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In commemoration of **National Hispanic Heritage Month** September 15 to October 15, the IVP publicity team has put together this list of resources to help celebrate the cultures and contributions of both Hispanic and Latino/a Americans. Browse additional Hispanic Heritage Month titles at ivpress.com/hhm.



BROWN CHURCH

*Five Centuries of Latina/o Social Justice,
Theology, and Identity*

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For five hundred years, Latina/o culture and identity have been shaped by their challenges to the religious, socio-economic, and political status quo, whether in opposition to Spanish colonialism, Latin American dictatorships, US imperialism in Central America, the oppression of farmworkers, or the current exploitation of undocumented immigrants. Christianity has played a significant role in that movement at every stage.

ROBERT CHAO ROMERO, the son of a Mexican father and a Chinese immigrant mother, explores the history and theology of what he terms the “Brown Church.” Romero considers how this movement has responded to these and other injustices throughout its history by appealing to the belief that God’s vision for redemption includes not only heavenly promises but also the transformation of every aspect of our lives and the world. Walking through this history of activism and faith, readers will discover that Latina/o Christians have a heart after God’s own.



ROBERT CHAO ROMERO



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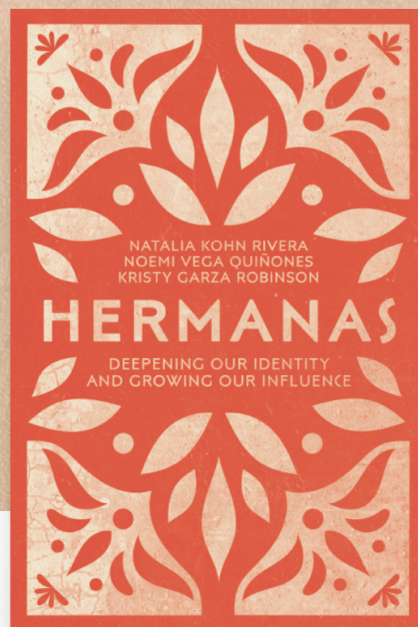


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Growing Our Influence*

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**NATALIA
KOHN RIVERA**



**NOEMI VEGA
QUIÑONES**



**KRISTY GARZA
ROBINSON**

“Representing a variety of Latinx heritage and experiences, the authors have solid résumés as faith leaders and ministry activists. Under the broad topics of ‘Identity and Intimacy’ and ‘Influence and Impact,’ the authors take turns crafting a dozen chapters inspired by the stories of such biblical women as Esther, Rahab, and Mary and that explore specific themes, including faith, Christ’s love, ethnicity, biculturalism, border crossing, leadership, and more. With women from the Bible providing a timeless context, the authors share pertinent aspects of their own lives and weave in transformative stories of Latinas they have encountered in their ministries. . . . The authors address differences of perspective, experience, and opinion in their quest to strengthen Latinas in their faith, identity, and leadership skills and visions. An invaluable work about Latinas, faith, and community.”

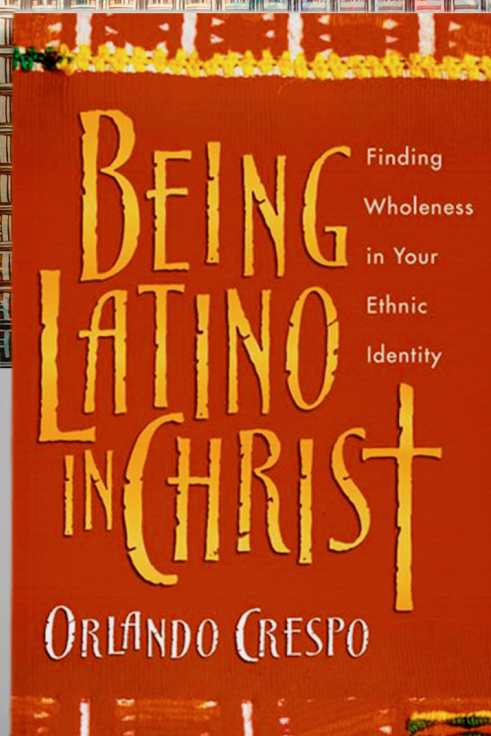
— SARA MARTINEZ, Starred Review, American Library Association Booklist



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BEING LATINO IN CHRIST

Finding Wholeness in Your Ethnic Identity



ORLANDO CRESPO has taken his own journey from Puerto Rico to an immigrant neighborhood in Springfield, Massachusetts, and back again to his Latino roots. In this book he helps you to reflect on your own voyage of self-understanding and on what it means to have a mixed heritage from the days of the original Spanish Conquest to the present. Crespo also shows how Latinos are called to step out positively in ministry to the world. You can make a positive impact on the world in racial reconciliation, in bicultural ministry, and more because of who God has uniquely made you to be.

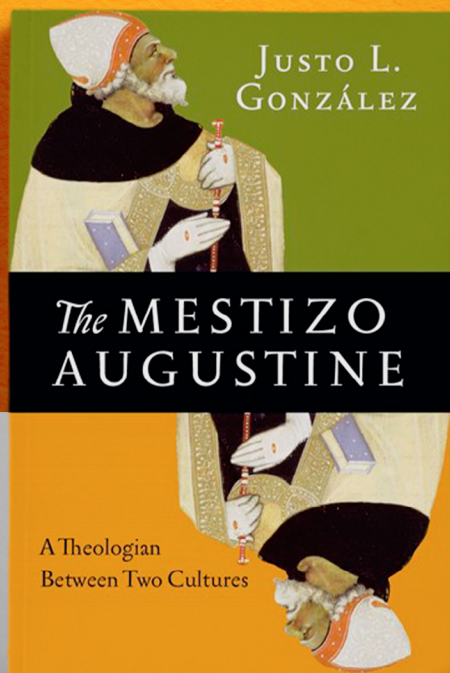
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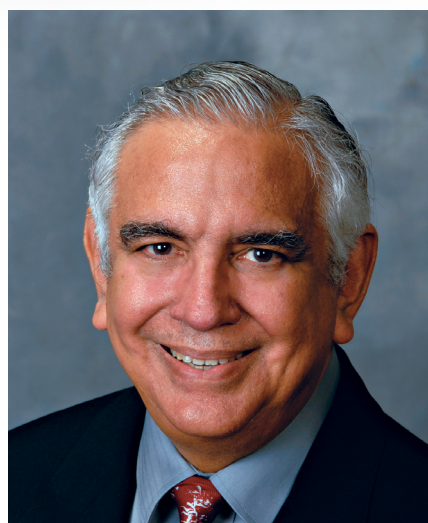
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THE MESTIZO AUGUSTINE

A Theologian Between Two Cultures

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JUSTO L. GONZÁLEZ

“Justo González provides us with a unique and compelling retelling of the life of Augustine. He focuses on the *mestizajes* of Augustine’s life to show us that his rich theology was born at the crossroads of peoples, languages, cultures, ethnicities, and social change. It is here that we encounter the deepest tensions of human existence but also where we can reflect most deeply on our understanding of God and our relationships with each other. We can thank González for reminding us through the life of Augustine that the *mestizajes* that we try to forestall or even deny ‘may well be a sign of the future from which God is calling us.’”

—JUAN FRANCISCO MARTÍNEZ,
vice president for diversity and international ministries, Fuller Theological Seminary



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IN SEARCH OF CHRIST IN LATIN AMERICA

From Colonial Image to Liberating Savior



SAMUEL ESCOBAR

Noted theologian **SAMUEL ESCOBAR** offers a magisterial survey and study of Christology in Latin America. Presented for the first time in English, this rich resource starts with the first Spanish influence and moves through popular religiosity and liberationist themes in Catholic and Protestant thought of the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, culminating in an important description of the work of the Latin American Theological Fraternity.

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