more and more in the church and in the world; their eager expectation is that one day the whole creation will fi nd its consummation in him, and God will be all and in all.

"This presentation of mission is as broad, lively, earthy and integrated as the Bible itself. It is especially pleasing to see careful attention given to the Old Testament roots and content of Christian mission."

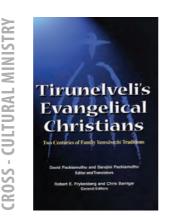
Chris Wright

Langham Partnership International

"Here is a solid biblical basis for a holistic theology of Christian mission. The author's interaction with the diverse worldviews of the 21st century is most useful. An excellent resource for Western and non-Western readers."

HWA YUNG

Trinity Theological College, Singapore



Tirunelveli's Evangelical Christians Two centuries of Family Vamsavazhi Traditions

Edited By: Robert F Frykenburg & Chris Barrigar

Pages: 198 ISBN: 81-87712-00-7 Price: INR 140.00

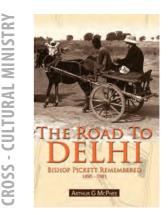
This volume is an act of remembering. Herein is a collection of eighteen family 'vamsavazhi' traditions from Tirunelveli narratives of ancestors who became Christian in centuries past; recounting family joys; sufferings; virtues and failings that came with new faith and conversion. These chapters represent a partial recovery of a portion of their common past by some India's Christians. Indeed, this uncovering and preserving of what lay buried in Tirunelveli's past can serve as an impetus and model for Christian remembering elsewhere in South Asia.

"This book can be warmly recommended as a useful guide to anyone who desires to learn New Testament Greek. Dr Simpson has been teaching Greek here in South Asia for just over 30 years, and on every page of this book is displayed his knowledge of the language on the one hand, and of the average student of Greek on the other.

I firmly believe that it will not be long before this book becomes a standard guide to New Testament Greek."

Dr Sherwood Lingenfelter

Senior Professor of Anthropology and Mission, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA



The Road to Delhi Bishop Pickett Remembered (Reprint)

Authored By: Dr Arthur G. McPhee

Pages: 400 ISBN: 81-87712-11-2 Price: INR 400.00

"Art McPhee's biography of Bishop J. Waskom Pickett, involving research on three continents, is long overdue. He has done a great service to the Church in India in producing this monumental study. Pickett was one of the leading missiological innovators of the 20th century in India. The Church Growth Movement has its genesis in India and the work of Bishop Pickett."

Roger Hedlund

Director, Dictionary of South Asian Christianity Project Mylapore, Tamil Nadu, India

"At last! A biography of a leading missionary-statesman.

Authentic! Exciting! Inspiring!

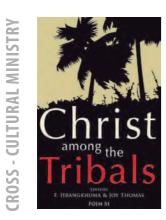
Anyone who knew Bishop J. Waskom Pickett shares my admiration of him. The church throughout the world owes much to him."

Methodist Bishop James K. Mathews Bethesda, Maryland, USA

"In this powerful study, Art McPhee takes us into the life of one of the great, but often overlooked, mission heroes. He helps us not only understand the deep spiritual commitments that motivated J. Waskom Pickett, but also the complex sociocultural and political arenas in which he served. In doing so, McPhee helps us grasp what mission service truly is, and shows us what God can do through a life truly committed to Him."

Paul G. Hiebert

Distinguished Professor of Mission and Anthropology, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, Illinois, USA



Christ Among the Tribals

Edited By: F Hrangkhuma & Joy Thomas

Pages: 289 ISBN: 81-87712-16-3 Price: INR 270.00

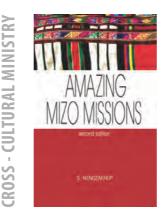
Christ among the Tribals in India is the XI Volume of the series of FOIM Publications and it contains the papers presented in the Biannual Mission Studies' Research Seminar and General Body Meeting of the Fellowship of Indian Missiologists (FOIM) held from April 26 to 29, 2006 at the South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies (SAIACS). present volume Bangalore. The represents one of the contextual missiological issues discussed from various perspectives, covering various areas of history, concerns and contextual issues. It begins with an overview of Christianity among the tribals in India and ends with primal religions and Jesus Christ at the global level. It is the prayer of the editors and the writers that the information and conceptual materials in this book will be helpful for a better understanding of the tribal situation in India as a whole, and the presence of Christ in the midst of tribals; that the kingdom of God be extended among the tribals of India and around the world in this 21st century.

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Amazing Mizo Missions

Authored By: S Nengzakhup

Pages: 128 ISBN: 978-81-900849-7-0 Price: INR 120.00

Outstripping the commonplace, Mizo missions have become remarkably generous, versatile, creative and vital. How did they do it? This second edition has been an attempt to update information along the same lines. The aim remains to capture the passionate, zealous history of the Mizos in sharing the Gospel of Christ. The story of the commitment to and support of mission by the Presbyterian Church of Mizoram is inspiring.

"I recommend it. this short description of Mizo missions admirably illustrates that God chooses things that are considered by the world to be foolish, weak, low and despised, and he uses them to carry out his mission in Christ."

Dr Lalchungnunga

Principal of Council of Serampore College, Serampore

"Highly recommend this book. Out of his keen missionary vision and practical experience in mission, Nengzakhup has sone us a remarkable service in presenting such a well-researched and challenging missionary book."

Dr I. Ben Wati

Baptist Minister, former Executive Secretary of the Evangelical Fellowship of India and co-founder of Indian Evangelical Mission.



Welcoming the Gospel in Jharkhand

Authored By: George Edward

Pages: 132 ISBN:81-87712-07-4 Price: INR 80.00

This is startling mission history. People thought the day of the late nineteenth and early twentieth century "mass movements" was over. This book tells of a modern people movement since 1985, now with 46,000 Christian believers, or 45 per cent of the Maltos. This is a spectacular account of God at work, changing peoples lives spiritually, socially and economically, when they welcomed the gospel.

"I commend Dr George Edward for the excellent piece of work that he has done on the people movement of the Maltos of Jharkand to Christ. I believe firmly that a major contribution was the translation of the New Testament into Malto which George has completed."

Jacob George,

Coordinator - South Asia, Wycliffe Bible Translators International Insights Into Deenbess Extraction Contraction Contract

Insights Into Openness Encouraging Urban MIssion

Authored By: Atul Aghamkar

Pages: 176 ISBN: 81-900849-8-4 Price: INR 100.00

With experience in Church planting and teaching urban mission, Atul Aghamkar studies the religious attitudes of urban Hindus in Pune and the strategies churches use to reach them. Surprised by the openness he found toward Jesus and to the Gospel, he describes outreach that works.

"Insight into Openness finds that missionary efforts produced a Hindu revival. In the present tensions related to Christian efforts to demolish the cast system and instigate reforms, Christianity is perceived as a threat. This book explores ways in which churches grapple with communicating the gospel in a seemingly hostile urban context."

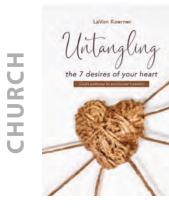
Dr Roger E. Hedlund

Managing Editor of Dharma Deepika, journal of Missiological research, former Professor of Mission Research, Serampore College,

"Aghamkar's research and personal experience make these insights worth learning. He teaches and does urban mission. This book will be a blessing to theological colleges and to mission in general."

Rev Dr Leaderwell Pohsngap

Principal of Union Biblical Seminary, Pune



Untangling the Seven Desires of Your Heart God's pathway to emotional freedom

Authored By: LaVon Koerner

Pages: 166 ISBN: 978-93-86549-14-3 Price: INR 250.00

In Psalm 11:3, we are told: "If the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do?" We all have these foundational aspirations in our heart that cry out to be satisfied, or we will be continuously bombarded with negative feelings robing our lives of the abundant joy promised by Christ. Untangling the Seven Desires of Your Hearts, identifies these seven God-implanted desires and reveals where love-gaps are keeping us from being emotionally free. If you are wanting to read and study this book as part of a group (highly recommended), please get the companion book - The Participant's Heart Workbook, to go along with this book.

"This book is loaded with Know-how. It is brimming with practical insight that can only be acquired through decades of persevering through challenges common to every person. Best of all, the entire message is biblically solid. These pages are packed with accessible, hands-on tools to assist your pursuit of a life-giving, ever-deepening relationship with the God who made you."

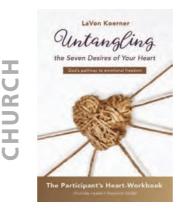
Dr James MacDonald

Senior Pastor of Harvest Bible Chapel and author of Act Like Men and Vertical Church.

"If you are looking for another self-help book you will need to keep looking. This book is so much more. LaVon unlocks the secret to true happiness as he points the reader to One who can provide all that we long for. Find some friends, go through this study together and be blessed as you discover things about God and each other that will change your life forever."

Dr Garrett Higbee

Director of Pastoral Care, Great Commission Collective.

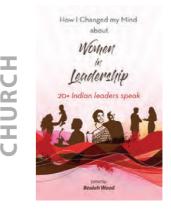


Untangling the Seven Desires of Your Heart -The Participant's Heart-Workbook God's pathway to emotional freedom

Authored By: LaVon Koerner

Pages: 86 ISBN: 978-93-86549-16-7 Price: INR 200.00

The Participant's Heart Workbook is a companion book that goes along with the main book - Untangling the Seven Desires of Your Heart. This twelve-week series of heart-workshops on the Untangling Seven Desires of your Heart will encompass some of the most revealing and penetrating discussions vou will ever have. It has content to facilitate small group discussions that will ensure that the biblical truths covered in this book will intersect with each participant's daily life in a positive and revealing way that warrants а life-changing application. It will be a journey of adventure as you implement new ways of living a love-filled and abundant life.



How I changed my mind about Women in Leadership

Edited By: Beulah Wood

Pages: 240 ISBN: 978-81-87712-98-5 Price: INR 300.00

Here over twenty Indian Christian leaders, men and women, from north and south, from academia and from mission, reveal their journey away from the traditional teaching that women cannot and should not jointly lead in church or home. For each this is an affirmation or a shift in their personal belief compelled by both life experience and Bible study.

"How I Changed my Mind about Women in Leadership", is a powerful, practical and timely compilation about gender interdependence in leadership... We are called to be equal partners for God's Kingdom concerns as we follow our Lord and Master Jesus Christ.

Dr Ashish Chrispal

Theologian and Regional Director for Asia, Overseas Council

"In my view this book is an amazing read. It details journeys of growth instead of staying static while thinking one is biblical."

L.T. Jeyachandran

Apologist and former Asia-Pacific Director of RZIM

"This wonderful collection brings out the significant leading and impact of women in the lives of their kith and kin, friends, co-workers, fellow believers and society at large."

Dr Nirmala Jeyaraj

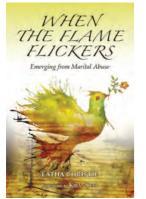
Former Principal of Lady Doak College, Madurai

"A fascinating reading of world view transformation of ideas on women in leader-ship as experienced by husbands, wives, couples, Christian leaders and teachers."

Dr Nalini Abraham

Medical doctor and Development Consultant, Delhi





When The Flame Flickers Emerging from Marital Abuse

Authored By: Dr Latha Christie

Pages: 208 ISBN: 978-81-87712-35-0 Price: INR 200.00

Dr Christie's book deals with the subject of marital abuse in a different and almost interactive way with readers. The mandate of this book is to help battered wives in unbearably abusive marriages to put a halt to their descent into the bottomless abyss that life has drawn them into; and realize there is a way up, out and onward, thus empowering them. Above all, the book provides the path to healing after abuse and taking charge of one's future.

"The stories of the book are at once heart wrenching and inspiring. It has taken candor and courage for Christie to carefully articulate the cause of this victimization and offer correctives. I commend this book for your reading."

Dr Ravi Zacharias

Author, Speaker and Founder of RZIM, USA.

"Dr. Latha's book provides hope and wisdom to abuse survivors. She has done society a great service by using the power of first person stories to shine a light into the darkness of denial, shame, and fear surrounding domestic violence."

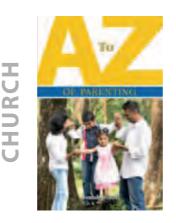
Dr Bradford M Smith

Lausanne Sr. Associate, Director, Care & Counsel Intl, Belhaven University, USA.

"It is a wonderful exposition of a grave problem that afflicts millions of women, but is seldom discussed openly. This book is a must-read on the path to conjugal harmony as it offers hope and pragmatic self-help advice."

Manas K Mandal, Ph.D. FNAPsy,

Distinguished Scientist & Director General - LS, DRDO, Delhi.



A to Z of Parenting

Authored By: Dr Beulah Wood

Pages: 113 ISBN: 978-81-87712-39-8 Price: INR 175.00

The responsibility and commitment we take on when we become a parent is enormous. Many of us never realized how stretched we would be, nor how tired. Add to that the contrasts children's selfishness and laughter, incomprehension and cheerful chatter, stubborn days and happy days. Parenting is a mixed blessing, but also a great blessing. Finding the balance between stern parent and lenient parent is not, however, the main goal. Instead, we seek to coach the child in good decisions that will stand for now and for years to come. Let Dr Beulah Wood's guidance point you along the path where child and parent cooperate in the same team.

"In a time when parenting in India faces new challenges that leave parents confused about their responsibilities, Dr Beulah Wood has brought out a timely resource to help parents to act pro-actively rather than re-actively. Few resources in India address parenting from a biblical perspective and I am sure this book would be a valuable treasure for the Christian Church and a great help for the generations to come."

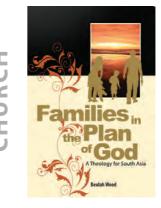
Dr. P.C. Mathew

National Director, Urban India Ministries, Bangalore Founder and Dean - Family Research and Training Institute (UIM-FRTI)

"Parenting is a gift and a calling. This volume will be your companion as you fulfil this demanding obligation. May it be a blessing to the parents, trainers, practitioners, counsellors and all the parent-craft professionals."

Augusta Paul

MA Sociology, MA Biblical Studies



Families in the Plan of God A Theology for South Asia

Authored By: Beulah Wood

Pages: 272 ISBN: 978-81-87712-22-0 Price: INR 400.00

South Asian pastors, families, and theological colleges need a Christian text on family geared to their culture's needs and addressing felt problems in the 21st century. What is the Christian view of parenting? What is an appropriate theology of marriage and inheritance? How can young people be protected? Beulah Wood seeks the over-arching principles.

"Discipleship is not mere conversion. The Church in South Asia has lacked impact when it failed to transform the worldviews of the followers of Jesus Christ. Has the Church succumbed to the culture on the place and role of wives and needs of children? This book helps us grapple with hard questions."

Dr Ashish Chrispal, PhD

International Regional Director-Asia, Overseas Council

"Dr Beulah Wood has packed into this book excellent guidelines on Indian family and relationships. I highly recommend it for individuals, couples, cell groups and family seminars. It challenges us to rethink love, marriage, and family, and helps recognise roles and responsibilities that lead to better marriages."

Pramila Rajendran

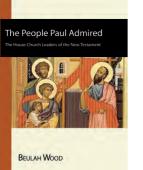
Director – Membercare, India Missions Association, Hyderabad

"Family is important for a child's first and most essential learning. Beulah Wood has again given us a timely work, a much-needed creative interaction between the Bible and Indian culture in the context of family. Every parent and parent-to-be should read it."

Rev F Hrangkhuma, PhD

HoD, History of Christianity, SAIACS, Bangalore

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The People Paul Admired The House Church Leaders of the New Testament

Authored By: Beulah Wood

Pages: 124 ISBN: 978-81-87712-27-5 Price: INR 150.00

Where did the old social barriers break down at the coming of Christianity? In homes. Where did practice join theology to break down the division between rich and poor or Jew and Greek, so that they ate together? In the hospitality of house church hosts and hostesses. What happened to the barrier between slave and free? Gone when they praved together. The intense reserve between men and women? Dissolved as hosts and hostesses served the friends who entered their door. Paul saw this. admired and praised the house church leaders, and planned on homes to grow the gospel.

"Sometimes when we read the Bible we look at the men and women in its pages as little more than stick figures. In her book, Dr. Wood wraps them in flesh and blood and we see the people Paul admired for what they were, real people who lived ordinary lives for an extraordinary cause."

Haddon Robinson

Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

"A great series, interesting, informative, earthy, provoking group discussion and personal growth. Beulah Wood has made the early church come alive, and shown us how the kingdom affects every part of life."

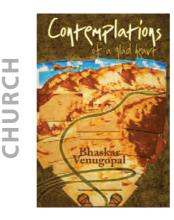
lan Kemp

Baptist Tabernacle, Auckland, New Zealand

"For those who know the Bible too little or too well here is a useful resource to engage both the text and the mind in a creative process of reimagining. The book reaffirms what Christians too often forget: the home is the hearth where the fire of Christian community burns brightest."

Chris Hancock

The Institute for Religion and Society in Asia



Contemplations of a Glad Heart

Authored By: Bhaskar Venugopal

Pages: 72 ISBN: 978-81-87712-24-4 Price: INR 75.00

This book is a collection of 20 poems with thoughts and reflections for daily meditation. It is a response to God's leading in this paradox called life - filled with joy and with sorrow, with light and with darkness, with mountain and with valleys but most importantly, filled with experience that provide glimpses of a loving God who is interested in everything that happens to us.

"I will call this book 'a capsule for a healthy heart'. It refreshes your soul, and gives you a reason to thank God. The uniqueness of this book are the poems that are so appropriate to the theme of each day's meditation. A great treasure."

CA Benjamin,

National Director, FEBA

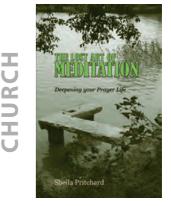
"Bhaskar's life-changing experiences are reflected in this devotional book. I am sure it will be beneficial to the reader and bring glory to the living Lord Jesus Christ."

Pastor P Vijayaraghavan

President, the Apostolic Church, India

"Contemplations of a Glad Heart beckons us to comprehend the divine presence in our daily experiences and ordinary encounters. Bhaskar has done just that with his simple yet sublime stanzas. Every page of this production challenges you and me to walk this earth with a heavenly vision."

Fr Dr Jerry Rosario, Founder, Dhanam Movement



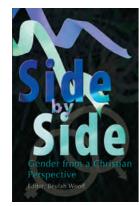
The Lost Art of Meditation Deepening your Prayer Life

Authored By: Sheila Pritchard

Pages: 132 ISBN: 81-87712-10-4 Price: INR 95.00

This is a refreshing and inspiring book to help readers deepen their prayer life and, through it, their relationship with God. It deals with the objection that meditation is either eastern or new age and therefore dangerous and shows that biblical, Christian meditation can take you closer to God. Aimed at people who feel there must be more to prayer than they have so far experienced, the book forms a link between prayer and meditation. The eight chapters cover various different approaches to meditative prayer, including creative communication, meditation on the move, and when words won't do. This is the first in a series of in-depth "Closer to God" books to complement our "Closer to God Bible" reading guides.

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Side By Side Gender from a Christian Perspective

Edited By: Beulah Wood

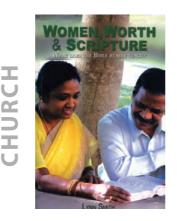
Pages: 246 ISBN: 978-81-87712-16-9 Price: INR 350.00

What does the Bible really say about men and women? What should be our beliefs and actions as Christians in India?

questions То answer these the contributors to the Side by Side conference included theologians, pastors, sociologists, medical doctors, biblical scholars, a historian, a lawyer, mission leaders. and aid and development practitioners. Men and women examined such wide-ranging topics as Bible exegesis, giftedness, the meaning of mutuality, South Asian case studies, and the Trinitarian nature of God.

They explored the Bible texts on women and men in the context of church, home and society in south Asia.

This volume is a major contribution to the discussion on the place and work of women in relation to men. It will be a valuable addition to thoughtful homes, active churches and busy theological libraries.



Women, Worth & Scripture What does the Bible really teach?

Authored By: Lynn Smith

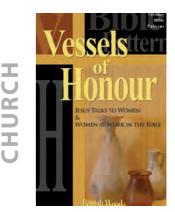
Pages: 118 ISBN: 81-87712-12-0 Price: INR 75.00

Exploring the Bible to understand the service of women, this book takes us to relevant scriptures in a way that one can read consecutively or use for group study and discussion.

"While women have always played a significant part in the Church of Jesus Christ, People have at times questioned and fiercely debated their participation in the ministry of the church. Consequently, the potential of women in our churches is not fully used. In our changing world the Church must now grapple more seriously with the question of what part women can and should play in ministry while holding a wise balance and avoiding extremes. For this we turn to Scripture to discover afresh the worth of women from God's prespective. While Scripture is often interpreted to suit a particular line of traditional thinking about women, we have a fresh need to look at this issue with a more open mind. Women, Worth and Scripture brings to the surface clear Biblical teaching about women's part in ministry, and their role in fulfilling God's plan for the world."

Rev Dr Atul Y. Aghamkar

Chairman, The Evangelical Fellowship of India, Banglaore



Vessels of Honour Jesus talks to Women & Women at work in the Bible

Authored By: Beulah Wood

Pages: 64 ISBN: 978-81-87712-19-0 Price: INR 200.00

The title 'Vessels of Honour' tells the Bible view that women are honoured and accountable throughout the Bible and especially in the life and teaching of Jesus Christ. Women need this message, and will relish the spiritual uplift of discovering their honoured place in the family of God.

Jesus Talks to Women:

Through this set of 10 studies we find how remarkable Jesus' attitude to women was, in a time when people thought women were less than men.

Women at Work in the Bible:

Most teaching for women is on devotional life or family concerns, forgetting the majority hours women spend on work. This set of 12 studies fits this gap, showing a breadth of occupations and competencies observed even thousands of years ago.

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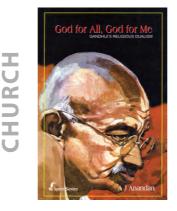


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Edited By: एच.एच. डेक्न विल्यम्स

Pages: 214 ISBN: 978-93-86549-07-5 Price: INR 240.00

Most people probably have a copy of the Bible in their homes, some hold one in hands their each week at church-andperhaps even attend a Bible study- but not everyone sees or appreciates the great beauty and intricate composition of the Bible" writes author Drake Williams. "The Bible, as a great work of art. deserves to be considered in unity" Combining first-rate scholarship with easy-to-understand language, Making Sense of the Bible examines the Bible as a literary work of art and reveals ten key threads that form the thematic tapestry spanning Old and New Testaments.

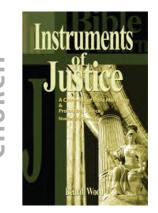


God for All, God for Me Gandhiji's Religious Dualism

Authored By: A J Anandan

Pages: 88 ISBN: 81-900849-3-3 Price: INR 75.00

An intriguing look at a provocative aspect of M K Gandhi. How did Gandhi's religious views guide his charismatic leadership and political acumen? Was Gandhi influenced by Christianity? Publicly drawing from all religions, did Gandhi hold within his personal belief the same impartiality? A J Anandan detects behind Gandhi's passionate tolerance and towering obstinacy a tension between his public and his personal religious belief.



Instruments of Justice A Casebook of Bible Marriages & Promoting Justice

Authored By: Beulah Wood

Pages: 70 ISBN: 978-81-87712-20-6 Price: INR 100.00

The title 'Instruments of Jutice' promts readers to ask, "what does the Bible teach us that can lead to justice and fair decision-making in marriages?" and "What does God want me to do to promote justice in our world today?" Christian men and women need these messages as they function in their role of bringin justice on the earth. May we learn to be istruments of justice.

A Case of Bible Marriages:

In this set of 10 studies, the author enables us to explore the biblical position that husbands and wives must treat each other openly, mutually and with fairness, especially when making decisions that affect their lives.

Promoting Justice:

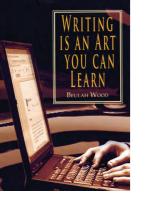
'Promoting Justice' gives us a resource to study God's plan and feel encouraged to join God's work of justice on earth. We all need to work for justice in communities, on streets, in churches and in homes. We too can become instruments of justice.

"Christ lifts male and female relationships to the unity and community God intended at creation."

Rev Richard Howell

General Secretary of the Evangelical Fellowship of India.

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Writing is an Art You can Learn

Authored By: Beulah Wood

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A practical guide to improving your writing skills and to learn the many genres of writing. This third edition also includes some classroom tips to make it a useful teaching tool.

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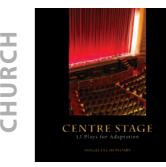
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Centre Stage 13 Plays for Adaptation

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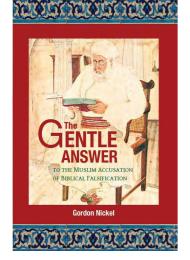
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SEEKING ALLAH, FINDING JE SUS A Devout Muslim Encounters Christianity

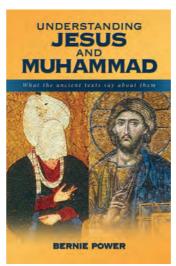
FOREWORD BY LEE STROBEL Seeking Allah Finding Jesus (Urdu)

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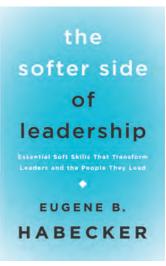
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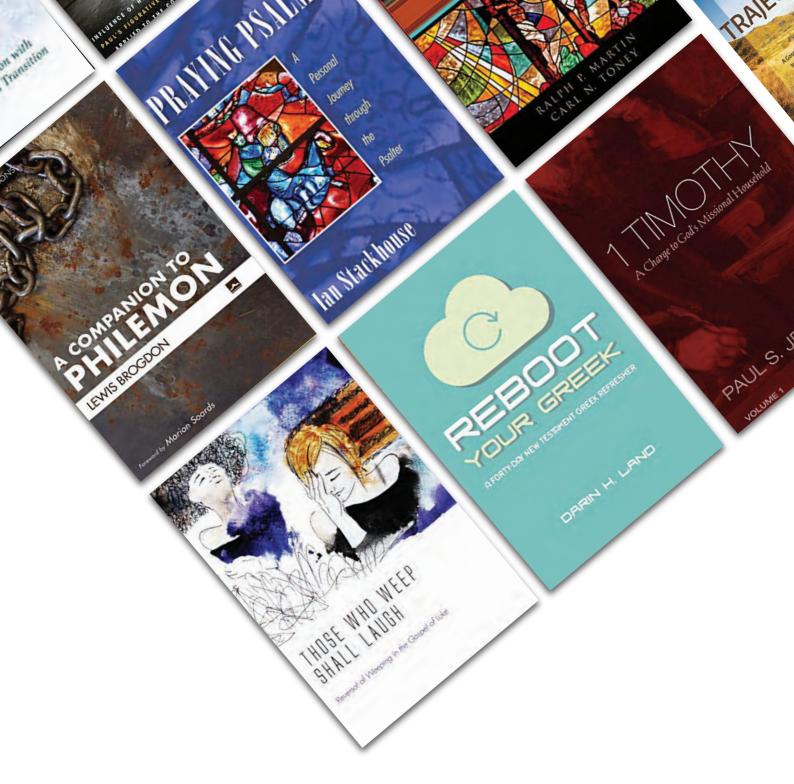
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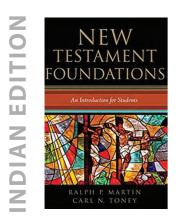


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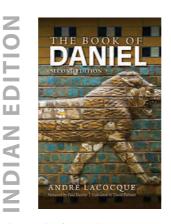


New Testament Foundations An Introduction for Students

Authored By: Ralph P. Martin, Carl N. Toney

Pages: 780 ISBN: 978-93-86549-21-1 Price: \$ 70 Indian Price: INR 2500.00

Drawing upon over fifty years of scholarly experience of one of the most industrious contemporary scholars, this work, which was first published in 1975, has been revised, updated, and expanded to offer a fresh, in-depth introduction to the New Testament for today's students. Students will be immersed into the world of the first century, learning about both Greco-Roman and Jewish backgrounds. While discussing the fundamental questions surrounding the content of each book including its authorship, audience, and message, this work also engages with the wider historical-critical discussion, helping students navigate the wider world of modern New Testament scholarship.



The Book of Daniel Second Edition

Authored By: Andre LaCocque

Pages: 392 ISBN: 978-93-86549-22-8 Price: \$ 45 Indian Price: INR 1200.00

This is the second edition of a 1979 commentary on the book of Daniel. The commentary is completely revised, and the introduction in particular is here much extended and addresses fundamental questions regarding the book of Daniel and the apocalyptic movement it inaugurates (with 1 Enoch). Daniel is an indispensable trove and reference about issues like the apocalyptic vision of world's periodized history, the notion of Son of Man, messianism without a messiah, the belief in resurrection, the kingdom of God, the centrifugal spread of divine revelation, and the positive role of the Jewish diaspora. This edition is meant for scholars, college and university researchers, and students of the Bible (of the Old Testament and New Testament) in general.

"In this expanded edition, André LaCocque offers the serious scholar or student a richly drawn guide to the book of Daniel, especially its apocalyptic dimensions. He presents the necessary historical-critical arguments and explores the theological implications, firmly grounding the work in its historical context while preserving the multivalence of apocalyptic symbolism."

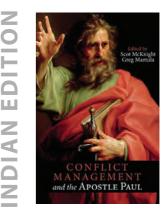
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Doreen McFarlane

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada



Conflict Management and the Apostle Paul

Edited By: Scot McKnight, Greg Mamula Pages:198 ISBN: 978-93-86549-23-5 Price: \$ 25 Indian Price: INR 600.00

Does the Bible have a "theory of conflict management"? In Conflict Management and the Apostle Paul, the authors explore how Paul approached conflicts with his close associates like Barnabas and Peter, and with his mission churches like those Galatia and Corinth. Conflict in Management and the Apostle Paul distinctively sketches how various theories of conflict management used today shed light on Paul's own approaches to conflict while also evaluating the conflicts themselves. The authors in this volume are pastors and church workers who themselves bring their own experiences with conflict into play as they seek wisdom from the New Testament.

"Living in a world so filled with contention, both inside and outside of the church, we need help working through conflict to restore communication and connection with those around us. Conflict Management and the Apostle Paul gives us a Pauline perspective on life together. The series of articles give fresh insight to a practical blend of biblical instruction and sociological conflict transformation systems."

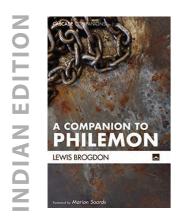
Robin D. Stoops

Executive Minister, American Baptist Churches of Nebraska

"This text takes a deep dive into how the Apostle Paul addressed conflict. Because 'conflict' was sometimes Paul's middle name, the dive brings to the surface many fresh approaches to dealing with our own conflicts today... Paul's conflicts are today's conflicts. You will need this book in the days ahead."

C. Jeff Woods

Associate General Secretary for the American Baptist Churches, USA



A Companion to Philemon

Authored By: Lewis Brogdon

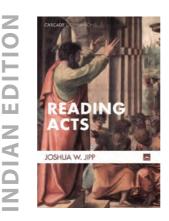
Pages: 154 ISBN: 978-93-86549-24-2 Price: \$ 21 Indian Price: INR 500.00

In A Companion to Philemon, Lewis Brogdon insists that a part of the reason is the interpretation that Paul is sending a thieving runaway slave back to his good master. This interpretation is not only problematic, it is also theologically limiting and offers the church very little to reflect on as we face mammoth issues of inclusion and fellowship such as racism, sexism, and classism. Α Companion to Philemon challenges the church to reimagine the interpretation of Philemon by focusing on the role exclusion had in the events that led to his departure from Philemon. Using the issue of exclusion, Brogdon takes the interpretation of Philemon in new directions that not only invite the church to read Philemon but also challenge us to examine both our understanding and practice of Christian fellowship today.

"Brogdon offers contemporary readers valid reasons to engage the Apostle Paul's correspondence to a friend, fellow Christian, church leader and slave-owner. His interpretation wisely questions the traditional and popular 'slave flight' thesis—exegetically, historically, and culturally—and proposes an alternative paradigm. Even if I may quibble with some of Brogdon's exegetical decisions, I highly recommend this short book on this brief letter to all interested in learning about the complexities of early Christianity, the origins of our hermeneutical decisions, and the challenges of contemporary faith. A Companion to Philemon is a worthwhile read for every person who reads the ancient Pauline letters in light of themes on human dignity."

Emerson B. Powery

Messiah College, Mechanicsburg, PA



Reading Acts

Authored By: Joshua Jipp

Pages: 168 ISBN: 978-93-86549-25-9 Price: \$ 22 Indian Price: INR 530.00

The book of Acts tells the story of what happened after the death and resurrection of Jesus. The book is filled with adventure and entertainment as Acts narrates God's activity among his people and the world. In this book I explore one way of reading Acts that attends closely to the plotline of the book and seek to invite readers into the story that Acts tells. Along the way, I examine some of the most important themes of Acts, including divine activity, the extension of the gospel to surprising people in surprising ways, conflict and congruence between the gospel and the broader world, and the ongoing importance of Israel as God's people. While there are many excellent reasons to read Acts, I reflect too upon the theological and ethical vision of Acts for those who read this book as Christian Scripture.

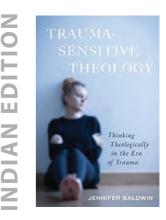
"Joshua Jipp crafts a careful, readable, and engaging introduction into the many complexities readers face in the Book of Acts. Attuned to exegesis and theology alike, this book is a reliable and ideal entry point for students encountering Acts and its significance today."

Eric Barreto

Princeton Theological Seminary

"We need more books like this one! From the first page to the last, Joshua Jipp demonstrates his profound regard for the Acts of the Apostles, as well as his intimacy with its narrative progression and theology. The result is a wonderful entryway into the study of Acts that takes seriously its importance to the church and its mission."

Joel B. Green Fuller Theological Seminary

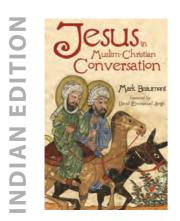


Trauma-Sensitive Theology Thinking Theologically in the Era of Trauma

Authored By: Jennifer Baldwin

Pages: 186 ISBN: 978-93-86549-26-6 Price: \$ 24 Indian Price: INR 575.00

The intention of Trauma Sensitive Theology is to help theologians, professors, clergy, spiritual care givers, and therapists speak well of God and faith without further wounding survivors of trauma. It explores the nature of exposure, traumatic response, processing, and recovery and its impact on constructive theology and pastoral leadership and care. Through the lenses of contemporary traumatology, somatics, and the Internal Family Systems model of psychotherapy, the text offers a framework for seeing trauma and its impact in the lives of individuals, communities, society, and within our own sacred texts. It argues that care of traumatic wounding must include all dimensions of the human person, including our spiritual practices, religious rituals and community participation, and theological thinking. As such, clergy and spiritual care professionals have an important role to play in the recovery of traumatic wounding and fostering of resiliency. This book explores how trauma-informed congregational leaders can facilitate resiliency and offers one way of thinking theologically in response to traumatizing abuses of relational power and our resources for restoration.



Jesus in Muslim-Christian Conversation

Authored By: Mark Beaumont

Pages: 242 ISBN: 978-93-86549-27-3 Price: \$ 29 Indian Price: INR 730.00

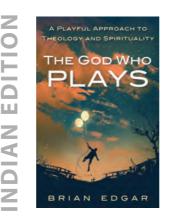
How can Muslims and Christians relate to each other when this figure from the past attracts them yet drives them apart? Jesus is the very center of the Christian faith, but for Muslims he is a faithful witness to God, who is central to Islam. In the twenty-first century, is it possible for Muslims and Christians to relate to each other around him?

This book is an attempt to bring together two representative voices from Muslim and Christian communities to talk about Jesus. Ibrahim is a Sunni Sufi Muslim who has studied Christianity and has been active as an academic in the Western world. Paul is an Evangelical Protestant who has lived in the Muslim world and has been engaged in teaching religious studies in the West. The conversation begins with the conception of Jesus and ends with his return from heaven and deals with his earthly work in between. His miraculous activity, his teaching, and the titles he has been given are considered in detail, and differences over the ending of Jesus' life are debated.

"Jesus in Muslim-Christian Conversation builds upon the classic genres of Christian Arabic theology by constructing a theoretical dialogue between a Muslim and a Christian. The result is an exchange that is as lucid and engaging as it is informative and carefully researched. Mark Beaumont is the perfect guide to help readers navigate this discussion of theological ideas, drawing his readers towards greater understanding around the person and work of Jesus in Christianity and Islam."

Charles Tieszen

SIS Adjunct Professor of Islamic Studies, Fuller Theological Seminary



The God Who Plays A Playful Approach to Theology and Spirituality

Authored By: Brian Edgar

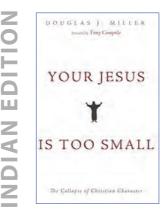
Pages: 142 ISBN: 978-93-86549-28-0 Price: \$ 21 Indian Price: INR 465.00

Many people would be surprised to hear that a playful attitude towards God and the world lies at the heart of Christian faith. Traditionally Christians have focused on the serious responsibilities of service, sacrifice, and commitment. But the prophets say that the future kingdom is full of people laughing and playing, which has implications for Christians who are called to live out the future kingdom in the present. Play is not trivial or secondary to work and service-only a playful way of living does justice to the seriousness of life! Play is the essential and ultimate form of relationship with God, which is why Jesus told people to learn from children. Indeed, a playful attitude is an important part of all significant relationships. This book explores grace, faith, love, worship, redemption, and the kingdom from the perspective of a playful attitude. It describes how to create a "play ethic" to match the "work ethic" and discusses play as a virtue, Aquinas's warning against the sin of not playing enough, and Bonhoeffer's claim that in a world of pain it is only the Christian who can truly play.

"Who would expect a theologically robust and illuminating argument for play as central to Christian life and theology? Brian Edgar provides this and more—an original, nuanced, and engaging book that challenges our assumptions and invites us to delight in, and to take seriously, the playful dimensions of spirituality, discipleship, relationships, and God's kingdom."

Christine D. Pohl

Professor, Asbury Theological Seminary



Your Jesus Is too Small The Collapse of Christian Character

Authored By: Douglas J. Miller

Pages: 190 ISBN: 978-93-86549-29-7 Price: \$ 22 Indian Price: INR 580.00

We can make Jesus look very small if we are not careful. Your Jesus Is Too Small explores how a trivialized Jesus contributes to a collapsed Christian moral character. The 2016 election exposed the truth that for many Christians character does not count, or is a very low priority. Eighty-one percent of white evangelicals voted for President Trump, not known as a man of high moral character. This collapse of character is especially troubling since Christians claim to seek after the mind and character of Jesus Christ. After noting how we belittle Jesus, this book explores ways we can exalt him, allowing his character traits to inform and then transform our hearts and minds. A credible Jesus also means that more tongues will confess him and more knees bow before him and that more people will desire his compassionate character.

"In this book, Doug Miller does the work of a prophet who comes with a sledgehammer to smash the false idols that we have constructed in place of the biblical Jesus. With the insights of an academic, but in the language of a typical layperson, he deconstructs the American Jesus in order to clear the way for us to encounter the true historical Jesus as revealed in Scripture."

Tony Campolo from the foreword

"I have just two words in response to this insightful book that alerts us to both the false gods of our culture and the actual Jesus of Scripture: 'Ouch' and 'Thanks.' This is a wonderful mirror for those brave enough to look into it."

Joel C. Hunter

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Strangers, Neighbors, Friends Muslim-Christian-Jewish Reflections on Compassion and Peace

Authored By: Kelly James Clark, Aziz Abu Sarah, NancyFuchs Kreimer

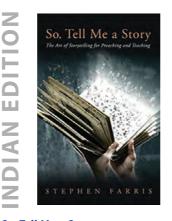
Pages: 230 ISBN: 978-93-86549-30-3 Price: \$ 28 Indian Price: INR 690.00

From 9/11 to Israel-Palestine to ISIS, the fear of the religious stranger is palpable. Conservative talk show hosts and liberal public intellectuals are united in blaming religion, usually Islam, for the world's instability. If religion is part of the problem, it can and should be part of the solution. Strangers, Neighbors, Friends—co-authored by a Muslim, a Christian, and a Jew—aims to inform and inspire Abraham's children that God calls us to extend our love beyond family and fellow believer to the stranger.

"These essays are like rays of light. They provide insight into the Abrahamic traditions, but more importantly, they illuminate the path to a common life together."

Eboo Patel

Author of Interfaith Leadership, President of Interfaith Youth Core



So, Tell Me a Story The Art of Storytelling for Preaching and Teaching

Authored By: Ralph P. Martin, Carl N. Toney

Pages: 194 ISBN: 978-93-86549-31-0 Price: \$ 25 Indian Price: INR 595.00

"Everyone loves a good story, and So Tell Me a Story offers wise counsel to preachers and teachers who want to improve their storytelling skills. Farris, an experienced and skilled speaker, provides instruction, encouragement, and advice on how to avoid pitfalls that face storytellers. The book moves beyond the realm of the how-to manual, however, with an extensive collection of stories and reflections on Christian life that will spiritually enrich both speakers and other readers.

"As those who preach, telling the stories of and about the storytelling savior, it is a joy to be able to turn for encouragement from a master storyteller himself. Stephen Farris not only reminds us how central these stories are to our life of faith and worship, but he also offers us wisdom and help to grow as storytellers ourselves. Warning: it is the rare homiletics resource that elicits both laughter and tears."

Lucy Lind Hogan

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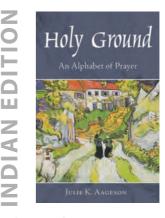
"I have listened, laughed, and teared up at these vividly communicated stories . . . Embedded in the way the stories are told is the imagination of the storyteller, deeply shaped by the gospel of Jesus Christ and wise in the deferral of all stories to the story."

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Thomas G. Long Candler School of Theology, Emory University



Holy Ground An Alphabet of Prayer

Authored By: Julie K. Aageson

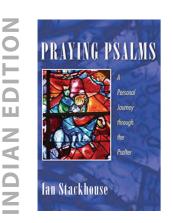
Pages: 130 ISBN: 978-93-86549-32-7 Price: \$ 18 Indian Price: INR 430.00

Too often we turn prayer into well-intentioned patterns of our own making. Too often we assume prayer is primarily about words. Sometimes there's an almost magical understanding that if we get the words right, if we trust enough or believe enough, God will "answer." But most of us know that God is not a divine magician or our own personal valet and that prayer is much more than our feeble attempts to make God pay attention to what God already knows. Using the alphabet as a template of descriptive words and actions, Holy Ground: An Alphabet of Prayer invites reflection about prayer as paying Attention, looking for Beauty, showing practicing Compassion, Devotion, celebrating Enthusiasm--all the way to the end of the alphabet and discovering Wonder, X as mystery, and Z as Zeal. These reflections will help readers experience prayer as a place, an action or attitude, a stance for recognizing and acknowledging God's presence in the midst of ordinary life--something like the sigh of the shoemaker, too busy to drop his worn shoes and kneel in disciplined prayer but not too busy to sigh his prayer of gratitude. Prayer is so much more than words.

"How do we invite people into practices of prayer that nourish and sustain? This exquisite little book invites readers into an open and generous space of wondering about prayer, encourages a diverse and wide range of ways of praying, and offers resources for going deeper into traditions which honor prayer."

Mary Hess

Professor of Educational Leadership, Luther Seminary



Praying Psalms A Personal Journey through the Psalter

Authored By: Ian Stackhouse

Pages: 172 ISBN: 978-93-86549-33-4 Price: \$ 22 Indian Price: INR 540.00

In Praying Psalms Ian Stackhouse offers daily reflections on all 150 psalms. In so doing, he seeks to alert the reader to the sheer emotional range of the Psalter in the hope that this will give courage to pray bold, honest prayers. Indeed, Praying Psalms is best used not as a commentary but a basic primer for anyone wanting to encounter the psalms in all their rawness and vitality. Whether in small groups settings or private prayer, and whether in sequence or in random selection, Praying Psalms is a confident reassertion of the central place of the Psalter in Christian spirituality.

"Passion. Joy. Anger. Wonder. Confusion. Rejection. Thankfulness. Pain. Awe. Worship. Wisdom. These are just some of the words conveyed by the psalms to those who read them thoughtfully. And Ian Stackhouse is a thoughtful reader and prayer. These bite-size reflections on all 150 psalms are just the thing to take us closer to God in wonder, joy, confusion, and whatever we are feeling. I highly recommend this book!"

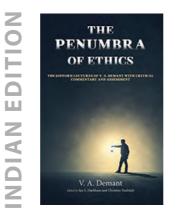
David M. Howard, Jr.

Professor of Old Testament, Bethel Seminary (Bethel University), St. Paul, Minnesota

"Praying Psalms is the work of a man who is as accomplished a biblical scholar and theologian as he is a pastor. But it is, above all, in the radical openness of his humanity to God that Stackhouse is able to take his readers by the hand and lead them along the great textual river that is the Psalter, and perhaps even across it."

Melissa Raphael

University of Gloucestershire, UK, and Leo Baeck College, London



The Penumbra of Ethics The Gifford Lectures of V. A. Demant with Critical Commentary and Assessment

Authored By: V. A. Demant Edited By: Ian S.Markham, Christine Faulstich

Pages: 358 ISBN: 978-93-86549-34-1 Price: \$ 41 Indian Price: INR 1020.00

Rev. Vigo Auguste Demant (1893-1983) was a significant theologian and social commentator of the first half of the twentieth century. This book contains his up-until-now unpublished Gifford Lectures, in which Demant provides cultural analysis as he attempts to address why humanity struggles so much with modernity and living in the contemporary world. The lectures have additional notes and commentary to make them comprehensible, since not all of them are complete. The first chapters set Demant in his context and the final section provides assessment of both his ideas and his impact. Although Demant died in 1983, his ideas continue to prove influential to thinkers and theologians today.

"This is a truly remarkable book, exploring and examining the work of Vigo Auguste Demant, one of the great Christian ethicists of the twentieth century. Markham and Faulstich have produced a scintillating text that leads us into the heart of and mind of a thinker who gave us a genuinely original Christian Sociology. They deserve enormous credit for this outstanding critical introduction to one of the most original thinkers in the field of theology and ethics."

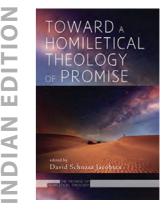
Martyn Percy

Dean of Christ Church, Oxford

"Vigo Demant is a figure undeservedly forgotten in current theology—despite his subterranean influence. The extensive introduction should make a new generation of theologians turn again to this important witness to the vibrant debates in British theological ethics during the latter half of the twentieth century."

Lewis Ayres

Professor of Catholic and Historical Theology, Durham University



Toward a Homiletical Theology of Promise

Edited By: David Schnasa Jacobsen

Pages: 140 ISBN: 978-93-86549-35-8 Price: \$ 19 Indian Price: INR 460.00

This volume gathers together leading homileticians to consider the breadth of its understanding today in light of the struggle to reconcile God's grace with God's justice. Assuming that promise is a core sense of the gospel, how does this relate to the variety of contexts in which homiletical theology is done? In this final volume in the series, six homileticians from a variety of contexts and perspectives try to move specifically toward a homiletical theology of promise as a way to articulate the central theological gift and task that is preaching the gospel today.

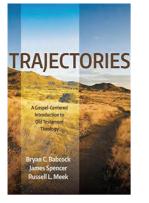
"These final six essays of the Promise of Homiletical Theology series proceed from the central conviction that any hope worth preaching proceeds from the world-transforming, justice-making promises of the God revealed in Jesus Christ, the crucified and risen Lord of God's new creation. Strikingly varied in their methodological approaches and rich in theological creativity, these writers urge hope-fueled preaching that is healing and prophetic, poetic and theologically discerning, accompanied by locally embodied, diverse, and hope-infused practices of worship and witness."

Sally A. Brown

Princeton Theological Seminary

"Each chapter of this compelling book teaches a vital aspect of the promissory nature of preaching: as a lure to new forms of human dwelling and action, as a unique way of liturgically embodying eschatology, as a key to homiletical genre, as God's unique way of acting and speaking in sermons, and as the way preaching becomes provisional good news in difficult situations. Highly recommended for all serious students of preaching."

John S. McClure Vanderbilt Divinity School NDIAN EDITION



Trajectories A Gospel-Centered Introduction to Old Testament Theology

Authored By: Bryan C. Babcock, James Spencer, Russell L. Meek

Pages: 278 ISBN: 978-93-86549-36-5 Price: \$ 33 Indian Price: INR 815.00

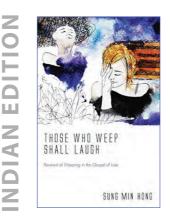
Trajectories meets an urgent need in both undergraduate and graduate study of the Old Testament. Too often Old Testament theology focuses on the end-product and leaves the process obscured. Each chapter of Trajectories provides a clear path connecting biblical research to theological conclusions. The final chapter offers a step-by-step method for completing a thorough hermeneutical analysis framed within a discussion of the gospel message. Trajectories also seeks to situate Old Testament theology in relation to global and generational trends influencing the church and evangelical theology. The implications of globalization and the rise of millennials on Old Testament theology are critical and thought-provoking topics for discussion.

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Richard S. Hess

Professor of Old Testament, Denver Seminary



Those Who Weep Shall Laugh Reversal of Weeping in the Gospel of Luke

Authored By: Sung Min Hong

Pages: 182 ISBN: 978-93-86549-37-2 Price: \$ 23 Indian Price: INR 570.00

Luke's presentation of the reversal of weeping is not limited to identifying it as a distinctive theme. There are narrative intentions and theological implications that Luke also targets. First, Luke wants to demonstrate concern for marginalized groups in society. He also shows how their fortunes are reversed by Jesus. Second, Luke portrays Jesus as the promised prophet, describing him as like Elijah and Jeremiah, but superior to them. Finally, Luke provides the reversal of weeping as a significant phenomenon of the kingdom of God, particularly to show that the presence of God's kingdom is inaugurated and realized in Jesus Christ.

"An excellent, detailed study on Luke, which helps to fit weeping and laughing and the blessings of Jesus into the larger theme of reversal and mercy in the kingdom of God."

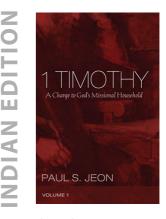
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"Hong has identified an important but often overlooked Lukan theme—the reversal of weeping. He provides sustained discussions of key texts, and helps the reader consider in fresh ways the nature of the kingdom of God in Luke, along with its implications today."

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1 **Timothy, Volume 1** A Charge to God's Missional Household

Authored By: Paul S. Jeon

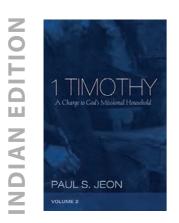
Pages: 248 ISBN: 978-93-86549-38-9 Price: \$ 70 Indian Price: INR 735.00

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1 Timothy, Volume 2 A Charge to God's Missional Household

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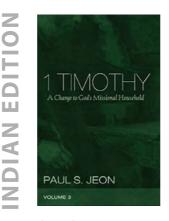
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"The second volume continues to provide a bountiful resource for reading 1 Timothy. Jeon unpacks rich theological insights through careful grammatical and lexical analysis which underscore the rhetorical structure and goals of 1 Timothy 3–4. Regardless of one's view on the letter's authenticity, Jeon's analysis provides ample material for pastors and students of 1 Timothy to engage anew the challenges early Christians found as members of God's household."

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1 Timothy, Volume 3 A Charge to God's Missional Household

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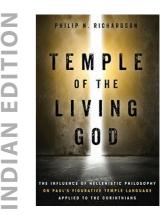
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"In the third volume of this commentary, Jeon concludes a detailed analysis of the grammar, structure, and theology of 1 Timothy 5–6. Like its previous volumes, the careful reading by way of performative structure will benefit scholars of this remarkable letter and preachers alike."

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Temple of the Living God The Influence of Hellenistic Philosophy on Paul's Figurative Temple Language Applied to the Corinthians

Authored By: Philip N. Richardson

Pages: 330 ISBN: 978-93-86549-41-9 Price: \$ 38 Indian Price: INR 945.00

provides a Philip N. Richardson comprehensive survey of figurative temple language in Hellenistic philosophy, shedding light on the way that the kinds of philosophical thought known in cities like Corinth may have influenced the Corinthians to think about figurative temple language. This study throws into sharp relief the similarities and differences between Paul's use of temple language and that of philosophy, and illuminates Paul's setting of this language in the wider framework of 1–2 Corinthians and his purpose for its use in the argument of the letters.

"Although others have rightly explored the Judean background of NT temple imagery, Richardson here fills an important gap by showing how a Diaspora audience would have conceptualized temple language . . . He establishes and maintains a consistent approach as he works through the ancient philosophic sources and, afterward, through key texts in the Corinthian correspondence."

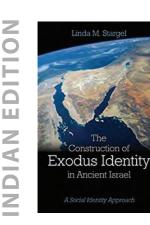
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"In this outstanding study, Philip Richardson brings fresh light to Paul's figurative temple language in the Corinthian correspondence by examining it in comparison with the surprisingly frequent use of such language in Graeco-Roman philosophy . . . Richardson's work reinforces the opinion that Paul was conversant with contemporary philosophical currents and capable of exploiting this knowledge for theological and pastoral purposes."

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The Construction of Exodus Identity in Ancient Israel A Social Identity Approach

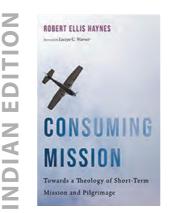
Authored By: Linda M. Stargel

Pages: 226 ISBN: 978-93-86549-42-6 Price: \$ 27 Indian Price: INR 680.00

How is collective identity, particularly the long-lasting kind, created and maintained? Many literary and biblical studies have demonstrated that shared stories often lie at the heart of it. This book examines the most repeated story of the Hebrew Bible-the exodus story-to see how it may have functioned to construct and reinforce an enduring collective identity in ancient Israel. A tool based on the principles of the social identity approach is created and used to expose identity construction at a rhetorical level. The author shows that exodus stories are characterized by recognizable language and narrative structures that invite ongoing collective identification.

"Over the past two decades, biblical interpretation employing a social identity approach has flourished and shows no signs of slowing down. Linda M. Stargel builds upon this rich tradition, combining the study of collective memory and social identity to present an exciting new approach to reading the exodus narratives. With both care and creativity, she describes the process of creating and maintaining a collective identity through powerful narrative rhetoric."

Matthew J. Marohl St. Olaf College



Consuming Mission Towards a Theology of Short-Term Mission and Pilgrimage

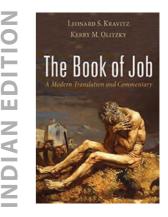
Authored By: Robert Ellis Haynes

Pages: 248 ISBN: 978-93-86549-43-3 Price: \$ 30 Indian Price: INR 735.00

Consuming Mission takes important steps in offering a theological assessment of the practice of STM and tools for subsequent mission training. Using relevant academic studies and original focus-group interviews, Haynes offers important insights into this ubiquitous practice. While carefully examining the biblical and historical foundations for mission, Consuming Mission engages more contemporary movements like the Missio Dei, Fresh Expressions, the Emergent Church, and Third-Wave Mission movements that have helped shape mission. The unique role of United Methodist mission is illustrated through its historical roots and contemporary expression in the ubiquitous STM movement in the United States. Haynes uses original field research data to gather the implicit and explicit theologies of lay and clergy participants. Cultural influences are significantly influencing STM participants as they use their time, money, sacrifice, and service, applied in the name of mission, to purchase a personal growth experience commonly sought by pilgrims. The resulting tensions from mixing mission, pilgrimage, and tourism creates are explored. Haynes offers important steps to move the practice away from using mission for personal edification.

"At last, a scholarly work that lays bare the realities of the mission trip industry—both the benefits and blemishes. Haynes leads us toward a much-needed foundation of mature theology to undergird this third wave of global missions. Excellent."

Robert Lupton Author of Toxic Charity



The Book of Job A Modern Translation and Commentary

Authored By: Leonard S. Kravitz, Kerry M. Olitzky

Pages: 272 ISBN: 978-93-86549-44-0 Price: \$ 33 Indian Price: INR 800.00

The book of Job is the most challenging-and most engaging-of all the books in the Hebrew Scriptures. It challenges one's faith in the essential goodness of God and humanity. In this volume, Rabbis Kravitz and Olitzky provide an original, modern translation and commentary while also inviting classic rabbinic commentators of the past to provide insight to the text. Along with helping the reader to understand the original Hebrew sources, the authors also strive to answer some of the basic answers of human existence posed by religion: Why is there evil? Why do the good suffer? Why do those who do evil seem to go unpunished? Are acts of goodness rewarded?

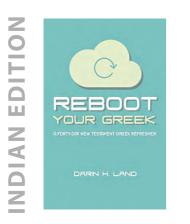
"The Book of Job confronts essential questions of being human: loss and grief, good and evil, and how human beings overcome life's significant challenges. This wise and beautiful book guides the reader through its intricacies, pausing along the way to teach profound lessons both loftily academic and deeply personal. It is a rare and lovely gift to bring ancient traditions to new life in such deeply meaningful and contemporary ways."

Aaron Panken

President, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion

"This is a remarkably accessible translation and commentary of the storied book of Job that has intrigued numerous generations of readers. Blending solid scholarship with insightful contemporary insights, this book is a must-have for anyone who is serious about their faith or just wants to learn more about the biblical notion of reward and punishment."

Kirk Smith Episcopal Bishop of Arizona



Reboot Your Greek A Forty-Day New Testament Greek Refresher

Authored By: Darin H. Land

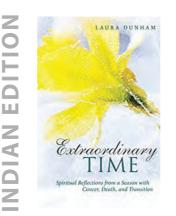
Pages: 150 ISBN: 978-93-86549-45-7 Price: \$ 20 Indian Price: INR 490.00

Reboot Your Greek: A Forty-Day New Testament Greek Refresher rekindles the reader's love of reading the Greek New Testament through a step-by-step presentation of basic concepts in easy-to-understand language. Designed to be read in fifteen minutes per day for forty days (thirty minutes per day, counting time for Greek exercises), Reboot Your Greek offers simple explanations of key topics necessary for reading the Greek New Testament with enjoyment. Vocabulary is reintroduced through exposure, not through memorization. The book also introduces helpful tools for maintaining а commitment to regular Greek reading. A glossary offers clear definitions of important terms, and appendices display essential paradigms.

"Reboot Your Greek is for me, and for all who took NT Greek classes in college or seminary . . . and who, upon graduation, promptly forgot most of the Greek once learned. Through gentle nudging, simple explanations, and touches of humor, Darin removes the barriers and provides a forty-day pathway to regain much of what was lost over time. I highly recommend this book!"

G. Roger Schoenhals College Prof and Retired Pastor

"Darin Land shows us in this book that rebooting knowledge of New Testament Greek need not be daunting. . . . In forty 'days' of 45–60 minutes each, Land helps readers reclaim all the hard work they did in Beginning Greek long ago. This book will be of interest to anyone who learned Greek in the past but lost it through the vagaries of life and ministry."



Extraordinary Time Spiritual Reflections from a Season with Cancer, Death, and Transition

Authored By: Laura Dunham

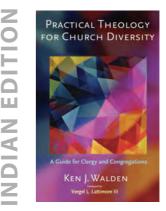
Pages: 144 ISBN: 978-93-86549-46-4 Price: \$ 20 Indian Price: INR 470.00

Extraordinary Time appeals to people who have suffered serious illness or traumatic loss and are seeking a hopeful approach to healing from trauma, pain, and grief. The author recounts her harrowing one-year experience with cancer and its aftermath, the death of her spouse, and a major life transition. Extraordinary Time illustrates how a person faces significant life changes with courage and recovers through drawing on the wellsprings of faith, the love and support of community, and the full resources of the Christian spiritual tradition, including the mystics and Communion of Saints. The great themes of suffering, healing, death, and the afterlife are explored from a spiritual teacher's deeply formed angle of vision through which a wide range of readers will find encouragement, consolation, and inspiration for dealing with their own extraordinary times.

"In Extraordinary Time, Laura Dunham invokes a scriptural question: What sort of person ought we to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness? Dunham's writing reveals her to be a person of uncommon humility and spiritual maturity. Yet the illness, love, loss, and change on which she reflects ground Dunham's insights in real life, making this a meaningful book for anyone seeking God in hard times. An extraordinary meditation on faith, highly recommended."

Rachel M. Srubas

Athor, pastor, Benedictine oblate



Practical Theology for Church Diversity A Guide for Clergy and Congregations

Authored By: Ken J. Walden

Pages: 146 ISBN: 978-81-87712-45-9 Price: \$ 20 Indian Price: INR 490.00

Cross-racial pastoral ministry and multicultural ministry are wonderfully complex endeavors. Practical Theology for Church Diversity suggests that they include a substantial amount of conversation, preparation, and prayer if they are to be done faithfully. Sacred spaces within Christian churches can have a meaningful witness through diversity in their particular locations.

This book skillfully informs, gently challenges, and respectfully questions some widespread components of church life along demographic lines. Most importantly, it focuses on pragmatic approaches to cross-cultural pastoral ministry and multicultural ministry for readers to utilize. All persons of faith, religious institutions, professors, seminarians, and others interested in church diversity on any level will find this book a valuable resource.

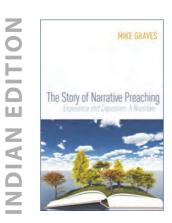
"Professor Walden is a gifted theoretician-practitioner. His theological analysis illuminates essential principles for effective engagement in cross-racial and multicultural ministry. His guidebook explores a spectrum ranging from prerequisite skills to advanced knowledge for teaching the beginning seminarian, as well as resourcing experienced pastors who have limited exposure to multicultural ministry. Walden forges a creative paradigm for ministry readiness in the twenty-first century."

Vergel L. Lattimore

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The Story of Narrative Preaching Experience and Exposition: A Narrative

Authored By: Mike Graves

Pages: 244 ISBN: 978-81-87712-47-3 Price: \$ 29 Indian Price: INR 690.00

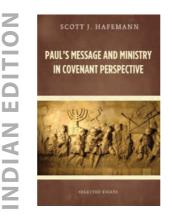
The Story of Narrative Preaching is the story of seven students who are enrolled in Professor Freeman's preaching course. Once a new trend, narrative preaching is now older than most of them. As Professor Freeman notes, two things went wrong with narrative styles: over time the church became biblically and theologically illiterate, and the promised stress on experience didn't always measure up to the weight of the gospel.

Readers are invited to sit in on the class, to reflect on the expositional nature of preaching and to experience the stories of some modern storytellers--Flannery O'Connor, Alice Walker, and others--to see what they might teach us about narratives of depth. In the end we discover what may be the most important word in preaching.

"Mike Graves, one of the most insightful and learned voices in the narrative world, begins this book with the story of his own coming to consciousness as a narrative preacher, and then tells the story of teaching a preaching class in which the class members engage literature, story, and narrative preaching....I did not want to put it down. This volume will be a welcome resource in preaching classes, clergy groups, and individual reading. You don't even have to be a preacher to be drawn into the story."

Ronald J. Allen

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Paul's Message and Ministry in Covenant Perspective Selected Essays

Authored By: Scott J. Hafemann

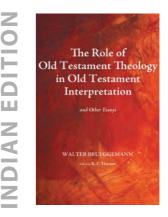
Pages: 228 ISBN: 978-81-87712-40-4 Price: \$ 28 Indian Price: INR 690.00

The essays presented here represent over twenty-five years of thinking about the theology and life of the Apostle Paul who, as a "slave of Jesus Christ" (Rom 1:1), was a "servant of the new covenant" with a "ministry of the Spirit" (2 Cor 3:6, 8). Taking the questions raised by the history of scholarship since F. C. Baur as their starting point, Hafemann's exegetical studies focus on how Paul's self-understanding shaped his message, the motivations of his ministry, and his consequent call to suffer for the sake of his churches. Hafemann's work reveals that Paul's views of redemption, of his own redemptive mission, and of the life of the redeemed derived from his eschatological conviction that the purpose of the new covenant realities inaugurated by the Christ is to prepare for their promised consummation when Christ returns to judge the world.

"What an important contribution Scott Hafemann has made through these penetrating essays, working together to demonstrate the cross-centered nature of Paul's life and proclamation of the gospel, demonstrating in concrete terms the power of God reflected in the weakness of the cross and in ministry marked by such 'foolishness' and 'weakness.' By making these essays more accessible to a wider readership this volume makes its own contribution to understanding this crucial aspect of Paul's message and ministry."

Roy E. Ciampa

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The Role of Old Testament Theology in Old Testament Interpretation And Other Essays

Authored By: Walter Brueggemann Edited By: K. C. Hanson

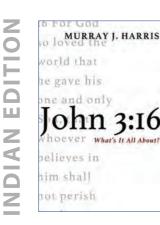
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This collection of essays is drawn from a series of previous collections to which the author has contributed that were designed to honor senior scholars in the discipline of Old Testament study. Each of these essays reflects a distinct intention depending on the nature of the original collection in which they appeared and the scholar who was being honored. Taken together, however, this collection amounts to an articulation of Brueggemann's distinctive approach to theological interpretation of the Old Testament. Already in his major volume Old Testament theology, on Brueggemann proposed a dynamism of tension, dispute, and contradiction as the text of ancient Israel sought to give voice to the mystery of God as a sustaining and disruptive agent in the life of the world. Over a long period of time, this collection reflects the author's growing clarity about the task of Old Testament theology. It further reflects on the nature of the biblical text and the way in which the God who inhabits the text runs beyond all of our attempts to define and explain.

"The present collection of essays by Walter Brueggemann, handily edited by K. C. Hanson, is most welcome. All of the essays originally appeared in Festschriften, which means they are often hard to locate or track down. Readers will be very happy, as am I, to have them gathered together in one place, especially since each essay, and the collection as a whole, is vintage Brueggemann."

-Brent A. Strawn

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John 3:16 What's It All About?

Authored By: Murray J. Harris

Pages: 54 ISBN: 978-81-87712-46-6 Price: \$ 10 Indian Price: INR 250.00

What is the most famous and influential sentence of all time? Was it spoken or written in Mandarin or German or English--or Greek? And who spoke or recorded this sentence? A case could be made that twenty-five words found in the third chapter of the Gospel of John in the New Testament of the Bible are history's most celebrated and powerful sentence. Writing for laypersons and specialists alike, in this little book Murray J. Harris, a specialist in Greek grammar, analyzes John 3:16 with the sort of care and precision that has marked his fruitful career in New Testament scholarship.

"John 3:16 is a key verse epitomizing the message of John's Gospel about God's love being demonstrated in the gift of his one and only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. Here is a wonderfully competent and penetrating analysis of this all-important verse and its invitation to all to believe and have eternal life in Christ. Warmly recommended!"

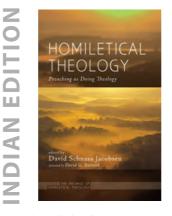
Andreas J. Köstenberger

Founder of Biblical Foundations, Senior Research Professor of New Testament and Biblical Theology, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina

"What a wonderful gem this little book is! Murray Harris, renowned for his mastery of the nuances of Greek grammar and exegesis, has produced an exposition of John 3:16 full of illuminating insights. Here is a model of edifying scholarship in the service of Christ and the church. Reading this book leaves one longing for more. We may hope that Harris will do the same for other key New Testament texts."

Donald A. Hagner

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Homiletical Theology Preaching as Doing Theology

Edited By: David Schnasa Jacobsen

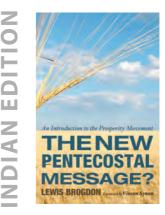
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Karl Barth famously argued that all theology is sermon preparation. But what if all sermon preparation is actually theology? This book pursues а thoroughgoing theological vision for the practice of preaching as a way of doing theology. The idea is not just that homiletics is the realm of theological application. That would leave preaching in the position of simply implementing a theology already arrived at. Instead, the vision in these pages is of a form of theology that begins with preaching itself: its practice, its theories, and its contexts. Homiletical theology is thus a unique way of doing theology--even a constructive theological task in its own right. Homiletician David Schnasa Jacobsen has assembled several of the leading lights of contemporary homiletics to help to see its task ever more deeply as theological, yet in profoundly diverse ways. Along the way, readers will not only discover how homileticians do theology homiletically, but will deepen the way in which they understand their own preaching as a theological task.

"In this important book, an all-star cast of homileticians explores a bold claim: preaching does not simply consume or use theology; preaching does theology in its own provisional, conversational mode. From diverse perspectives, the authors examine the constructive, practical, and methodological aspects of a homiletical theology. Along the way, they invite us to new perspectives on the nature of both theology and preaching."

Charles L. Campbell

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The New Pentecostal Message? An Introduction to the Prosperity Movement

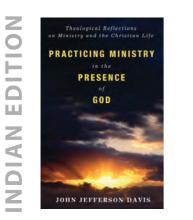
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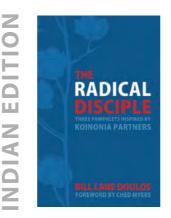
Pages: 130 ISBN: 978-81-87712-49-7 Price: \$ 18 Indian Price: INR 450.00

The prosperity movement has influenced millions of people in North America, Asia, Europe, South America, and Africa through Pentecostal, Charismatic and nondenominational preachers in some of the largest churches in the world. CNN, ABC, and Time magazine have examined the preachers and churches in this popular and controversial movement. Scholars and church leaders have studied it for more than two decades, producing dozens of books and articles on it. Considering the widespread popularity of the prosperity movement and the attention it is given by its critics, Brogdon asks, "Is prosperity preaching the new Pentecostal message?" In order to answer this question, one has to examine the prosperity movement as Pentecostal movement instead of a Word of Faith movement that is a revised form of New Thought metaphysics and Science Mind. Brogdon provides of an introduction to the prosperity movement as a Pentecostal movement. He asks important questions in the study of the prosperity movement, such as who popularized prosperity teaching, Oral Roberts or Ken Hagin? Do all Pentecostals agree with the prosperity doctrine? Is prosperity teaching good news to the poor? Has prosperity replaced the emphasis on the Holy Spirit? The answers may surprise you.

"This valiant and sympathetic overview of the Pentecostal prosperity movement will be of interest to anyone with a concern for how the gospel is preached to the poor."

Cheryl Sanders Professor of Christian Ethics, Howard University





Practicing Ministry in the Presence of God The Radical Disciple Theological Reflections on Ministry and the Christian LifeThree Pamphlets Inspired by Koinonia Partners

Authored By: John Jefferson Davis

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Practicing Ministry in the Presence of God presents a new paradigm for church ministry--one that is based on fundamental truths of the Christian faith such as the Trinity, union with Christ, and the "already" presence of the Holy Spirit in the church. This new paradigm can help busy pastors avoid "burnout" in the ministry and model Trinitarian, New Testament patterns of ministry to their people. Practicing Ministry in the Presence of God reflects the best of recent New Testament scholarship, sensitivity to the contexts of globalized postmodern cultures dominated by digital media, and practical applications for Christian life, discipleship, worship, and mission.

"Davis is one of the most important and influential theologians in today's evangelical world... This book is an excellent example of his profound insights into the practice of ministry and provides us with inspirational correctives to the prevalent ways of doing ministry. Practicing Ministry in the Presence of God is filled with invigorating lessons for integrative ministry... This is a must-read for every Christian minister."

Sung Wook Chung

Professor of Christian Theology, Denver Seminary

"Davis has set the table with a rich feast of theological expertise combined with genuine application to ministry. This set of essays will challenge, delight, and convict the reader. Settle in to a great theological meal here."

Jim Singleton

Associate Professor of Pastoral Leadership and Evangelism, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary Authored By: Bill Lane Doulos

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The Radical Disciple invites the followers of Christ to take seriously the scriptural mandate to love God and neighbor. The cost of contemporary discipleship is just as high now as it was in the early days of the Christian church. But the sharp edge of the gospel mandate has been watered down. The hard passages of the Bible have been ignored by a church that has become too comfortable with the economic and political status quo

"I strongly recommend The Radical Disciple to every person who senses how terribly addicted to greed and violence our society and the rest of the world is becoming, and yet refuses to give up hope! This book is especially important to all who recognize that Jesus confronted just such a world and that he taught and demonstrated exactly how we should respond to it. Bill Doulos writes eloquently and with passion about such things precisely because he himself has been putting those teachings into practice in dramatic, concrete ways for many years."

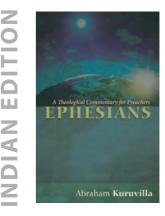
Don Mosley

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"In writing about faith, culture, justice, and power, Bill Doulos draws us to see ourselves and our neighbors differently. Jesus is among us, and he is in the midst of the silenced and often messy neighborhoods that are frequently marginalized by society's habits and the fears and addictions that too often accompany despair. Doulos believes we are invited to follow Jesus, and even though these essays were written in the 1970s they are clear and compelling today."

Mark Lau Branson

Homer Goddard Professor of the Laity, Fuller Theological Seminary; coauthor (with Juan Martinez) of Churches, Cultures and Leadership.



Ephesians A Theological Commentary for Preachers

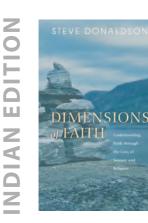
Authored By: Abraham Kuruvilla

Pages: 266 ISBN: 978-81-87712-53-4 Price: \$ 32 Indian Price: INR 600.00

Ephesians: A Theological Commentary for Preachers engages hermeneutics for preaching, employing theological exegesis that enables the preacher to utilize all the units of the Letter to craft effective sermons.

This commentary unpacks the crucial link between Scripture and application: the theology of each preaching text, that is, what the author is doing with what he is saying. Ephesians is divided into twelve preaching units and the theological focus of each is delineated. The overall theological trajectory or theme of the book deals with God's consummation of all things in the cosmos in Christ, and the role of the church in this grand and glorious divine operation. This theme is progressively developed in Ephesians, in each of the twelve passages. The specific theological thrust of each unit is captured in this commentary, making homiletical sequential possible a movement through each pericope of Ephesians.

While the primary goal of the commentary is to take the preacher from text to theology, it also provides two sermon outlines for each of the twelve preaching units of Ephesians. The unique approach of this work results in a theology-for-preaching commentary that promises to be useful for anyone teaching through Ephesians with an emphasis on application.



Dimensions of Faith Understanding Faith through the Lens of Science and Religion

Authored By: Steve Donaldson

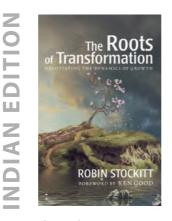
Pages: 300 ISBN: 978-81-87712-54-1 Price: \$ 36 Indian Price: INR900.00

In Dimensions of Faith, cognitive scientist Steve Donaldson takes readers on a journey from the world of assumptions, set minds, widely varying beliefs, and popular misconceptions to an understanding of the true essence and role of faith as the natural and inevitable product of brains. Using numerous illustrations and examples, Donaldson shows how faith is necessitated by a variety of unavoidable limitations, exposes the myth of a divide between faith and critical thinking, provides practical advice for crafting coherent beliefs, and explains why there can never be such a place as "Factland." Along the way he takes a special look at religious faith--evaluating its attributes, exploring its relation to other manifestations of faith, investigating whether God has done his job well enough to warrant the faith placed in him, and pondering how truth seekers can sometimes end up in very different places.

"There are as many definitions of 'faith' as there are people using the word. Whichever meaning you use, Dimensions of Faith will challenge and then deepen your faith as Donaldson lucidly demonstrates the congruence of faith and logical thought. This is the work of a thoughtful scholar who is both a Christian and a scientist."

Wilton Bunch

Professor of Philosophy, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama



Roots of Transformation Negotiating the Dynamics of Growth

Authored By: Robin Stockitt

Pages: 134 ISBN: 978-81-87712-55-8 Price: \$ 18 Indian Price: INR 450.00

The call towards transformation lies at the heart of the Christian message. It is a call to create something beautiful that bears all the hallmarks of the kingdom of heaven The journey towards transformation however is a demanding one, requiring us to engage in a process of negotiation with a number of key issues. These issues cluster around the themes of Narrative, Permission, Discomfort, Culture, Language, Other, and Silence. This book explores these themes in the company of brave individuals who have shared their own stories as well as some significant thinkers who have already left their mark on our world.

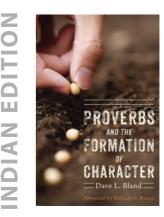
"Using sources as diverse as Augustine's and Ricouer's narrative theology, Wittgenstein and C. S. Lewis, Stockitt illuminates Scripture and Christian lives, from ancient times to the present. This accessible and engaging volume will be useful for pastors, preachers, and their congregations, as well as for others offering spiritual instruction to individuals and groups."

Ellen F. Davis

Amos Ragan Kearns Distinguished Professor, of Bible and Practical Theology, The Divinity School, Duke University

"This book addresses a problem at the heart of pastoral ministry: the dynamics of personal transformation. Interposing the stories of people who have exhibited significant transformation with perceptive theological, psychological, and philosophical analysis, Stockitt teases out how people are enabled to respond to God's call for their lives. I encourage everyone who works with people in a Christian context to read it."

The Right Reverend Dr. Robert Innes The Bishop of Gibraltar in Europe

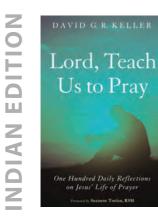


Proverbs and the Formation of Character

Authored By: Dave L. Bland

Pages: 202 ISBN: 978-81-87712-56-5 Price: \$ 25 Indian Price: INR 630.00

This book seeks to press the wisdom of Proverbs into active duty in the trenches of everyday life and put the principles of character formation in working clothes. The wisdom Proverbs describes is not designed to master life's challenges but to learn to manage them and adapt. In learning to adapt, individuals grow and mature spiritually. Relying on solid biblical scholarship, this book brings to the fore the neglected sentence literature in Proverbs 10-29 and the vital resources they contribute to the process of character formation. Contrary to popular opinion, the book of Proverbs, even though addressed to youth, is not a book solely for the young, but for those of all ages who desire to continue to grow personally and in their relationship with others and God. The wise in the book of Proverbs employ a plethora of resources to help train up young and old alike to grow into the character of God. Among others, these resources include the value of interacting with others, a healthy understanding of conflict, an appropriate wealth, perspective on а new appreciation for and reliance on the role of the neglected proverb in the education process, and the vital role of family and the faith community. Ultimately the whole process of character formation is founded upon one's relationship with God and the fear of the Lord.



Lord, Teach Us to Pray One Hundred Daily Reflections on Jesus' Life of Prayer

Authored By: David G. R. Keller

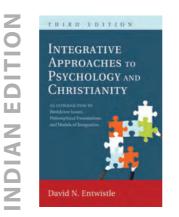
Pages: 276 ISBN: 978-81-87712-57-2 Price: \$ 33 Indian Price: INR 820.00

Although Jesus of Nazareth was a devout first-century Jew, in the twenty-first century he is often lost in the thickets of Christian theology, reflection on the wisdom of his words, and the busyness of church life. But Jesus is more than words about Jesus. What can we know about Jesus the Jew? What filled his daily life? Why did people come to him in great numbers? At a time in the church's life when "spiritual formation" has become a priority, it is rare to hear someone ask, "What was Jesus' spiritual formation like and how did it influence his life?" What can we learn from Jesus' life about spiritual formation, prayer, and our involvement in the needs of the world today? Using one hundred daily reflections, Lord, Teach Us to Pray enables readers to experience Jesus' prayer from the point of view of his Jewish life of prayer. Reflections explore Jesus' periods of quiet intimacy with his Abba, his commitment to Sabbath worship in synagogues, his participation in the great Jewish feasts at the Jerusalem temple, and the ways in which his life of prayer became the womb of his compassionate engagement with the poor, the ill, sinners, and the "unclean" in his society.

"This charming book is a well of spirituality. Keller . . . calls us back to the truth that Jesus had no degree, wrote no book, yet spoke heart to heart about God in a way that the disciples' hearts 'burned within them.' These one hundred scintillating meditations offer us Jesus the teacher on prayer: the church's first and last master of the ways of the Spirit."

Archpriest John A. McGuckin

Professor of Byzantine Christianity, Columbia University



Integrative Approaches to Psychology and Christianity, Third Edition An Introduction to Worldview Issues, Philosophical Foundations, and Models of Integration

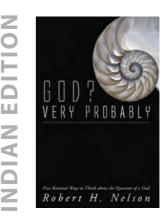
Authored By: David N. Entwistle

Pages: 384 ISBN: 978-81-87712-58-9 Price: \$ 44 Indian Price: INR 1100.00

Professor David Entwistle's Integrative Approaches to Psychology and Christianity is now available in a fully revised 3rd edition. Changes and additions have made throughout this unique volume, including:

- * 42 additional pages
- * expanded list of models discussed
- * more questions for discussions, and
- * an updated bibliography.

As disciplines, psychology and theology share an overlapping interest in the nature and functioning of human beings. This book provides an introduction to many of the worldview issues and philosophical foundations that frame the relationship of psychology and theology, includes scholarly reflection on the integration literature, and surveys five paradigms of possible relationships between psychology and Christianity. The book is designed to help readers become aware of the presuppositional backdrops that each of us brings to these issues, and to understand various approaches for relating psychology and Christianity as partly based on presuppositional assumptions. Questions at the end of each chapter are included to help readers evaluate both the material and their own burgeoning approach to integration. This book is ideal as a textbook for students of psychology and other behavioral and social sciences (social work, sociology, theology, counseling, pastoral counseling) at both the graduate and undergraduate level. It is also written for the broader readership of psychologists, counselors, pastors, and others who are interested in integration.



God? Very Probably Five Rational Ways to Think about the Question of a God

Authored By: Robert H. Nelson

Pages: 322 ISBN: 978-81-87712-59-6 Price: \$ 38 Indian Price: INR 935.00

In recent years, a number of works have appeared with important implications for the age-old question of the existence of a god. These writings, many of which are not by theologians, strengthen the rational case for the existence of a god, even as this god may not be exactly the Christian God of history. This book brings together for the first time such recent diverse contributions from fields such as physics, the philosophy of human consciousness, evolutionary biology, mathematics, the history of religion, and theology. Based on such new materials as well as older ones from the twentieth century, it develops five rational arguments that point strongly to the (very probable) existence of a god. They do not make use of the scientific method, which is inapplicable to the question of a god. Rather, they are in an older tradition of rational argument dating back at least to the ancient Greeks. For those who are already believers, the book will offer additional rational reasons that may strengthen their belief. Those who do not believe in the existence of a god at present will encounter new rational arguments that may cause them to reconsider their opinion.

"In God? Very Probably, Nelson makes the most compelling, challenging, comprehensive, and consequential analysis of how and why the advocates of the 'new atheism' have built their cases on unscientific grounds."

Max L. Stackhouse

Rimmer and Ruth de Vries Professor of Reformed Theology and Public Life Emeritus, Princeton Theological Seminary **INDIAN EDITION**



Does God Have a Strategy? A Dialogue

Authored By: Phillip Cary, Jean-Francois Phelizon

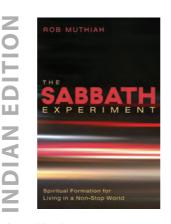
Pages: 180 ISBN: 978-81-87712-60-2 Price: \$ 23 Indian Price: INR 575.00

A philosopher and a business leader have a friendly debate about whether it makes sense to speak of God having a strategy for the human race. What might a divine strategy look like, in light of the biblical portrait of God and the historical record of religions that claim to carry out God's strategy? With so much violence in our religious history, can there be a divine strategy of peace rather than war--where our religions do not strategize to defeat their enemies but to bless them? In other words, could God have a strategy that overcomes rather than continues the legacy of Cain and Abel? If so, to what future might it point us?

"This provocative book, fully available in English here for the first time, regards God as a grand strategist who seeks to defeat those antagonistic to his scheme for human well-being, that his goal for the blessing of creation might succeed. The format of the book itself illustrates the challenge that God faces in dealing with recalcitrant antagonists who resent God's way for them. It is an exchange of letter between two interlocutors who want to forge a strategy for remaining friends although disagreeing on first principles. And so the message plays out on two levels. Their strategy for getting antagonists to converse civilly is to join together to uncover God's odd strategy for leading resistant people to blessing against their own inclinations."

Ellen T. Charry

Princeton Theological Seminary



The Sabbath Experiment Spiritual Formation for Living in a Non-Stop World

Authored By: Robert A. Muthiah

Pages: 118 ISBN: 978-81-87712-61-9 Price: \$ 15 Indian Price: INR 420.00

Are you are a busy Christian trying to navigate the demands and values of a culture moving at hyper speed? Then this book is for you. This is a book for those who long for something more . . . or something less. Sabbath spirituality attends to that longing.

Throughout this book you will be invited to ponder and embrace specific weekly choices in relation to a rich understanding of Sabbath. From these choices emerges a Sabbath spirituality that comes to wonderfully color the other six days of the week as well.

"The Sabbath Experiment invites readers to discover the place Sabbath can have in contemporary culture. Claiming Sabbath-keeping is both a discipline and a gift, Muthiah opens up this countercultural practice biblically, historically, theoretically, and personally. Each chapter elegantly articulates one aspect of the practice while offering the opportunity to slow down and reflect on one's life. This book is accessible, well-written, practical, and a gift to the church."

Terri Elton

Associate Professor of Leadership, Luther Seminary; Secretary/Treasurer, Academy of Religious Leadership, Journal of Religious Leadership

"Muthiah lures us into experiments, Bible narratives, personal reflections, and church conversations so that we can be disciplined into freedom and freed into new capacities for contentment, generosity, and love."

Mark Lau Branson

Homer Goddard Professor of Ministry of the Laity at Fuller Theological Seminary; author of Memories, Hopes and Conversations and (with Juan Martinez) Churches, Cultures and Leadership



Vital Truth The Convictions of the Christian Community

Authored By: Nigel G. Wright

Pages: 270 ISBN: 978-81-87712-62-6 Price: \$ 32 Indian Price: INR 800.00

In this book Nigel Wright brings together the two concerns that have defined his ministry: the formation of healthy congregational life on the one side, and the considered articulation of Christian convictions on the other. In the belief that these two concerns are intimately related, he sets out the range of Christian convictions in a way intended to be accessible to church members who wish clarify deepen to and their understanding. The book is rooted in the belief that the resurrection of Christ is the central reality out of which all other Christian convictions emerge. Beginning at this point and in the belief that Christ is present in the community of believers, the book then explores Christian convictions about God, Christology, creation, salvation, election, evil. eschatology, and witness to the world.

"Nigel has a real gift for exploring profound theological truth in a very readable way. I have found that his books inspire, challenge, and develop my thinking and practice as a Christian leader, and so I am delighted to commend this latest book to you."

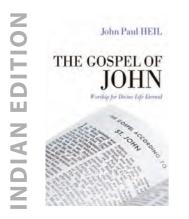
Lynn Green

General Secretary, Baptist Union of Great Britain

"In a day when many Christians have a hazy grasp of their faith, Nigel Wright's Vital Truth comes as a timely corrective. Written with commendable clarity, it succinctly and accessibly explores the core convictions of Christianity. It is persuasive, winsome, and readable. Chapters are short enough to be savored and provide excellent material for small group study. Definitely a book to get hold of."

Brian Harris

Principal, Vose Seminary, Perth, Australia



The Gospel of John Worship for Divine Life Eternal

Authored By: John Paul Heil

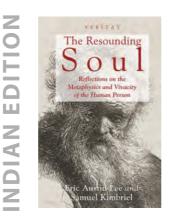
Pages: 204 ISBN: 978-81-87712-63-3 Price: \$ 25 Indian Price: INR 635.00

The Gospel of John has been examined from many different perspectives, but a comprehensive treatment of the theme of worship in this Gospel has not yet appeared. John Paul Heil offers a contribution toward a remedy of this deficiency by analyzing the entire Gospel of John from the perspective of its various dimensions of worship. The aim is to illustrate that three different but dimensions complementary of worship--confessional, sacramental, and ethical--dominate this Gospel. Indeed, these different types of worship represent the ways one expresses and demonstrates the faith that includes having divine life eternal, which is the stated purpose for writing the signs Jesus did in this Gospel--"that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that, believing, you may have life in his name" (John 20:31).

"This engaging and very accessible work draws the reader deeply into the Gospel of John through the trajectory of the hitherto neglected motif of worship. Carefully distinguishing three dimensions of worship (the confessional, the sacramental, and the ethical) John Paul Heil convincingly shows the motif to be so pervasive in the gospel as to render the entire document an invitation to a life-giving worship of God in, with, and through Jesus."

Brendan Byrne

Emeritus Professor of New Testament, University of Divinity, Melbourne

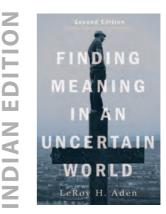


The Resounding Soul Reflections on the Metaphysics and Vivacity of the Human Person

Authored By: Eric Austin Lee, Samuel Kimbriel

Pages: 424 ISBN: 978-81-87712-64-0 Price: \$ 49 Indian Price: INR 1200.00

It is surely not coincidental that the term "soul" should mean not only the center of a creature's life and consciousness, but also a thing or action characterized by intense vivacity ("that bike's got soul!"). It also seems far from coincidental that the same contemporary academic discussions that have largely cast aside the language of "soul" in their quest to define the character of human mental life should themselves be so--how to say it?--bloodless, so lacking in soul. This volume arises from the opposite premise, namely that the task of understanding human nature is bound up with and in important respects dependent upon the more critical task of learning to be fully human, of learning to have soul. The papers collected here are derived from a conference in Oxford sponsored by the Centre of Theology and Philosophy and together explore the often surprising landscape that emerges when human consciousness is approached from this angle. Drawing upon literary, philosophical, theological, historical, and musical modes of analysis, the essays of this volume vividly remind the reader of the power of the ancient against language of soul over contemporary impulses to reduce, fragment, and overly determine human selfhood.



Finding Meaning in an Uncertain World, Second Edition With an Adult Ministry Study Guide

Authored By: LeRoy H. Aden

Pages: 134 ISBN: 978-81-87712-65-7 Price: \$ 16 Indian Price: INR 460.00

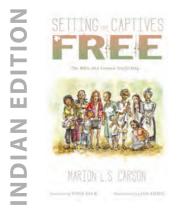
All of us have a desire to live, not in the simple sense of merely surviving, but in the more profound sense of living with purpose and meaning. But we are not born into a ready-made world filled with meaning. We must find and live the meaning that is ours in the life we have been given. Using personal stories and clinical cases, this book deals with the human and the spiritual side of our search for meaning, and it seeks to help us move toward a more fulfilled life.

"Aden's new volume epitomizes a crucial facet of human experience throughout the life cycle: our quest for meaning.... Our ultimate sense of meaning is derived from our trust in God's compassion for us, most graphically epitomized in Christ. Aden's classic style as pastoral theologian and psychologist pervades his prose and reminds us of his previous work on the pain and benefits of good grief. This book is for the devoted layperson, who will find it inviting and instructive."

J. Harold Ellens University of Michigan

"An introduction tying together Ecclesiastes, Viktor Frankl, and Harry Chapin assures you are in for no trite treatise about aging, suffering, and death. With courage and humility, Aden addresses the essential struggle to find meaning and purpose in a world that dismisses the suffering and aged as either insignificant or terrifying. Drawing on popular theology but always relating back to Scripture, he points to truth: we must live fully even in the dark valley."

Dolores Puterbaugh Troy University



Setting the Captives Free The Bible and Human Trafficking

Authored By: Marion L. S. Carson

Pages: 122 ISBN: 978-81-87712-66-4 Price: \$ 17 Indian Price: INR 430.00

In this book Carson sets out to answer the question, what does the Bible say about human trafficking? Aimed at Christian anti-trafficking activists and church groups, the book offers an overview of the biblical material on slavery and the sex trade. Acknowledging that there is a difference between the biblical worldview and most Christians today with regard to slavery, it suggests that we can learn much from the Abolitionists of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Following their example, it reads the biblical text through the lens of the law of love. Each chapter provides study questions and is illustrated throughout.

"If you are a Christian and engaged in the issues of human trafficking and prostitution, this is a book you will want to read. Marion Carson is thorough in her theological reflection to expose attitudes that contribute to the suffering of those enslaved, and to leading us through the biblical lens to a hatred of injustice and exploitation. It is a powerful read."

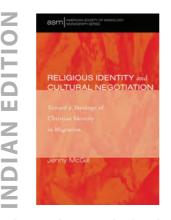
Nancy Murphy

Executive Director, Therapist, Educator, Northwest Family Life Learning & Counseling

"If believers want to eliminate modern-day slavery, they should begin by reading this book. No other book so thoroughly examines the Biblical texts dealing with human trafficking and prostitution. It is the result of years of rigorous theological research--and ministry with victims. It challenges Jesus-followers to look at an ugly issue through God's eyes--and then never see someone in prostitution the same way again."

Lauran Bethell

International Consultant, Issues of Human Trafficking/Prostitution, International Ministries ABC/USA, Founder, International Christian Alliance on Prostitution (ICAP)



Religious Identity and Cultural Negotiation Toward a Theology of Christian Identity in Migration

Authored By: Jenny McGill

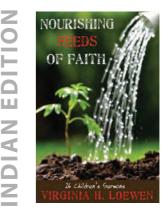
Pages: 286 ISBN: 978-81-87712-67-1 Price: \$34 Indian Price: INR 845.00

Given increasing global migration and the importance of positive cross-cultural relations across national borders, this book offers an interdisciplinary and intercultural exploration of identity formation. It uniquely draws from theology, psychology, and sociology--engaging narrative and identity theories, migration and identity studies, and the theologies of identity and migration--and builds on them in an unprecedented study of international migrants to construct an initial theology of Christian identity in migration. New sociological research describes the social construction of religious, ethnic, and national identities among non-North American evangelical graduates who entered the United States to pursue advanced academic studies from 1983 to 2013. It provides an intercultural account of Christian identity formation in the context of migration, transnationalism, and globalization. It ultimately argues that an integral component of Christian identity-making involves the concept of migration, of movement, toward a transformation.

"Religious Identity and Cultural Negotiation is an invitation to a practical theology of Christian identity in the context of global migration and higher education--a compelling synthesis of theological reflection and social science."

Roman R. Williams

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Calvin College



Nourishing Seeds of Faith 26 Children's Sermons

Authored By: Virginia H. Loewen

Pages: 96 ISBN: 978-81-87712-68-8 Price: \$ 15 Indian Price: INR 360.00

Nourishing Seeds of Faith is an interdenominational collection of mini-sermons that teach fourto eight-year-olds in worship services about God and how God wants them to live. Fun activities and simple language that children understand show pastors, laity, and home-schoolers ways to attract children and hold their attention. Beginning with Advent, the messages follow the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Interspersed throughout the book are topics appropriate for seasonal and secular holidays as well. Each five- to ten-minute sermon includes its theme, Scripture reference, preparation tips, and a prayer. "Stretching Further" presents ideas for extending the teaching and involvement of the listeners.

"Virginia Loewen has opened the world of God's love to children in remarkable tender stories of faith and truth, all coupled with life lessons that are timeless. Parents and congregations alike will find these stories, Bible passages, and prayers to be formative and supportive for years to come."

G. Edwin Zeiders

Principal and Senior Consultant, Dimensions4 Coaching and Consulting Services; Retired United Methodist Pastor

"I am decades past childhood, yet these lessons enthrall me. By using Loewen's book, any motivated adult can tap into her expertise in engaging children with biblical truth and helping them retain it."

Laurel West

Journalist, Author, and Editor

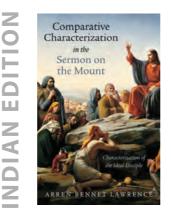


Spirit Freedom and Power Changes in Pentecostal Spirituality

Authored By: Angelo Ulisse Cettolin

Pages: 150 ISBN: 978-81-87712-69-5 Price: \$ 20 Indian Price: INR 495.00

The Pentecostal movement emerged at the turn of the twentieth century emphasizing the need for Christians to have a powerful experience of the Holy Spirit. It advocated the return to a pristine early Spirituality in which empowerment by the Spirit was essential. Recently Pentecostal and Charismatic movements are playing down the classic expressions and moving towards more mainline approaches. As church movements develop they become more structured, less spontaneous and more routine. But is this always inevitable? The author explores a contemporary Pentecostal movement to discover whether a radical spirituality still can effectively interface with a complex twenty-first century world. This insightful research finds a Pentecostal spirituality that is flexible, adaptive and innovative and despite humble origins now is making inroads into the middle class. While tensions over charismatic freedom remain, the developing organizational structure is facilitating significant growth. Valuable lessons for Christians of all persuasions are found and some creative theological developments are suggested for church structure and for expanding traditional understandings of "baptism in the Holy Spirit."



Comparative Characterization in the Sermon on the Mount Characterization of the Ideal Disciple

Authored By: Arren Bennet Lawrence

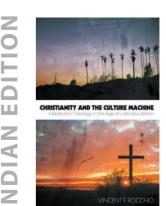
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The Sermon on the Mount contains many comparisons. In this book, the functions of these comparisons are studied by the methodology called comparative characterization. Characterization is the way a character is characterized in a narrative. Comparative characterization is the characterization of a character using comparisons. In comparative characterization, another character is used as a foil to bring out a characteristic trait of a concerned character. Jesus characterized the ideal disciple in the Sermon on the Mount with many descriptions and imperatives. То characterize the ideal disciple Jesus used many comparisons and highlighted the characteristic features that embody the ideal disciple.

"Bennet Arren Lawrence uses literary, narrative, and comparative characterization methods at their best in his analysis of the Sermon on the Mount. After establishing a deeper knowledge about the teaching of Jesus, he endeavors to foreground the ideal disciple embedded within the narrative framework of the text. The author explores some of the noteworthy narrative aspects such as imperatival characterization, showing and telling techniques, rhetorical underpinnings, and thesis and antithesis contrast. I highly recommend this book."

Johnson Thomaskutty

Associate Professor of New Testament, Union Biblical Seminary, Pune, India

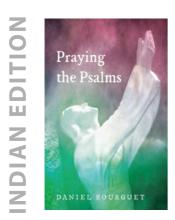


Christianity and the Culture Machine Media and Theology in the Age of Late Secularism

Authored By: Vincent F. Rocchio

Pages: 328 ISBN: 978-81-87712-82-4 Price: \$ 38 Indian Price: INR 955.00

Christianity and the Culture Machine is a precedent-shattering approach to combining theories of media and culture with theology. In this intensive examination of Christianity's role in the cultural marketplace, the author argues that Christianity's inability to effectively contest the ideology of secular humanism is not a theological shortcoming, but rather a communications problem: the institutional church is too wedded to an outmoded aesthetic of Christianity to communicate effectively. Privileging authority and obedience over the egalitarian and transformative goal of Christianity, the church fails to recognize how it undermines the vitality of the Christian narrative and message. In the absence of a more compelling vision offered by the official church, a new aesthetic can be found forming within the margins of popular culture texts. Despite its past failures in representing the Bible in mainstream film and television, the culture industry now offers more compelling versions of core Christian theology without even realizing it--within the margins of the main storylines. This book analyzes the aesthetic principles employed by these appropriations and articulations of Christian discourse as a means of theorizing what a new aesthetic of Christianity might look like.



Praying the Psalms

Authored By: Daniel Bourguet

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The author, Daniel Bourguet, addresses readers as a friend on a potentially difficult pathway along which we need to proceed one step at a time. We have to know exactly where we are since it is easy to lose our way, but we discover and are led through 150 doorways into a marvelous edifice. This is no scholarly discussion of prayer but a steady progress towards prayer from a pure heart.

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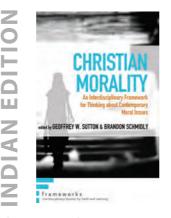
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Jean Vanier

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Christian Morality

An Interdisciplinary Framework for Thinking about Contemporary Moral Issues

Edited By: Geoffrey W. Sutton, Brandon Schmidly

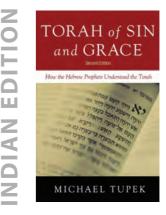
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Should society care about Christian morality? Are Christians out of touch with complex moral decision-making? This book provides readers with a framework for identifying and applying Christian moral principles to divisive issues. First, readers learn of the theological and philosophical foundations of Christian ethics. Two additional chapters explain how personal and social factors influence our capacity to think critically and Christianly about morality. Second, readers will learn about forming Christian moral judgments by seeing how different thinkers address six contemporary moral issues: abortion, same-sex relationships, equal treatment of men and women in the workplace, sex education, and racial bias in incarceration polices.

"As a rhetorician, I repeat often to students that 'how we talk about things matters.' What Sutton and Schmidly have provided in this text is an admonition to readers that how we think about things matters. Drawing from both the philosophical and psychological study of morality, the editors and contributors challenge the reader to consider how we think about morality, but also how to apply a moral framework to the issues and situations that we encounter in our homes, churches, and society. How we talk about these issues and moments matters, but if we are to speak in a way that allows us to demonstrate real influence we must first consider the thought with which we engage to formulate our response. This is a book that is both meaningful and accessible to the scholar, pastor, and lay person alike and a must-read for anyone who seeks to speak into the world as a voice of redemption."

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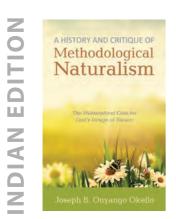
Torah of Sin and Grace, Second Edition How the Hebrew Prophets Understood the Torah

Authored By: Michael Tupek

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The role of the Torah is poorly understood within the religious communities of both Judaism and Christianity, but with varying causes. Its use in biblical salvation history is much more than the foundational text for Israelite existence, covenant, and stipulation. "Torah" is the Hebrew word for instruction, not law, and this sacred document contains, not only the well-known Abrahamic covenant of grace, but two core lessons: the serious nature of sin and the fearful necessity of transforming grace.

Torah of Sin and Grace provides a fresh, honest, and careful examination of both the Torah and the relevant prophetic portions of the later Hebrew Bible, which will reveal the fact that the biblical writers themselves had a larger understanding of the role of the Torah, and that this understanding always incorporated the recognition of the failed Israelite covenant, resulting in the core lessons concerning the sinfulness of man and the supernatural grace that rescues him. Much of the book discusses the unfolding of this glorious rescuing grace for both Jew and Gentile, including the "new things" revealed by the prophets such as the new covenant, the Suffering Servant, the ingathering of the Gentiles, and the future of Israel and their land.



A History and Critique of Methodological Naturalism The Philosophical Case for God's Design of Nature

Authored By: Joseph B. Onyango Okello

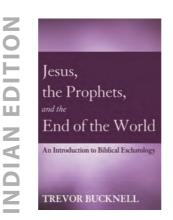
Pages: 246 ISBN: 978-81-87712-74-9 **Price:** \$ 30 Indian Price: INR 745.00

Methodological naturalism is the thesis that only natural features can be factored into any legitimate explanation. Moreover, the thesis contends, any attempt to explain natural phenomena by appealing to supernatural features is unscientific and, therefore, illegitimate. This book argues that nothing inherently problematic afflicts possible appeals to supernatural agency in the attempt to explain select phenomena in nature. Reputable philosophers of the ancient and medieval periods, as well as prominent scientists of the early modern era, invoked supernatural agency in their attempts to understand nature. For them, miraculous interventions in nature by a supernatural agent were not unreasonable. However, the super-naturalistic worldview has been replaced by methodological naturalism. The assumptions of two pivotal figures--David Hume and Charles Darwin--brought about this change. This book shows that this change was motivated by unscientific means. Hence, the change itself remains inconsistent with the assumptions of methodological naturalism.

"Dr. Joseph Okello's presentation on the history and critique of naturalism reflects the clarity of his thinking and the convincing logic of his argument that an unqualified naturalism fails to embrace the larger and more rational comprehension of nature. ...this book shows that naturalism fails to account for a more inclusive vision of reality and its larger relational context."

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Jesus, the Prophets, and the End of the World Through New Eyes An Introduction to Biblical Eschatology

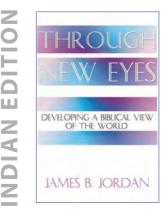
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The Old Testament prophets and their writings were hugely instrumental in the formation of the second temple eschatology, so an appreciation of the Old Testament prophetic literature greatly helps us in understanding the life and ministry of Jesus and the rationale of the early church. Israel's story of divine election lay at the core of their identity as nation and people, constantly а reinforced in the religious practices and rituals that made up their lives. That story, by the time of Jesus, was heavily influenced by the eschatological expectations created by the prophets. The people of Israel expected, looked for, and waited for God's intervention in their history and in their lives once again as he had intervened in the past.

The eschatological message of the prophets focused on two themes, the kingdom of God and the day of the Lord. The first theme largely found its fulfillment in the coming of Jesus and the birth of the church, though it awaits his return for its culmination. The book of Revelation presents an unfolding of the second theme, the day of the Lord. This forms the common theme in the prophets of God's final and culminating act of righteousness and justice in this age.

"Trevor's teaching gift has been a blessing to many and I'm sure through this new book you will also be blessed. This book is a fresh look at the prophetic scriptures. Trevor shares his informative insight and using his skills as a teacher he brings us to a new understanding and deeper appreciation of the word of God. There is much here to bless and inspire."



Developing a Biblical View of the World

Authored By: James B. Jordan

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Idolatry. It's been a problem with man for a long time. And, as witnessed by the first two commandments delivered to Moses on Sinai, God is serious about confronting it.

According to Dr. Herbert Schlossberg in his bestselling book, IDOLS FOR DESTRUCTION, all idols fall into two general categories: Idols of nature and Idols of history. Picking up where Dr. Schlossberg leaves off, James Jordan believes that since idolatry stands between God and His people, Christians must have a Biblical view of nature, and a Biblical view of history.

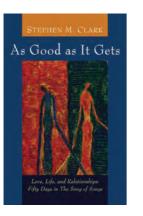
THROUGH NEW EYES demonstrates that nature was designed and created as a revelation of God. Only if we allow nature to point us to the Creator can we avoid idolatry. Jordan discusses the design of the world as a whole - as well as rocks, stars, plants, animals, and humanity demonstrating how it shows forth the nature of the Creator.

History is also designed and managed by God. Jordan discusses the Biblical view of history, exhibiting that God superintends history so that events of the past shed light on events of the future. "Only with such an understanding of history," contends Jordan, "can we draw legitimate analogies from the Bible to our time.

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As Good as It Gets Love, Life, and Relationships: Fifty Days in The Song of Songs

Authored By: Stephen M. Clark

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Of all the famous books ever written, The Song of Songs has been designated as the finest ever produced or ever to be read on the subject of finding love, developing relationships, and experiencing life. Its title, The Song of Songs, is a superlative, an almost exaggerated expression of praise, which insists that this book is "the best of the best."

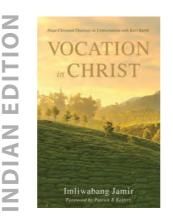
Designed to be read over fifty days, As Good as It Gets takes the reader through this greatest of love songs, delighting in its beauty and exploring its passion while discovering its insights into aspects of love and life such as praise, intimacy, affirmation, identity, insecurity, community, friendship, transformation, disruption, resolution, restlessness, rapture, confidence, dignity, disclosure, and freedom.

In the end the reader will discover much more than a manual on relationships or even what it takes to live a passionate and purposeful life. While remaining entirely honest about the realities of life, love, and relationships, The Song retains the remarkable ability to bring us into a life that is filled with joy and grace, beauty, and poetry.

"As Good as It Gets doesn't get any better. Stephen Clark's new book based on the Bible's ultimate love story, Song of Songs, is an opera without the tragedy. Who says love and passion are pleasures to feel guilty about, in Stephen Clark's beautiful written and heart-felt rendering, they are pleasures that go to the very core of love: God's love."

David Dewey

Painter, Professor Emeritus



Vocation in Christ Naga Christian Theology in Conversation with Karl Barth

Authored By: Imliwabang Jamir

Pages: 272 ISBN: 978-93-86549-17-4 Price: \$ 33 Indian Price: INR 810.00

Karl Barth (1886-1968), as a young Swiss pastor in Safenwil, struggled to make an organic connection between "the newspaper [contemporary sociopolitical events] and the New Testament." When he discovered "a strange new world of God within the Bible," God became the subject matter for renewing and transforming the world. This discovery helped Barth to integrate the world into his interpretation of the Bible and also impacted his theology of Christian vocation as divine summons to God's special freedom and obedience.

Vocation in Christ examines the theology of vocation and reading Scripture among the Naga Christians in northeastern India, in conversation with Barth's theology of vocation. Social-scientific research is employed on congregations and Bible study groups to explore how the Naga Christians understand vocation Scripture in light of their and sociopolitical and religious context. This book serves as an introduction for Western readers of how vocation is understood from an Asian perspective and emphasizes the theme of vocation as Christian witness without accommodating to worldly values. It readdresses Barth's theology of vocation, which calls for a revitalization of Christian vocation in our contemporary situation. The primary claim of this book is that vocation is God's calling to obedience, and devotion to the love of God is reciprocal to the love of neighbor.



Did He Say That? The Difficult Words of Jesus

Authored By: Charles Sigel, Mitchell B. Mackinem

Pages: 106 ISBN: 978-81-87712-72-5 Price: \$ 15 Indian Price: INR 385.00

This book explores some of the "difficult" sayings of Jesus. They are "hard" sayings because through the centuries these sayings challenge the church and continue to challenge us. This study explores both how the church through its history has handled these sayings and what these sayings may say to us today. Over the centuries there have been many attempts to soften these saying to make palatable them more to the contemporary church. This book explores these alternatives while allowing the reader or class to come to their own answers about the meaning of these passages. Through careful examination of the wording, key terms, historical context, and the historical attempts to understand the "hard" saying, this book will allow the reader or class to explore the saying in greater detail and clarity.

"With the able assistance of Mitchell Mackinem, Sigel once again demonstrates why he is one of the most revered and popular teachers of the scriptures around. In this latest book he applies his characteristic erudition, pedagogical dexterity, and deep spiritual insight to some of the most difficult texts in the New Testament, inviting readers into prayerful reflection about them. I look forward to using this accessible and engaging text in my own classes."

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