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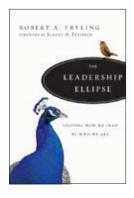
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The Leadership Ellipse: Shaping How We Lead by Who We Are January 2010 220 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3538-6, \$17.00

## How to lead without losing your soul

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Designed to help Christian leaders embrace both halves of the tension—the internal relationship with God and the external relationship with others—to find a truly authentic, integrated way to lead.

- · In what ways do spiritual formation and leadership intersect?
- · Written by a senior Christian leader with a varied background in ministry
- How does the spirituality of a leader inform his or her everyday work?

#### **Author Biography**



**Robert A. (Bob) Fryling** is publisher of InterVarsity Press and Vice President of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship. He writes, speaks and teaches in the areas of spiritual formation, leadership, Christian faith and culture.

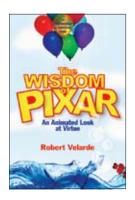


"[Bob Fryling's] message is two-pronged: you can't be a Christian activist without being contemplative; you can't be a Christian contemplative without being an activist. With winsome accuracy he has joined two ways of life that are often 'put asunder.' It strikes me as a remarkable achievement.

"This is not a book of advice on how to do it; it is more like a personal journal of a Christian leader who has spent his life being a competent leader and a thoughtful Christian."

-From the foreword by EUGENE H. PETERSON, translator of *The Message* 





The Wisdom of Pixar: An
Animated Look at Virtue
July 2010
174 pages, paperback,
978-0-8308-3297-2,
\$15.00

## Twenty-first-century parables

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

*Toy Story 3* opens in theaters on June 18, 2010. Robert Velarde unpacks virtues depicted in Pixar movies like *Toy Story, Finding Nemo, Cars, The Incredibles, A Bug's Life* and others.

- What does *Toy Story* have to say about identity?
- What does A Bug's Life teach us about justice and fairness?
- What do we learn about ambition in Ratatouille?

#### **Author Biography**



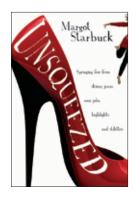
**Robert Velarde** is a writer, editor and philosopher. His books include *The Heart of Narnia, Inside the Screwtape Letters, The Power of Family Prayer, The Lion, the Witch and the Bible* and *Examining Alternative Medicine*. He is a former editor for Focus on the Family.

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"Pixar calls our attention back to the almost forgotten world of virtue. We sympathize and perhaps even empathize with the characters in Pixar films because we relate to their struggles. The characters help us understand how to better build our own characters—morally speaking, that is. But Pixar doesn't preach to us. There is no First Church of Pixar to offer us sermons, pews, committees, incense or flowing choir robes (though one might say that Pixar does pass around the collection plate before every screening!). Instead, we come to better understand virtue through entertaining and engaging stories." —ROBERT VELARDE, author of The Wisdom of Pixar





Unsqueezed: Springing Free from Skinny Jeans, Nose Jobs, Highlights and Stilettos July 2010 237 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3616-1, \$16.00



## Do these fig leaves make me look fat?

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Ever check the mirror and wonder if you look good enough? Do you choose your clothes to disguise your flaws? Do you sometimes think plastic surgery might be the only way for you to feel good about your body? Do you ever feel squeezed into someone else's mold? Margot Starbuck wants to help women unsqueeze from the suffocating mold they have placed on themselves.

- · How can we celebrate, rather than criticize, our bodies?
- · What are some ways women can develop a healthy, godly body image?
- Margot uses lots of personal stories and humor to make her points.

#### **Author Biography**



**Margot Starbuck** (M.Div. Princeton Theological Seminary) is a popular speaker at conferences and retreats and on college campuses. Starbuck's recent activities include writing for a variety of publications such as *Rev!*, *Relevant* and Kyria.com. She is also the author of *The Girl in the Orange Dress* (IVP 2009).

Though disheartened by much of Christian culture's silent insistence on keeping up appearances—namely, by simply doing it—Margot is regularly inspired by those countercultural heroes and communities who are exercising different practices. (For a sane perspective on body image, she recommends TrueCampaign, an organization partnering with Food for the Hungry to transfer resources from personal self-improvement to global survival.) Today, Margot continues to be energized by the kingdom reality of God's big plan for our bodies, which have been called good.

margotstarbuck.com



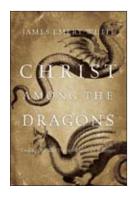


"Margot Starbuck navigates the complexities of self-image, appearance, our bodies and beauty with humor, insight and wisdom. Get ready to be both entertained and moved. You will be laughing out loud one moment, then suddenly challenged with biblical truths that will transform your thinking and inspire change. Reading Unsqueezed is a truly liberating experience."—ANN CAPPER, R.D., C.D.N., nutrition editor, FINDINGbalance.com, and author of Big Thighs, Tight Jeans (Should Jan Go on a Diet?)



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Christ Among the Dragons: Finding Our Way Through Cultural Challenges July 2010 160 pages, hardcover, 978-0-8308-3312-2, \$17.00

## Evangelicalism: A sinking ship?

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

At the beginning of the twenty-first century, evangelical Christians have a lack of unity in regard to how we will find our way through uncharted territory as we stray from core ideas and differ on key issues. How did we get here? How will we find our way back?

- How do we find truth in a post-Christian world?
- · How does cultural engagement help our witness?
- · Is the church still relevant?

#### **Author Biography**



**James Emery White** is the founding and senior pastor of Mecklenburg Community Church in Charlotte, North Carolina, and professor of theology and culture at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. White is the author of over a dozen books, including such Gold Medallion nominees as *Serious Times* and *A Search for the Spiritual, Christianity Today* Book of the Year award-winner *Wrestling with God*, as well as *The Prayer God Longs For* and *A Mind for God*.

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#### Also new from James Emery White

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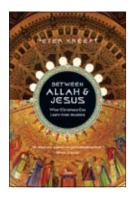












Between Allah & Jesus: What Christians Can Learn from Muslims March 2010 188 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3746-5, \$16.00

## Kreeft reimagines Christian-Muslim dialogue

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

What would happen if Christians and a Muslim talked and disagreed, but really tried to understand each other? What would they learn?

That is the intriguing question Peter Kreeft seeks to answer in these imaginative conversations at Boston College. An articulate and engaging Muslim student named 'Isa challenges the Christian students and professors he meets on issues ranging from prayer and worship to evolution and abortion, from war and politics to the nature of spiritual struggle and spiritual submission.

While Kreeft believes Christians should not learn extremism or unitarian theology from Muslims, he does believe that if we really listened we could learn much about devoted religious practice and ethics.

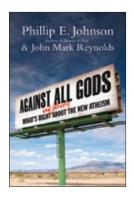
- Can Christians develop a picture of Islam and Muslims beyond the stereotypes and hysteria?
- What would an honest discussion of issues such as war, politics, evolution and abortion look like between Christians and Muslims?
- Can we be better Christians from learning Islamic perspectives on prayer, worship, reverence for Scripture and submission to God?

#### **Author Biography**

**Peter J. Kreeft** (Ph.D., Fordham University) is professor of philosophy at Boston College where he has taught since 1965. A popular lecturer, he has also taught at many other colleges, seminaries and educational institutions in the eastern United States. Kreeft has written more than fifty books, including *The Best Things in Life, The Journey, How to Win the Culture War* and, with Ronald Tacelli, *Handbook of Christian Apologetics*.

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Against All Gods: What's Right and Wrong About the New Atheism April 2010 119 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3738-0, \$15.00

### The virtue of the New Atheists

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

The "New Atheists" are asking good questions, they're just coming up with the wrong answers. This book attempts to engage all sides of the debate about whether belief in God is helpful or harmful to society.

- · How have those in the scientific community actually shut down honest debate?
- Are Christian faith and science mutually exclusive?
- Why are colleges and universities repressing public debate about matters of faith and reason?

#### **Author Biographies**



Phillip E. Johnson (Harvard University, University of Chicago Law School) served as law clerk for Chief Justice Earl Warren of the United States Supreme Court and taught law for more than thirty years at the University of California—Berkeley, where he is professor emeritus. Johnson is recognized as the leading spokesman for the intelligent design movement, taking his message to such places as the *New York Times* and the *Wall Street Journal*. He has ap-

peared on Chuck Colson's "Breakpoint," on Business News Network's "Consumer Hotline" and on James Dobson's "Focus on the Family" among other shows. Among his IVP titles are Darwin on Trial, Reason in the Balance and Defeating Darwinism by Opening Minds.

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**John Mark Reynolds** (Ph.D., University of Rochester) is founder and director of the Torrey Honors Institute and professor of philosophy at Biola University. He has taught philosophy at several colleges and universities, and he completed a two-year postdoctoral fellowship in the philosophy of science at Biola University. He regularly appears on radio talk shows, such as the *Hugh Hewitt Show*, and actively blogs on cultural issues at ScriptorumDaily.com

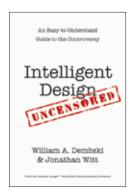
and the Washinton Post's On Faith column. His books include Three Views on Creation and Evolution (Zondervan).

www.johnmarkreynolds.com

"Against All Gods is sure to arouse considerable debate and reflection. This is not another apologetic response to the new atheists. It is a cultural analysis and critique of their claims. It reads like a detective novel and conveys powerful, important ideas to the reader. I couldn't put it down."—J. P. MORELAND, Distinguished Professor of Philosophy, Biola University



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Intelligent Design Uncensored: An Easy-to-Understand Guide to the Controversy May 2010 175 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3742-7, \$15.00

Additional information available at: intelligentdesign.org evolutionnews.org idthefuture.com

### I.D. for dummies

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Two of the top thinkers and leaders in the Intelligent Design movement openly address the questions posed by both its Christian and secular academic critics. Together they correct serious misunderstandings about the nature and claims of Intelligent Design.

- Is Intelligent Design unscientific and simply a way to smuggle God into the classroom?
- How have discussions about Intelligent Design affected academic freedom among professors and students?

#### **Author Biographies**



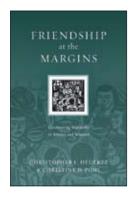
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Friendship at the Margins:
Discovering Mutuality in
Service and Mission
April 2010
160 pages, paperback,
978-0-8308-3454-9,
\$15.00

The Resources for Reconciliation Series:

Reconciling All Things, 167 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3451-8, \$15.00

Welcoming Justice, 140 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3453-2, \$15.00

Living Gently in a Violent World, 117 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3452-5, \$15.00





## Radical friendship: A new paradigm for missions

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

In our anonymous and dehumanized world, the simple practice of friendship is radically countercultural. International director of Word Made Flesh Chris Heuertz and theologian and ethicist Christine Pohl show how friendship is a Christian vocation that can bring reconciliation and healing to our broken world. They contend that unlikely friendships are at the center of an alternative paradigm for mission, where people are not objectified as potential converts but encountered in a relationship of mutuality and reciprocity.

- How would our lives and our ministries be different if our understanding of love emphasized friendship?
- How do we unintentionally objectify those we wish to serve?
- Is "friendship evangelism" a violation of trust?
- What difference does it make for mission, discipleship and the church when friendship with people who are poor becomes a central dimension of our lives?
- Why is community necessary for forming holy friendships?

#### **Author Biographies**



**Christopher L. Heuertz** is the international director of Word Made Flesh, an organization that exists to serve Jesus among the poorest of the world's poor. Teaching, writing, speaking and pastoring, Christopher's responsibilities have taken him to nearly seventy countries.

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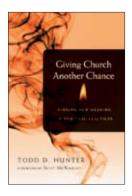




**Christine D. Pohl** (Ph.D., Emory University) is professor of social ethics at Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky.

"In a world of aggressive economics, cynical politics and excessive ideological certitude, everyone is an adversary. Such aggression, cynicism and certitude, moreover, produce unbearable alienation. Here Heuertz and Pohl offer a quiet, honest probe of generous friendship as an antidote to the great social pathology that devours us."—WALTER BRUGGEMANN, Columbia Theological Seminary

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Giving Church Another Chance: Finding New Meaning in Spiritual Practices March 2010 190 pages, hardcover, 978-0-8308-3748-9, \$18.00

## Former Vineyard pastor back in his Sunday best

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

In his second book, Todd Hunter shares his journey of giving up on the church and then giving it another chance.

- Burned out, disillusioned pastor drops out of traditional church forms in search of something more
- Includes stories and illustrations from the author's journey from Vineyard USA to house churches to becoming an Anglican church planter
- How can someone who is "spiritual, but not religious" interact with traditional—even ancient—components of the church?
- · What is "repracticed faith?"

#### **Author Biography**



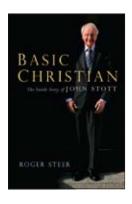
**Todd Hunter**, of the Anglican Mission in the Americas, is the founding pastor of Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Costa Mesa, California. Hunter is also the founding director of Churches for the Sake of Others, the West Coast church-planting initiative for the Anglican Mission in the Americas. He also collaborates with organizations that desire to shape their ministries around kingdom-based, missional encounters with contemporary culture. He began his ministry 30 years ago as a church planter and church-planting consultant.

#### toddhunter.org

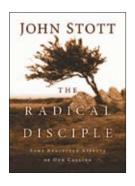
"Giving Church Another Chance is a challenging and refreshing invitation to understand again what Sunday morning is meant to be in the context of the whole week."—The Most Rev'd ROBERT DUNCAN, Archbishop of the Anglican Church in North America

"Todd is one of the most Jesus-centric leaders speaking to the church today. Read this book to regain an appreciation for church as well as a deeper love for the One for whom the church exists." —JIM HENDERSON, executive director, Off the Map





Basic Christian: The Inside Story of John Stott March 2010 288 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3846-2, \$19.00



The Radical Disciple: Some Neglected Aspects of Our Calling May 2010 144 pages, casebound, 978-0-8308-3847-9, \$15.00



## **Honoring John Stott**

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

In 2005, *Time* magazine called him one of the hundred most influential people in the world. In a completely new biography on John Stott, Roger Steer looks at the extraordinary nine decades of the leading evangelical churchman of the twentieth century and his contributions to the faith.

- Includes the stories of how this bestselling author wrote his many books
- Tells of the dramatic public clash with Dr. Martyn Lloyd-Jones
- Unfolds how Stott pled for a new understanding of the balance between evangelism and social action at the 1974 Lausanne Congress
- Includes selections from Stott's personal correspondance
- · Includes a photo section with pictures from Stott's life

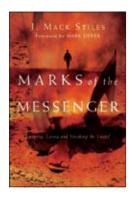
"Loved by the African poor and called to advise British royalty, living simply and listed amongst Time magazine's most influential people, here is the story of a remarkable man. This engaging biography . . . demonstrates why a world-famous writer and Bible teacher is known for the Christlike quality of humility, and not only introduces us to one of the great Christian leaders of our time but points us to the Lord whom he has served so faithfully." —JONATHAN LAMB, director of Langham Preaching, Langham Partnership International, speaking of Basic Christian

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Follow up with what is perhaps Stott's last book. Here he opens up what it means at root to be a follower of Jesus. He explores eight aspects of Christian discipleship which are too often neglected and yet deserve to be taken seriously: nonconformity, Christlikeness, maturity, creation care, simplicity, balance, dependence and death.

- In simple, clear prose presents a basic, classic picture of what it means to follow Christ
- · Offers wisdom gained from a life of consistent Christian commitment
- · Includes content from his farewell address
- · Poignantly opens up personal reflections on his latter years of life and ministry

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Marks of the Messenger: Knowing, Living and Speaking the Gospel April 2010 128 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3350-4, \$15.00

### Old-school discipleship

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Mack Stiles has lived the life of the healthy evangelist in homes and coffee shops, at universities and farms. He has lived out and spoken about the gospel to Kenyans, Koreans, Arabs and North Americans. What he has learned around the world and at home is summarized here in a few basic truths that can shape Christians into faithful people who bring good news to needy and hurting friends.

- · How does adding to or subtracting from the gospel produce unhealthy evangelists?
- How do sentimental love, universal love and me-centered love distort us and our message?
- · How can living out true, biblical love make us whole evangelists?

#### **Author Biography**

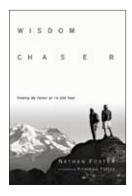


**J. Mack Stiles** is CEO of Gulf Digital Solutions and general secretary for the Fellowship of Christian UAE Students (FOCUS) in the United Arab Emirates. He has worked for many years with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship in the United States. He is the author of Speaking of Jesus and coauthor with his wife of Mack and Leeann's Guide to Short-Term Missions.

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"A fresh and refreshing encouragement from a gifted evangelist. Mack Stiles has lived out what he teaches, both in North America and in the Middle East. His material has been field-tested in two completely different parts of the world! So the principles you find in this book will be transcultural and applicable to believers seeking to bear witness to Christ wherever they are located in the world."—LINDSAY BROWN, Lausanne Committee for World Evangelization





Wisdom Chaser: Finding My Father at 14,000 Feet April 2010 187 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3630-7, \$16.00

## Would you climb a mountain to get out of your father's shadow?

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Having grown up in the shadow of his famous father, Richard J. Foster, author of Celebration of Discipline, Nathan had a lot of questions about who his dad really was. In this honest memoir, Nathan recounts how he came to know his father during their hikes together climbing 14,000-foot mountains in Colorado.

- · What was your experience of your father during your childhood?
- What were some of the toughest moments you experienced during your hikes together?
- · How has your relationship with your father changed?
- What would you suggest to parents who wish they understood their children better?
- How can adult children come to know their parents better?

#### **Author Biography**



Nathan Foster is assistant professor of social work at Spring Arbor University in Spring Arbor, Michigan. He has also been a counselor and served as director of Door of Hope Counseling and Consulting (Arvada, Colorado).

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"This gem of a book should appeal not only to Richard Foster fans but to a much wider pool of readers who will be grateful for its insights, humility, and tenderness." —PUBLISHER'S WEEKLY Starred Review, April 2010

"Before I invited Dad to hike mountains with me, I had become comfortable with the idea that we wouldn't know each other on any significant level. What transpired, then, had come as a great surprise. On mostly barren and harsh mountain peaks, our relational chasm had been erased.... I discovered that my dad's serious, gentle softness, the qualities I had most disliked, became the qualities I most admire and now try to emulate. I learned that we have remarkable similarities, and that this is good. I am proud to be my father's son." - from chapter twenty, "Walking Each Other Home"



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Pure Scum: The Left-Out, the Right-Brained and the Grace of God April 2010 173 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3629-1, \$15.00

### Brought to you by the Scum of the Earth

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

An exhilarating faith life is a tricky business. But ask anyone who's sought after it—from the founders and members of Scum of the Earth Church in Denver to the apostle Paul, from whose letters the church took its name—and they'll tell you it's worth it.

In *Pure Scum* Mike Sares, pastor of Scum of the Earth, takes us along a faith journey, through the high points and low points, and shows us what exhilaration looks like, and more importantly, what it costs. It's a tricky business, but it's worth every step and misstep.

- · Gives an unsparing account of the evolution of an unlikely church and its unlikely pastor
- · Offers an honest, contemporary exploration of the cost of discipleship
- Paints an appealing portrait of Christianity for people who often feel marginalized by the church

#### **Author Biography**



When the band Five Iron Frenzy started a Bible study, little did they know it would morph into a unique church led by pastor **Mike Sares.** Scum of the Earth Church is an eclectic congregation of artists, punks, skaters, ravers, homeless people and other outcasts located in Denver, Colorado.

Before he was "hoodwinked by the Holy Spirit" into working at Scum, Sares served in many roles, including young adult and singles pastor, advertising account executive, salesman, steelworker and high school English teacher. He's been pursuing an M.Div. from Denver Seminary for over a decade now.

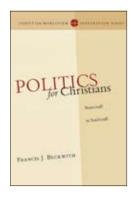
#### scumoftheearth.net

"Mike Sares is a hero to me as I have watched his missional heart over many years and his dedication to Jesus and the gospel. Reading the pages of Pure Scum is like reading a continuing chapter in the book of Acts. It is an adventurous, risk-taking, inspiring, unusual, mission-focused story about people who are passionate about those who are often missed by the average church. You will be encouraged and thrilled through these pages and your heart will grow in love for those whom Jesus loves." —DAN KIMBALL, author of They Like Jesus but Not the Church



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Politics for Christians: Statecraft as Soulcraft March 2010 175 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-2814-2, \$18.00

The Christian Worldview Integration Series:

Education for Human Flourishing, 251 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-2812-8, \$22.00

Psychology in the Spirit, 446 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-2813-5, \$30.00

Authentic Communication, 219 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-2815-9, \$18.00

## Do Christians have a political responsibility?

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

The role of Christians in politics is hotly contested, but professor of philosophy and churchstate studies Francis Beckwith argues that Christians have a rich heritage of sophisticated thought, as well as a genuine responsibility, to contribute to the shaping of public policy.

- Should religious citizens set aside their beliefs before entering the public square?
- · Why is it important for Christians to be involved in politics?
- What is a "liberal democracy"?
- How does the public square benefit from the participation of religious citizens?
- Is it acceptable for a Christian to support a non-Christian candidate for public office?
- · What is the meaning of the separation of church and state?

#### **Author Biography**



**Francis J. Beckwith** (Ph.D., Fordham University) is professor of philosophy and church-state studies, and fellow and faculty associate in the Institute for Studies of Religion at Baylor University in Waco, Texas. He was the 2008-2009 Mary Ann Remick Senior Visiting Fellow in the Notre Dame Center for Ethics & Culture at the University of Notre Dame. A 2002-2003 Madison Research Fellow in Politics at Princeton University, he has served since 2003

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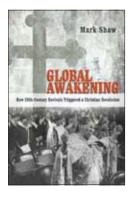




"Each generation of Christians has to rethink the church's role in the political realm, with reliance on Scripture coupled with an appropriate, though not slavish, deference to the insights of our predecessors. This is because each generation faces new and different challenges that its ancestors could not have anticipated. Nevertheless, each subsequent generation has a large reservoir of resources (including the church's successes as well as its tragic political mistakes) at its disposal in comparison to its immediate antecedent." —FRANCIS BECKWITH, from Politics for Christians



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Global Awakening: How 20th-Century Revivals Triggered a Christian Revolution April 2010 221 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3877-6, \$20.00

## The revival is back—and it's bigger than ever

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

The last century has seen the revolutionary remaking of Christianity into a truly world religion. But how did it happen? Historian and scholar Mark Shaw argues that far-flung revivals in places like Africa, Korea, Brazil and India are at the heart of the global resurgence of Christianity.

- What has triggered the emergence of this new global faith?
- · What are global revivals and how do they work?
- How do the forces of globalization contribute to the spread of Christianity?
- What can we learn from these historical revivals as we look toward the future of the church?

#### **Author Biography**

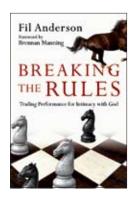


**Mark Shaw** is the director of the world Christianity program at Africa International University in Nairobi, Kenya. He has studied world Christianity at the University of Edinburgh (M.Th.) and the history of Christianity at Westminster Theological Seminary (Th.D.). Mark is the author of a number of books, including *Ten Great Ideas from Church History* and *The Kingdom of God in Africa: A Short History of African Christianity*. He and his wife, Lois, reside in Kenya where they have lived and worked for twenty-five years.

"Mark Shaw's bold thesis about the ongoing importance of revivals in the modern world is a treasure for many reasons. It offers a persuasive account linking American pentecostalism and the American career of Billy Graham to the upsurge of evangelicalism around the world. It challenges blinkered views of evangelical Christianity that insist on reading it as just a cover for right-wing politics. And it opens edifying vistas for Christian believers of all sorts who have become aware of momentous shifts in the nature of Christianity around the world, but who have needed a solid theological guide for understanding what is taking place. Along with Michael McClymond's Encyclopedia of Religious Revivals in America, this book is the most impressive study of worldwide Christian revival to have appeared in a very long time."—MARK NOLL, University of Notre Dame



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Breaking the Rules: Trading Performance for Intimacy with God March 2010 240 pages, hardcover, 978-0-8308-3537-9, \$22.00

## When good religion goes bad

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Outwardly successful professional ministry depletes author's spiritual reserves, leads him to truth about rules and religion.

- · How does a compulsive overachiever get past religious performance?
- · How can good religion turn bad?
- In what ways can religion lie to you?

#### **Author Biography**



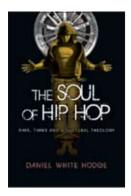
**Fil Anderson** is the founder of Journey Resources based in Greensboro, North Carolina. Anderson worked with Young Life for twenty-five years. He is the author of *Running on Empty: Contemplative Spirituality for Overachievers*.

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"Although Jesus never made breaking the rules a worthy goal in and of itself, he made clear the point that rule keeping is pointless if it's not an expression of something deeper." —FIL ANDERSON, author of Breaking the Rules

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The Soul of Hip Hop: Rims, Timbs and a Cultural Theology September 2010 220 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3732-8, \$17.00

## A cultural theology of hip hop

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

What is hip hop? While definitions abound, one thing can be said for sure: hip hop is a cultural movement with a traceable theological center. In this groundbreaking work, scholar and pastor Daniel White Hodge provides a fascinating study of hip-hop theology.

- Why might it be beneficial for Christians to listen to hip hop?
- · What are the cultural values of hip hop?
- · How has hip hop affected the music, film and fashion industries?
- · How can young people legitimately embody the gospel in hip-hop culture?

#### **Author Biography**



**Daniel White Hodge** (Ph.D., Fuller Graduate School of Intercultural Studies) is adjunct professor in the global studies, sociology and TESOL department at Azusa Pacific University and in the sociology department at Citrus College. Daniel is a national trainer for the Christian Community Development Association (CCDA) and the Urban Youth Workers Institute (UYWI), and he teaches classes around the world on topics like culture, personality and the

self, hip-hop 101 and intercultural communication. As an ordained minister, Daniel's passion and heart is for young people, particularly those from the urban community involved with hip-hop culture.

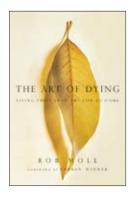
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"Hip Hop is as much of an enigma to many church members as is, say, Muslims or the New Age movement. Yet theology, in its basic sense, is the study of God—how God interacts, intercedes, speaks, lives, thinks, wants and is. And Hip Hop repeatedly shows God "showing up" in the most unusual and interesting places. Hip Hop theology is, in essence, a study of the Godhead . . . in the urban context, with a goal of better understanding God's rich and complex love for everyone (not just those who look and talk "nice") and the revelation of God through the liberation of the oppressed from the oppressor."—from the Introduction





The Art of Dying: Living
Fully into the Life to
Come
June 2010
200 pages, paperback,
978-0-8308-3736-6,
\$16.00

## The unexamined death is not worth dying

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Most of us live our lives as if death does not exist. People are living longer than ever, and medicine has made dying more complicated, more drawn out and more removed from the experience of most people. Death is partitioned off to hospital rooms, separated from our daily lives. Most of us find ourselves at a loss when death approaches. We don't know how to die well.

Rob Moll provides insight into death and dying issues with in-person reporting and interviews with hospice workers, doctors, nurses, bioethicists, family members and spiritual caregivers. He weighs in on bioethical and medical issues and gives guidance for those who care for the dying as well as for those who grieve.

- How can Christians today recover the practice of dying well?
- How do bioethical issues such as prolonging life and living wills "impact a good death"?
- How can caregivers, pastors, chaplains and family members minister to someone who is dving?

#### **Author Biography**



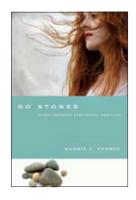
**Rob Moll** is an award-winning journalist and editor-at-large with *Christian-ity Today*. He has written extensively on health and health-care issues, investing and personal finance, religion and rural America. His work has appeared in the *Wall Street Journal*, *Profitable Investing*, *Books & Culture* and *Leader-ship*. He has also served as a hospice volunteer. Moll is on staff with Opportunity International and lives with his family in the Chicago area.

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"Dying has for many today, like sex in the nineteenth century, become the great unmentionable. But this brave, realistic, well-researched and well-digested book restores the 'good death,' as the climax of faithful discipleship, to the Christian radar screen. On going home to God, and helping others on the same journey, what is said here is excellent from every point of view."—J. I. PACKER, professor of theology, Regent College, author, Knowing God



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No Stones: Women Redeemed from Sexual Addiction March 2010 276 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3740-3, \$20.00

## An advocate for women with sexual addiction

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Marriage and family therapist Marnie Ferree dares to tackle what is still a taboo subject: female sexual addiction. As a counselor who understands the condition from the inside out, she offers practical help for those battling sexual addiction and those who want to come alongside women as they seek help.

- If you could tell people one thing about sexual addiction, what would it be?
- · What are the roots of sexual addiction?
- How can a woman know if what she is grappling with is sexual addiction?
- What advice would you give to women who are struggling with sexual addiction?
- · How can the church come alongside those who are dealing with sexual addiction?

#### **Author Biography**



**Marnie C. Ferree,** M.A., is a licensed marriage and family therapist. She is director of Bethesda Workshops in Nashville, Tennessee.

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"Because no one in the church talks about sexual temptations, especially among women, it's easy to believe no other female has similar issues. When was the last time you heard an honest, nonhumorous discussion among Christian women about their difficulties and struggles in the sexual area? Have you ever heard such a conversation? I believe that silence about sexual matters is a great shortcoming of the church. Have you gotten the message sexual problems are simply too bad to talk about?

If the church and individual Christians want to help sexually addicted women—those "caught in adultery" as the Scripture describes the woman brought to Jesus—they must put down their stones of condemnation and offer a way out. I'm not recommending excusing or condoning sexual addicts' behavior. I'm simply suggesting Christians move beyond the barrier of judgment and discard their stones of shame."—Adapted from chapter one, "The Secret Sin of Sexual Addiction"



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Keeping God's Earth: The Global Environment in Biblical Perspective July 2010 286 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3883-7, \$25.00

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## Creation care: How science can help

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

What exactly are a Christian's environmental obligations? In *Keeping God's Earth* scientists and biblical scholars explore environmental responsibility on topics such as:

- · Biodiversity
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#### **Author Biographies**



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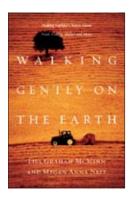


**Noah J. Toly** is director of urban studies and assistant professor of politics and international relations at Wheaton College. He previously served as policy fellow at the Center for Energy and Environmental Policy in the University of Delaware's School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy.

"The essayists in this volume who have wrestled with issues of urbanization, biodiversity, water resources and climate change describe the issues facing us in graphic terms. Evangelicals need to hear what science is telling us about these crises—not because science is the ultimate arbiter of truth, trumping all other sources, but because when faith discovers understanding, what is known to all through common grace gains new and profound significance. It is not that science is deified as Science, but that science becomes a medium by which God's truth is recognized."—from the introduction to Keeping God's Earth



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Walking Gently on the Earth: Making Faithful Choices About Food, Energy, Shelter and More September 2010 220 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3299-6, \$16.00

## The good life doesn't have to be bad for the earth

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Living justly and caring for the earth doesn't necessarily mean depriving ourselves of good things. Mother/daughter team Lisa McMinn and Megan Anna Neff team up to present a balanced approach to living well while doing good.

- Uses a gentle, winsome approach to social responsibility rather than a guilt-inducing one
- Includes many practical resources
- Draws on McMinn's professional discipline of sociology to provide original research and perspective
- Offers a Gen-Y perspective that from Megan Anna Neff includes stories from her travels in the Global South

#### **Author Biographies**



**Lisa Graham McMinn** (Ph.D., Portland State University) is professor of sociology in the department of sociology and social work at George Fox University in Oregon. Her other books include *Growing Strong Daughters, Sexuality and Holy Longing* and *The Contented Soul*. Her articles have appeared in *Journal of Psychology and Christianity, Sociology of Religion, Journal of Psychology and Theology, Research on Christian Higher Education* and *Christianity Today*.

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**Megan Anna Neff** has an M.Div from Princeton Theological Seminary. She has lived in Malawi and Ghana where she became a student of African Christianity. She currently resides with her husband in Portland, Oregon, where she works with families with newborns as a postpartum doula.

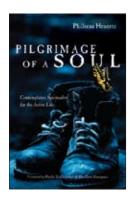


"Walking Gently challenges Christianity to become more relevant to an ever hurting world while providing practical steps, thoughtful biblical reflections and hopeful nuggets to inspire along the way. With an increasingly unstable climate and a growing disparity between rich and poor we need this book more than ever."

—JASON ALFONSE FILETA, The Micah Challenge USA



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Pilgrimage of a Soul: Contemplative Spirituality for the Active Life June 2010 204 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3615-4, \$15.00

### Sustainable spirituality for activists

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

You can only go on for so long before you find the limits of yourself. For Phileena Heuertz that moment arrived, mercifully, around the same time as a sabbatical to mark her twelfth year of service with Word Made Flesh, a ministry to some of the poorest people in the world. With six months' respite from the daily task of serving those who have nothing, Phileena rediscovered the importance of contemplative spirituality for maintaining an active life.

- What are the seven movements in the spiritual journey?
- What is the purpose of pilgrimage as a spiritual discipline?
- · What advice can you give for those struggling to discern their vocation in life?
- How does your understanding of what it means to be a woman inform your perception of God?

#### **Author Biography**



Phileena Heuertz is one of the leading directors of Word Made Flesh (WMF)—an international community serving Christ among the most vulnerable of the world's poor. Over the years, Phileena has traveled through nearly seventy countries working with marginalized and oppressed people—abandoned children, victims of HIV and AIDS, sexually exploited women and children, people recovering from drug addictions, children who live on the

streets, refugees and children of combat and war.

Since 1995, Phileena has served WMF through child advocacy, community care and leader-ship development. In 2004 she founded the Community Care Center—one of the internal support offices for the international movement. Phileena believes that union of action and contemplation is crucial to ongoing personal transformation, healthy community life and sustainable, authentic social justice efforts.

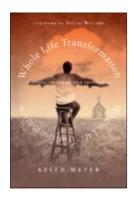
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"If any one among us yearns to see what post-Reformation, twenty-first-century Christianity is leading to, then let him or her follow Phileena on El Camino de Santiago in Spain and, after that, to the Rose Cottage in North Carolina."—PHYLLIS TICKLE, author of The Great Emergence





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Whole Life Transformation: Becoming the Change Your Church Needs July 2010 220 pages, hardcover, 978-0-8308-3530-0, \$20.00

## Megachurch paster embraces spiritual formation

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Ministry to others and growing the church were the center of Keith Meyer's life. And yet he was arguing with his wife about how many nights a week he was spending in meetings. His temper was short, and he was exhausted. In the midst of his pain Keith discovered a new way of living—one that truly depended on Christ to redeem and reform his character. And then as he was transformed, he discovered that the change in him was changing the way that he was pastoring and leading others.

- · When did you realize something was wrong with your approach to ministry?
- How do you measure the "success" of a church?
- How does a church's spiritual growth correspond with the pastor's spiritual formation?
- · How can practicing the spiritual disciplines bring transformation?
- What does it mean to develop a "rule of life"?

#### **Author Biography**



**Keith Meyer** (D.Min., M.Div.) has served three churches as senior pastor and as the executive pastor at Church of the Open Door. He is an adjunct professor at Denver Seminary and is a senior teaching fellow with the Renovaré Spiritual Formation Institute.

Meyer is also a speaker, teacher and retreat leader through his organization, Becoming the Change Ministries. He provides individualized coaching for

the personal formation of pastors and leaders and consults with staff teams, churches and Christian organizations for developing corporate plans for becoming communities of formation and mission. Meyer is a contributing editor for *Leadership Journal* and also for the *Journal of Spiritual Formation and Soul Care*. He and his wife live in the Minneapolis area.

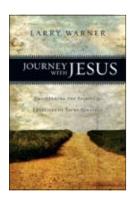
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"Whole Life Transformation . . . is not just another analysis of 'what's wrong,' but, more importantly, is a trustworthy guide to what is right: one drawn both from the author's own experience and from the Bible and the wisdom of Christ, proven in the experience of his people throughout the ages."—DALLAS WILLARD, from the foreword



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Journey with Jesus:
Discovering the Spiritual Exercises of Saint
Ignatius
September 2010
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### Spiritual workout with St. Ignatius

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Saint Ignatius wanted to help everyone experience Jesus, no matter what age or stage of life, so he developed a series of "exercises" to help people reconnect with Jesus and with themselves in life-giving ways. Spiritual director Larry Warner serves as a guide to these Spiritual Exercises and reveals how they can be a powerful tool for transformation.

- · What are some of the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius?
- · What benefits can be gained from doing these exercises?
- · How do I get the most from these exercises?
- · How much time do I need to do the exercises?

#### **Author Biography**



**Larry Warner** has trained in spiritual direction at Azusa Pacific University's Graduate School and the University of San Diego, and he has been leading retreats since 1980. He is the founder and executive director of "b" (b-ing.org), an organization which journeys with pastors, missionaries, seminarians and churches who yearn for greater intimacy with God by designing and providing spiritual formation experiences. Warner is an adjunct professor at Bethel Sem-

inary in San Diego, and teaches for the Institute for Spiritual Formation at Talbot Seminary. He is also the coauthor of *Imaginative Prayer in Youth Ministry*.

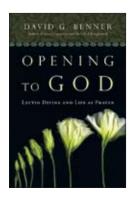
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"The Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius is one of very few works produced by followers of Christ that reliably guides those who have seriously put their confidence in Christ onto a path where what we Christians endlessly talk about becomes the reality of daily existence.... But for most, trying to take the Exercises straight is like trying to board the airplane when it is already a hundred feet off the ground. Larry Warner's Journey with Jesus effectively brings the Exercises within reach of any disciple of Jesus ready to work with grace to turn life in the kingdom of the heavens with Jesus into their actual existence."—DALLAS WILLARD, author of Renovation of the Heart





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Opening to God: Lectio
Divina and Life as Prayer
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## Trade your "prayer life" for the life that is a prayer

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Spiritual director David Benner invites us to discover openness to God as the essence of prayer, spirituality and the Christian life. Using the four movements of *lectio divina*, Benner explores prayer as attending, pondering, responding and being. He reveals many paths to communion with God, including praying with our senses, with imagination, with music and creativity, in contemplation and in service.

- · Why are we often so easily frustrated by our spiritual self-improvement efforts?
- How do you define prayer?
- · How does prayer relate to spiritual transformation?
- What is lectio divina?
- · What can one hope to gain from practicing lectio divina?

#### **Author Biography**



**David G. Benner** (Ph.D., York University) is Emeritus Distinguished Professor of Psychology and Spirituality at Richmont Graduate University in Atlanta, GA, and an associate fellow at the Centre for Studies in Religion and Society at the University of Victoria in British Columbia, Canada. A psychologist, spiritual director and retreat leader, Benner has written and edited many books, including the *Baker Encyclopedia of Psychology and Counseling, Spiritual* 

*Direction and the Care of Souls*, and *Sacred Companions*. He is also the founding executive editor of the journal *Conversations*.

"David Benner has given us a generous, comprehensive and very pastoral guide not only to the myriad types of prayer open to us as Christians, but also to the informing attitudes and physical nuances which can enable a rich prayer life in all of us."—PHYLLIS TICKLE, compiler, The Divine Hours



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## Schooled by Jesus

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

James Bryan Smith says that many times Christians get it wrong, either emphasizing personal faith over social justice or vice versa. In this third book in the popular Apprentice Series, Smith helps Christians know how to live in relationship with others as apprentices of Jesus, and shows how to bring spiritual formation and community engagement together.

- · Over seventy churches throughout the U.S. have used The Apprentice Series.
- · Questions for individual reflection and processing
- Content for small group discussion and a companion spiritual practice to try at the end of each chapter

#### **Author Biography**



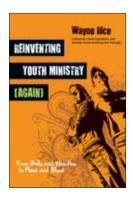
**James Bryan Smith** (M.Div., Yale University Divinity School, D.Min, Fuller Seminary) is a theology professor at Friends University in Wichita, Kansas, and a writer and speaker in the area of Christian spiritual formation. He also serves as the director of the Christian Spiritual Formation Institute at Friends University.

A founding member of Richard J. Foster's spiritual renewal ministry, Renovaré, Smith is an ordained United Methodist Church minister and has served in various capacities in local churches. Smith is also the author of *A Spiritual Formation Workbook, Devotional Classics* (with Richard Foster), *Embracing the Love of God, Rich Mullins: An Arrow Pointing to Heaven* and *Room of Marvels*.

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Reinventing Youth Ministry (Again): From Bells and Whistles to Flesh and Blood October 2010 204 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3313-9, \$17.00

## Youth veteran gives state of the ministry

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Wayne Rice, a founder of Youth Specialties—which changed the game of youth ministry dramatically in the early 1970s and continues to set the agenda for youth ministers around the world—takes stock of the benefits and unintended consequences of innovation in youth ministry and lays out a set of values for what might guide the field into the future.

- Where do you see youth ministry headed in the coming years?
- · How did Youth Specialties come to be?
- · What are the essential elements of effective youth ministry?

#### **Author Biography**

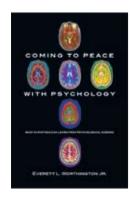


**Wayne Rice** is the founder of Understanding Your Teenager, an organization that has provided resources for parents of teens and preteens since 1989 (now part of HomeWord). Wayne currently creates and conducts parenting seminars for HomeWord and speaks at conferences and training events for parents, youth workers and Christian leaders.

His other books include *Read This Book or You're Grounded, Enjoy Your Middleschooler, Hot Illustrations for Youth Talks* and *Up Close and Personal* (an ECPA Gold Medallion winner). With Ken Davis, he created the video curriculum *Understanding Your Teenager*. An accomplished musician, Rice has played and recorded albums with several different bluegrass bands.

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Coming to Peace with Psychology: What Christians Can Learn from Psychological Science September 2010 300 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3882-0, \$24.00

## Theology have I loved, psychology have I hated

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

Religion and science have often been at odds. In particular, Christianity and psychology have not always gotten along. Some Christians are still suspicious of psychological findings. But researcher Everett Worthington argues that Christians can know people better—and even know God better—through psychological science. Beyond integrating Christian and psychological truths, this book uncovers new relationships between science and religion, demonstrates psychology's benefits to theology, and helps Christians live redeemed lives that are pleasing to God.

- · Written by a leading Christian researcher and psychologist
- · Conversant with major thinkers in the relationship between religion and science
- Fascinating psychological insights into human nature

#### **Author Biography**

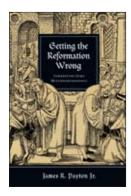


**Everett L. Worthington Jr.** (Ph.D., University of Missouri) is professor of psychology at Virginia Commonwealth University. He is a licensed clinical psychologist and former executive director of the Templeton Foundation's A Campaign for Forgiveness Research.

Worthington has studied forgiveness since the 1980s and has published more than 200 articles and papers on forgiveness, marriage and family, psycho-

therapy and virtue in a wide variety of journals and magazines. He was the founding editor of *Marriage and Family: A Christian Journal* and sits on the editorial boards of several professional journals. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CNN, The 700 Club and been featured in award-winning documentary movies on forgiveness such as *The Power of Forgiveness* and *The Big Question*. He is the author of seventeen books including *Handbook of Forgiveness*, *Hope-Focused Marriage Counseling* and *Forgiving and Reconciling*.





Getting the Reformation Wrong: Correcting Some Misunderstandings August 2010 240 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3880-6, \$23.00

### Reforming our view of the Reformation

#### **Angle and Talking Points**

From Lutherans to Baptists, most North American Protestants consider themselves heirs of the sixteenth-century Protestant Reformation, which cast off medieval Catholicism as a hindrance to true Christian faith. However, the common Christian's story of the Reformers and their movement, says Reformation scholar James Payton, perpetuates serious historical flaws and potential for misapplication to the needs of the twenty-first-century church. Payton corrects misinformation on many Reformation themes, including:

- · The character of the early Reformation
- · How the idea of justification sola fide was understood
- What Reformers meant by sola scriptura
- · The Reformers' assessment of their own movement
- · The applicability of Reformation patterns and principles to today's church

#### **Author Biography**



**James R. Payton Jr.** (Ph.D., University of Waterloo, Canada) is a professor of history at Redeemer University College, Ancaster, Ontario, Canada. He has studied, taught and been in dialogue with Eastern Orthodoxy for many years and is the author of a number of articles on Orthodoxy and Protestant-Orthodox relations. Another area of interest for Payton is the Reformation, on which he has written many articles and book reviews. Some of his works cover

subjects such as John Calvin, Martin Bucer and the influence of the Reformation in Ukraine.

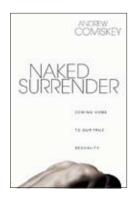
He is very involved in ministry to Eastern Europe, serving as president of Christians Associated for Relationships with Eastern Europe.

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"Getting the Reformation Wrong gets the Reformation right. All students of the Reformation, whether academic or just interested, must read this book. It rightly sets the record straight about the great people and ideas of the Protestant and Catholic Reformations of the sixteenth century in a refreshingly engaging style."

—ROGER OLSON, author of The Story of Christian Theology: Twenty Centuries of Tradition & Reform





Naked Surrender: Coming Home to Our True Sexuality September 2010 220 pages, paperback, 978-0-8308-3298-9, \$16.00

## Honest-to-goodness sexuality

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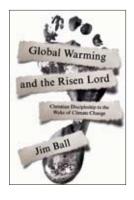
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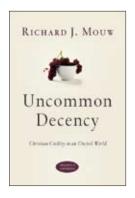
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