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Reforming a Theology of Gender Daniel R. Patterson 2022-08-11 Judith Butler and conservative Christian theology are often perceived to be antithetical on questions of gender. In *Reforming a Theology of Gender* they are shown to be strange bedfellows. By engaging in dialogue with Butler on her terms--desire, violence, and life--this book absorbs the heart of Butler's critique, revealing a righteous law and a seductive image in conservative theologies of gender. The law of Adam and Eve manifests in the unjust administration of guilt, grief, and death. By confronting this law, which in fact condemns all in their bodies, further reflection on Butler's thought leads to thinking about where one finds life in one's body of death. The seductive image of Adam and Eve is revealed to be a false hope and a site that induces slave morality or body-works-based righteousness. Butler's voice is strangely prophetic because it calls the church to offer hope and life by reorienting its gaze from the beautiful yet lifeless bodies of Adam and Eve to the bloodied and scarred, risen body of Jesus Christ. Gender, in the end, is shown to be a vocation of becoming what one is not.

The Philosophy and Psychology of Ambivalence Berit Brogaard 2020-12-22 This book collects original essays by top scholars that address questions about the nature, origins, and effects of ambivalence. While the nature of agency has received an enormous amount of attention, relatively little has been written about ambivalence or how it relates to topics such as agency, rationality, justification, knowledge, autonomy, self-governance, well-being, social cognition, and various other topics. Ambivalence presents unique questions related to many major philosophical debates. For example, it relates to debates about virtues, rationality, and decision-making, agency or authenticity, emotions, and social or political metacognition. It is also relevant to a variety of larger debates in philosophy and psychology, including nature vs. nature, objectivity vs. subjectivity, or nomothetic vs.

idiographic. The essays in this book offer novel and wide-ranging perspectives on this emerging philosophical topic. They will be of interest to researchers and advanced students working in ethics, epistemology, philosophy of mind, philosophy of psychology, and social cognition.

Empire's New Clothes Paul Andrew Passavant 2004 Framing the debate about "Empire," this landmark new book brings together leading scholars to make sense of "Empire"'s new vocabulary and tackle its claims head on.

The Routledge Handbook of Contemporary Philosophy of Religion Graham Oppy 2015-04-17 Philosophy of religion has experienced a renaissance in recent times, paralleling the resurgence in public debate about the place and value of religion in contemporary Western societies. The Routledge Handbook of Contemporary Philosophy of Religion is an outstanding reference source to the key topics, problems and debates in this exciting subject. Comprising over thirty chapters by a team of international contributors, the Handbook is divided into seven parts: theoretical orientations conceptions of divinity epistemology of religious belief metaphysics and religious language religion and politics religion and ethics religion and scientific scrutiny. Within these sections central issues, debates and problems are examined, including: religious experience, religion and superstition, realism and anti-realism, scientific interpretation of religious texts, feminist approaches to religion, religion in the public square, tolerance, religion and meta-ethics, religion and cognitive science, and the meaning of life. Together, they offer readers an informed understanding of the current state of play in the liveliest areas of contemporary philosophy of religion. The Routledge Handbook of Contemporary Philosophy of Religion is essential reading for students and researchers of philosophy of religion from across the Humanities and Social Sciences.

Performing a Christian Life Thomas D. Kennedy 2019-11-13 We want to live good lives, but determining what a good life is isn't easy, especially if we want the lives we lead to be ours, rather than somebody else's. Tom Kennedy helps us see why it is hard to find our way when it comes to living well and what we can do about that. Finding our way requires knowing who we are, understanding ourselves, and Christians, because of their experience with God, will understand themselves differently than others in at least some ways. Kennedy explores that understanding and discovers that Christian encounters with God lead to beliefs about God, human nature, forgiveness, values, and loving well that have important implications for what we do and feel, for how we should live. In clear and familiar language, and with probing questions, he helps us think more carefully, and deeply, about our identities and what it should look like for us to live well.

Faith & Reason 1984

The Discipline of Religion Russell T. McCutcheon 2003-12-08 The Discipline of Religion is a lively critical journey through religious studies today, looking at its recent growth as an academic discipline, and its contemporary political and social meanings. Focusing on the differences between religious belief and academic religious discourse, Russell T. McCutcheon argues that the invention of religion as a discipline blurs the distinction between criticism and doctrine in its assertion of the relevance of faith as a credible object of study. In the leap from disciplinary criticism to avowal of actual cosmic and moral meaning, schools of religious studies

extend their powers far beyond universities and into the everyday lives of those outside, managing and curtailing specific types of speech and dissent.

How Now Shall We Live? Study Guide Charles Colson 1999-09-20 Great for stimulating discussion in small groups, this study guide helps individuals probe deeper into the issues raised by Colson in "How Now Shall We Live?."

Wilson Library Bulletin Stanley Kunitz 1952

When Texas Prison Scams Religion Michael G. Maness 2022-01-28 State ordained child torturer Minister prisoner represents the offices of the Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, TDCJ. Bryan Collier, TCBJ, and wardens throughout the prison—but the greatest piece of fantasy is how the Executive Culture of cover ups came to see this Fool's Parade as good for Texas, even "God's will" to change the world. TDCJ destroys records of violence after 7 years and has hired the lowest qualified of the applicant pool many times in the last 25 years, even ordered the cleaning of contraband at the Polunsky Prison, and all those responsible for covering up a horde were promoted! 25 years of this! Who thinks a director that allowed that can competently supervise a naïve volunteer in a systemwide program of indenturing prisoners? Why is the director sponsoring psychopaths counseling psychopaths? Answer? MONEY—selling the Fool's Parade Fantasy that buying faith from prisoners with favor turns them into saints after 4 years of Bible to naïve Evangelicals. Who thinks it JUSTICE that 400,000,000 hours of officer contact has zero definitive influence on parole when a commissioner spends

Reader's Guide to Judaism Michael Terry 2013-12-02 The Reader's Guide to Judaism is a survey of English-language translations of the most important primary texts in the Jewish tradition. The field is assessed in some 470 essays discussing individuals (Martin Buber, Gluckel of Hameln), literature (Genesis, Ladino Literature), thought and beliefs (Holiness, Bioethics), practice (Dietary Laws, Passover), history (Venice, Baghdadi Jews of India), and arts and material culture (Synagogue Architecture, Costume). The emphasis is on Judaism, rather than on Jewish studies more broadly.

Where Do We Go from Here? Kimberly L. Watkins 2019-12-10 As the characters go through their daily journeys, each one finds themselves often pondering the question: Where do we go from here? Some will realize the answer to that question, while others will be left to figure out which way to turn next. Interwoven in this novel are issues and lessons related to friendship, love, death, family secrets, betrayal, heartbreak and pure bliss. Set in the suburbs of Maryland and the Washington Metropolitan area, you'll take a ride through the characters' lives that will touch your heart and leave you wanting more.

An Epidemiological Study of Leadership Garry Wade McGiboney 2021-11-03 While there are hundreds of books on leadership, no other book links epidemiological concepts to leadership. Epidemiologists look for treatments by matching the determinants to the disease. As such, this book not only identifies leadership determinants, but also matches research-based antidotes to them at the end of each chapter. The book includes over 550 references on leadership, psychology, epidemiology, management, systems theory, and others, as well

as over 60 case studies analyzed to illustrate points about leadership and determinants. Additionally, each chapter includes a list of key terms and concepts, discussion items, and highlights of lessons learned. At the end of the book, there is a section on leadership and motivation theories and models, as well as a section that provides leadership style surveys and assessments that can help readers identify their leadership style, while also becoming aware of what changes in leadership style can improve workplace climate.

Reason, Faith, and Tradition Martin C. Albl 2009 An introductory text that shows that reason and Christian belief are compatible and mutually supportive, and that both can lead to the truth. The central aim of Reason, Faith, and Tradition is to show that reason and Christian belief are in fact not contradictory, but are simply two different orientations, two different ways of looking at the world, and that both can lead to truth. In the end they cannot be separated. Here students see that a faith-based approach to theology is wholly compatible with a historical and critical approach. Topics covered include faith and reason; science and religion; Revelation; Scripture; the Trinity; Christian anthropology; Christology; the Last Things and Salvation; and the Roman Catholic Church. Provides an overview of Christian and Catholic Theology. Equips students with the basic skills they need to begin answering theological questions on their own. Lays the foundation for deeper study.

The End of Faith: Religion, Terror, and the Future of Reason Sam Harris 2005-09-17 "The End of Faith articulates the dangers and absurdities of organized religion so fiercely and so fearlessly that I felt relieved as I read it, vindicated....Harris writes what a sizable number of us think, but few are willing to say."—Natalie Angier, New York Times In *The End of Faith*, Sam Harris delivers a startling analysis of the clash between reason and religion in the modern world. He offers a vivid, historical tour of our willingness to suspend reason in favor of religious beliefs—even when these beliefs inspire the worst human atrocities. While warning against the encroachment of organized religion into world politics, Harris draws on insights from neuroscience, philosophy, and Eastern mysticism to deliver a call for a truly modern foundation for ethics and spirituality that is both secular and humanistic. Winner of the 2005 PEN/Martha Albrand Award for Nonfiction.

Moral Responsibility: Oxford Bibliographies Online Research Guide Oxford University Press 2010-06-01 This ebook is a selective guide designed to help scholars and students of social work find reliable sources of information by directing them to the best available scholarly materials in whatever form or format they appear from books, chapters, and journal articles to online archives, electronic data sets, and blogs. Written by a leading international authority on the subject, the ebook provides bibliographic information supported by direct recommendations about which sources to consult and editorial commentary to make it clear how the cited sources are interrelated. This ebook is a static version of an article from *Oxford Bibliographies Online: Philosophy*, a dynamic, continuously updated, online resource designed to provide authoritative guidance through scholarship and other materials relevant to the study of Philosophy. *Oxford Bibliographies Online* covers most subject disciplines within the social science and humanities, for more information visit www.oxfordbibliographies.com.

Continental Philosophy and Philosophy of Religion Morny Joy 2010-11-05 This is the first book that provides access to twelve Continental philosophers and the consequences of their thinking for the philosophy of religion.

Basically, in the second half of the twentieth century, it has been treated from within the Anglo- American school of philosophy, which deals mainly with proofs and truths, and questions of faith. This approach is more concerned with human experience, and pays more attention to historical context and cultural influences. As such, it provides challenging questions about the way forward for philosophy of religion in the twenty-first century.

Eucharistic Reciprocity A. William DeJong 2019-11-11 This volume probes the nature of gratitude as a virtue and identifies its moral value in the Christian life in order to enhance pastoral effectiveness in ministering to those gripped by sins of desire. Such impulses are explored in terms of the seven deadly sins, which this inquiry regards as distorted desires for the good God provides. Utilizing a method of mutual critical correlation, this volume brings philosophical and psychological claims about gratitude into conversation with the Christian tradition. On the basis of an ontology of communion in which humans are inextricably situated in giving-and-receiving relationships with God, others, and the world, this inquiry defines gratitude as a social response involving asymmetrical, agapic reciprocity, whereby a recipient freely, joyfully, and fittingly salutes a giver for the gift received in order to establish, maintain, or restore a personal and peaceable relationship. Critiquing especially the reductions of gratitude by Aristotle and Jacques Derrida, this inquiry recommends gratitude as a virtue which, when embodied, practiced, and ritualized especially, though not exclusively, in the Eucharist, has potential to repel the destructive idolatries generated by the seven deadly sins and thus function as a crucial ingredient in human social flourishing. Familiarity with the virtue of gratitude as a vital ingredient in moral flourishing therefore equips pastors for greater ministerial effectiveness.

Stalin's Genocides Norman M. Naimark 2010-07-19 The chilling story of Stalin's crimes against humanity Between the early 1930s and his death in 1953, Joseph Stalin had more than a million of his own citizens executed. Millions more fell victim to forced labor, deportation, famine, bloody massacres, and detention and interrogation by Stalin's henchmen. Stalin's Genocides is the chilling story of these crimes. The book puts forward the important argument that brutal mass killings under Stalin in the 1930s were indeed acts of genocide and that the Soviet dictator himself was behind them. Norman Naimark, one of our most respected authorities on the Soviet era, challenges the widely held notion that Stalin's crimes do not constitute genocide, which the United Nations defines as the premeditated killing of a group of people because of their race, religion, or inherent national qualities. In this gripping book, Naimark explains how Stalin became a pitiless mass killer. He looks at the most consequential and harrowing episodes of Stalin's systematic destruction of his own populace—the liquidation and repression of the so-called kulaks, the Ukrainian famine, the purge of nationalities, and the Great Terror—and examines them in light of other genocides in history. In addition, Naimark compares Stalin's crimes with those of the most notorious genocidal killer of them all, Adolf Hitler.

The World and the Word: Making Sense of Social Science in an Age of Conflict, Opposition, and Grace Dr. Herbert L. Green Jr. 2017-08-24 Jesus very presence as the New Testament age unfolded (1st century A.D.), engendered opposition, created conflict, while ushering in grace. His ideas were considered radical. Why is this so? The NIV Archeological Study Bible (2005), NIV Student Bible, et al. and corroborating Extra-Biblical evidence provide a context for the Word view about Jesus in Biblical history, and supports aspects of the social

and physical sciences in terms of cultural, socio-economic, political, historical, archeological, and philosophical (apologetics) evidence. As the pages of this book unfold, there is an internal consistency with social science and The Bible. However, where such consistency appeared to diverge, this author attempts to filter out the noise by applying critical thinking criteria to a Worldview that may not be consistent with the Word view. The goal of this book therefore is to provide some exposition (Greek apologia) of the Word and see how the World fits. Born again Christians can be credible scientists and not compromise Gods Word. After thoughtful reading please send reflective comments to Dr. Herb Green, Jr. at docgreen48@outlook.com

T&T Clark Handbook of Christian Ethics Tobias Winright 2020-12-10 The T&T Clark Handbook of Christian Ethics provides an ecumenical introduction to Christian ethics, its sources, methods, and applications. With contributions by theological ethicists known for their excellence in scholarship and teaching, the essays in this volume offer fresh purchase on, and an agenda for, the discipline of Christian ethics in the 21st century. The essays are organized in three sections, following an introduction that presents the four-font approach and elucidates why it is critically employed through these subsequent sections. The first section explores the sources of Christian ethics, including each of the four fonts: scripture, tradition, experience, and reason. The second section examines fundamental or basic elements of Christian ethics and covers different methods, approaches, and voices in doing Christian ethics, such as natural law, virtue ethics, conscience, responsibility, narrative, worship, and engagement with other religions. The third section addresses current moral issues in politics, medicine, economics, ecology, criminal justice and other related spheres from the perspective of Christian ethics, including war, genetics, neuroethics, end-of-life decisions, marriage, family, work, sexuality, nonhuman animals, migration, aging, policing, incarceration, capital punishment, and more.

101 Key Terms in Philosophy and Their Importance for Theology Kelly James Clark 2004-01-01 Written by two philosophers and a theologian, this book provides easy access to key terms in philosophy and how they are understood and used in theology. The focused entries discuss what the terms have meant in classical and contemporary philosophy and then shift to what these philosophical understandings have meant in the history of Christian theology to the present day. The result is a unique volume that clearly shows the interplay of these disciplines and how theology has been influenced by the language and vocabulary of philosophy.

One is Never Alone with a Rubber Duck Marillette van der Colff 2010-08-11 What do existential elevators, sentient mattresses, paranoid androids, humans and other aliens have in common? For one thing, they want answers. The fact (yes fact) that there are no answers (except, perhaps, for “42”) causes some humans (and other aliens) to face this empty madness we call life with Sisyphus-like defiance. Others choose to sulk or skulk or annihilate themselves. Another thing these creatures have in common is that they are all born mad, “and some remain so”. *One is never alone with a rubber duck* explores the premise that Douglas Adams’s Hitchhiker Series is not merely characterised by light-hearted comedy, but is underpinned by intricate philosophical ideas, especially those of twentieth century Existentialism and the related notion of absurdity. It also investigates the interlaced functions of Adams’s fantasy and landscapes of alterity, and considers the ambiguous concept of madness as subjective reality. Concepts related to alterity, such as simulation, the structure of reality, dreaming and parallel universes, are investigated as part of Adams’s fantastic story space. In a science-fictional sense,

Adams's aliens satirise the human condition and the monstrosities that lurk at the heart of twentieth century society.

As It Is in Heaven Caitlin Smith Gilson 2022-04-05 The loss of a real and heartfelt belief in God--and by "real" I mean an experience that is both steady and moving, ethereal though down-to-earth, sentimental but never trite--comes from an earlier more foundational loss, namely that of an ardent and directed desire for heaven, and more specifically, that paradisaic longing for the resurrected life. This book seeks to recover the neglected nature of heaven, degraded into something "out-there" and unknown, degraded further into a vague wish for immortality and the often empty words of consolation. Or even worse, the almost comic book reduction of heaven to an earthly social(ist) paradise, the immanentization of the Christian eschaton. The vague "better place," which is meant well, often means nothing at all, or worse than that can hamper us when approaching and engaging the mystery of grief. This book will address and interrogate various questions about the nature of the afterlife--on the status of guilt, forgiveness, friendship, love, embodiment, sexuality--and propose various paths to answers. We are talking about that sacred innermost promise: the hope of paradisaic reunion most secret and yet most universal, never abstract and shapeless, but embodied and individual. We must wonder whether our casual forgetting of this estuary of human hope, the resurrected life, has caused us to lose ourselves in such a way that we do not even know what we have lost.

A Challenge to C.S. Lewis Peter Milward 1995 "From the many-sided genius of C. S. Lewis two main facets stand out. The first is the creative imagination of the storyteller, deriving from Teutonic and Classical sources. The other is the sturdy rationalism and erudition of the medieval scholar. Author Peter Milward emphasizes the latter in his latest book, *A Challenge to C. S. Lewis*." "As a young Jesuit, Milward was one of Lewis's students who heard the eminent medieval scholar draw upon the dim recesses of Northern learning and Greco-Roman mythology to make his subject lucid for his listeners. After himself becoming a professor at Sophia University in Tokyo, Milward continued a dialogue with his former lecturer through a lengthy correspondence. With this book Milward challenges some of the presuppositions of Lewis's scholarship." "With all the medievalist's talent as a scholar, Milward maintains, there remains the defect that, as a Protestant with roots in Northern Ireland, Lewis was unable to enter sympathetically into the Catholic mind of medieval Christendom. According to Milward, it is significant that in his lectures on "Prolegomena to the Middle Ages" Lewis laid more emphasis on the pagan elements in the medieval mind than on their more characteristic Christian elements, as if the latter had no need of explanation to a modern audience." "Yet in his more popular and less academic writings as an apologist for the Christian faith, Lewis assumed that the majority of his readers would be more or less ignorant of the teachings of Christianity. Here the "mere Christianity" professed by Lewis was, Milward argues, in effect a Protestant side of Christianity, placing him on the modern side of the Great Divide ushered in by Martin Luther for Europe and by Henry VIII for England." "Thus, the author states, there is a deep contradiction at the heart of all Lewis's academic writings, in that while Lewis set out to expose the medieval view of the world as (in his words) a "discarded image," he remained out of sympathy with that view in its basically religious features. Milward, therefore, calls for more analysis of this contradiction in Lewis's writings, in the form of a challenge to intellectual debate such as Lewis himself enjoyed so much in his Oxford days."--BOOK JACKET.Title Summary field provided by Blackwell North America, Inc. All Rights

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Law's Reality Allan Beever 2021-06-25 Allan Beever lays the foundation for a timely philosophical and empirical study of the nature of law with a detailed examination of the structure of evolving law through declaratory speech acts. This engaging book demonstrates both how law itself is achieved and also its ability to generate rights, duties, obligations, permissions and powers.

A Faithful Guide to Philosophy Peter S Williams 2013-08-01 A major new introduction to Philosophy from a Christian viewpoint. A Faithful Guide to Philosophy is the only British Christian introduction to Philosophy, a book that will be used as a course textbook and by church study groups and individual readers alike. It covers subjects of central importance to the Christian worldview - the relationship between faith and reason, the objective reality or truth, goodness and beauty, the existence and nature of God, the existence of the human soul and of free will, and so on - from a philosophical viewpoint. This is the broadest range of topics covered by any Christian introduction to Philosophy and will be prized by many.

Criminal Justice Ethics Sharon Hayes 2015-03-02 It is essential for those employed within the justice system to be able to competently and confidently work at the borders between ethics and the law. Criminal Justice Ethics offers a fresh new approach to considering ethical issues in a criminal justice context. Rather than simply offering a range of ethical dilemmas specific to various justice professionals, it provides extensive discussion of how individuals develop their 'moral imaginations' using ethical perspectives and practices, both as citizens of the world and as practitioners of justice. Starting from a consideration of the major ethical theories, this book sets the framework for an expansive discussion of ethics by moving from theory to consider the just society and the role of the justice professional within it. Each chapter provides detailed analysis of relevant ethical issues, and activities to engage students with the content, as well as review questions, which can be used for revision or examination. This book will help students to: understand the various theoretical approaches to ethics, apply these understandings to issues in society and the justice process, assist in developing the ability to investigate, discuss, and analyse current ethical issues in criminal justice, appreciate the diverse nature of ethical systems across cultures, outline strategies for detecting and resolving ethical dilemmas. Rich with examples and ethical dilemmas from a broad range of contexts, this book's multicultural approach will appeal not only to criminal justice educators, but also to academics, students and practitioners approaching criminal justice from sociological, psychological or philosophical perspectives.

Roman Catholic Political Philosophy James V. Schall 2006-02-27 In Roman Catholic Political Philosophy author James V. Schall tries to demonstrate that Roman Catholicism and political philosophy—revelation and reason—are not contradictory. It is his contention that political philosophy, the primary focus of the book, asks certain questions about human purpose and destiny that it cannot, by itself, answer. Revelation is the natural complement to these important questions about God, human being, and the world. Schall manages to avoid polemicism or triumphalism as he shows that revelation and political thought contribute to a fuller

understanding of each other.

Race, Religion, and Late Democracy John L. Jackson 2011-09-06 Introduction : Democracy's anxious returns / David Kyuman Kim and John L. Jackson, Jr. - "Look, baby, we got Jesus on our flag" : robust democracy and religious debate from the era of slavery to the age of Obama / Edward J. Blum -- Forerunner : the campaigns and career of Edward Brooke / Jason Sokol -- Iran's French Revolution : religion, philosophy, and crowds / Roxanne Varzi - Democracy's new song : Black reconstruction in America, 1860-1880 and the melodramatic imagination / Marina Bilbija - Habits of the heart : youth religious participation as progress, peril, or change? / Monica R. Miller and Ezekiel J. Dixon-Roman - Populism and late liberalism : a special affinity? / Jean Comaroff -- Chadors, feminists, terror : the racial politics of U.S. media representations of the 1979 Iranian women's movement / Sylvia Chan-Malik -- The end of neoliberalism : what is left of the left / John Comaroff - Religion as race, recognition as democracy : Lemba "Black Jews" in South Africa / Noah Tamarkin - The race toward caraqueño citizenship : negotiating race, class, and participatory democracy / Giles Harrison-Conwill - The racialization of Islam in American law / Neil Gotanda

Philosophy of Religion Tim Bayne 2018 What is the philosophy of religion? How can we distinguish it from theology on the one hand and the psychology/sociology of religious belief on the other? What does it mean to describe God as "eternal"? And should religious people want there to be good arguments for the existence of God, or is religious belief only authentic in the absence of these good arguments? In this Very Short Introduction Tim Bayne introduces the field of philosophy of religion, and engages with some of the most burning questions that philosophers discuss. Considering how "religion" should be defined, and whether we even need to be able to define it in order to engage in the philosophy of religion, he goes on to discuss whether the existence of God matters. Exploring the problem of evil, Bayne also debates the connection between faith and reason, and the related question of what role reason should play in religious contexts. Shedding light on the relationship between science and religion, Bayne finishes by considering the topics of reincarnation and the afterlife. ABOUT THE SERIES: The Very Short Introductions series from Oxford University Press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area. These pocket-sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly. Our expert authors combine facts, analysis, perspective, new ideas, and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable.

Kant: Religion Within the Boundaries of Mere Reason Immanuel Kant 1998-11-26 A new translation of Kant's great essay on religion and its relation to reason.

10 Questions Every Christian Must Answer Alex McFarland 2011-04-14 Would a loving God really send people to hell? Can we really trust what the Bible says? Is Jesus really the only way to heaven? Becoming a Christian does not mean that all of the questions about faith are instantly answered. In fact, more questions are likely to follow. However, not having knowledge about certain issues can dampen your faith and rob you of the joy that comes from confidently sharing it with others. 10 Questions Every Christian Must Answer provides responses to the toughest conversations regarding one's inward faith as well as the outward expression of it and is relevant to new believers and longtime Christ followers alike. Led by respected scholars

Elmer Towns and Alex McFarland, readers can be sure this content is backed by sharp minds, deep thinking, and the unchanging Word of God.

Meditation in Judaism, Christianity and Islam Halvor Eifring 2013-10-24 Meditative practices have flourished in widely different parts of Eurasia, yet historical research on such practices is limited. Research to date has focused on contexts rather than actual practices, and within individual traditions. For the first time in one volume, the meditative practices of the three traditions of Judaism, Christianity and Islam are examined. They are viewed in a global perspective, considering both generic and historical connections to practices in other traditions, particularly in India and East Asia. Their cultural and historical peculiarities are examined, comparing them both to each other and to Asian forms of meditation. The book builds on a notion of meditation as self-administered techniques for inner transformation, a definition which focuses on transformative practice rather than notions of meditative states and mystical experiences. It proposes ways of studying meditative practice historically, and concludes with an essay on the modern scientific interest in meditation.

Religion, Theory, Critique Richard King 2017-07-18 Religion, Theory, Critique is an essential tool for learning about theory and method in the study of religion. Leading experts engage with contemporary and classical theories as well as non-Western cultural contexts. Unlike other collections, this anthology emphasizes the dynamic relationship between "religion" as an object of study and different methodological approaches and openly addresses the question of the manifold ways in which "religion," "secular," and "culture" are imagined within different disciplinary horizons. This volume is the first textbook which seeks to engage discussion of classical approaches with contemporary cultural and critical theories. Contributors write on the influence of the natural sciences in the study of religion; the role of European Christianity in modeling theories of religion; religious experience and the interface with cognitive science; the structure and function of religious language; the social-scientific study of religion; ritual in religion; the phenomenology of religion; critical theory and religion; embodiment and religion; the impact of colonialism and modernity; theorizing religion in terms of race and ethnicity; links among religion, nationalism, and globalization; the interplay of gender, sex, and religion; and religion and the environment. Each chapter introduces the topic, identifies key theorists and issues, and respects the pluralistic nature of the scholarship in the field. Altogether, this collection scrutinizes the explicit and implicit assumptions theorists make about religion as an object of analysis.

Apparitions--of Derrida's Other Kas Saghafi 2010 How does Derrida write of and on the other? Apparitions examines exemplary instances of the relation to the other: the relation of Moses to God, Derrida's friendship with Jean-Luc Nancy, Derrida's relation to a recently departed actress caught on video to demonstrate how Derrida forces us to reconceive who or what the other may be. For Derrida, the singularity of the other includes not only the formal or logical sense of alterity, the otherness of the human other, but also the otherness of the nonliving, the no longer living, or the not yet alive. Addressing Derrida's readings of Husserl, Levin.

Why Believe Tawa J. Anderson 2021-07-09 Why bother with apologetics? Our skeptical age often finds the Christian faith unbelievable. For those seeking to defend the faith or strengthen their belief, Why Believe

offers a timely resource: an apologetic that is both compelling and winsome. Anderson's charitable and conversational tone conveys that Christianity is not only reasonable but also fulfilling. Appealing to both believers and unbelievers alike, the book provides accessible explanations of contemporary issues, from arguments for the existence of God and the validity of Christ's resurrection to common questions about the practice of faith.

Jesus Was a Liberal Scotty McLennan 2009-05-12 For the millions of people who identify as liberal Christians. In McLennan's bold call to reclaim ownership of Christianity, he advocates a sense of religion based not on doctrinal readings of scripture but on the humanity behind Christ's teachings. He addresses such topics as intelligent design, abortion, same sex marriage, war, torture and much, much more. As he says in the Preface, "We liberal Christians know in our hearts that there is much more to life than seems to meet the rational eye of atheists; yet we find it hard to support supernatural claims about religion that fly in the face of scientific evidence."