



MEDIA IDEA BOOK

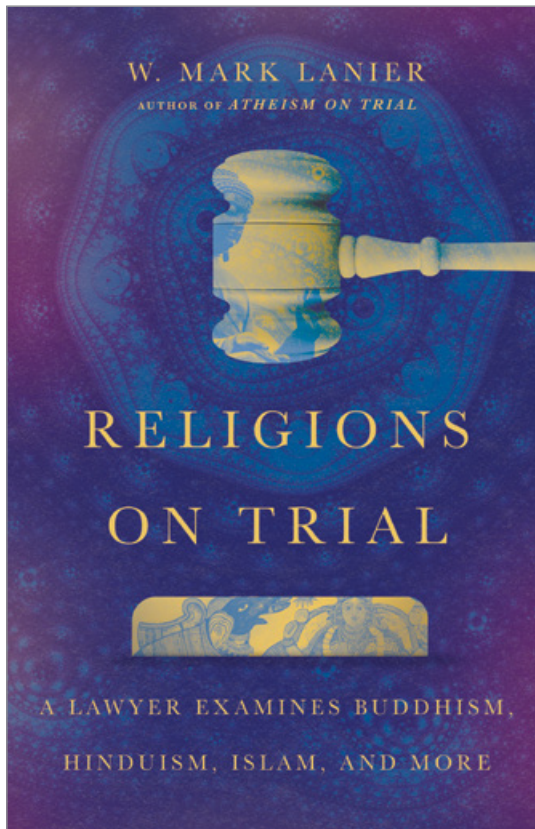
Bringing the Stories to You.
Starting the Discussions for You.

2023

Welcome to the 2023 Media Idea Book, brought to you by the publicity team at IVP! We're pleased to offer you this handpicked collection of recent titles, and we've included author biographies for your reference and referral.

We've organized the books into the following categories, but if you don't find the topic you are looking for, please feel free to contact one of us and we'll be happy to assist you.

Apologetics.....	1
Biblical Studies	3
Business/Fundraising.....	5
Business/Spirituality	6
Church Year.....	7
Church/Diversity.....	9
Church/Renewal	10
Church/Worship.....	11
Ethics	13
Grief	15
IVP Classics.....	17
KIDS	19
Leadership	23
Literature.....	25
Literature/Poetry	26
Mental Health	27
New Testament Studies	29
Old Testament Studies.....	31
Os Guinness	35
Personal Growth.....	37
Race.....	39
Sexuality.....	43
Singleness	44
Social Issues.....	45
Spiritual Formation.....	49
Philosophy	52
Women/Biblical Studies	53
Women/Vocation.....	54



“

“Mark Lanier, courtroom attorney by day and biblical scholar by night, has done it again! In Religions on Trial we are seated as the jurists, and Lanier gives us the tools to assess the major world religions Christian readers bump up against in everyday living.”

W. SCOTT SAGER, vice president of Lipscomb University and senior minister at Green Hills Church of Christ

Religions on Trial

A Lawyer Examines Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, and More

January 3, 2023

\$18 | 240 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0343-5

Top U.S. Civil Lawyer Cross-Examines World Religions

Trial lawyer Mark Lanier presents the claims made by the world’s great religions, discusses their histories, and cross-examines their witnesses (their scriptures and traditions) to determine whether their claims are worthy of belief. With his keen legal mind and methodical style, he provides a careful comparative study, highlighting key truths he finds in each religion even as he offers critiques.

- Weighs the evidence for and against different belief systems with criteria for what constitutes sufficient proof
- Explores eastern mystical faiths like Buddhism and Hinduism and historical religions like Judaism, Islam, and Mormonism
- Assesses modern religious expressions of secular spiritualism (spiritual but not religious) and secular Christianity (religious but not spiritual)

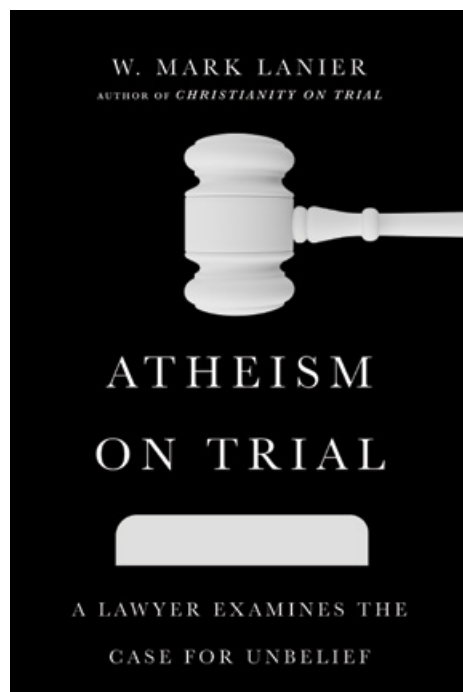


W. MARK LANIER (JD, Texas Tech University) is the founder of the Lanier Law Firm. *U.S. News and World Report’s* Best Lawyers named him to its Best Lawyers in America list for nine consecutive years and as the 2013 Top Class Action Attorney in America. Mark’s courtroom work has resulted in feature articles in the *Wall Street*

Journal, the *New York Times*, and the *American Lawyer*. He is also a frequent guest on news shows on CNBC, Fox Business News, ABC, and other networks.

Mark is the founder of the Lanier Theological Library, one of the nation’s largest private theological collections. He teaches a weekly, 750-plus-member Sunday school class focusing on biblical literacy at Champion Forest Baptist Church.

Follow the Lanier Theological Library on Twitter: [@laniertheolib](https://twitter.com/laniertheolib)



[Atheism on Trial](#)

A Lawyer Examines the Case for Unbelief

March 8, 2022

\$18 | 216 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0226-1

In the courtroom, lawyers establish certain facts to prove their cases. But can the legal mind discern the validity of one's belief or unbelief? With an evenhanded approach, nationally recognized trial lawyer Mark Lanier explores whether atheistic frameworks give satisfactory answers for understanding human existence and considers the questions of agnostics as to whether God is knowable.

“

“With the sensibilities and skills that come with being one of the most successful trial lawyers in US history, Lanier carefully dissects and deconstructs the arguments posed by advocates of atheism and its more congenial sister, agnosticism. After closing arguments, the underpinnings of atheistic philosophy are found wanting, and a case for the Christian faith prevails.”

DAVID B. CAPES, senior research professor at the Lanier Theological Library



[Christianity on Trial](#)

A Lawyer Examines the Christian Faith

May 23, 2014

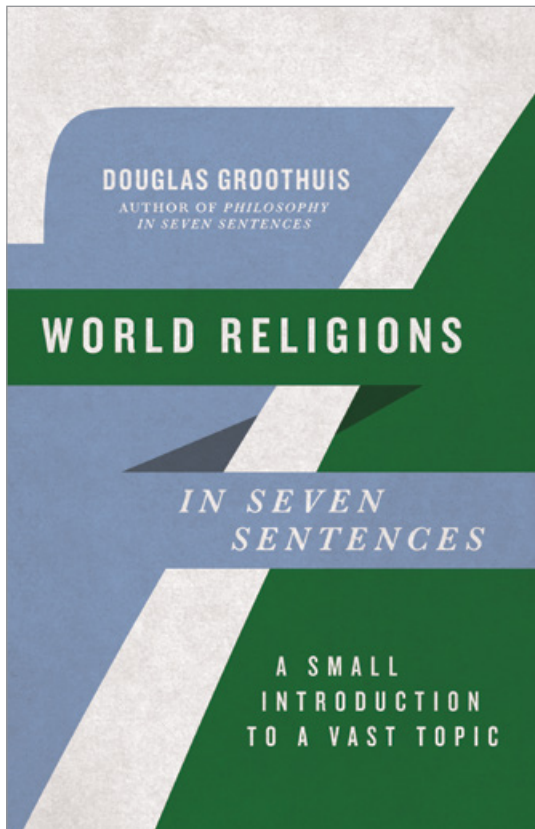
\$20 | 230 pages | paperback | 978-0-8308-3667-3

Following the format of a traditional legal trial, Mark Lanier takes us from opening statement to closing summation by way of testimony from well-known witnesses—the scientist, the theologian, the linguist, the humanist, the philosopher, the psychologist and the ancient biblical eye-witness.

“

“Trial lawyers are often noted for incisive analysis, broad knowledge, and the ability to spot the weakness in the opposition's argument. Mark Lanier demonstrates every one of these instincts in Christianity on Trial. His expertise in using the biblical languages uniquely qualifies him to ask—and answer—all the really tough questions.”

PAIGE PATTERSON, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas



[World Religions in Seven Sentences](#)

A Small Introduction to a Vast Topic

September 5, 2023

\$18 | 150 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0582-8

Doug Groothuis Explores World Religions in Seven Sentences

Grasping the beliefs and practices of other faiths is essential not just to the task of interreligious dialogue, but also to understanding one's own faith. In this brief volume, the latest book in IVP Academic's Introductions in Seven Sentences, philosopher Douglas Groothuis creatively uses a single sentence representing several world religions as a way to open readers to the depth and complexity of each faith, including

- Judaism: "I Am Who I Am."
- Buddhism: "Life is Suffering."
- Christianity: "Before Abraham Was, I Am."
- Islam: "There is One God, and Mohammad is His Prophet."

“

“Most of us will never become scholars of the major world religions. But as society becomes more pluralistic and technology increases our awareness of and interconnection with countries all over the world, there has never been a time when it is more crucial for believers to understand the major religious worldviews. Enter Douglas Groothuis’s marvelous book World Religions in Seven Sentences. Groothuis has earned the reputation of being a first-rate scholar who deals fairly and accurately with views he critiques. And World Religions in Seven Sentences may be his best example yet. This work is unique in that it accurately presents the major religious worldviews; provides fair, hard-hitting criticisms of them; and accomplishes all this in a brief, easy-to-read way. In my view, this is now the first book to read for anyone who wants to get at the heart of important religions and compare them with Christianity. I love this book!”

J.P. MORELAND, distinguished professor of philosophy at Talbot School of Theology, Biola University, and author of *A Simple Guide to Miracles*



DOUGLAS GROOTHUIS (PhD, University of Oregon) is professor of philosophy at Denver Seminary. He is the author of numerous books, including *Christian Apologetics*, *Fire in the Streets*, *Philosophy in Seven Sentences*, *Unmasking the New Age*, *Truth Decay*, *On Pascal*, *On Jesus*, and *Walking Through Twilight: A Wife’s Illness—A Philosopher’s Lament*. He has

written for scholarly journals such as *Religious Studies*, *Sophia*, *Research in Philosophy and Technology*, *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*, and *Philosophia Christi*, as well as for numerous popular magazines.

DouglasGroothuis.com

Follow him on Twitter: [@DougGroothuis](https://twitter.com/DougGroothuis)



What if large topics such as philosophy, theology, and biblical studies could be boiled down to seven key sentences each?

The accessible primers in this collection act as brief introductions to an academic field, with simple organization: seven key sentences that give readers a bird's-eye view of the most pivotal truths on that subject. With engaging, thoughtful, and sometimes humorous language, these books invite readers to reflect on quotations that many have heard but perhaps have not explored in depth.

Titles Include

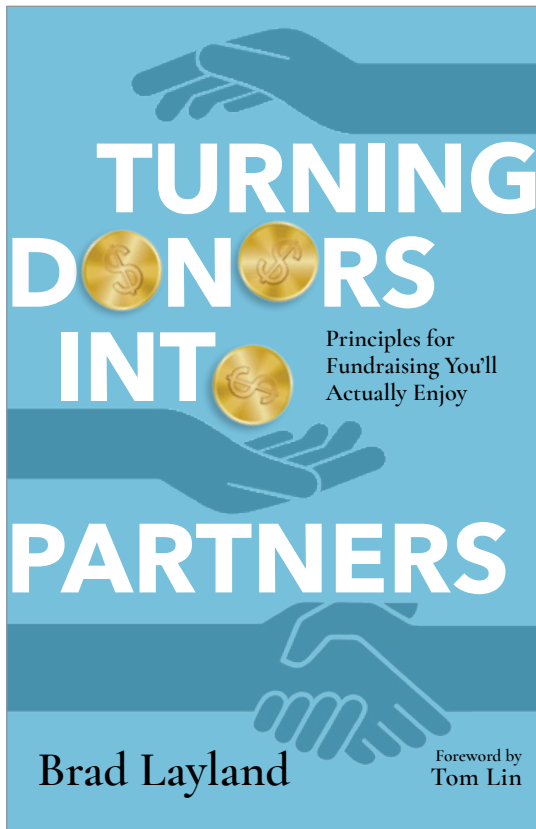
*Christian History in
Seven Sentences*
Jennifer Woodruff Tait,
978-0-8308-5477-6, \$18.00

*The New Testament in
Seven Sentences*
Gary M. Burge,
978-0-8308-5476-9, \$18.00

*The Old Testament in
Seven Sentences*
Christopher J. H. Wright,
978-0-8308-5225-3, \$18.00

*Philosophy in Seven
Sentences*
Douglas Groothuis,
978-0-8308-4093-9, \$18.00

*World Religions in Seven
Sentences*
Douglas Groothuis,
978-1-5140-0582-8, \$18.00



[Turning Donors into Partners](#)

Principles for Fundraising You'll Actually Enjoy

January 24, 2023

\$18 | 160 | paperback | 978-1-5140-0578-1

Revolutionizing Fundraising into a Relational Process

Brad Layland revolutionizes fundraising and transforms it into a relational process where donors truly become partners in ministry. With decades of expertise in leading multimillion-dollar capital campaigns and working with major donors, he offers a more strategic and personalized yet less labor-intensive approach.

- Provides an introduction to an approach to fundraising that puts the emphasis on building relationships rather than raising money
- Offers practical guidance on how to write a fundraising case and how to meet with donors
- Practical insights include ten essential elements of a case and four key steps that lead up to making an ask

“

“It’s hard to find anyone in the Christian nonprofit world with more experience and wisdom than Brad Layland. Fortunately, he has chosen to not keep it to himself. Leveraging his years of experience and his keen understanding of the biblical approach to raising kingdom resources, Brad has provided us with a treasure trove of practical guidance and proven techniques. He has counseled thousands of development professionals and organizations in these principles. Now it is your turn. Study them, apply them, and watch God bring the increase.”

R. SCOTT RODIN, fundraising professional and author of *The Steward Leader*

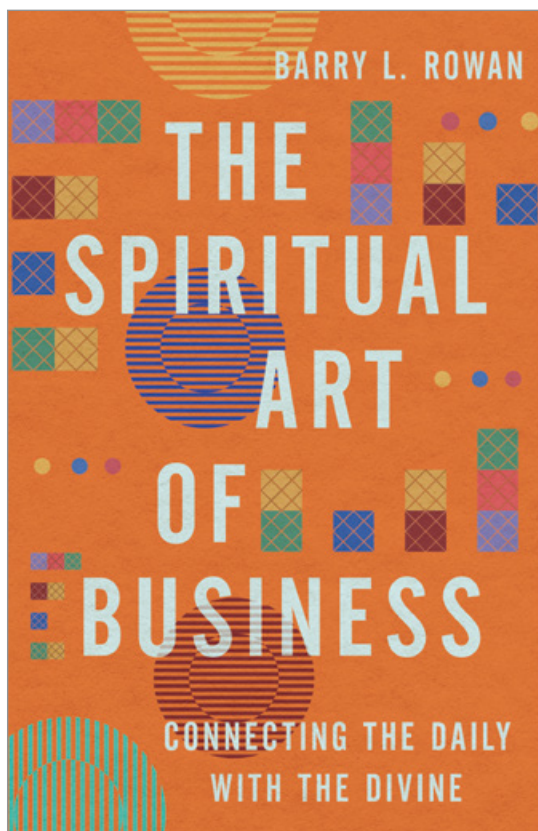


BRAD LAYLAND is the CEO of The FOCUS Group, which provides fundraising counsel to nonprofit organizations in major donor development, strategic planning, and capital campaigns. He is also the founder and owner of Endless Summer Realty, the largest residential real estate brokerage in St. Augustine,

Florida. Brad has a MA in theology from Fuller Theological Seminary and has run fifty marathons and completed two Ironman triathlons.

BradLayland.com

Follow him on Twitter: [@BradleyLayland](https://twitter.com/BradleyLayland)



“

“Every Christian faces the dilemma of just how their faith should find expression in their work and career. Some compartmentalize, check their faith at the door, and have little kingdom impact. Others wade in too eagerly as evangelists and do more harm than good. Barry Rowan has written a book about a third way. The *Spiritual Art of Business* can transform the way you think about your faith in the context of your work. Based on his own remarkable career, Barry takes you into the unvarnished crucible of the workplace—with all its gritty challenges, victories, setbacks, and difficult people—and shows you how your career can become a sacred and purposeful journey instead of just a daily and exhausting grind. Spend a few hours with Barry, and he will show you how God intends to repurpose you. The *Spiritual Art of Business* is a book that can transform the next few decades of your career.”

RICHARD STEARNS, president emeritus of World Vision US and author of *Lead Like It Matters to God*

The Spiritual Art of Business

Connecting the Daily with the Divine

September 5, 2023

\$18 | 176 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0762-4

Seeing Our Work as an Expression of Who We Truly Are

“Corporate mystic” Barry Rowan invites us to be transformed by God that he might transform the world through us, as we begin to see our work as an extension of our faith. He says, “We don’t derive meaning from our work; we bring meaning to our work.” Relating his extensive past in high-ranking executive roles, Barry beckons us into a connection with God that will infuse our lives, our offices, and our world with meaning.

- Shared wisdom from a Harvard graduate and accomplished businessman
- Forty short chapters, devotional-esque
- Six-session online study guide also available



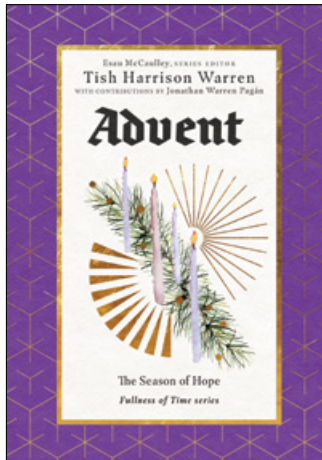
BARRY ROWAN has over thirty years of leadership experience in C-suite roles building and transforming eight businesses, primarily in the technology and communications space. He currently serves as the CFO for Gogo, the inflight internet company with over \$800 million in annual revenues. He was previously

CFO for Cool Planet Energy Systems, a renewable energy company located in Denver, Colorado. From 2010–13, Barry served as EVP, CFO, and chief administrative officer for Vonage Corporation in Holmdel, New Jersey, where he was part of the leadership team that successfully turned around this \$900 million internet communications company.

From 2003–2006, Barry was with Nextel Partners, serving as its EVP, CFO, and treasurer. From its founding in 1999 in Kirkland, Washington, Nextel Partners grew into a Fortune 1000 company, reaching \$1 billion in revenues in its first five years. Fueled by this rapid growth, the equity value of the company grew from \$2 billion to over \$9 billion during Rowan’s tenure, culminating in its sale to Sprint for \$10 billion in June of 2006.

The Fullness of Time Series: A Journey Through the Church Year

As more and more churches mark several different seasons throughout the church year in their preaching and teaching, the *Fullness of Time* series provides resources that help readers live fully into both the theology and spiritual practices of each significant date on the Christian calendar. Six books in total offer reflections on how the church is forming all of us into the likeness of Christ throughout each season.



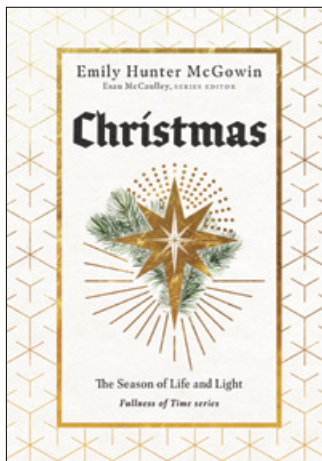
Advent

The Season of Hope

August 29, 2023

\$20 | 128 pages | casebound | 978-1-5140-0018-2

TISH HARRISON WARREN is a priest in the Anglican Church in North America. She writes a weekly newsletter for the *New York Times* and is a columnist for *Christianity Today*. She is also the author of *Prayer in the Night* and *Liturgy of the Ordinary*.



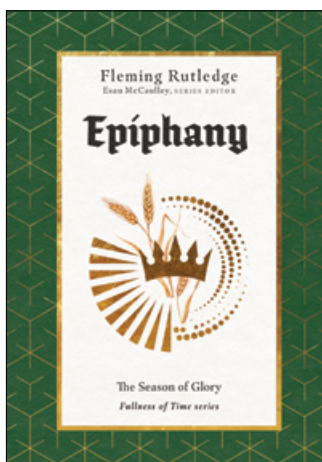
Christmas

The Season of Life and Light

September 12, 2023

\$20 | 128 pages | casebound | 978-1-5140-0040-0

EMILY MCGOWIN serves as assistant professor of theology at Wheaton College. She is also a priest and canon theologian in the Anglican diocese of Churches for the Sake of Others (C4SO).



Epiphany

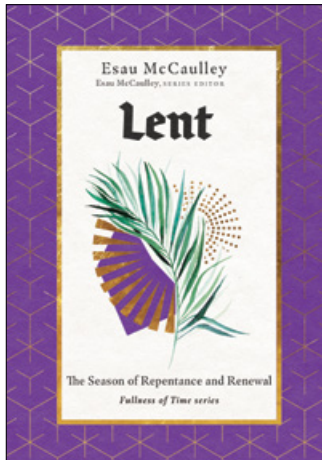
The Season of Glory

November 7, 2023

\$20 | 144 pages | casebound | 978-1-5140-0038-0

FLEMING RUTLEDGE is an Episcopal priest, a best-selling author, and a widely recognized preacher whose published sermon collections have received acclaim across denominational lines. Her other books include *Help My Unbelief*, *Three Hours: Sermons for Good Friday*, *Advent: The Once and Future Coming of Jesus Christ*, and *The Crucifixion: Understanding the Death of Jesus Christ* (winner of *Christianity Today's* 2017 Book of the Year Award).

The *Fullness of Time* series editor Esau McCauley says of this work, “These books are written from the perspective of those who have lived through the seasons many times, and we’ll use personal stories and experiences to explain different aspects of the season that are meaningful to us. In this series, do not look for the comments of historians pointing out minutia. Instead, look for fellow believers and evangelists using the tool of the church year to preach the gospel and to point Christians toward discipleship and spiritual formation. We pray that these books will be useful to individuals, families, and churches seeking a deeper walk with Jesus.”



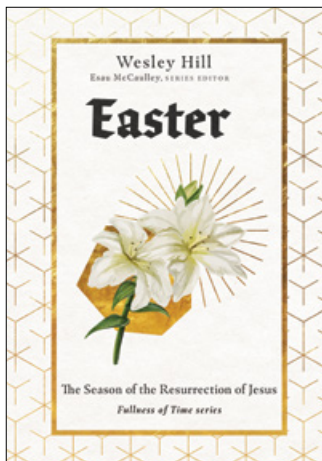
Lent

The Season of Repentance and Renewal

November 8, 2022

\$20 | 112 pages | casebound | 978-1-5140-0049-6

ESAU MCCAULEY (PhD, St. Andrews) is associate professor of New Testament at Wheaton College and a contributing opinion writer for the *New York Times*. He is the author of *Reading While Black* and *Sharing in the Son's Inheritance*, as well as the children's book *Josie Johnson's Hair and the Holy Spirit*.



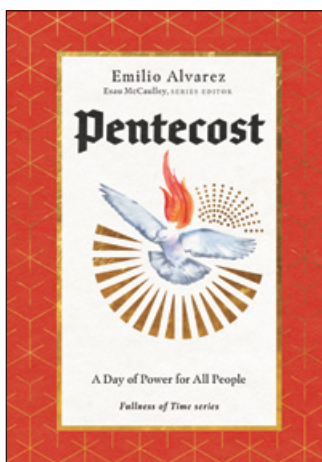
Easter

Fullness of Time

February 6, 2024

\$20 | 144 pages | casebound | 978-1-5140-0036-6

WESLEY HILL is an Episcopal priest who has spoken and lectured at numerous Christian colleges and seminaries in the U.S. and internationally. He is the author of several books and a contributing editor for *Comment* magazine.



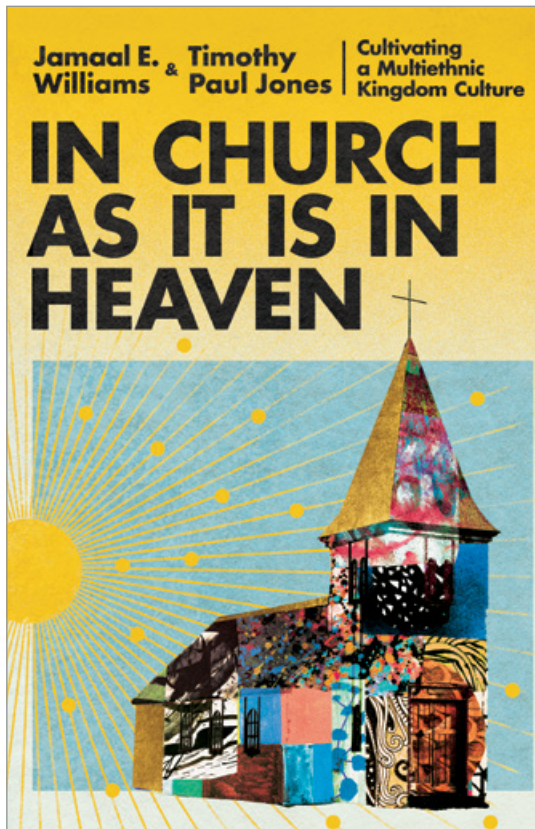
Pentecost

A Day of Power for All People

April 25, 2023

\$20 | 144 pages | casebound | 978-1-5140-0054-0

EMILIO ALVAREZ (PhD, Fordham University) is the presiding bishop of the Union of Charismatic Orthodox Churches, a communion that embraces the one holy, catholic, apostolic tradition. He is also associate provost for lifelong learning at Asbury Theological Seminary.



“

“Jamaal Williams and Timothy Jones do the body of Christ a great service with their book. It allows readers to consider the joys and challenges of creating a multiracial Christian church and ministry. Such ministries are badly needed in a post-Christian America that is racially divided. But these ministries need to be accomplished with careful thought and planning. In Church as It Is in Heaven provides great insight that allows for such thinking and planning to take place.”

GEORGE YANCEY, professor of sociology at Baylor University and author of *Beyond Racial Division*

In Church as It Is in Heaven

Cultivating a Multiethnic Kingdom Culture

June 13, 2023

\$22 | 192 | hardcover | 978-1-5140-0538-5

Heaven is multiethnic. Are you ready for that?

God’s intention has always been to delight for all eternity in a redeemed community of ethnic diversity. Patterned after a worship service, *In Church as It Is in Heaven* gives biblical warrant for such a community. Pastors Jamaal E. Williams and Timothy Paul Jones show how multiethnic churches provide a unique apologetic for the gospel. Along the way, the authors tell the story of their own church, [Sojourn Church Midtown](#): a once majority-white congregation that is being transformed into a family that reflects the diversity of heaven.



JAMAAL E. WILLIAMS serves as lead pastor of Sojourn Church Midtown in Louisville, Kentucky, and as president of the Harbor Network. He regularly serves as a consultant to churches on leadership and issues related to the multiethnic church.

Follow Jamaal on Twitter: [@Jamaal711](#)



TIMOTHY PAUL JONES (PhD) teaches apologetics at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and serves as a preaching pastor at Sojourn Church Midtown. In addition, he has authored or coauthored more than a dozen books, including *Finding God in a Galaxy Far, Far Away*; *Christian History Made Easy*; and, with James Garlow and April Williams, the bestselling *The Da Vinci Codebreaker*.

Follow Timothy on Twitter: [@DrTimothyPJones](#)



Church for Everyone

Building a Multi-Inclusive Community for Emerging Generations

November 7, 2023

\$18 | 192 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0550-7

Lack of Diversity a Sticking Point for Younger Believers

Dan Kreiss and Efrem Smith address the need for church diversity, with a research-based, theologically informed approach. This practical book speaks to the expectation of younger generations that the church end its long run of segregation and exclusivity and embrace a move toward multi-inclusivity.

DAN KREISS is the associate minister for mission and community outreach at Roswell Presbyterian Church in the greater Atlanta area. He has served in various aspects of ministry for more than thirty years in international and cross-cultural contexts.

EFREM SMITH is the co-lead Pastor of Bayside Church Midtown, a thriving and multi-ethnic community in Sacramento, California. He also serves as a collaborative catalyst for African American Church Planting, Disciple Making, and Urban Empowerment Movements.

Follow Efrem on Twitter: [@efremsmith](https://twitter.com/efremsmith)



The Offensive Church

Breaking the Cycle of Ethnic Disunity

July 18, 2023

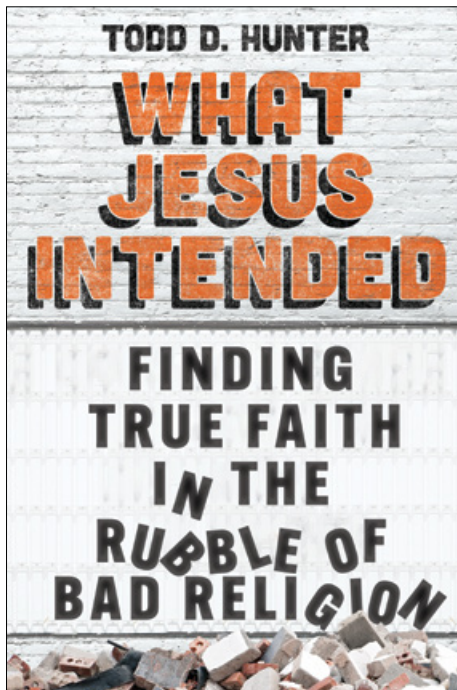
\$22 | 208 pages | hardcover | 978-1-5140-0597-2

Letting Go of a Defensive Church Posture Around Racial Conflict

Jesus wants more from the church. He wants his body to play offense by discipling people into a new humanity, where we push past diversity and into a biblical vision for ethnic unity. We play offense by practicing a robust gospel, preparing reliable leadership, and providing relational environments, so that the church becomes the aroma of Christ to our culture and gains ground against the demonic foothold of racism in all its forms.

BRYAN C. LORITTS is teaching pastor of the Summit Church in Durham, North Carolina. He has dedicated his life and ministry to seeing the multiethnic church become the new normal in our society. He has been a featured speaker at the Global Leadership Summit and Catalyst.

Follow Bryan on Twitter: [@DrLoritts](https://twitter.com/DrLoritts)



[What Jesus Intended](#)

Finding True Faith in the Rubble of Bad Religion

July 18, 2023

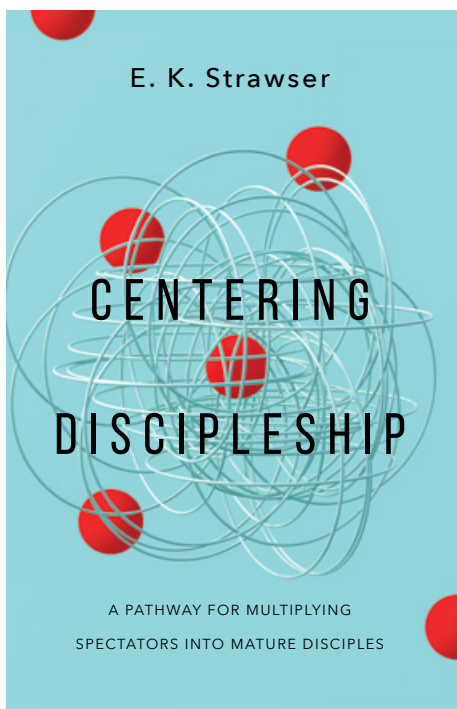
\$20 | 192 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0495-1

Reassess Everything in Light of Jesus

Many of us feel disoriented and unsteady after an endless string of church scandals. After forty years of ministry, Todd Hunter is no stranger to betrayal and pain in the church. But by unpacking the purposes of Jesus, we can expose twisted, toxic religion for what it is and embrace the healing and goodness we've always longed for.

BISHOP TODD D. HUNTER leads Churches for the Sake of Others (C4SO), a diocese of the Anglican Church in North America. He is a past president of Alpha USA and former national director for the Association of Vineyard Churches. His books include *Christianity Beyond Belief*, *The Accidental Anglican*, and *Deep Peace*. Recently, he established The Center for Formation, Justice and Peace.

Visit Todd's website at toddhunter.org.



[Centering Discipleship](#)

A Pathway for Multiplying Spectators into Mature Disciples

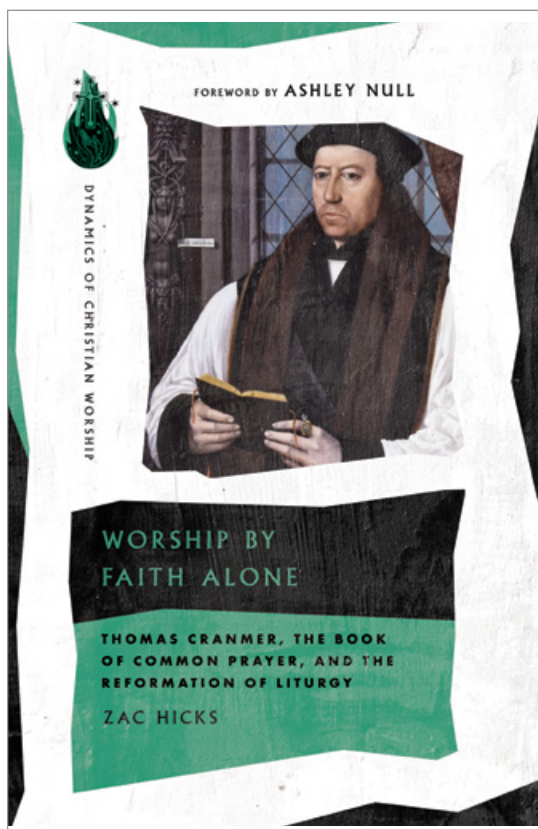
July 11, 2023

\$20 | 240 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0706-8

Discipleship without Mission is Discipleship without Christ

The church often lacks maturity and missional impact because discipleship is at its periphery. To get discipleship to the center, leaders need a locally rooted, culturally contextual discipleship pathway. This gutsy, practice-based guidebook is for leaders doing the hard work turning spectators into missional, mature followers of Jesus.

E. K. STRAWSER is the co-vocational lead pastor of Ma Ke Alo o (which means "presence" in Hawaiian), nondenominational missional communities multiplying in Honolulu, Hawaii; a community physician at Ke Ola Pono; and an executive leader at the V3 Movement, the church planting arm of the Baptist General Association of Virginia.



“

“The rediscovery of Thomas Cranmer’s vision for worship, enshrined in the Book of Common Prayer, is one of the exciting developments of recent years. Zac Hicks takes us to the source of Cranmer’s inspiration in the great doctrine of justification by faith alone, which he expressed in timeless prose. A must-read for everyone who wants to worship God in spirit and in truth.”

GERALD BRAY, research professor at Beeson Divinity School of Samford University and author of *Doing Theology with the Reformers*

Worship by Faith Alone

Thomas Cranmer, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Reformation of Liturgy

February 28, 2023

\$35 | 248 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0522-4

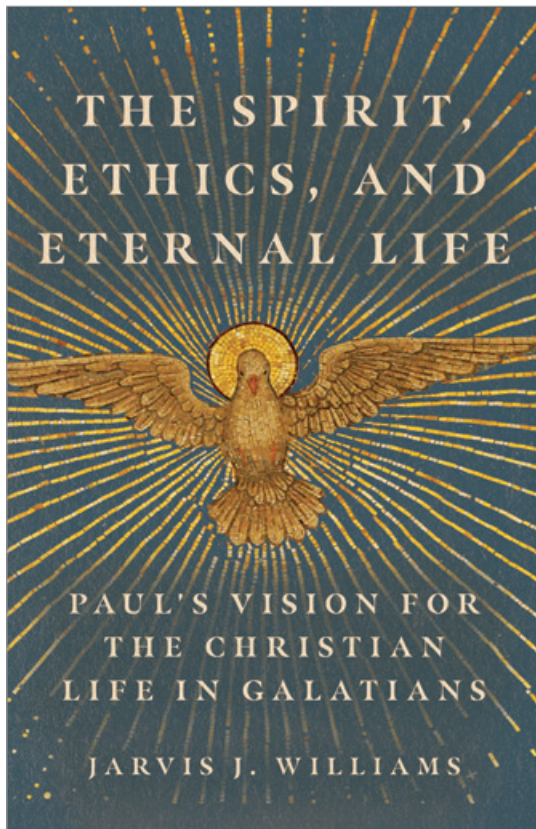
Thomas Cranmer’s Theology of Worship

In this Dynamics of Christian Worship volume, scholar, worship leader, and songwriter Zac Hicks contends that such a focus can be found in the theology of worship presented by Thomas Cranmer, the Archbishop of Canterbury during the English Reformation. Hicks argues that Cranmer’s reformation of the church’s worship and liturgy was shaped primarily by the Protestant principle of justification by faith alone as reflected in his 1552 edition of the *Book of Common Prayer*, which was later codified under Elizabeth I and has guided Anglican worship for centuries.



ZAC HICKS (DMin, Knox Theological Seminary) is adjunct lecturer in music and worship at Samford University, and author of *The Worship Pastor: A Call to Ministry for Worship Leaders and Teams*. Previously, he served as the Canon for Worship and Liturgy at Advent Cathedral. He lives with his wife, Abby, and their four children in Birmingham, Alabama.

Follow him on Twitter: [@zachicks](https://twitter.com/zachicks)



“

“Jarvis Williams has made a significant contribution with this work on the Holy Spirit in Galatians. He situates his study in the Second Temple Jewish context of Paul’s day and also enters the conversation with contemporary scholarship on the role of the Spirit. At the same time, he offers a robust exegetical defense of his own reading. Williams shows the danger of false polarities and thus reads Galatians as both apocalyptic and salvation-historical, as cosmic and individual. Along the same lines, he doesn’t divide theology from ethics, showing that the work of the Spirit transforms individual lives and communities.”

THOMAS R. SCHREINER, James Buchanan Harrison Professor of New Testament Interpretation at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

The Spirit, Ethics, and Eternal Life

Paul’s Vision for the Christian Life in Galatians

April 4, 2023

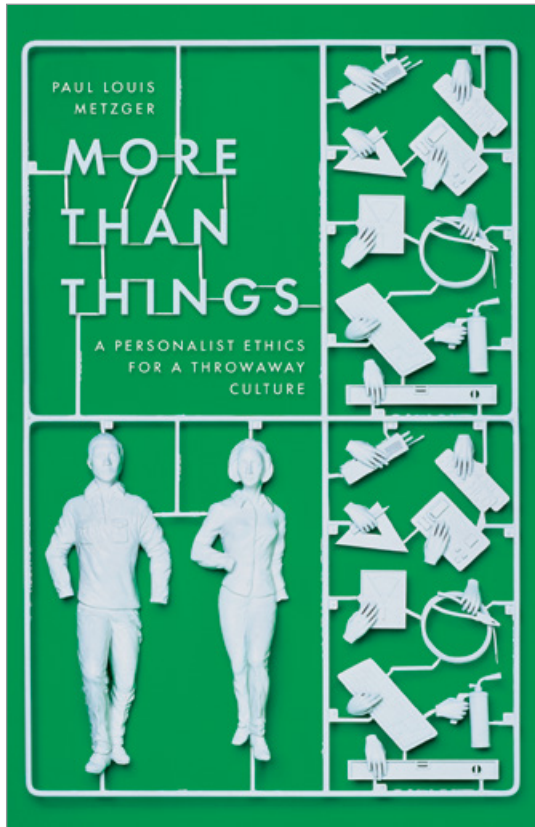
\$32 | 240 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0232-2

A Scriptural Vision for Living as a Christ-Follower

What vision does Scripture cast for living as a follower of Christ? New Testament scholar Jarvis Williams offers a multifaceted vision of God’s saving action in Jesus Christ for both Jew and Gentile, in both the vertical relationship between God and humanity as well as the horizontal relationships among people—with cosmic ramifications.

JARVIS J. WILLIAMS (PhD, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary) is associate professor of New Testament interpretation at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is the author of numerous books, including *Redemptive Kingdom Diversity: A Biblical Theology of the People of God*, *Christ Redeemed ‘Us’ from the Curse of the Law: A Jewish Martyrological Reading of Galatians 3:13*, and a commentary on Galatians in the New Covenant Commentary Series.

Follow Jarvis on Twitter: [@drjjwilliams](https://twitter.com/drjjwilliams)



“

“Expansive in its content (covering such issues as euthanasia, transhumanism, drone warfare, racism, immigration, ecowomanism, and space exploration) and in its interlocutors (dialoguing with Aristotle, Confucius, Aquinas, Kant, Martin Luther King Jr., Torrance, MacIntyre, Rand, Sandel, Wilson, and Dawkins—along with the Jewish, Catholic, and Protestant big Bs: Buber, Barth, and von Balthasar—in addition to the Dalai Lama and Pope Francis), this book is an important contribution to the recent revival of personalist ethics.”

ALAN VINCELETTE, Von der Ahe Chair of Philosophy at St. John's Seminary

More Than Things

A Personalist Ethics for a Throwaway Culture

August 8, 2023

\$48 | 464 | paperback | 978-0-8303-5091-4

From a Culture of Things to a Culture of Persons

In a world dominated by things, Paul Louis Metzger argues, we must work hard to account for one another's personhood. We need to cultivate relational structures that honor every human's dignity in vital interpersonal community. The theological and philosophical framework known as personalism can help guide us toward such a culture. Drawing from a wide range of thought leaders, including Martin Luther King Jr. and Pope John Paul II, Metzger presents a personalist moral vision founded on the Christian ideals of faith, hope, and love. He demonstrates how this moral compass can help us navigate a pluralistic world by applying it to a variety of pressing ethical issues, including abortion, genetic engineering, immigration, drone warfare, and more.



PAUL LOUIS METZGER (PhD, King's College London) is professor of Christian theology and theology of culture at Multnomah University and Seminary and director of The Institute for Cultural Engagement: New Wine, New Wineskins. He is the author of numerous books, including *Consuming Jesus: Beyond Race and Class Divisions in a*

Consumer Church and *Connecting Christ: How to Discuss Jesus in a World of Diverse Paths*, and coeditor of *A World for All? Global Civil Society in Political Theory and Trinitarian Theology*.

Follow Paul on Twitter: [@paulouismetzger](https://twitter.com/paulouismetzger)



“

“Grief took me on a journey to understand how to process my emotions. Understanding my own emotions proved to be a huge learning curve. I battled anger, confusion, shock, and disbelief. I began to understand that grief could be expressed in these different forms. I saw how differently grief can look, day to day, over time, and years. I began to realize that grief is normal. Grief is normal. The healing continues.”

Adapted from *Can You Just Sit with Me?*

Can You Just Sit with Me?

Healthy Grieving for the Losses in Life

September 26, 2023

\$18 | 176 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0621-4

Normalizing Grief

It takes time and space to grieve well, but often our culture doesn’t afford us these things. Drawing from her own experience with grief, Natasha Smith invites us into a reflection on what it means to grieve and how to cling to hope even in our darkest moments. Instead of providing quick-fix solutions, this book creates space for us to take time to just sit and grieve, learn, and heal in healthy ways.

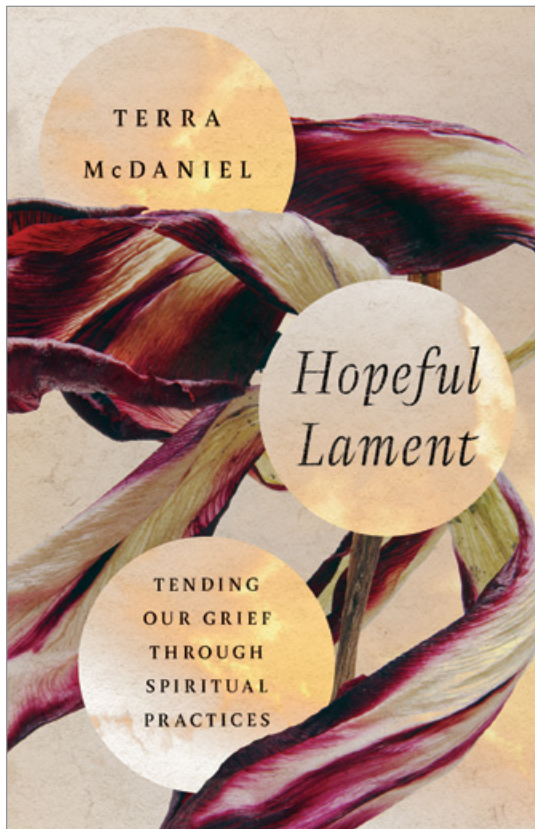
- Deeply Christian reflection on grief
- Each chapter ends with a short “grief exercise” and a prayer
- Healing begins when we allow God to just sit with us



NATASHA SMITH is a wife, mother, and writer from North Carolina. Her work has appeared on Her View from Home, Focus on the Family, and TODAY Parents.

Read Natasha’s blog at imnatashasmith.com.

Follow her on Twitter: [@imnatashasmith](https://twitter.com/imnatashasmith)



“

“The recent reset means we’re all rookies. And with so many leaders throwing in the towel, this is one of the most practical books to help you assess your situation and pioneer this moment with confidence. It’s not a manual for what to do; it’s a guide to rediscover the redemptive edge your specific team offers your specific community in this hour of need. No two teams will come out with the same answers, but every single team will finish with a plan of attack.”

GRANT SKELDON, next gen director at Q Ideas and author of *The Passion Generation*

Hopeful Lament

Tending Our Grief Through Spiritual Practices

October 10, 2023

\$18 | 216 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0310-7

Finding a Way to Heal and Hope Again

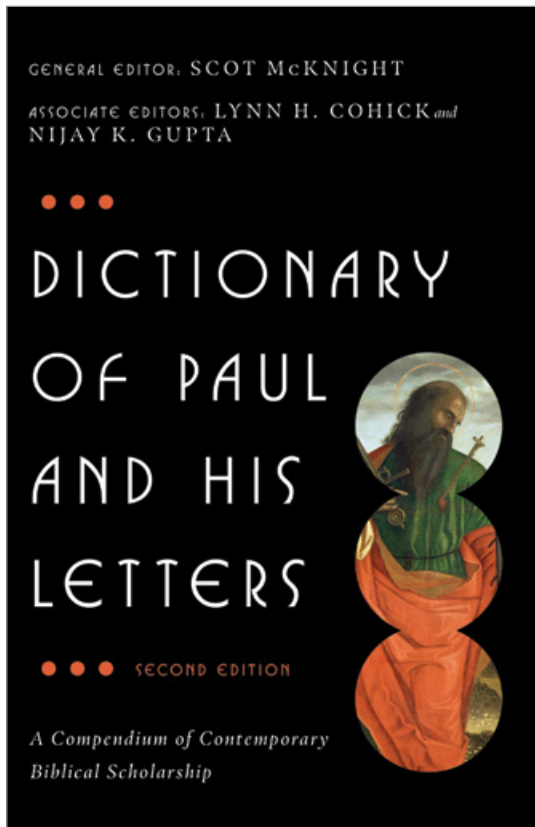
We’ve lost the practice of lament. Most people don’t know how to process personal or communal mourning and instead struggle to honor their tears, vulnerability, and the full weight of these disillusioning times. But tending our grief might be exactly what we need to reimagine a way forward.

“When my family faced upheaval and loss, many encouraged us to look on the bright side or have more faith. But we needed to move through grief instead of avoiding it. Lament takes courage but it makes way for new life,” says author Terra McDaniel.



TERRA MCDANIEL is a spiritual director for adults and children. She spent two decades as a pastor and ministry leader and earned her MDiv at Portland Seminary. McDaniel wrote *More Than Ordinary* with Doug Sherman and is a regular contributor to the Companioning Center blog.

Visit her website: terramcdaniel.com.



“

“I remember, when I was a student writing exegesis essays, making frequent use of the 1993 Dictionary of Paul and His Letters. The study of Paul has changed enormously in the three decades since that volume was published. But McKnight, Cohick, and Gupta, with their excellent team of contributors, have now brought the whole discussion up to date for a new generation of students, clergy, and laypersons.”

MATTHEW V. NOVENSON, University of Edinburgh

“Rather than an update, the second edition of The Dictionary of Paul and His Letters is a completely new work that draws on the expertise of a diverse group of male and female scholars writing from a variety of hermeneutical perspectives. Academic but accessible essays summarize theological (e.g., law, grace, justification) and cultural (e.g., adoption, sexuality, women) topics from a Pauline perspective. So many interesting entries! An outstanding resource.”

SANDRA L. GLAHN, Dallas Theological Seminary

[Dictionary of Paul and His Letters](#)

A Compendium of Contemporary Biblical Scholarship

April 11, 2023

\$70 | 1,264 pages | hardcover | 978-0-8308-1785-6

A Thoroughly Revised Biblical Studies Classic

The Dictionary of Paul and His Letters is a one-of-a-kind reference work. No other resource presents as much information focused exclusively on Pauline theology, literature, background, and scholarship.

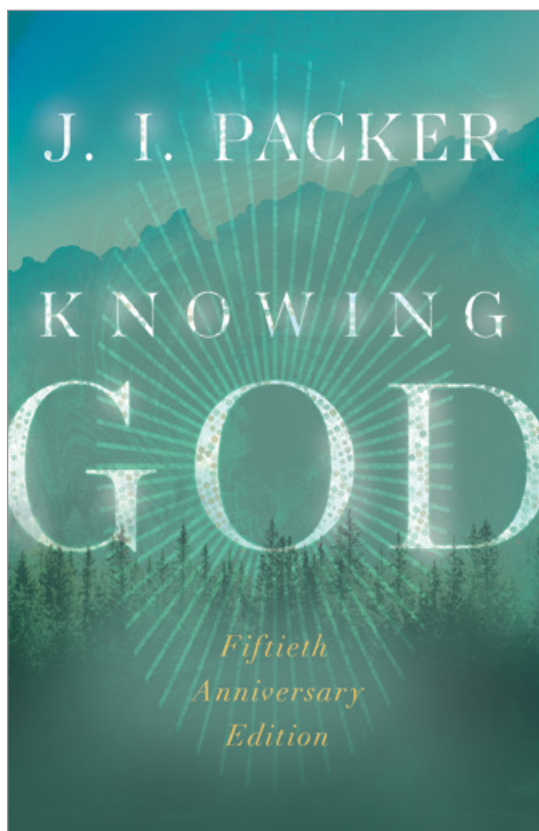
This second edition is a thoroughly revised and updated version of the acclaimed 1993 publication. Since that groundbreaking volume was published, developments in Pauline studies have continued at a rapid pace, with diverse new scholars entering the conversation, new ideas and methods gaining attention, and fresh expressions of old topics shaping the present discussion. Those who enjoyed and benefited from the wealth in the first edition will find this new edition an equally indispensable and freshly up-to-date companion to study and research.

Classic topics such as Christology, justification, hermeneutics, and book studies of individual epistles receive careful treatment by specialists in the field. Topics new to this edition—including Paul and politics, patronage, and interpretations from various historical and cultural perspectives—expand the volume’s breadth and usefulness. Over 95 percent of the articles have been written specifically for this edition.

SCOT MCKNIGHT (PhD, University of Nottingham) is Julius R. Mantey Chair of New Testament at Northern Seminary. He is the author of many books, including *Reading Romans Backwards*, *Pastor Paul*, *The King Jesus Gospel*, and commentaries on James, Galatians, and 1 Peter.

LYNN H. COHICK (PhD, University of Pennsylvania) is provost and dean of academic affairs at Northern Seminary, where she also teaches New Testament. Her books include *Christian Women in the Patristic World* and commentaries on Ephesians and Philippians.

NIJAY K. GUPTA (PhD, University of Durham) is professor of New Testament at Northern Seminary. His books include *A Beginner’s Guide to New Testament Studies*, *Paul and the Language of Faith*, and commentaries on Galatians, Philippians, Colossians, and 1–2 Thessalonians.



Knowing God

50th Anniversary Edition

October 3, 2023

\$32 | 336 pages | hardcover | 978-1-5140-0778-5

Celebrating 50 Years of Knowing God by J.I. Packer

For half a century, J. I. Packer's classic has been an important tool to help Christians around the world discover the wonder, the glory, and the joy of knowing God. Stemming from Packer's profound theological knowledge, *Knowing God* brings together two important facets of the Christian faith— knowing about God and also knowing God through the context of a close relationship with the person of Jesus Christ.

Knowing God was named by *Christianity Today* as one of the top fifty books that have shaped evangelicals. With a companion Bible study, devotional journal, and study guide, readers can explore these biblical themes for themselves.

“

“Packer’s volume says it simply, says it best.”

JONI EARECKSON TADA

“This book will help every reader grasp in a fuller way . . . that we can know God personally because God wants us to know him.”

BILLY GRAHAM

“If I can’t put the Bible on this list, I’ll choose a Packer book instead. Every national and world leader must seek to know the nations and world in which they serve. And in order to know this world and its people, we must first know the God who shaped and molded us all. Packer simply and powerfully re-introduces us to God: his attributes, actions, and, most important, his grace.”

JOSHUA DUBOIS, “My Top Five,” *Christianity Today*, September 2014



J. I. PACKER (1926–2020) is regarded as one of the most well-known theologians of our time. Once named to *Time* magazine’s list of the 25 Most Influential Evangelicals in America, Packer served as Board of Governors’ Professor of Theology at Regent College in Vancouver, British Columbia. His books include *Praying, A*

Quest for Godliness, Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God, and Rediscovering Holiness.

In a big world filled with big questions, IVP Kids has books that pack big biblical values into kid-sized pages.

Through story and illustration, books from IVP Kids engage, challenge, and delight IVP's young readers. And in keeping with IVP's historic mission, IVP Kids offers resources that reflect and celebrate diverse voices, equipping and encouraging children to follow Jesus in every area of their lives.

Discover [books from IVP Kids](#) and share with children the things that matter to God.



[All Will Be Well](#)

by Lacy Finn Borgo, illustrated by Rebecca Evans

This gentle story of a grandmother's love for her granddaughter incorporates the timeless wisdom of Julian of Norwich. *All Will Be Well* tackles the sensitive subjects of death and grief in a way that can be understood by children.

[Little Prayers for Ordinary Days](#)

by Tish Harrison Warren, Flo Paris Oakes, and Katy Bowser Hutson

This collection of short prayers for children to pray throughout their days—on the way to school, when noticing a bird in a tree, or looking at the stars—will help them recognize the nearness of God in ordinary, everyday moments.

[Josey Johnson's Hair and the Holy Spirit](#)

by Esau McCaulley, illustrated by LaTonya Jackson

When Josey wonders why people are so different, Dad helps her understand that our differences aren't a mistake. In fact, we have many differences because God is creative!

[Isaiah and the Worry Pack](#)

by Ruth Goring, illustrated by Pamela C. Rice

Isaiah's got too many things on his mind, so Mom helps him imagine each of his worries as a block stashed in his backpack. As Isaiah imagines hiking through the woods carrying his worry pack, he discovers the joy and relief of trusting Jesus with his worries.

[The Celebration Place](#)

by Dorena Williamson, illustrated by Erin Bennett Banks

Church is more than just a building—it's a gathering of God's people to celebrate who he is and all that he has done. It's also where we learn about God's vision for justice and unity!

[The O in Hope](#)

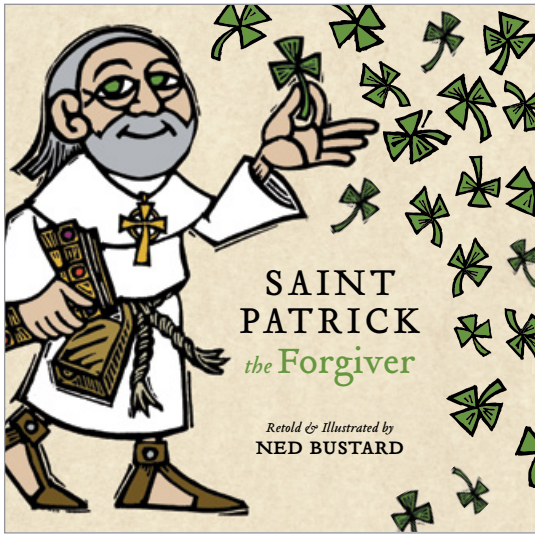
by Luci Shaw, illustrated by Ned Bustard

Combining a joyful poem from the much-celebrated poet Luci Shaw with playful cut-paper art, this delightful book helps us experience the goodness of God's gifts of hope and love.

[Saint Nicholas the Giftgiver](#)

by Ned Bustard

Learn about the life of Saint Nicholas and discover why he became known as one of the greatest giftgivers of all time.



“

“A beautifully told and illustrated story of the life and ministry of Saint Patrick. Ned Bustard has done an amazing job.”

PHILIP FREEMAN, author of *St. Patrick of Ireland: A Biography* and Fletcher Jones Chair of Western Culture at Pepperdine University's Seaver College

[Saint Patrick the Forgiver](#)

February 21, 2023

\$18 | 32 pages | hardcover | 978-1-5140-0724-2

*Hello, my name is Patrick.
You may have heard my story.
I walked the span of Ireland
to tell of God's great glory.*

*And with a wee green shamrock
I shared of the Three-in-One:
our God—the blessed mystery—
Father, Spirit, and the Son.*

Did you know that Patrick—the greatest bishop of Ireland—wasn't Irish? Combining Patrick's words from his *Confessions* with a few of the legends about him, this whimsical retelling will teach families about the fascinating life of the real Saint Patrick and help them discover a remarkable story of love and forgiveness along the way. Told in rollicking rhyme and beautifully illustrated with Ned Bustard's signature linocut artwork, this children's book will be enjoyed by kids and the adults who read with them.



NED BUSTARD is a graphic designer, a children's book illustrator, an author, and a printmaker. As the creative director for Square Halo Books, Inc. and curator of the Square Hallow Gallery, Ned has lectured at colleges, schools, churches, and conferences. His work is found in numerous titles including *Saint Nicholas the Giftgiver*,

The O in Hope, Revealed: A Storybook Bible for Grown-Ups, and *Every Moment Holy*.

Follow Ned on Twitter: [@nedbustard](#)



“

“Kara Lawler’s debut picture book, *God, Right Here*, is pure magnificence. The words and illustrations form a rich tapestry showcasing how our God is with us in each and every season. Children will delight in searching for all the ways they see God in the pages of this exquisitely illustrated picture book. Children and adults alike will be inspired to appreciate all the vibrant nature on display in each of our lives. This breathtaking book is a form of worship; we do thank God for creating such a beautiful world for us to reside in and for being with us in the here, now, and future! Bravo, Lawler and Poh; I’ll be purchasing multiple copies to give as gifts.”

SARAH PHILPOTT, author of *The Growing Season* and *Loved Baby*

[God, Right Here](#)

June 20, 2023

\$18 | 32 pages | hardcover | 978-1-5140-0659-7

God, right here.

God, right there.

God’s handiwork is everywhere.

Yellow daffodils, flying seagulls, bright orange pumpkins, and swirling snowflakes—God’s handiwork can be found all throughout nature, and every season is full of beauty and wonder. Everywhere we look, no matter the time of year, the wonders of creation remind us that God is always with us, always right here.

Written by Kara Lawler and beautifully illustrated by Jennie Poh, this celebration of God’s creation and the changing seasons can be enjoyed by children and the adults who read with them. Also included is a note from the author to encourage further conversation about the content.



KARA LAWLER is the author of *Everywhere Holy: Seeing Beauty, Remembering Your Identity*, and *Finding God Right Where You Are* and *A Letter for Every Mother*, but she has wanted to publish a children’s book since she was a little girl! As a contributor to several magazines and websites, some of her essays have been read and shared millions of times.

KaraLawler.com



JENNIE POH fell in love with the countryside at a very young age, developing a deep connection to nature and conservation. As an illustrator, she still loves to connect with nature, making her own paintbrushes with leaves, bark, flowers, and anything else she may find while walking outside. She also enjoys using watercolor and inks,

which make wonderful splatters and splotches on the page.

Follow her on Twitter: [@JenniePoh](https://twitter.com/JenniePoh)



ONLINE COVER REVEAL
COMING SOON

When I Go to Church, I Belong

September 19, 2023

\$18 | 32 pages | hardcover | 978-1-5140-0667-2

Children of All Abilities Belong in Church

Church is for everyone, but not everyone experiences church in the same way. This day at church—worship, singing, stories, playing, eating—is told from the point of view of children with special needs. It is a book written to and for children with disabilities, but also for all of us who want our churches to be places of welcome and belonging.



ELRENA EVANS (MFA, Penn State) is executive editor of *Paper & String*, a digital care package celebrating faith, creativity, and beauty in its many forms. She is the author of *Special Grace*, as well as a short story collection, *This Crowded Night*, and coauthor of the essay collection *Mama, PhD: Women Write About Motherhood and Academic Life*.

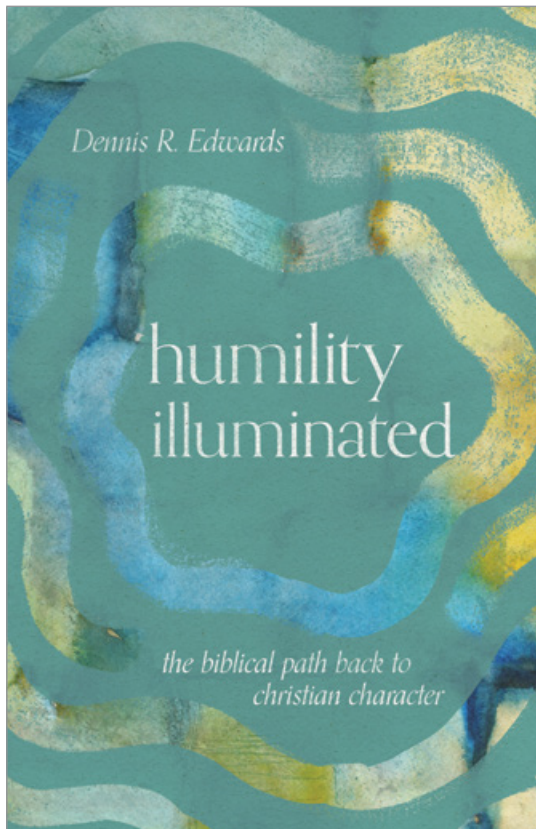
Follow Elrena on Instagram: [@elrenaevans](https://www.instagram.com/elrenaevans)



REBECCA EVANS is an author and illustrator who has worked on more than twenty-four children's books, including *All Will Be Well*. She also enjoys teaching art at her local Art Center, publishing artwork with magazines and multiple publishing houses, and sharing her love of literature and art with children.

[RebeccaEvans.net](https://www.RebeccaEvans.net)

Follow her on Twitter: [@RebeccaEvansArt](https://twitter.com/RebeccaEvansArt)



Humility Illuminated

The Biblical Path to Christian Character

November 7, 2023

\$24 | 192 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0044-1

Humility that Empowers

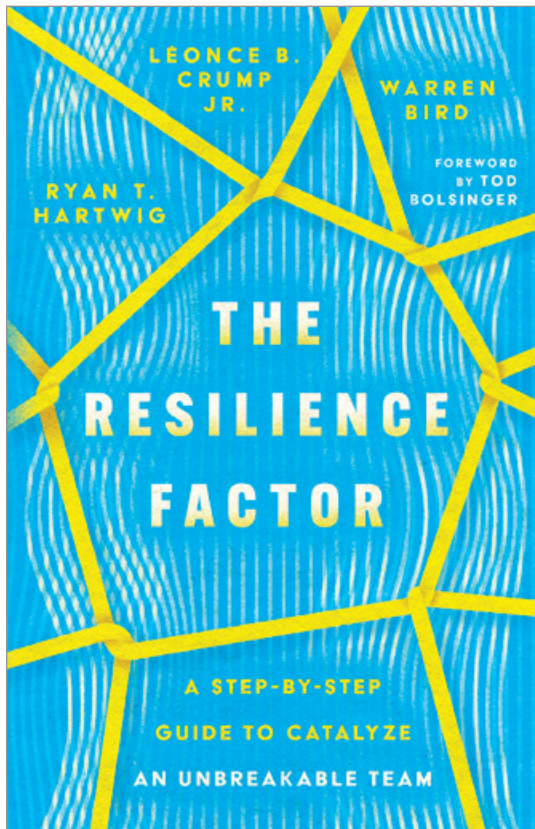
The church in the United States is surrounded by a competitive, polarized, and status-driven society, and too often Christians embrace these patterns. Edwards traces the trajectory of humility as *a way of life* throughout Scripture, considering the role of humility in Christian community, conflict, leadership, suffering, worship, and stewardship.

- Includes powerful stories and examples from the author's ministry experience
- Addresses common areas of leadership failure and how to avoid them
- Applies biblical texts on humility to multiethnic ministry and justice work



DENNIS R. EDWARDS (PhD, Catholic University of America) is associate professor of New Testament at North Park University. He is ordained through the Evangelical Covenant Church and has served as a church planter and pastor in Brooklyn, Minneapolis, and Washington, DC. He is the author of the *Story of God Commentary* on 1 Peter.

Follow him on Twitter: [@RevDrDre](https://twitter.com/RevDrDre)



“

“If there’s anything your church, your ministry, or your organization needs to walk successfully and confidently into an unknown future, it’s a resilient team. If a team embodies the kind of resilience we describe in this book, it can face anything while flourishing in the process.”

Adapted from *The Resilience Factor*

The Resilience Factor

A Step-by-Step Guide to Catalyze an Unbreakable Team

June 20, 2023

\$18 | 156 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0568-2

Becoming a Remarkable Team

The authors of this book have worked with team members in all kinds of Christian organizations, and they’ve served on countless teams themselves. In *The Resilience Factor*, the next go-to resource for leaders in Christian organizations who want to take their team to the next level, these authors distill their experience and wisdom into practical steps that both inspire and equip teams to move from floundering to flourishing.

- Examples of top-performing teams
- Individual and group reflection questions
- Diagnostic tools and team activities

RYAN T. HARTWIG is provost and vice president of academic affairs at Vanguard University in Costa Mesa, California. A seasoned communication professor, he is the lead author of *Teams That Thrive* and *Leading Small Groups That Thrive*.

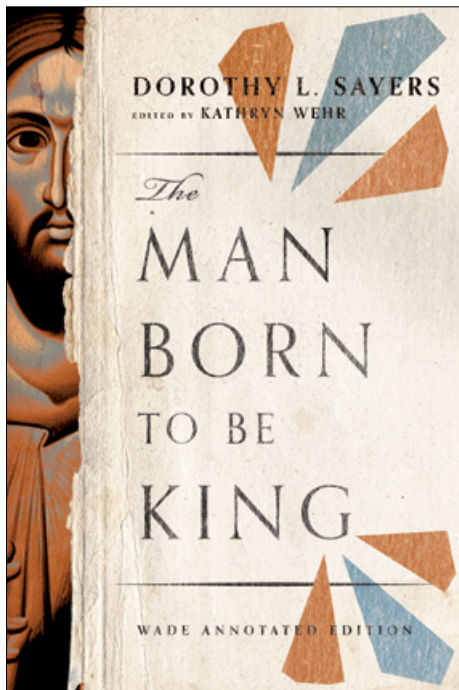
RyanHartwig.com

LEONCE B. CRUMP JR. is cofounder and senior pastor of Renovation Church in Atlanta. He regularly speaks at conferences nationally and globally, and he is the author of *Renovate*.

LeonceCrump.com

WARREN BIRD is senior vice president of research at the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability. He has authored or coauthored over thirty books for ministry leaders, including *Teams That Thrive* (with Ryan T. Hartwig).

WarrenBird.com



[The Man Born to Be King](#)

Wade Annotated Edition

January 24, 2023

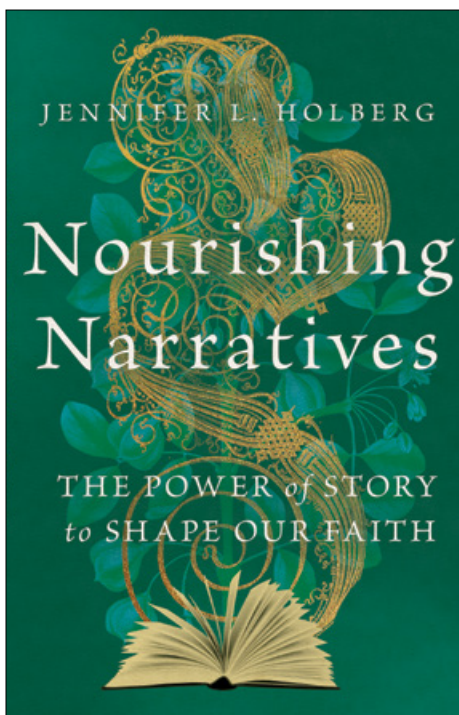
\$45 | 464 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0533-0

In 1943 the BBC broadcast a series of radio dramas by Dorothy L. Sayers on the life and ministry of Jesus which would go on to become her most beloved works. In this new annotated edition, scholar Kathryn Wehr brings fresh insights to the plays, their background, Sayers's creative process, and the ongoing significance of the life of Christ today.

DOROTHY L. SAYERS (1893–1957) was a playwright, scholar, and acclaimed author. She is best known for her detective novels featuring Lord Peter Wimsey; her plays including *The Zeal of Thy House* and *The Devil to Pay*; works including *The Greatest Drama Ever Staged*, *Creed or Chaos?*, and *The Mind of the Maker*; and her translation of Dante's *Divine Comedy*.

KATHRYN WEHR (PhD, University of St Andrews) is a creative artist and scholar. Her written work has appeared in several journals and publications, including *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture*, *VII: Journal of the Marion E. Wade Center*, *The Journal of Inklings Studies*, and *Transpositions: Theology, Imagination, and the Arts*. She is also the managing editor of *Logos: A Journal of Catholic Thought and Culture*.

KathrynWehr.com



[Nourishing Narratives](#)

The Power of Story to Shape Our Faith

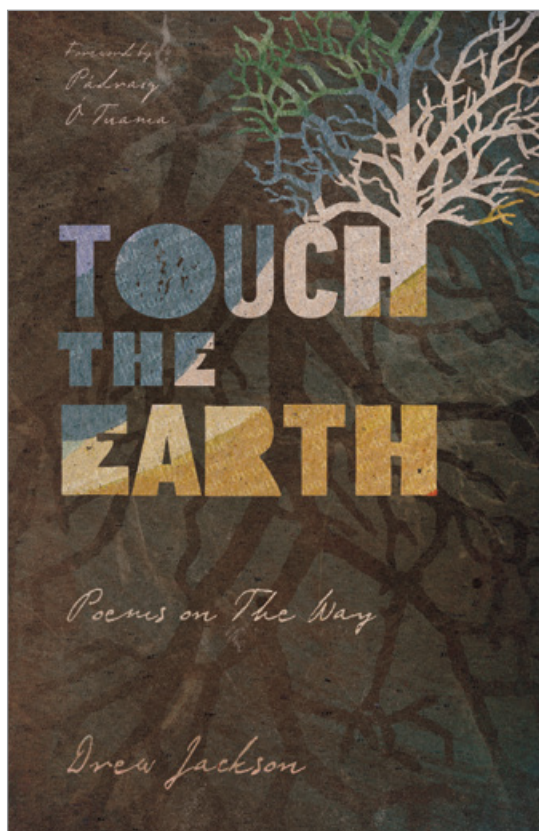
July 25, 2023

\$25 | 240 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0524-8

Humans make sense of the world through language and the words that compose our stories. Engaging with writers like Dante, Gerard Manley Hopkins, Flannery O'Connor, and Marilynne Robinson, this volume encourages us not only to understand how stories nourish our faith, but to discover how our stories are part of God's great story.

JENNIFER L. HOLBERG (PhD, University of Washington) is professor and chair of the English department at Calvin University and codirector of the Calvin Center for Faith and Writing, the home of the Festival of Faith and Writing. She is a founding coeditor of the academic journal *Pedagogy* and the editor of *Shouts and Whispers: Twenty-One Writers Speak About Their Writing and Their Faith*.

Follow her on Twitter: [@JenniferHolberg](https://twitter.com/JenniferHolberg)



“

“I’m one of those people who likes the idea of reading poetry more than actually reading it. Occasionally, however, I stumble on a poet like Drew Jackson, whose lyrical language and urgent themes set a hook in me. Drawing on the liberating Jesus of Luke’s Gospel, Jackson explores heritage, history, and a longing for freedom. *Touch the Earth* pushes back against the spirit of scarcity and invites readers into an achingly authentic spirituality. Whether you are a ‘poetry person’ or not, this book will leave you mesmerized.”

JONATHAN MERRITT, contributing writer for *The Atlantic* and author of *Learning to Speak God from Scratch*

[Touch the Earth](#)

Poems on The Way

January 10, 2023

\$18 | 224 | paperback | 978-1-5140-0269-8

Gather it from memory.

Let it touch the earth.

Reflecting on the Gospel of Luke through poetry, Drew Jackson continues the project he began in [God Speaks Through Wombs](#), picking up in Luke chapter nine. Part protest poetry, part biblical commentary, this collection of poems helps us hear the hum of deliverance, presenting the gospel story in all its liberative power.

From the feeding of the multitude (“The best hosts always provide / take home containers”) to the resurrection of Jesus (“the belly of mother Earth / is, indeed, a womb . . . the humus of life is where we become fully human”), this collection helps us hear the hum of deliverance—against all hope—that’s been in the gospel all along.



DREW JACKSON is the founding pastor of Hope East Village in New York City. He is the author of the poetry collection *God Speaks Through Wombs* and writes poetry at the intersection of justice, peace, and contemplation, with a passion to contribute toward a more just and whole world.

djacksonpoetics.com

Follow him on Twitter: [@djacksonpoetics](https://twitter.com/djacksonpoetics)

Issues of mental health affect most people, especially as the world around us leaves us feeling increasingly troubled and alone. How can we help those we love—and ourselves—find hope and healing during hard times? During the month of May we will be highlighting books that bolster the battle for mental health, whether you struggle with burnout, depression, addiction or grief. In addition to [this full list of our mental health resources](#), we want to bring the following recent books to your attention, covering topics from trauma and counseling to anxiety and loneliness.



[The Anxiety Field Guide](#)

Healthy Habits for Long-Term Healing

April 26, 2022

\$18 | 176 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0345-9

[Anxiety](#)

Finding Comfort and Reassurance from God

April 21, 2020

\$12 | 64 pages | paperback | 978-0-8308-3124-1

[The Connected Life](#)

The Art and Science of Relational Spirituality

June 28, 2022

\$18 | 224 pages | hardcover | 978-1-5140-0261-2

[Wait with Me](#)

Meeting God in Loneliness

May 19, 2020

\$16 | 176 pages | paperback | 978-0-8308-4668-9

[Restoring the Shattered Self](#)

A Christian Counselor's Guide to Complex Trauma

March 3, 2020

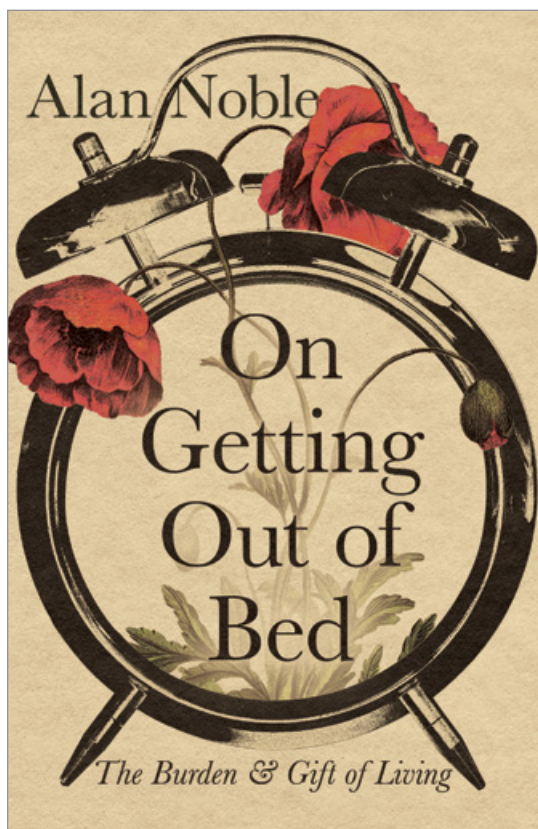
\$32 | 264 pages | paperback | 978-0-8308-2866-1

[Learning to Be](#)

Finding Your Center After the Bottom Falls Out

September 15, 2020

\$22 | 176 pages | hardcover | 978-0-8308-4587-3



“

“Alan Noble grapples with a topic of increasingly vital significance in the effects of Covid-19 isolation: mental affliction. Through autobiographical reflections and personal insights on his own suffering, Noble pushes back on the biological model of understanding these illnesses, looking to his life in Christ as his tool for survival.”

KATHRYN GREENE-MCCREIGHT, author of *Darkness Is My Only Companion: A Christian Response to Mental Illness*

[On Getting Out of Bed](#)

The Burden and Gift of Living

April 18, 2023

\$20 | 120 pages | hardcover | 978-1-5140-0443-2

Let's Face It, Life Is Difficult

For most people, sorrow, anxiety, and mental illness are everyday experiences. The burden of living comes down to mundane choices that we each must make—like the daily choice to get out of bed. In this deeply personal essay, Alan Noble considers how carrying on amid great suffering is a powerful witness to the goodness of life, and of God.

- Shares wisdom from an award-winning author
- Offers insights for those in the midst of struggles
- Puts the conversation around mental health in the context of the gospel



ALAN NOBLE is associate professor of English at Oklahoma Baptist University. He has written for *The Atlantic*, *Vox*, *The Gospel Coalition*, *Christianity Today*, and *First Things*. He is also the author of *Disruptive Witness* (won the 2018 WORLD Book of the Year Award) and *You Are Not Your Own* (Honorable Mention TGC 2021 Book Awards).

Visit Alan's website at oalannoble.com.

Follow him on Twitter: [@TheAlanNoble](https://twitter.com/TheAlanNoble)



[Creating the Canon](#)

Composition, Controversy, and the Authority of the New Testament

July 11, 2023

\$30 | 264 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0110-3

A Helpful Guide to the Canon of the New Testament

Some questions about the New Testament are far from settled, to say nothing of misconception and confusion. In this wide-ranging yet accessible overview, Benjamin Laird offers constructive insight on matters tied to the composition, collection, and authority of the New Testament canon.

- Addresses six significant questions concerning the formation of the canon
- Helpful for seminary or Bible college students who have questions about how the canon was formed and questions about NT letter writing
- Offers helpful thoughts on apostolic authority and inerrancy through the lens of canon reception

“

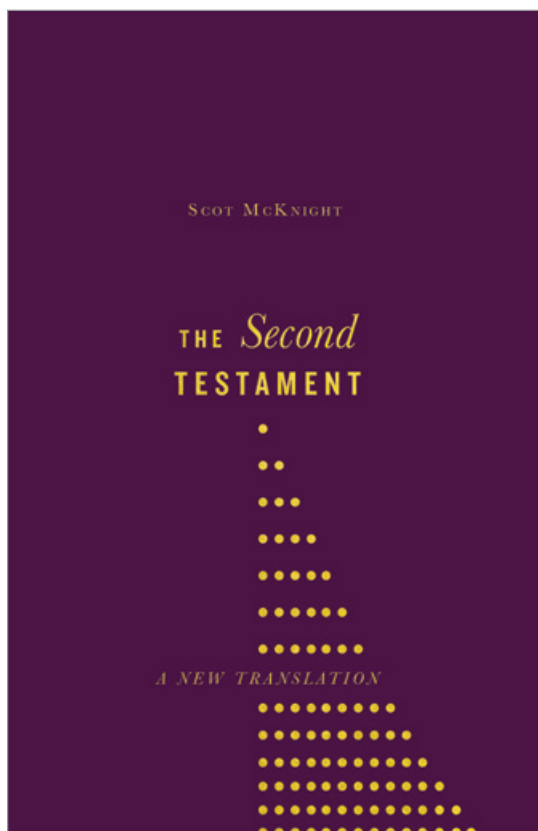
“Benjamin Laird has written an insightful and helpful introduction to how we got the New Testament. Laird explains everything from ancient writing practices to book production and publication to letter writing in antiquity, as well as the origins and reception of Christian texts, and the importance of apostolic authority. A helpful read for anyone interested in the what and the how of the Bible.”

MICHAEL F. BIRD, academic dean and lecturer in New Testament at Ridley College in Melbourne, Australia



BENJAMIN P. LAIRD (PhD, University of Aberdeen) is associate professor of biblical studies at the John W. Rawlings School of Divinity at Liberty University. His recent publications include *The Pauline Corpus in Early Christianity*, *40 Questions about the Apostle Paul*, *Five Views on the New Testament Canon*, and the forthcoming

The New Testament Canon in Contemporary Research. He lives in Lynchburg, Virginia, with his wife and five children.



[The Second Testament](#)

A New Translation

June 6, 2023

\$35 | 312 | hardcover | 978-0-8308-4699-3

Fresh New Testament Translation from Scot McKnight

New Testament scholar Scot McKnight offers a translation of the New Testament with a daring approach to the ancient text. Clever in its expression and at times stunning in its boldness, *The Second Testament* will challenge readers to experience God's Word anew.

Features include:

- Complete text of the New Testament
- Brief introductions to each book
- Maps of key locations and events
- Glossary of key terms in the translation

“

“Scot McKnight’s translation of the New Testament takes us into the very world of Jesus and the apostles; it breathes the air of antiquity. Rather than try to make the New Testament too familiar, McKnight makes it sound foreign, like a distant land you are hearing about for the first time. The Second Testament is a monumental literary achievement that will enrich and excite readers for generations.”

MICHAEL F. BIRD, academic dean and lecturer in New Testament at Ridley College in Melbourne, Australia

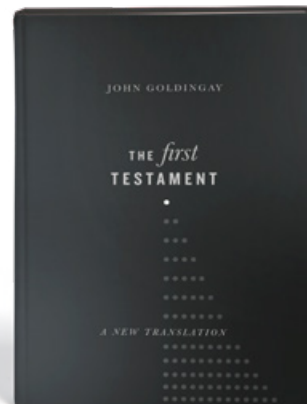


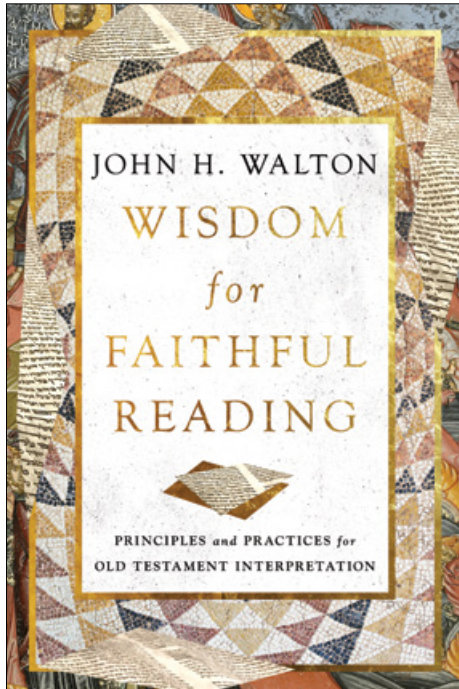
SCOT MCKNIGHT (PhD, University of Nottingham) is Julius R. Mantey Chair of New Testament at Northern Seminary in Lisle, Illinois. He is the author of many books, including *Reading Romans Backwards*, *Pastor Paul*, *The King Jesus Gospel*, and commentaries on James, Galatians, and 1 Peter. He is also the coeditor of

the Story of God commentary series and general editor of the forthcoming second edition of the *Dictionary of Paul and His Letters*.

Follow him on Twitter: [@scotmcknight](#)

Also available:
[The First Testament:](#)
[A New Translation](#)
by John Goldingay





Wisdom for Faithful Reading

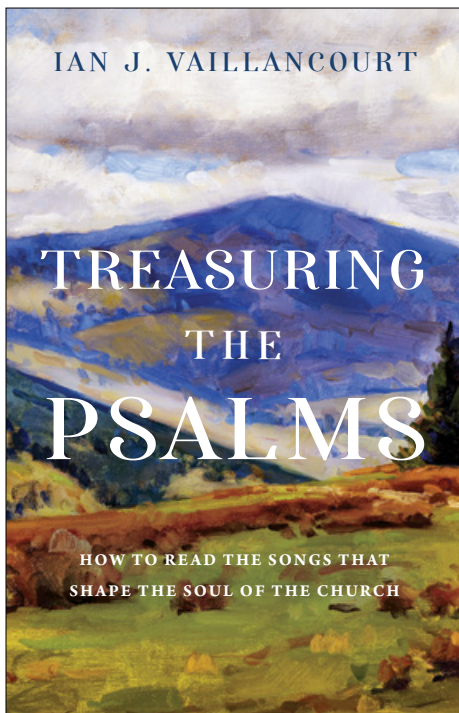
Principles and Practices for Old Testament Interpretation

April 25, 2023

\$26 | 248 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0487-6

The church has often lost its way in reading the Old Testament for lack of sound principles of interpretation. John Walton offers a consistent approach to give us confidence as faithful interpreters, laying out his tried-and-true practices developed over four decades in the classroom. You may never read the Old Testament the same way again.

JOHN H. WALTON (PhD, Hebrew Union College) is professor of Old Testament at Wheaton College and Graduate School. His many books include *The Lost World of Genesis One* and other titles in the Lost World Series, *Old Testament Theology for Christians*, and the IVP Bible Background Commentary: *Old Testament*.



Treasuring the Psalms

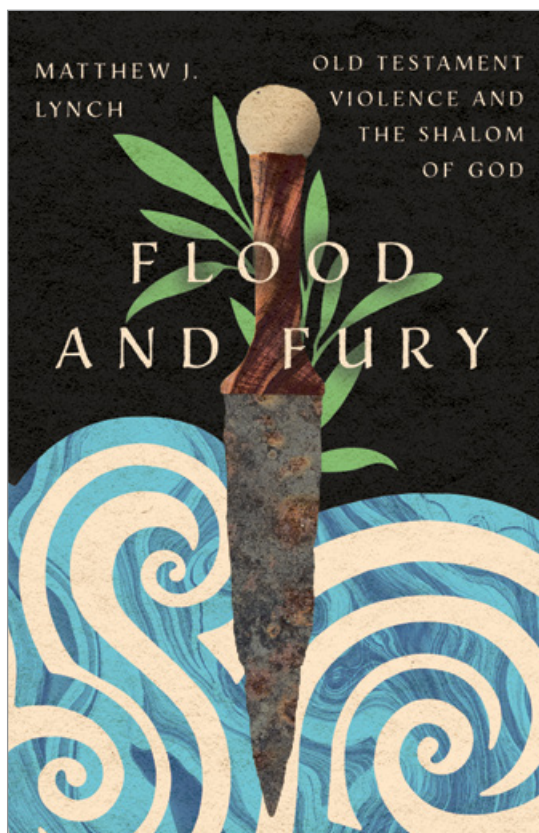
How to Read the Psalms that Shape the Soul of the Church

August 15, 2023

\$28 | 256 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0510-1

Christians rightly yearn to understand and experience the riches found in the Book of Psalms more deeply. Contrary to the common approach of teaching characteristics of the psalm types (form criticism), this book helps Christians understand that the individual psalms are shaped into a book that points to Christ and applies directly to the Christian life. Through these canonical, Christological, and practical emphases, readers will learn the flow and message of the book, as well as come to understand Gospel-centered and direct application to their lives.

IAN J. VAILLANCOURT (PhD, University of St. Michael's College, Toronto) is Associate Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at Heritage Theological Seminary, in Cambridge, Ontario, Canada. He is an ordained pastor in the Fellowship of Evangelical Baptists in Canada, and served in senior/teaching pastoral roles for 14 years before teaching. Vaillancourt has published articles and reviews in academic journals including *The Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*, *Westminster Theological Journal*, *Journal for the Evangelical Study of the Old Testament*, and *The Scottish Bulletin of Evangelical Theology*.



“

“Matt Lynch is an able guide to these difficult Old Testament texts. He carefully unravels the caricatures of these texts to make way for a faithful alternative. Lynch weaves personal stories with close readings of biblical texts to offer fresh perspective. I heartily recommend his work!”

CARMEN JOY IMES, associate professor of Old Testament at Biola University and author of *Bearing God's Name: Why Sinai Still Matters*

Flood and Fury

Old Testament Violence and the Shalom of God

February 28, 2023

\$24 | 256 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0429-6

Be Shocked, Horrified, Frustrated with the Bible

Old Testament violence proves one of the most troubling topics in the Bible. Too often, the explanations for the brutality in Scripture fail to adequately illustrate why God would sanction such horrors on humanity. These unanswered questions leave readers frustrated and confused, leading some to even walk away from their faith.

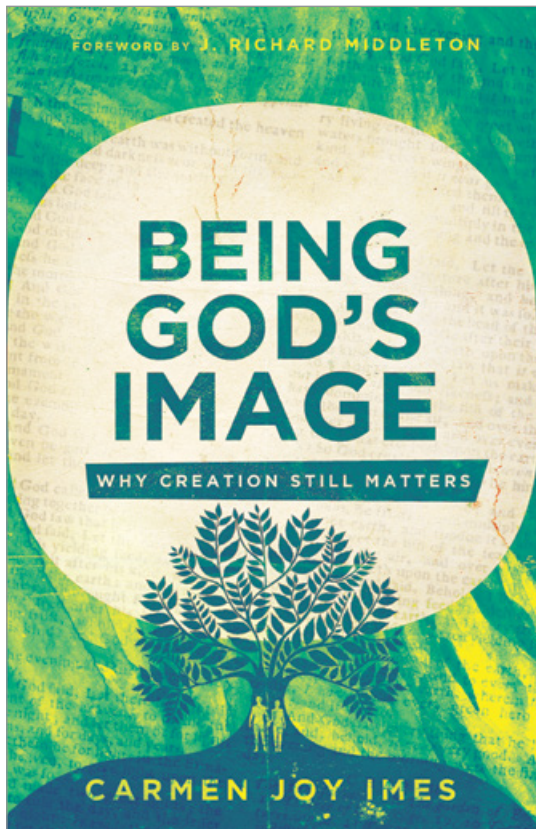
In *Flood and Fury*, Old Testament scholar Matthew Lynch approaches two of the most violent passages in the Old Testament—the Flood and the Canaanite conquest—and offers a way forward that doesn't require softening or ignoring the most troubling aspects of these stories. While acknowledging the persistent challenge of violence in Scripture, *Flood and Fury* contends that reading with the grain of the text yields surprising insights into the goodness and the mercy of God. Through his exploration of themes related to violence including misogyny, racism, and nationalism, Lynch shows that these violent stories illuminate significant theological insights that we might miss with a surface reading.



MATTHEW J. LYNCH is associate professor of Old Testament at Regent College in Vancouver, Canada. He is the author of *First Isaiah and the Disappearance of the Gods*, *Portraying Violence in the Hebrew Bible: A Literary and Cultural Study*, and *Monotheism and Institutions in the Book of Chronicles: Temple, Priesthood, and Kingship in*

Post-Exilic Perspective. He is the cofounder of the OnScript podcast, a podcast focused on providing engaging conversations on Bible and theology.

Follow him on Twitter: [@MattLynch_OT](https://twitter.com/MattLynch_OT)



“

“Because of Carmen Imes’s warm and inviting prose, readers might not initially realize what a biblical narrative tour de force they receive in this book. From Genesis to Revelation, creation to new creation, Imes leaves no major challenging question unaddressed as she explores the central assertion that all humans are made in God’s image. A wise and able guide, Imes brings clarity, encouragement, and challenge herself as well as introducing numerous other guides so readers can press deeper. Along with Bearing God’s Name, Being God’s Image will stand as an influential Christian theology of creational flourishing.”

AMY PEELER, associate professor of New Testament at Wheaton College and Graduate School

[Being God’s Image](#)

Why Creation Still Matters

June 6, 2023

\$22 | 240 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0020-5

The Practical Meaning of the Imago Dei

What does it mean to be human? For this timeless question, the Bible offers truths for the flourishing of all creation. Carmen Imes recovers the theologically rich creation narratives and explores the implication of our kinship relationship with God, considering what it means for our work, gender relations, creation care, and eternal destiny.



CARMEN JOY IMES (PhD, Wheaton College) is associate professor of Old Testament at Biola University. She is the author of *Bearing God’s Name: Why Sinai Still Matters* and *Praying the Psalms with Augustine and Friends*. Carmen loves helping Christians discover God’s grace in the Old Testament by writing, speaking, and creating videos.

[CarmenJoyImes.blogspot.com](https://carmenjoyimes.blogspot.com)

Follow her on Twitter: [@carmenjoyimes](https://twitter.com/carmenjoyimes)



ONLINE COVER REVEAL
COMING SOON

Demystifying Evil

December 5, 2023

\$28 | 256 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0493-7

God's Triumph over the Destructive Powers of Evil

How should we think about and respond to the evil that permeates our individual and social lives?

Narrating her own personal story of suffering as she encounters evil and engaging in biblical and philosophical analysis, Faro explores the many dimensions to evil. At once soberly honest, biblically engaged, and theologically nuanced, *Demystifying Evil* reminds us of the power of evil to disrupt and fragment our lives and tempt us toward colluding with it.

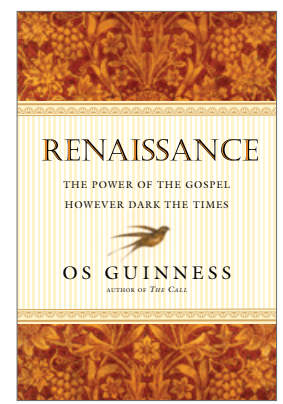
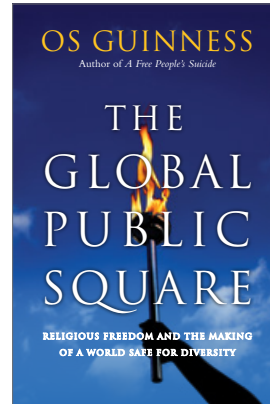
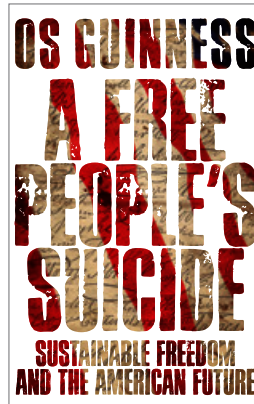
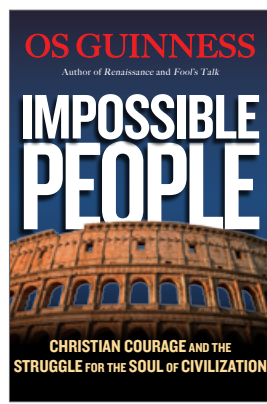
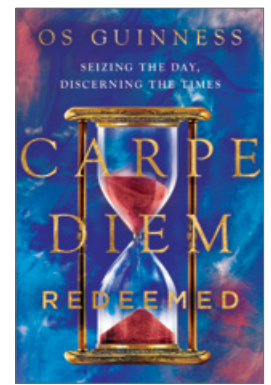
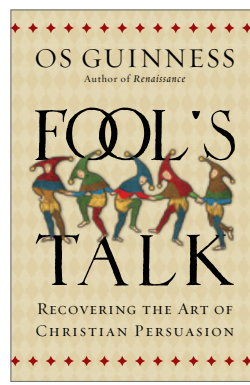
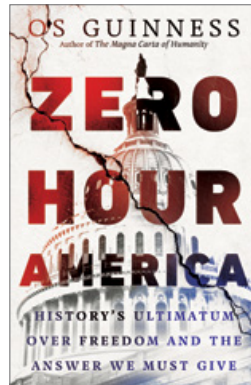
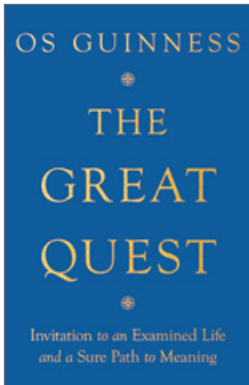
- Offers a cross-disciplinary account of evil: one rooted in Old Testament (philological) studies, psychology, and personal experience
- Approaches evil with concern for what individuals can do about it
- Emphasizes and analyzes the agency of nonhuman agents of evil such as the devil, demons, powers, and principalities

INGRID FARO (PhD, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield IL) is Visiting Professor of Old Testament at Northern Seminary in Lisle, Illinois, and Associate Professor of Old Testament at Scandinavian School of Theology in Uppsala, Sweden. She is the author of *Evil in Genesis: A Contextual Analysis of Hebrew Lexemes for Evil in the Book of Genesis*.

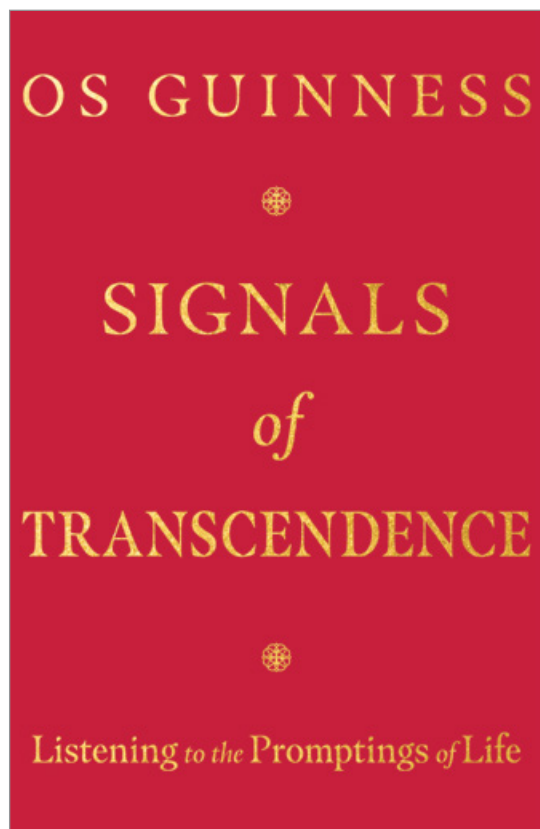
Follow Ingrid on Twitter: [@faro_ingrid](https://twitter.com/faro_ingrid)

Honoring Os Guinness for 50 Years of Publishing

This year, 2023, marks fifty years since Os Guinness published his first book back in 1973. Reissued by IVP in 2020, [The Dust of Death: The Sixties Counterculture and How It Changed America Forever](#) started what has become a prolific writing career for the well-known social critic. Guinness has authored or coauthored more than thirty books, including



Born in China to missionary parents, Guinness is the great-great-great-grandson of Arthur Guinness, the Dublin brewer. Guinness has had a lifelong passion to make sense of our extraordinary modern world and to stand between the worlds of scholarship and ordinary life, helping each to understand the other—particularly when advanced modern life touches on the profound issues of faith.



[Signals of Transcendence](#)

Listening to the Promptings of Life

March 7, 2023

\$16 | 128 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0439-5

New from Os Guinness

The modern world is a place of great distraction, and it can be difficult to make sense of our human existence. But at some point in our lives, we may experience particular moments that prompt us to search for something deeper. Sociologist Peter Berger described these hints and clues as “signals of transcendence” that awaken us to unseen realities.

Os Guinness tells stories of people who experienced signals of transcendence and followed them to find new meaning and purpose in life. Notable figures such as Leo Tolstoy and C. S. Lewis as well as lesser-known individuals experienced a variety of promptings that signaled to them that life could not continue as they had thought. Through unsatisfied longings or disillusionments or glimpses of beauty or joy, these moments drew people toward epiphanies of transformation. And the same can be true for us, should we have the courage to follow the signals wherever they may lead.

“

“In his usual erudite clarity, Os Guinness illuminates the dark paths of history’s chaos, traumas, and violence with Signals of Transcendence. This book is a gold mine of wisdom, a gift for generations to come. For all of us meandering as border-stalking artists, drowning in the undertows of cultural currents that wash away our confidence in institutions of faith, classical learning, and worldly systems, Guinness is a pedagogical North Star that guides to enlarge our imaginations and to give courage for that journey.”

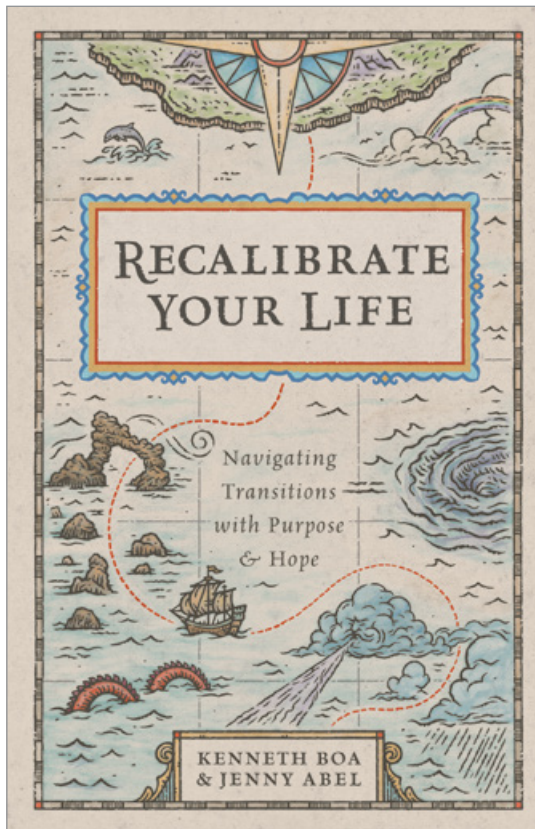
MAKOTOA FUJIMURA, artist and author of *Art+Faith: A Theology of Making*



OS GUINNESS (DPhil, Oxford) is the author or editor of more than thirty books, including *The Dust of Death*, *Fool’s Talk*, *The Magna Carta of Humanity*, and *The Great Quest*. A frequent speaker and prominent social critic, he has a lifelong passion to make sense of our extraordinary modern world and stand between the

worlds of scholarship and ordinary life, helping each to understand the other.

OsGuinness.com



[Recalibrate Your Life](#)

Navigating Transitions with Purpose and Hope

February 21, 2023

\$18 | 256 pages, paperback | 978-1-5140-0072-4

Viewing Aging as a Time to Wind Up, Not Down

Times of transition, especially in midlife or later life, are ideal moments for recalibrating our priorities and habits. Ken Boa and Jenny Abel give us the practical tools and eternal perspective needed to evaluate our God-given gifts, skills, wisdom, resources, and opportunities in order to live meaningfully now and into the future.

- Purposeful guide to maturing well through life's transitions
- Personal narratives around having an eternal perspective that transcends life seasons
- Practical toolkit with resources for recalibrating and renewing lives

“

“Bringing together scriptural insight, practical tools (such as taking a ‘recalibration retreat’), and examples from their own lives (including Boa’s multiple near-death experiences), the authors explain how their process promotes asking ‘important questions that we should have been asking all along.’ With an approachable style, Boa and Abel provide sound advice for weathering challenging life moments and connecting with God. . . .Believers eager to take a fresh look at their lives will find this a welcome resource.”

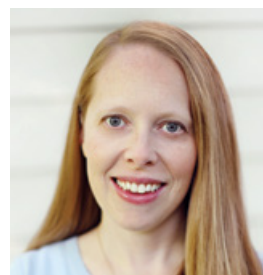
PUBLISHERS WEEKLY, December 5, 2022



KENNETH BOA is the president of Reflections Ministries, Omnibus Media Ministries, and Trinity House Publishers. His many books include *Faith Has Its Reasons*, *Rewriting Your Broken Story*, *Life in the Presence of God*, and *Shaped by Suffering*.

kenboa.org

Follow him on Twitter: [@kennethboa](https://twitter.com/kennethboa)



JENNY ABEL is a freelance writer and editor based in Charlottesville, Virginia. She coauthored *A Guide to Practicing God’s Presence* and *Shaped by Suffering* with Kenneth Boa and has served as editor of the monthly *Reflections* newsletter since 2017.

AbelEditorial.wordpress.com



Everything is (NOT) Fine

Finding Strength When Life Gets Annoyingly Difficult

September 26, 2023

\$18 | 192 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0614-6

Wisdom For When the World Knocks Us Flat on Our Butts

We feel stretched farther than we ever thought physically, emotionally, and spiritually possible. And though we are torn up inside, we feel like we need to keep our chin up and put a good face on things. So we pretend that everything is fine, even though it's not. Katie Schnack shows us how when life is complicated, self-compassion and humor can bring healing.

She says, "Being strong doesn't always look like shouting from the rooftops—aka social media—about how brave and put together we are. For me right now, being strong is about being honest with your struggles, asking for prayer, and then expecting peace to show up like God promises."

“

“Have you ever found yourself in a situation that really sucked, but you had to keep walking through it anyway? Cool, me too. This book is going to talk about times like that. And other stuff that isn't so depressing sounding, like being strong and kicking life's butt like Rocky Balboa in his best moment. Because with seasons of hard come seasons of conquering. It isn't all just doom and gloom. And hey, I know you can conquer.”

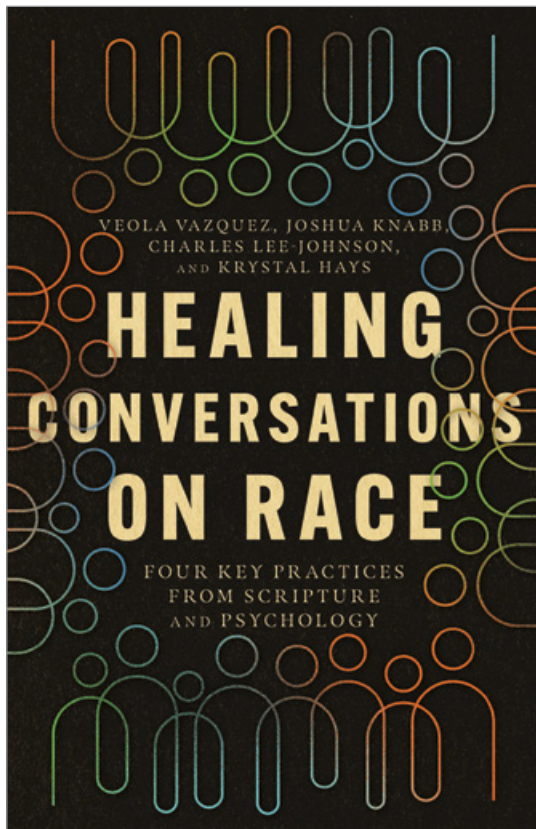
Adapted from the prologue of *Everything is (NOT) Fine*



KATIE SCHNACK is a writer and book publicist. Her articles have appeared in such places as Relevant, Today.com, Hello Giggles, Romper, and Scary Mommy. She is the author of *The Gap Decade*.

Visit her website at katieschnack.com.

Follow her on Twitter: [@katieschnack](https://twitter.com/katieschnack)



“

“The history of the church when it comes to race is a mixed bag. Some Christians have done great work to build bridges and work toward racial healing and justice. Others have used their interpretations of the Bible to make things worse. This book is a welcome step in the right direction. The authors bring together their personal and professional experience to provide a practical road map to help Christians who want to become more like Christ and bring about healing in their communities. If that describes you, this book will help light the path.”

JOSHUA N. HOOK, professor of psychology at the University of North Texas

[Healing Conversations on Race](#)

Four Key Practices from Scripture and Psychology

February 28, 2023

\$24 | 240 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0392-3

A Model for Addressing Racial Disunity

Racism complicates our relationships, even when we reject it and seek to walk a better path. In this book, four experts in psychology and social work present a Scripturally-grounded model for building and deepening cross-race relationships. These insights and practices will help Christians grow in Christlikeness and follow his example.

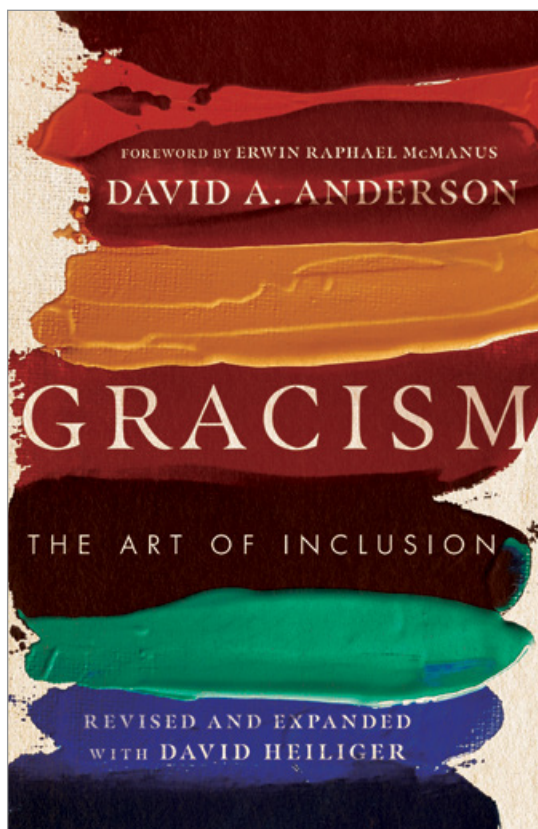
- Includes examples from the authors’ own experiences
- Each chapter features journaling prompts to help readers engage the content
- Provides biblical and psychological foundations for the “HEAL” program
- Guides readers through a program of directed mixed-race conversation

VEOLA VAZQUEZ, PhD, is a licensed psychologist and a tenured professor of psychology in the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences at California Baptist University.

JOSHUA KNABB, PsyD, ABPP, is a board certified clinical psychologist (American Board of Professional Psychology) and the director of the PsyD program at California Baptist University.

CHARLES LEE-JOHNSON, DMin, MSW, is one of the founders and chair of the Social Work Department at California Baptist University and the CEO of National Family Life and Education Center.

KRYSTAL HAYS, PhD, is the director of the Doctor of Social Work program and an assistant professor of social work at California Baptist University.



“

“Dr. David Anderson is one of the finest reconciliation practitioners that I know. In this book, *Gracism: The Art of Inclusion*, he honestly shares his journey into a profound concept that has the potential to revolutionize how we confront racism to create a society with liberty and justice for all.”

DR. BRENDA SALTER MCNEIL, President, Salter McNeil Associates, LLC, coauthor of *The Heart of Racial Justice: How Soul Change Leads to Social Change*

Gracism

The Art of Inclusion (Revised and Expanded Edition)

May 9, 2023

\$18 | 192 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0732-7

Embracing Racial Inclusion of the Marginalized

We can't ignore color, class, or culture. Instead, we must engage matters of race with a different posture and embrace radical inclusion of the marginalized.

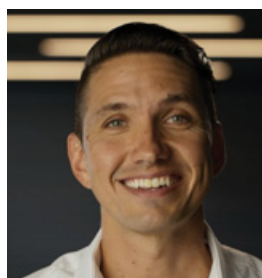
Now with David Heiliger, David A. Anderson revives the biblical model for showing special grace to others on the basis of ethnicity, class, or social distinction—one of gracism. Responding to ongoing problems of prejudice and injustice, the original seven sayings of the gracist now become eight with a new chapter alongside a revised conclusion.



DAVID A. ANDERSON (DPhil, DLitt) is the founder and senior pastor of Bridgeway Community Church. He is the founder and president of Gracism Global and an instructor of cultural diversity at the University of Phoenix's Maryland campuses. David's other books include *Letters Across the Divide* and *Multicultural Ministry*.

AndersonSpeaks.com

Follow him on Twitter: [@AndersonSpeaks](https://twitter.com/AndersonSpeaks)



DAVID HEILIGER is the director of Gracism Global and the pastor of multicultural bridge building at Bridgeway Community Church. He holds a master's degree in conflict transformation from the Center for Justice and Peacebuilding at Eastern Mennonite University.

Follow him on Instagram: [@DavidHeiliger](https://www.instagram.com/DavidHeiliger)



“

“Terence Lester has a longstanding track record of listening to and standing up for those society would rather forget. This book beautifully, and in some spaces hauntingly, weaves together the story of the unhoused while providing crucial racial analysis that did my soul so much good to read. I think this book deserves a space in classrooms and libraries all across this country.”

ROBERT MONSON, codirector of Enfleshed, writer, and podcaster

[All God's Children](#)

How Confronting Buried History Can Build Racial Solidarity

June 20, 2023

\$18 | 240 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0595-8

Everyone Has a Story

Terence Lester shares the buried history of the struggles Black people have faced against unjust systems. He tells powerful stories of courage, injustice, pain, and triumph, including ones from his own history. He also unpacks the sociological and cultural dynamics of unconscious bias and inattentional ignorance that keep us apart, and how they can be overcome.

- A candid account of Black experience in America
- Explains what it's like to have “the talk” and to face microaggressions, racial profiling, and more
- Provides historical background to foster shared understanding and greater empathy



TERENCE LESTER is a minister, speaker, community activist, author, and founder of Love Beyond Walls, a not-for-profit organization focused on poverty awareness and community mobilization. His campaigns on behalf of the poor, including #LoveSinksIn, have been featured in *USA Today*, *Black Enterprise Essence*, and *Reader's Digest*.

They have been viewed by millions of people globally on *The Today Show*, *Good Morning America*, CBS News, NBC, Upworthy, and “The Bright Side” with Katie Couric. His books include [When We Stand, I See You](#), *Getting Past Stuck*, *Simple Prayers for Hurting People*, and *Identity Theft*.

TerenceLester.org

Follow him on Twitter: [@imTerenceLester](https://twitter.com/imTerenceLester)



ONLINE COVER REVEAL
COMING SOON

Untangling the Race Web

Critical Theory, Race, and Christianity

May 7, 2024

\$18 | 224 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0481-4

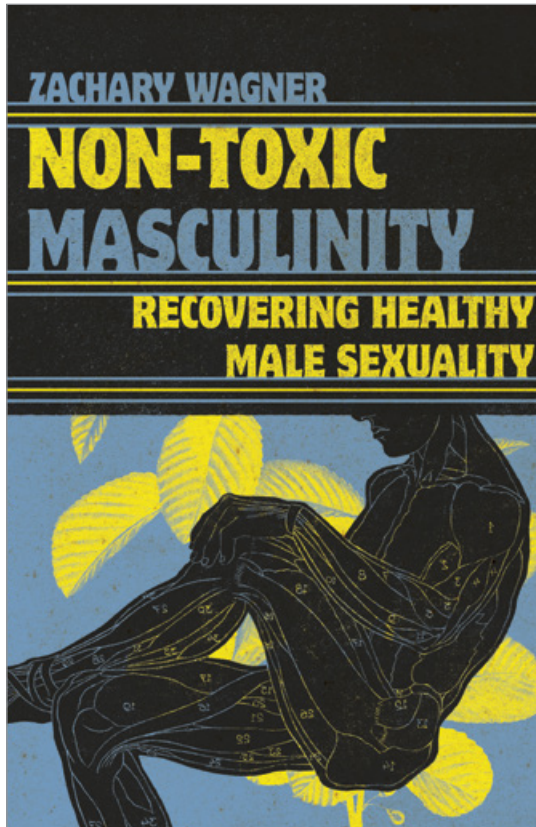
Challenging Racial Frameworks

Through a Christian theological and sociological lens, we need to untangle and reimagine words like critical theory, social Marxism, critical race theory, and concepts that flow out of these theories like “social justice,” “white privilege,” “white fragility,” and “systemic racism.” As racial discourse becomes more complex, we need to pull back and consider not only individual parts but how those parts fit together as part of a larger context.

Dr. Uszynski says, “Intentionally thinking about how we come to believe what we believe about everything—including race—can be useful on two different levels. Because while what we think about the tension surrounding race is important, it’s always preceded by how we think—and we live at a time where how we think faces unprecedented challenges.”

DR. ED USZYNSKI currently serves as Senior Content Strategist for Family Life Ministry and as a Oneness and Diversity Consultant for Athletes in Action, with whom he has been training staff and ministering to college and professional athletes since 1992.

Follow him on Twitter: [@Uszynski32](https://twitter.com/Uszynski32)



“

“For millions of men shaped by evangelical purity culture, Non-Toxic Masculinity will be a breath of fresh air. Rather than offer lists of prohibitions and idealistic expectations, Zachary Wagner situates the conversation within a broader redemptive narrative—one that allows for imperfection while rejecting the dehumanization of women and men, one that decenters sexual morality without abandoning biblical guidance, and one that is filled with humility and grace.”

KRISTIN KOBES DU MEZ, author of *Jesus and John Wayne: How White Evangelicals Corrupted a Faith and Fractured a Nation*

Non-Toxic Masculinity

Recovering Healthy Male Sexuality

April 4, 2023

\$18 | 224 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0502-6

Recovering Healthy Identity for Men

Zachary Wagner explores what has gone wrong with the conservative American church’s vision of masculinity, with particular attention to purity culture and its assumptions about male sexual desire. Part cultural commentary, part biblical study, and part personal reflection, *Non-Toxic Masculinity*

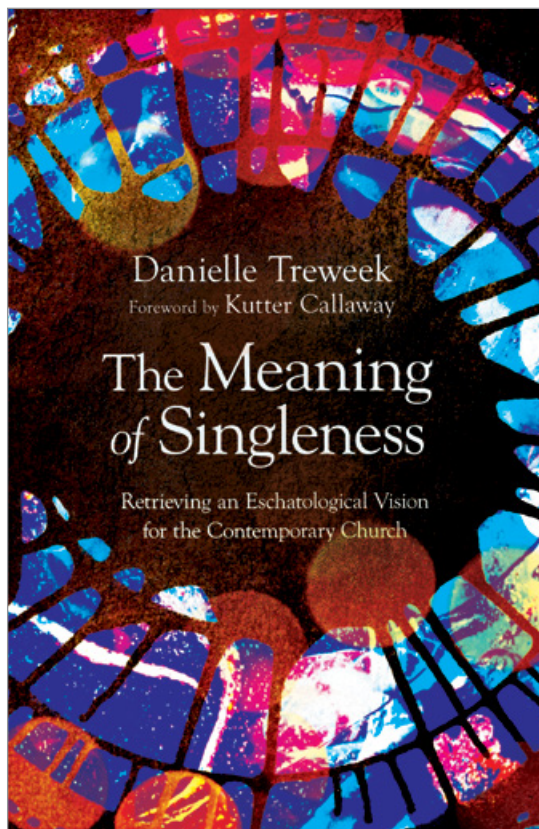
- Explores the roots of purity culture and its assumptions about masculinity
- Presents a renewed, biblical picture of masculinity and male sexuality
- Addresses specific aspects of masculinity, including adolescence, sex, marriage, and fatherhood
- Places the conversation in the context of the current #MeToo and #ChurchToo movements

Reflecting on his own coming of age in the purity culture movement and ongoing recovery from sexual shame, Wagner confronts harmful teaching from the American church that has distorted desire, sex, relationships, and responsibility. For those—both men and women—who feel disillusioned and adrift, this book offers a renewed vision for Christian male sexuality founded in empathy and selflessness.



ZACHARY WAGNER is an ordained minister and editorial director for the Center for Pastor Theologians. He is currently pursuing a PhD in New Testament at the University of Oxford.

Follow him on Twitter: [@zacharycwagner](https://twitter.com/zacharycwagner)



“

“While there have been a number of informed, edifying Christian treatments of singleness published in recent years, I know of none that combines biblical exegesis, historical and cultural analysis and critique, and pastoral wisdom and sensitivity as effectively and powerfully as this one does. It will be an evangelical touchstone for years to come—as relevant for theologians and educators as it will be for pastors and counselors.”

WESLEY HILL, associate professor of New Testament at Western Theological Seminary in Holland, Michigan

The Meaning of Singleness

Retrieving an Eschatological Vision for the Contemporary Church

May 9, 2023

\$35 | 336 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0485-2

Retrieving a Theology of Singleness

Is Christian singleness a burden to be endured or a God-ordained vocation? Might singleness here and now give the church a glimpse of God’s heavenly promises?

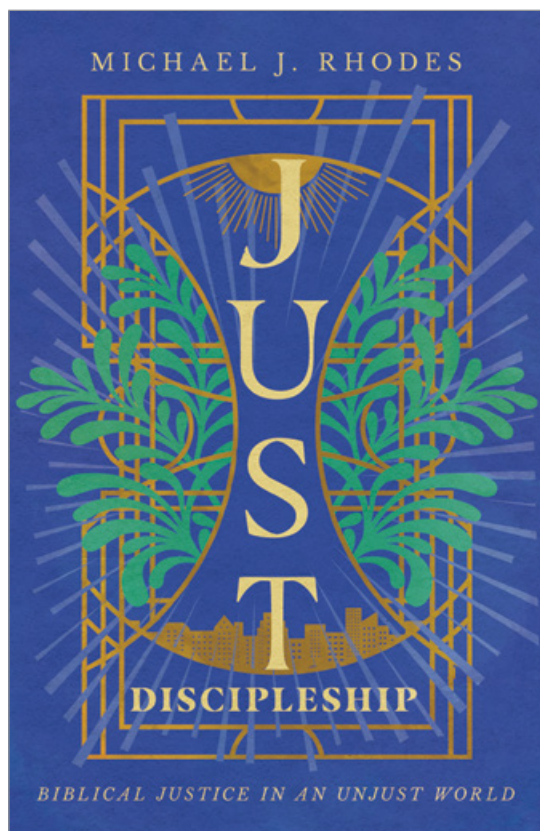
Dani Treweek offers biblical, historical, cultural, and theological reflections to retrieve a theology of singleness for the church today. Drawing upon both ancient and contemporary theologians, including Augustine, Ælfric of Eynsham, John Paul II, and Stanley Hauerwas, she contends not only that singleness has served an important role throughout the church’s history, but that single Christians present the church with a foretaste of the eschatological reality that awaits all of God’s people.



DANIELLE (DANI) TREWEEK (PhD, St Mark’s National Theological Centre and Charles Sturt University) is the founding director of the Single Minded Ministry and an adjunct teacher at Moore Theological College, Sydney. She also serves as both the Diocesan Research Officer and a member of the Archbishop’s Doctrine Commission within the Anglican Diocese of Sydney, Australia.

DanielleTreweek.com

Follow her on Twitter: [@DaniTreweek](https://twitter.com/DaniTreweek)



“

“Jesus says that the kingdom is not for all who say ‘Lord, Lord,’ but for those ‘who do the will of my Father.’ *Just Discipleship* takes seriously Jesus’ call to heed the Father’s will by tapping into the justice-rich lodes that fill Scripture’s pages. Rhodes’s study is deeply personal, rigorously exegetical, and inspiring. Rather than leaving readers depleted and disheartened by the insurmountable problems of injustice, *Just Discipleship* will leave readers captivated by the gospel’s scope and vision for holistic discipleship. I pray that churches—especially those with privileged legacies—take up the challenges and opportunities that this book offers.”

MATTHEW LYNCH, associate professor of Old Testament at Regent College

Just Discipleship

Biblical Justice in an Unjust World

August 8, 2023

\$32 | 304 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0600-9

Following the Biblical Call to Justice

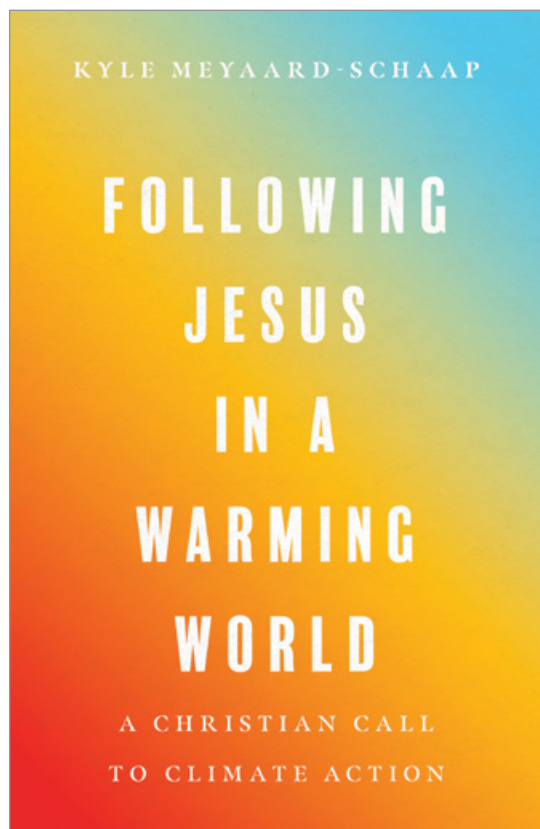
Growing wealth inequalities, the rise of white Christian nationalism, and the persistence of structural racism: these are only some of the injustices that saturate the United States today. Sadly, many churches have ignored these evils, making the issue of justice marginal or irrelevant to their work.

Michael Rhodes challenges this indifference. Drawing on readings of major passages and books from the Old and New Testament, virtue ethics, and his own story, he shows that justice is central to the Bible, central to Jesus, and central to authentic Christian discipleship.

- Develops an ecclesiology and provides an account of justice grounded in exegesis of key books of the Old Testament, the New Testament, and virtue ethics
- Engages in serious and robust criticisms of virtue ethics by thinkers such as Willie Jennings and tries to speak to contemporary social issues: segregation, wealth inequality, racism, colonialism, and reparations
- Grounded in biblical theology, this book will appeal to seminary students and pastors wondering about justice in the face of contemporary social issues

MICHAEL RHODES (PhD, Trinity College Bristol/University of Aberdeen) is lecturer in Old Testament at Carey Baptist College in Auckland, New Zealand. He has published in scholarly journals such as *Studies in Christian Ethics*, *Journal of Markets & Morality*, and *Journal for Theological Interpretation*. Additionally, he has written for *Christianity Today*, *The Gospel Coalition*, *Comment*, *Red Letter Christians*, and *Evangelicals for Social Action*.

Follow him on Twitter: [@MichaelJRhodes](https://twitter.com/MichaelJRhodes)



“

“This book is absolutely urgent today. . . . Following Jesus in a Warming World offers a warning, a wake-up call, and a way forward for Christians striving to be faithful disciples in the twenty-first century. Rather than pile on the guilt and shame, Kyle Meyaard-Schaap winsomely invites readers to embrace a faithful life that accounts for the ecological state of our world. This book is a balm for the climate-anxious soul!”

JONATHAN MERRITT, contributing writer for *The Atlantic* and author of *Learning to Speak God from Scratch*

“Following Jesus in a Warming World is a needed call to the evangelical world to take climate change seriously and to use their political power to help the environment.”

JEREMIAH ROOD, Foreword Reviews, January/February 2023

[Following Jesus in a Warming World](#)

A Christian Call to Climate Action

February 21, 2023

\$18 | 208 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0445-6

For the Care of God’s Creation

Many young Christians are waking up to the realities of climate change but just don’t know how to help. Through stories from the field, theological and scriptural exploration, and practical advice, this field guide from Christian climate activist Kyle Meyaard-Schaap helps us take meaningful action grounded in the joy of caring for creation.

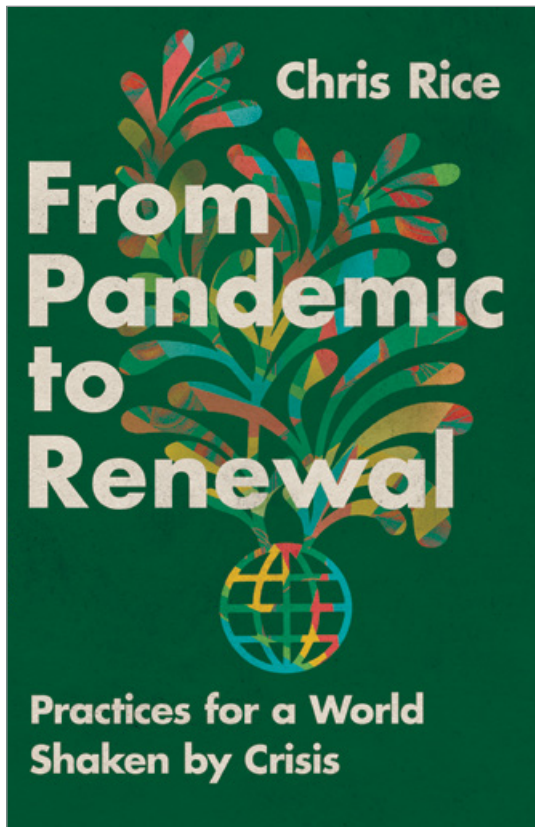
- Connects creation care and climate action to specific Christian values
- Dedicated to the benchmark of keeping warming below 2 degrees Celsius by 2100



KYLE MEYAARD-SCHAAP is vice president of the Evangelical Environmental Network. He has been named to Midwest Energy Group’s 40 Under 40 and the American Conservation Coalition’s 30 Under 30. Previously, he was the national organizer and spokesperson for Young Evangelicals for Climate Action, and

he has been featured in news outlets such as CNN, PBS, NPR, NBC News, and *U.S. News and World Report*.

Follow him on Twitter: [@kmeyaardschaap](#)



“

“The world has irrevocably changed. And perhaps we have changed too: we feel unsettled and uneasy. In From Pandemic to Renewal, Chris Rice charts a course to embrace the disruption. We can’t evade or outrun the pain, but in making the choice to move closer to it, we may paradoxically find the key to rebuilding what’s broken, navigating disagreements without demonization, and addressing our world’s biggest challenges with love.”

PETER GREER, president and CEO of HOPE International and author of *Mission Drift*

[From Pandemic to Renewal](#)

Practices for a World Shaken by Crisis

May 23, 2023

\$18 | 240 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0552-1

Global Opportunities of a Century

Our times are marked with mental exhaustion, economic disparities, and escalating divisions. But these challenges can be opportunities for renewal. Chris Rice sets forth transformative practices that can move us toward social healing and spiritual renewal.

- Offers a hopeful vision for life beyond the pandemic
- Addresses eight key challenges of the day
- Identifies eight practices and pathways forward

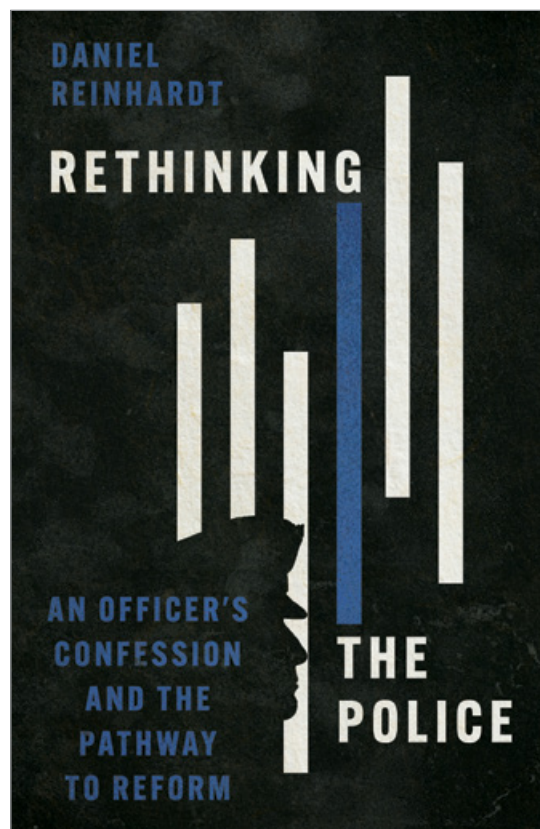


CHRIS RICE is director of the United Nations Office of the Mennonite Central Committee, an international relief, development, and peace agency. Chris is coauthor of *Reconciling All Things* and of *More Than Equals: Racial Healing for the Sake of the Gospel*, which both won *Christianity Today* Book Awards. Chris served as cofounding director of the Duke Divinity School

Center for Reconciliation, and before that served 17 years in multi-racial, church-based community development in Mississippi. In churches, the academy, and faith-based organizations, from the U.S., to east Africa, to Northeast Asia, to the divide between North Korea and South Korea, Chris has helped give birth to pioneering initiatives to heal social conflicts and renew Christian life and mission.

Visit Chris's blog at chrisriceauthor.com.

Follow him on Twitter: [@reconcilers](https://twitter.com/reconcilers)



“

“This book demonstrates that until police culture changes, police practices will not substantially change. The culture is the heart feeding the systemically racist strategies. Thus, the heart—the police culture—is the target for the transformation so that community friendly strategies can break beyond nominal support and truly be supported and wholeheartedly implemented.”

Adapted from the introduction of *Rethinking the Police*

Rethinking the Police

An Officer's Confession and a Pathway to Reform

November 7, 2023

\$18 | 208 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0612-2

A Solution Centered on Servant Leadership

Daniel Reinhardt, a former police officer, lays out a history of the US police, showing how it has developed a culture of dehumanization, systemic racism, and brutality. His firsthand accounts about the toxic culture of which he was a part, coupled with research, shed new light on the need for change at the nexus of George Floyd, Black Lives Matter, and Critical Race Theory.

- Written from the perspective of a police officer, not an outside observer
- Details how police culture facilitates systemic racism
- Advocates for community policing, with a pathway for systemic change that goes deeper than just better practices

DANIEL REINHARDT is Assistant Professor for Christian Education and Applied Ministry at the Heart of Texas Foundation College of Ministry, Memorial Unit in Rosharon, Texas. He was previously a police officer in Lorain, Ohio (outside Cleveland) for twenty-four years.

Follow him on Twitter: [@DanReinhardt5](https://twitter.com/DanReinhardt5)



ONLINE COVER REVEAL
COMING SOON

“

“There are smells, tastes, and moments in life that instantly take me back in time. I have my own mental DeLorean nearing eighty-eight miles per hour ready to shoot me back to another time, but I can never predict when it will reach velocity. Sometimes I wonder why recollections strike, but I’ve never pondered it deeply until now. Casey Tygrett, with deep insight and a sharp pen, leads us more deeply into what God is revealing to us through our personal and communal stories and how embracing those stories leads us forward.”

SEAN PALMER, teaching pastor, Ecclesia Houston

The Practice of Remembering

Uncovering the Place of Memories in Our Spiritual Life

December 5, 2023

\$18 | 216 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0730-3

What is the Role of Memory in Our Formation?

Previously titled *As I Recall*, Casey Tygrett explores the power of memory and offers biblical texts and practices in *The Practice of Remembering* to guide us in bringing our memories to God for spiritual transformation. How we hold and carry our memories—good and bad—is a part of what forms us spiritually. In these pages Casey Tygrett explores the power of memory and offers biblical texts and practices to guide us in bringing our memories to God for spiritual transformation.

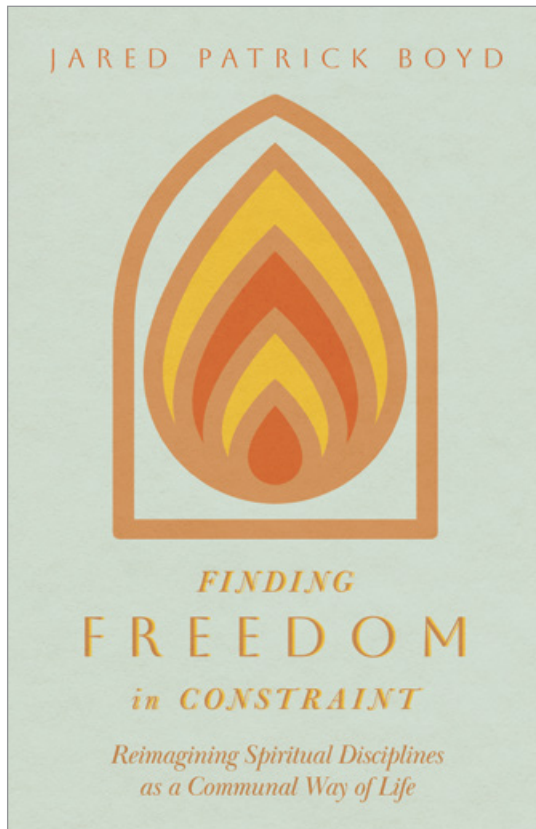


CASEY TYGRETT (DMin, Lincoln Christian Seminary) is theologian in residence at Parkview Christian Church in Orland Park, Illinois. A pastor, blogger, adjunct seminary professor, and spiritual director, he previously served as teaching pastor at [Heartland Community Church](#) and has taught at Lincoln Christian University

and Seminary and Emmanuel Christian Seminary. He is the author of [Becoming Curious](#) and *The Jesus Rhythm* and he speaks in a variety of locations in the US, Canada, and Australia.

[CaseyTygrett.com](#)

Follow him on Twitter: [@cktygrett](#)



Finding Freedom in Constraint

Reimagining Spiritual Disciplines as a Communal Way of Life

September 12, 2023

\$20 | 288 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0431-9

What is the Role of Memory in Our Formation?

Jared Patrick Boyd reveals how the constraints that come from communal life shape us into the way of Christ. He re-anchors spiritual disciplines in their original Benedictine monastic context and shows how they call us to a particular form of life.

Boyd writes, “The constraints of a rule of life are what make life together, lived for one another, possible. A rule of life is not meant to be primarily personal, but communal. It’s not primarily meant to guide my life. It is meant to describe our way of life together.” Constraint is the practice of learning to pay deeper attention to the things in our inner world that prevent us from progressing in the school of love.

“

“With the publishing of Finding Freedom in Constraint, you can get both insight into and a taste of the possibilities of a well-ordered life. But be prepared for surprising revelations, for counterintuitive insights along the ancient and sacred path to spirituality in the way of Jesus. . . . As you begin to turn the pages to hear Jared’s voice, I want you to relax. A well-ordered life that others experience as for their good awaits you as you practice what Jared teaches: the intelligent, grace-based practices of ancient and anointed Christian spirituality.”

TODD HUNTER, Anglican bishop and founder of the Center for Formation, Justice and Peace, from the foreword

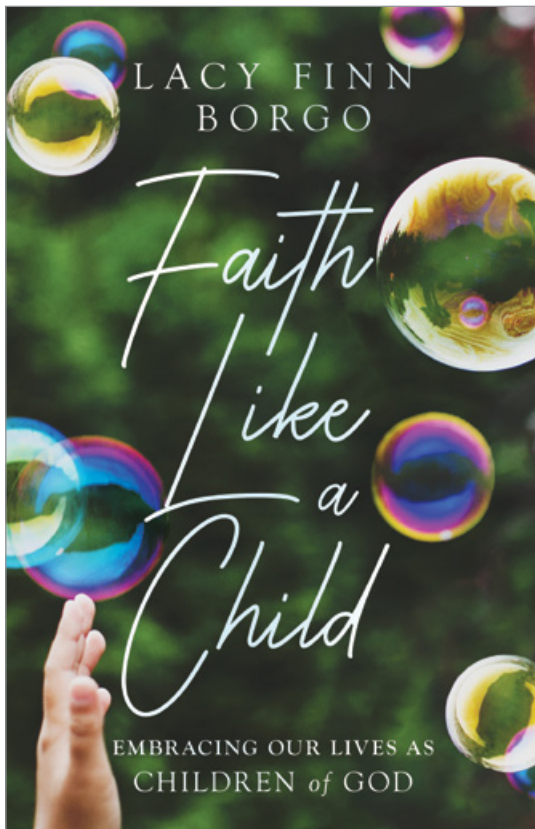


JARED PATRICK BOYD is the founder and director of the Order of the Common Life, where he leads the vision and formation for reimagining religious vocations for the 21st century. He offers spiritual direction to pastors and leaders and also serves as a pastor at The Abbey, a Vineyard Church seeking to bring together the

contemplative, charismatic, and sacramental traditions. He is also author of [Imaginative Prayer: A Yearlong Guide to Your Child’s Spiritual Formation](#).

[JaredPatrickBoyd.com](https://jaredpatrickboyd.com)

Follow him on Twitter: [@BoydJared](https://twitter.com/BoydJared)



“

*“Who would have known that formation into Christlikeness could be so fun? In *Faith Like a Child*, author and spiritual director Lacy Borgo uses Scripture, poetry, and personal stories to invite us to see ourselves as the lighthearted children we were created to be. A helpful framework for understanding Christian spiritual formation, this book is one I recommend to anyone seeking to grow in embracing God as our Mothering Father.”*

KURTLEY KNIGHT, assistant professor of spiritual formation at George Fox University's Portland Seminary

Faith Like a Child

Embracing Our Lives as Children of God

May 9, 2023

\$18 | 176 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0398-5

Rekindling a Childlike Faith

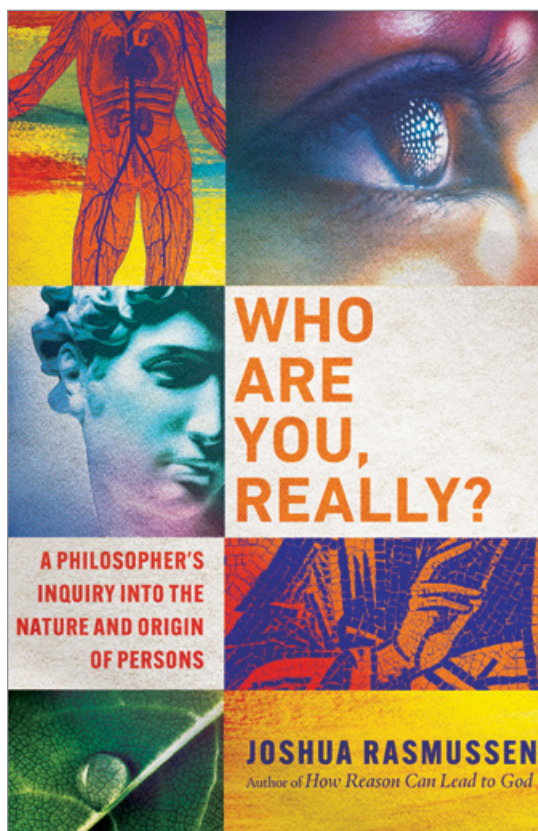
A well-known challenge of Jesus to his followers is to become like little children. But it's often difficult to remember the natural patterns of our childhood selves that enabled us to live freely in God's wonder-filled presence. In *Faith Like a Child* Lacy Finn Borgo

- Explores seven distinct ways of children
- Offers personal reflections to enliven our childhood selves
- Speaks to real life vulnerabilities and the courage it takes to address them



LACY FINN BORGO teaches and provides spiritual direction with adults and children through Renovaré, Mercy Center Burlingame, and the Companioning Center. She meets with children at Haven House, a transitional facility for families without homes. Borgo is also the author of [Spiritual Conversations with Children](#) and the children's picture book [All Will Be Well](#).

Visit her website at gooddirtministries.org.



“

“Josh Rasmussen is one of the deepest and most interesting thinkers of our time. He is one of the leaders of a new generation of philosophers building a more conciliatory and fruitful dialogue between believers and atheists. *Who Are You, Really?* is a novel and intriguing exploration of some of the biggest questions of human existence. It’s essential reading for anyone interested in consciousness and what it means to be a human being.”

PHILIP GOFF, associate professor of philosophy at Durham University

Who Are You, Really?

A Philosopher’s Inquiry into the Nature and Origin of Persons

March 21, 2023

\$30 | 304 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0394-7

An Examination of What It Means to Be Human

What does it mean to be human? What is a person? Where did we come from?

Many answers have been offered throughout history in response to these perennial questions, including those from biological, anthropological, sociological, political, and theological approaches. And yet the questions remain.

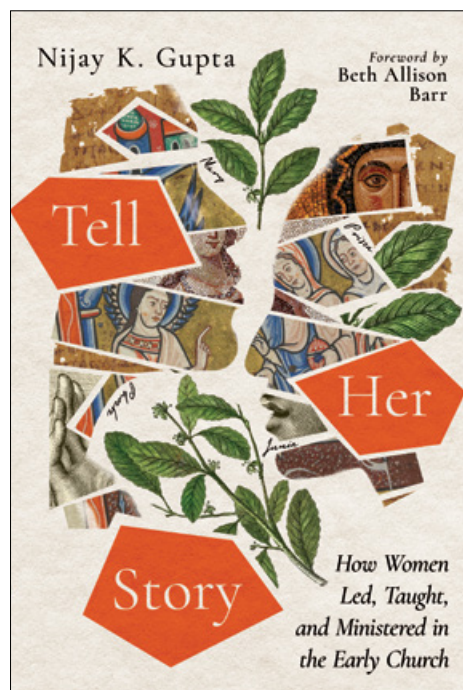
Philosopher Joshua Rasmussen offers his own step-by-step examination into the fundamental nature and ultimate origin of persons. Using accessible language and clear logic, he argues that the answer to the question of what it means to be a person sheds light not only on our own nature but also on the existence of the one who gave us life.



JOSHUA RASMUSSEN (PhD, Notre Dame) is associate professor of philosophy at Azusa Pacific University. He is the author of *How Reason Can Lead to God*, *Defending the Correspondence Theory of Truth*, and *The Bridge of Reason*, coauthor of *Necessary Existence* and *Is God the Best Explanation of Things?: A Dialogue*, and coeditor of *A New Theist Response to the New Atheists*.

JoshuaLRasmussen.org

Follow him on Twitter: [@worldviewdesign](https://twitter.com/worldviewdesign)



Tell Her Story

How Women Led, Taught, and Ministered in the Early Church

March 14, 2023

\$24 | 224 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0074-8

For centuries, discussions of early Christianity have focused on male leaders. But there is ample evidence in the New Testament that women were respected leaders at the frontier of the gospel ministry. Nijay Gupta shines light on the inspiring contributions of women like Phoebe, Prisca, Junia, Nympha, and more.

NIJAY K. GUPTA (PhD, University of Durham) is professor of New Testament at Northern Seminary. He has written several books, including *A Beginner's Guide to New Testament Studies*, *Paul and the Language of Faith*, and academic commentaries on Galatians, Philippians, Colossians, and 1–2 Thessalonians. He is coeditor of the second edition of IVP Academic's *Dictionary of Paul and His Letters* and serves as a senior translator for the New Living Translation. He blogs at cruxsolablog.com.

Read his blog at cruxsolablog.com.

Follow him on Twitter: [@Nijaykgupta](https://twitter.com/Nijaykgupta)

Nobody's Mother

Artemis of the Ephesians in Antiquity and the New Testament

October 10, 2023

\$24 | 208 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0592-7

Many think the apostle Paul's reference to "saved through childbearing" (1 Tim. 2:15) relates a Christian anthropology of woman. That is, they think woman was designed for bearing and raising children in contrast to public ministry. And such an application of Paul has led to the silencing of many women gifted to lead. But what if he was making a statement of apologetics about something better than the Ephesians' version of a midwife? What if he had the Artemis cult in mind as he told Timothy how to fight false doctrine?

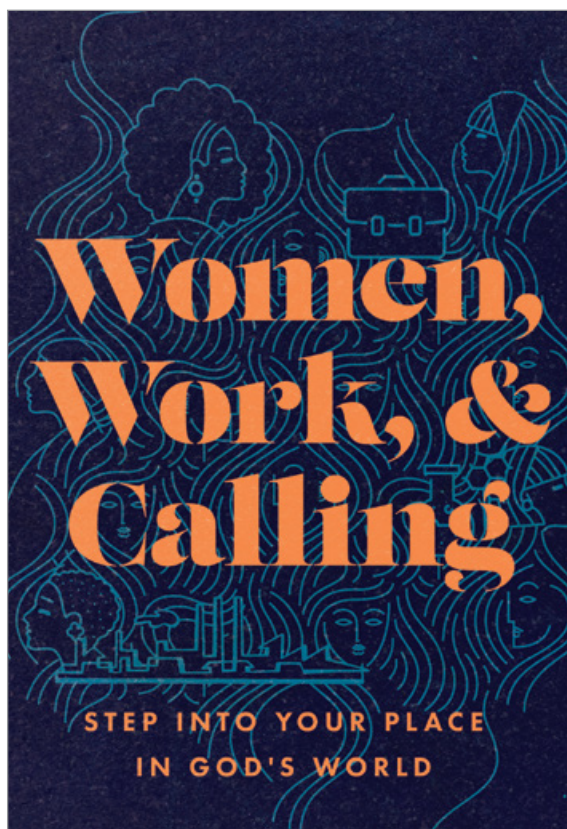
This book gives ministry leaders a biblical foundation and a vision for men and women serving side-by-side in partnership in the church, ancient and modern. New data about Artemis of the Ephesians gives us better background information for making interpretations. Part spiritual autobiography, part travelogue, and part scholarly exploration, this book takes readers to the church, to the academy, and to ancient Ephesus to explore one of the pastoral epistles written by Paul to his protégé Timothy.

SANDRA GLAHN is professor of Media Arts and Worship at Dallas Theological Seminary, where her emphases are first-century backgrounds as they relate to women, culture, gender, and the arts. Glahn's most recent publications include her work as editor of *Vindicating the Vixens: Revisiting Sexualized, Vilified, and Marginalized Women of the Bible* and coeditor of *Sanctified Sexuality: Valuing Sex in an Oversexed World*.

Follow her on Twitter: [@sandraglahn](https://twitter.com/sandraglahn)



ONLINE COVER REVEAL
COMING SOON



Women, Work, and Calling

Step into Your Place in God's World

October 24, 2023

\$15 | 128 pages | paperback | 978-1-5140-0793-8

A Theological Framework for Women's Work and Influence

Women now have professional opportunities beyond what our grandmothers ever imagined. But as our roles in public life have grown, the church's vision for women's work and calling has not grown with us, leaving us feeling isolated and underresourced. Christian women face multiple tensions between home and work, navigating complex gender dynamics in the workplace and social pressure to hold together picture-perfect lives.

- Offers a holistic framework to help women think about work and calling
- Invites women to join God's redeeming work in the world through their work



JOANNA MEYER is director of public engagement at Denver Institute for Faith & Work, where she leads public events, hosts the Faith & Work Podcast, and founded Women, Work, & Calling, a national initiative that equips Christian women for godly influence in public life. She contributed to *Women & Work: Bearing*

God's Image and Joining in His Mission Through Our Work and has written for *Faith Driven Entrepreneur* and various Denver Institute publications.

Follow her on Twitter: [@joannameyer1](https://twitter.com/joannameyer1)



KRISTA CLAYTON

Associate Director, Publicity

Author Interviews

kclayton@ivpress.com

630.734.4013

 [@kristakclayton](https://twitter.com/kristakclayton)

Krista has been at IVP for more than twenty years and oversees the planning and outreach of the publicity team. She has worked in various roles in publicity throughout her time at IVP and now focuses her efforts on leading the publicity team and working with authors, broadcasters, and podcasters to set up interviews.



TARA BURNS

General Books

Print and Online Publicity

tburns@ivpress.com

630.734.4059

 [@taramburns4](https://twitter.com/taramburns4)

Publications, blogs, and websites are Tara's key areas of focus for IVP's general books. She provides early copies of books for review as well as customized book excerpts for website posts or articles. Tara joined the IVP publicity team in 2019 after an eleven-year career in advertising.



KARIN DEHAVEN

IVP Academic

Print and Online Publicity

kdehaven@ivpress.com

630.734.4096

 [@karidehaven](https://twitter.com/karidehaven)

As the publicist for IVP Academic Karin works to secure book reviews and author interviews online and in magazines and journals. Karin brings a wealth of knowledge about the inner workings of the theological academy to her work. She holds an MDiv from Fuller Theological Seminary and an MA from Wheaton College. Karin has been at IVP since 2015.



ANNA TJERNSTROM

IVP Kids

Publicity Coordinator

atjernstrom@ivpress.com

630.863.6162

As the IVP Kids publicist, Anna focuses her efforts on connecting with bloggers and media outlets. She supplies books for review and other assets in support of these partners. Anna has been with IVP since 2019 and brings years of children's ministry experience to her post.

MAKING YOUR JOB EASIER

We know you're busy. We know you have looming deadlines and airtime to fill and blog posts to write. But we are here to help you!

Whether you need a new idea or an expert source, please consider doing any or all of the following:

- Browse the topics and authors in this book.
- Visit the Media and Publicity page at ivpress.com/media.
- Check out our continuously updated list of experts for solid resources on timely topics.
- Check out our presence on NetGalley for the latest access to digital ARCs: netgalley.com/pub/intervarsitypress.



See what we're excited about over on the InterVarsity Press Facebook page: facebook.com/intervarsitypress



Catch breaking news on our Twitter feed: [@ivpress](https://twitter.com/ivpress)

