New Instruction for a New Generation of Missional Workers

Finding one’s place in God’s global plan is not an easy feat, but the editors and contributors of Discovering the Mission of God make this crucial task much more manageable.

Editor Mike Barnett and associate editor Robin Martin assemble a new, fresh perspective on one of Christianity’s oldest dilemmas in this new text. Dated and less relevant mission-related principles and practices are updated with the voices of younger authors currently on the cutting edge of missions. Renowned missions scholars, the likes of which include John Piper, Ed Stetzer, Christopher J. H. Wright and A. Scott Moreau, contribute key chapters, creating an exciting, well-rounded book.

This comprehensive reader supplies a global perspective, recent missiological research, case studies, recommended readings and discussion questions to fully explore the mission of God as presented in the Bible and throughout history, and how it’s accomplished today. “These are not new categories, but the idea that we are studying God’s performance of the mission is a new and necessary nuance for twenty-first-century missions,” states Barnett.

The contributors work to accomplish the following:

- Presenting the principles and practices applied in international missions over the past twenty years
- Introducing new missions practitioners and voices to the reader
- Documenting international missions work in an unprecedented way
- Providing a fresh introduction to current evangelical missiology

Providing a solid platform for future missiological and intercultural studies, this book is sure to influence many in their search for the true mission of God and how their lives work into it.
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