
Theology/Christian Doctrine web catalog

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BASIC CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE

Leith, John H.

Westminster/John Knox Press

BOOK

A summary of Christian faith: Catholic, Protestant, and Reformed. A brief, but comprehensive statement of Christian faith for contemporary Christians. He considers theologians of the ancient church and affirms the faith of the ancient creeds.

BASIC CHRISTIAN ETHICS

Ramsey, Paul

Westminster/John Knox Press

BOOK

This book has long been a standard introduction to Christian ethics. Surprisingly contemporary, this book's use of theological, biblical, and philosophical material for ethical reflection was unparalleled at the midpoint of the 20th century.

CALVIN AND THE DUCHESS

Barton, F. Whitfield

Westminster/John Knox Press

BOOK

Based on letters exchanged between John Calvin and Duchess Ferrara this book presents a fascinating look at John Calvin, sixteenth century royalty, and the Protestant Reformation complete with political intrigue, conspiracy, charges of heresy, and assassination.

CALVIN READER

Keesecker, William F., editor

Westminster Press

BOOK

Reflections on living.

CALVIN TREASURY

Keesecker, William F., editor

Westminster/John Knox Press

BOOK

With the new study guide, this book is a comprehensive, easy-to-read introduction to Calvin's Institutes of the Christian Religion. A handy tool for anyone seeking a better understanding of Calvin's teaching.

CALVIN: AN INTRODUCTION TO HIS THOUGHT

Parker, T.H.L.

Westminster/John Knox Press

BOOK

Outstanding as a biblical scholar, preacher, and practical church reformer, John Calvin intended all his work to be service of the Word of God. This book provides a comprehensive introduction to the whole range of Calvin's theology. Special concentration is given to his major work "The Institutes of the Christian Religion."

CALVIN'S ECCLESIASTICAL ADVICE

Calvin, John

Westminster/John Knox Press

BOOK

Translated by Mary Beaty and Benjamin W. Farley, this collection of 56 letters and writings of John Calvin gives advice to individuals and groups about theology, ethics, worship, politics, economics, and church practices.

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CALVIN'S INSTITUTES: A NEW COMPEND

Kerr, Hugh T., editor	Westminster/John Knox Press	BOOK
<p>This abridgment of Ford Lewis Battles' "Calvin: Institutes of the Christian Religion" will better acquaint readers with the works of Calvin.</p>		

CASE STUDIES IN CHRIST AND SALVATION

Rogers, Jack, et al	The Westminster Press	BOOK
<p>This book provides open-ended case studies for discussion of questions: Who is Jesus Christ? How are we saved? and understanding the person and work of Christ. Each case provides the narrative and documentary data needed to enter vicariously into a situation, putting the reader into the decision-maker's place, asking "What would I do?"</p>		

CHRIST IN A CHANGING WORLD

AN ETHICAL CHRISTOLOGY FOR PRESENT-FUTURE TIME

Younken, Edward L.	The Divinity School of Harvard University	BOOK
<p>Christology</p>		

CHRIST IS ALL! A JOYFUL MANIFESTO ON THE SUPREMACY OF GOD'S SON

Bryant, David	New Providence Publishers, 2005	BOOK
<p>Second Edition. For over 30 years David Bryant has watched God move His Church toward a "kairos" moment that waits for us, just beyond the threshold. First as a pastor, then ministering to university students, followed by a decade of mobilizing Christians for world evangelization coupled with 15 years of raising up prayer among the nations, Bryant has witnessed an unparalleled groundswell toward worldwide revival throughout the Body of Christ. Today he senses it is truly at hand — for all of us! David Bryant calls Christians to get ready. He says it's time to look beyond the threshold!</p>		

CHRISTIAN BELIEF IN A POSTMODERN WORLD: THE FULL WEALTH OF CONVICTION

Allen, Diogenes	Westminster/John Knox Press	BOOK
<p>The author shows how Christianity and Christian belief are being supported by philosophical and scientific principles.</p>		

CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE REVISED EDITION

Guthrie, Shirley C.	Westminster John Knox Press, 1994	BOOK
<p>A contemporary survey of the teachings of Christianity, planned around The Apostles' Creed. Dr. Guthrie gives a classic introduction to basic theological concepts in an accessible and engaging manner. He discusses changes in the church and society and takes into account new works in Reformed theology, gender references in the Bible, racism, pluralism, ecological developments, and liberation theologies.</p>		

CHURCH IN THE ROUND: FEMINIST INTERPRETATION OF THE CHURCH

Russell, Letty M.	Westminster/John Knox Press	BOOK
<p>The author envisions the future of the Christian church as partnership and sharing for all members around a common table of hospitality. She draws on her interracial urban pastorate, her classes in theology, and many ecumenical conversations to help the newly emerging church face the challenges of liberation for all people.</p>		

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CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CONFESSIONS DIALOGUE IN THE REFORMED TRADITION					
	Small, Joseph D., ed.		Geneva Press, 2005	BOOK	Fourteen Presbyterian scholars enter into conversations with the confessions of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and examine the theological themes that make the confessions such foundational commitments of faith. This collection of essays provides readers with a clear understanding of the confessions from different periods of the church's life.
CREDO: HISTORICAL AND THEOLOGICAL GUIDE TO CREEDS AND CONFESSIONS OF FAITH IN THE CHRISTIAN TRADITION					
	Pelikan, Jaroslav		Yale University Press, 2003	BOOK	Eminent theologian Jaroslav Pelikan has been translating, editing, and studying the Christian creeds and confessions of faith for sixty years. The author addresses essential questions about the Christian tradition: the origins of creeds; their function; their political role; how they relate to Christian institutions, worship, and service; and how they help to explain the major divisions of the Christian church and of Christian history.
CREEDS OF THE CHURCHES, THIRD EDITION					
	Leith, John H., editor		John Knox Press	BOOK	A reader in Christian doctrine from the Bible to the present. A brief introduction to each creed explains its place in the developing theology of the Christian community. This resource is a valuable introduction to the history of the church and a summary of the church's faith.
CRISIS IN THE CHURCH: THE PLIGHT OF THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION					
	Leith, John H.		Westminster/John Knox Press	BOOK	Leith argues that the crisis in the seminaries is interwoven with the crisis in the church, and that secularization of educational institutions has led seminaries to move away from their primary responsibility--preparing pastors for ministry. He identifies six doctrines of orthodox Christianity that he considers to be at risk today in our society, our universities, and seminaries.
DIGNITY OF DIFFERENCE HOW TO AVOID THE CLASH OF CIVILIZATIONS					
	Sacks, Jonathan		Continuum Books	BOOK	The year 2001 began as the United Nations Year of Dialogue between Civilizations. By its end, the phrase that came most readily to mind was 'the clash of civilizations.' The tragedy of September 11 intensified the danger caused by religious differences around the world. As the politics of identity begin to replace the politics of ideology, can religion become a force for peace? The Dignity of Difference is Rabbi Jonathan Sacks's radical proposal for reconciling hatreds.
DYING CHURCH, LIVING GOD: A CALL TO BEGIN AGAIN					
	Meyer, Chuck		Northstone Publishing, 2000	BOOK	Make a new church. That's the challenge Chuck Meyer lays down for readers. He writes that the institutional church we know so well is dying. In fact, it may already be dead. Its structure and theology make no sense today, and haven't for decades. It has ceased to be an adequate instrument for the Living God who refuses to be bound by it, to it, or in it.
ENCOUNTERING GOD CHRISTIAN FAITH IN TURBULENT TIMES					
	Purves, Andrew & Charles Partee		Westminster John Knox Press, 2000	BOOK	In this clear and helpful introduction, Purves and Partee focus on the basic issues of Christian faith as filtered through contemporary experience: the mystery of faith, justification and sanctification, salvation, sins, the sacraments, hope, and joy. Useful for group, individual, or classroom study, this guide brings the doctrines of the Christian faith to life, and helps readers understand their relevance to day-to-day experience.

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ENGAGING THE POWERS					
DISCERNMENT AND RESISTANCE IN A WORLD OF DOMINATION					
	Wink, Walter		Augsburg Press, 1992		BOOK
	Vol. 3 in The Powers Trilogy. Copy 2				
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DISCERNMENT AND RESISTANCE IN A WORLD OF DOMINATION					
	Wink, Walter		Augsburg Press, 1992		BOOK
	Vol. 3 in The Powers Trilogy. In the finale to the Powers Trilogy, Walter Wink engages the Powers with brilliant exegesis and a profoundly creative non-violence, revealing the way to the Powers' and our own transformation.				
ENGENDERING GOD: MALE AND FEMALE FACES OF GOD					
	Raschke, Carl A. and Susan Doughty Raschke		Westminster/John Knox Press		BOOK
	The authors contend that God's own self-revelation is neither exclusively male nor female but both at once. Basing their findings on historical, anthropological, and biblical scholarship, they believe that this awareness of God's dual nature was widely accepted and understood in the early years of Christianity but became obscured later.				
FACING THE ABUSING GOD: A THEOLOGY OF PROTEST					
	Blumenthal, David R.		Westminster/John Knox Press		BOOK
	The author maintains that having faith in a post-holocaust and child abusive world means admitting that while God is often loving and kind, fair and merciful, God is also capable of acts so "unjust" they can only be described as abusive.				
FAITH OF THE CHURCH: A COMMENTARY ON THE					
APOSTLES' CREED ACCORDING TO CALVIN'S CATECHISM					
	Barth, Karl		Living Age Books		BOOK
	Karl Barth gave six seminars on the first part of the Catechism of Calvin (the reformer's explanation of the Apostles' Creed). This is an adaptation of the stenographic notes taken during the seminars delivered from 1940-1943.				
FAITH ONCE GIVEN					
APOSTLES' CREED INTERPRETED FOR TODAY					
	Ricker, George M.		Westminster Press, 1978		BOOK
	The Apostles' Creed interpreted for today. Truth of that creed applied to the world-shaking issues of today. General background on the creed followed by a phrase treatment. Excellent study resource for laypersons.				
FORTRESS INTRODUCTION TO CONTEMPORARY THEOLOGIES					
	Miller, Ed L. and Stanley J. Grenz		Fortress Press		BOOK
	Two accomplished theologians offer a basic, reader-friendly introduction to the 20th century's major theological movements and their chief proponents. From Karl Barth to Reinhold Niebuhr, Dietrich Bonhoeffer to Rosemary Radford Ruether, the authors survey a myriad of Christian theologians.				
FOUND IN THE MIDDLE! THEOLOGY AND ETHICS FOR CHRISTIANS					
WHO ARE BOTH LIBERAL AND EVANGELICAL					
	Wildman, Wesley J. & Stephen Chapin Garner		The Alban Institute, 2009		BOOK
	There exists a deep and broad population of Christians who feel the labels of "liberal" and "evangelical" both describe their faith and limit their expression of it. By working to reclaim the traditional, historical meanings of these terms, and showing how they complement rather than oppose each other, the authors stake a claim for the moderate Christian voice in today's polarized society.				

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GENES, GENESIS AND GOD

VALUES AND THEIR ORIGINS IN NATURAL AND HUMAN HISTORY

Rolston, Holmes

Cambridge University Press, 1999

BOOK

A clear and thorough exploration of the role of genes in evolutionary history and human life. The author brings an impressive knowledge of biology, philosophy and theology to his discussion of the implications and the limitations of recent evolutionary theories for our understanding of culture and more specifically, of science, ethics, and religion.

GOD AND THE NEW ATHEISM

A CRITICAL RESPONSE TO DAWKINS, HARRIS, AND HITCHENS

Haight, John F.

Westminster John Knox Press, 2008

BOOK

The author gives clear, concise, and compelling answers to the charges against religion laid out in recent best-selling books by "new atheists". The treatment of religion in those books are riddled with logical inconsistencies, shallow misconceptions, and crude generalizations. Can God really be dismissed as a mere delusion? Is faith really the enemy of reason? And does religion really poison everything?

GOD VIEWS

THE CONVICTIONS THAT DRIVE US AND DIVIDE US

Haberer, Jack

Geneva Press, 2001

BOOK

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THE CONVICTIONS THAT DRIVE US AN DIVIDE US

Haberer, Jack

Geneva Press,2001

BOOK

How can the Church be one body and of one Spirit bu still disagree about so many issues? The author, a Presbyterian minister, helps clarify five interconnected God-views that shape the way Christians relate mutually with one another. Haberer counsels for the recognition of differences and for viable resolutions when opinions vary within the church.

GODS AND THE ONE GOD

Grant, Robert M.

Westminster Press

BOOK

This book, edited by Wayne A. Meeks, is part of the Library of Early Christianity Series, Vol. 1. Explores the similarities and differences between beliefs of the emerging Christian movement and the religious practices and views of the larger world at the time the New Testament was written.

GOOD AND EVIL: TWO INTERPRETATIONS

Buber, Martin

Charles Scribner's Sons, 1953

BOOK

The two interpretations differ from one another in method and purpose. Right and Wrong is concerned with its place in man's observation of the human world. Images of Good and Evil deals with its place in the personal development of the individual man. (Evil as indecision and as decision; in one case the person slides into it; later he chooses it.)

GUEST IN THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL: POST-HOLOCAUST

CHURCH THEOLOGY

Williamson, Clark M.

Westminster/John Knox Press

BOOK

The author strives to dismantle the anti-Jewish tradition of Christian theology and restate some of the central themes of the Christian faith. Looking at Jesus and Paul, he reconstructs "what should be meant" in our doctrines of covenant, scripture, Christology, God, and the church.

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HER IMAGE OF SALVATION: FEMALE SAVIORS AND FORMATIVE CHRISTIANITY

Corrington, Gail Paterson Westminster/John Knox Press BOOK
 Gender and the Biblical Tradition Series. The savior and the experience of salvation--two images inextricably entwined. The author states that Christianity sets aside female images of salvation by emphasizing the maleness of Jesus. She shows that the image of God could be seen as both male and female.

HERE I STAND: A LIFE OF MARTIN LUTHER

Bainton, Roland Festival Books, Abingdon BOOK
 A vivid portrait of the man, who because of his unshakable faith in his God, helped to bring about the Protestant Reformation. Biography of Luther.

HOLY SPIRIT

Heron, Alasdair I.C. Westminster Press, 1983 BOOK
 A development of the doctrine of the Holy Spirit from the Old Testament to modern times. The author considers the Spirit as revealed in Scripture, the patristic and medieval periods, and the role of the Holy Spirit in the faith and worship of the church. He then discusses the Reformation and the challenges to Trinitarianism during that period. The conclusion is a discussion of contemporary questions about the Holy Spirit.

HOLY SPIRIT AND THE CHRISTIAN LIFE: THE THEOLOGICAL BASIS OF ETHICS

Barth, Karl Westminster/John Knox Press BOOK
 Library of Theological Ethics series. This lecture, delivered in Germany by the author in 1929, is divided into three parts--The Holy Spirit as Creator; The Holy Spirit as Reconciler; and The Holy Spirit as Redeemer.

I AND THOU, SECOND EDITION

Buber, Martin Charles Scribner's Sons BOOK
 Translated by Ronald Gregor Smith, this book specifically addresses specialists--educators, doctors, politicians, sociologists, biblical critics, poets, theologians, and philosophers. Best known for his philosophy of dialogue and modern influence on Jewish thought, he has also affected scores of Christian thinkers.

I BELIEVE IN THE LIVING GOD: SERMONS ON THE APOSTLES' CREED

Brunner, Emil Westminster Press BOOK
 These sermons, originally preached in Zurich during a particular time of crisis, are Brunner's theology preached, Brunner's dogmatics in all their searching profundity, stripped of specialized terminology and stated in simple language.

I BELIEVE: THE APOSTLES' CREED

40 DAILY READINGS FOR THE PURPOSEFUL PRESBYTERIAN

Congregational Ministries Publishing Witherspoon Press, 2008 BOOK
 What do you believe? For many of us, beginning with the Apostles' Creed is a simple way to articulate our most basic beliefs. First in a series.

INSTITUTES OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

Calvin, John Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1989 BOOK
 John Calvin, theologian par excellence of the Reformation, wrote this as a theological introduction to the Bible and a vindication of Reformation principles. Translated by Henry Beveridge and originally published in two volumes, this work is now in a one-volume paperback. The appendix contains aphorisms, summarizing the contents of each of the four books.

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INTERPRETATION: THE RESURGENCE OF SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY

Kingsbury, Jack Dean, ed. Union Theological Seminary in Virginia PERIODICAL
 This issue is designed to help pastors or students determine which works of systematic theology are the most usable and comprehensive.

JESUS AT 2000: TRINITY INSTITUTE'S 27TH NATIONAL CONFERENCE: CONCLUDING PANEL DISCUSSION

Office of Video Production, Parish Trinity Church VIDEO
 This concluding panel discussion touches on many of the topics covered during the two-day conference held at Corvallis, OR, on Feb. 9-10, 1996. Speakers include Marcus Borg, Harvey Cox, John Dominic Crossan, Alan F. Segal, Huston Smith, and Karen Jo Torjesen. Presents the latest in Jesus scholarship for use in adult education classes.

JESUS CHRIST FOR TODAY'S WORLD

Moltmann, Jurgen Fortress Press, 1994 BOOK
 The author takes fresh approaches to a number of crucial topics: Jesus and the kingdom of God; the passion of Christ and the pain of God; Jesus as brother of the tortured; the resurrection of Christ as hope for the world; the cosmic Christ; Jesus in Jewish-Christian dialogue; the future of God; and others.

JESUS IN GLOBAL CONTEXTS

Pope-Levison, Priscilla and John R. Levison Westminster/John Knox Press BOOK
 A global tour of Christologies--Jesus as liberator, ancestor, cosmic Christ, and Black Messiah--emerging in Latin America, Asia and Africa. Also includes those of North American feminist and African-American theologies.

JOHN CALVIN: HIS LIFE AND LEGACY

Small, Joseph, ex producer Witherspoon Press, 2009 DVD
 Copy 2.

LIBERATION THEOLOGY: AN INTRODUCTORY GUIDE

Brown, Robert McAfee Westminster/John Knox Press BOOK
 Liberation theology: its roots and significance in Latin America and its consequences for the middle-class church in the United States.

LIVING THE PRESENCE OF THE SPIRIT

Haberer, Jack Geneva Press, 2001 BOOK
 Jack Haberer tracks the doctrine of the Spirit through the Bible, contemporary experiences, and church life and examines the way it applies to social issues in the world today. Haberer's clear presentation makes this book a standout among those on the Spirit and spirituality.

MORALITY AND BEYOND

Tillich, Paul Harper & Row BOOK
 Religious perspectives. Dr. Tillich examines the central questions of ethics. He attacks the moralistic distortions of the Christian message prevalent today, and insists that it is our true nature, created by God, from which our actions must spring. Gives a stimulating discussion of the difference between Catholic and Protestant conceptions of the moral imperative.

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MYSTICISM: A STUDY IN THE NATURE AND DEVELOPMENT OF MAN'S SPIRITUAL CONSCIOUSNESS					
	Underhill, Evelyn		Meridian Books		BOOK
	Section one: relation of mysticism to vitalism, psychology, theology, symbolism and magic; Section two: the inner process of the mystic experience--awakening, purification, the training of the self in its ascent to the unitive life.				
NAMING THE POWERS					
THE LANGUAGE OF POWER IN THE NEW TESTAMENT					
	Wink, Walter		Fortress Press, 1984		BOOK
	Vol. 1 in The Powers Trilogy. The pages of this book represent the quest of a man intent on discerning the nature of structural evil in light of the biblical evidence. Wink's experience of living for a time in Latin America and witnessing extensive social and political oppression appears to have moved him profoundly. The end result is a book that is a model of the attempt to integrate scholarship with faith.				
NAMING THE POWERS					
THE LANGUAGE OF POWER IN THE NEW TESTAMENT					
	Wink, Walter		Fortress Press, 1984		BOOK
	Vol. 1 in The Powers Trilogy. Copy 2				
NEW REFORMATION: TOMORROW ARRIVED YESTERDAY					
[MINISTRY FOR THE THIRD MILLENIUM SERIES]					
	Schaller, Lyle E.		Abingdon Press		BOOK
	The church is in the midst of a radical transformation. Schaller describes the trends of New Reformation and lays out the possibilities for any church that wants to be prepared to meet the spiritual needs of people in the future.				
OF LOVE AND OF SUFFERING:					
PREFACE TO CHRISTIAN ETHICS FOR HEATHEN PHILOSOPHERS					
	Fitch, Robert E.		Westminster Press, 1970		BOOK
	The author speaks to those in the "ethical center", exploring the meaning of Christian Love and its relevance to our problems today.				
ON EARTH AS IN HEAVEN: A LIBERATION SPIRITUALITY					
OF SHARING					
	Soelle, Dorothee		Westminster/John Knox Press		BOOK
	The author examines how the power of religion and faith can be used to transform an unjust world. The reader becomes an active participant in the search for truth and is summoned to both the biblical and the contemporary global context.				
POWER OF GOD AND THE GODS OF POWER					
	Migliore, Daniel L.		Westminster John Knox Press, 2008		BOOK
	What is the power of God? Revered professor Daniel Migliore here shows how different it is from the powers that surround us. First demonstrating the ways the triune God's power is at work in the world, providing meaning and form to the Christian life, he concludes with a chapter looking at the power of God in the witness of both Christianity and Islam.				
POWERS THAT BE: THEOLOGY FOR A NEW MILLENNIUM					
	Wink, Walter		Augsburg Fortress, 1998		BOOK
	In The Powers That Be, the renowned theologian and biblical scholar helps us reformulate our ancient religious concepts - such as God and Satan, angels and demons, principalities and powers - in light of what we now know. Wink's theology is shaped as much by his study of the Bible as by his involvement in the civil rights movement and the fight against apartheid in South Africa. A digest of the third volume of his Trilogy.				

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POWERS THAT BE: THEOLOGY FOR A NEW MILLENNIUM

Wink, Walter
 Augsburg Fortress, 1998
 BOOK
 Companion to The Powers That Be Trilogy. Copy 2.

PRESERVATION OF THE TRUTH

Small, Joseph D.
 Witherspoon Press, 2005
 BOOK
 In this volume, Dr. Joseph Small describes the Great Ends of the Church as "a holistic vision of the church's life." He provides a clear understanding of the truth in the context of this vision. Many indeed to ask, "What, exactly, is truth?" This is a welcome question in this era when so many presumptive truths compete for attention.

PRIMARY READINGS IN PHILOSOPHY FOR UNDERSTANDING THEOLOGY

Allen Diogenes and Eric O. Springsted, editors
 Westminster/John Knox Press
 BOOK
 Writings included here deal with philosophical issues crucial to the understanding of theology and include responses to those questions from Plato to the present.

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL FOR THE SALVATION OF THE HUMANKIND

Gunsalus González, Catherine
 Witherspoon Press,
 BOOK
 This book looks closely at the first Great Ends of the Church, "The Proclamation of the Gospel for the Salvation of Humankind". Catherine Gonzalez crafts an engaging study that helps readers to understand more clearly what it meant to be individuals incorporated into the body of Christ, the Church. Questions are provided at the end chapter to facilitate group discussion.

PROFESSOR REINHOLD NIEBUHR: A MENTOR TO THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

Stone, Ronald H.
 Westminster/John Knox Press
 BOOK
 This biography of Niebuhr by his last graduate assistant lets us watch Niebuhr grow as a professor and reveals his passion for the development of an intellectually equipped, socially concerned Christian ministry.

PUBLIC THEOLOGY AND POLITICAL ECONOMY CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP IN MODERN SOCIETY

Stackhouse, Max L.
 University Press of America, Inc., 1991
 BOOK
 The author uses a contemporary treatment of the Christian idea of stewardship. Involving an interpretation of reliable themes of theology that have import for public life and that of political and economic structures of modern life. Includes study aids and questions.

RADICAL MONOTHEISM AND WESTERN CULTURE; WITH SUPPLEMENTAL ESSAYS

Niebuhr, H. Richard
 Westminster/John Knox Press
 BOOK
 This is a reissue of a classic work by H. Richard Niebuhr. It provides a thorough analysis of faith as confidence and loyalty and the forms of faith as henotheism, polytheism, and radical monotheism.

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RAZING HELL

Baker, Sharon L.

Westminster John Knox Press, 2010

BOOK

Rethinking everything you've been taught about God's wrath and judgment. Seventy percent of Americans believe in hell, as do ninety-two percent of those who attend church every week. Clearly, it's a hot topic. Baker offers readers a safe space to contemplate tough issues as we rethink our traditional views of hell. In her candid and inviting style Baker explores and ultimately refutes many traditional views of hell, presenting instead theologically sound ways of thinking that are more consistent with our image of God as a loving creator who desires to liberate us from sin and evil.

READING OF CALVIN'S INSTITUTES

Reist, Benjamin A.

Westminster/John Knox Press

BOOK

A fresh, sensitive and readable reading of Calvin's Institutes. The author sets Calvin free to speak eloquently of a faith that liberates, excites, and compels all human beings who seek faith seriously. Intended for laypersons as well as students who are undertaking initial phases of theological education.

REASONABLE FAITH

BASIC CHRISTIAN APOLOGETICS

Corduan, Winfried

Broadman & Holman Publishers, 1993

BOOK

The author argues for a compatibility between faith and reason. We should never fear investigating truth. He is convinced that faith and reason, if used properly, will arrive at the identical truth. All truth originates with God and points us to God. Dr. Corduan writes from an evangelical Christian perspective. He draws on both classical Christian apologetics and contemporary philosophical approaches in providing reason for the hope.

REFORMATION AND LIBERATION THEOLOGY:

INSIGHTS FOR THE CHALLENGES OF TODAY

Shaull, Richard

Westminster/John Knox Press

BOOK

The author claims that as Protestant Christians involve themselves with the struggles of the poor they will be led to rediscover the liberating contributions of their own Reformation heritage. He singles out four enduring contributions drawn from the combined theological legacy of Lutherans, Calvinists, and Anabaptists.

REFORMED READER: A SOURCEBOOK IN CHRISTIAN

THEOLOGY, VOL. 1: CLASSICAL BEGINNINGS 1519-1799

Johnson, William Stacy and John H. Leith

Westminster/John Knox Press

BOOK

Arranged thematically according to major doctrines, this resource presents short, meaningful selections from major Reformed theologians of Europe, the British Isles, and America during the classical period. Shows the distinct but diverse Reformed thinking.

REFORMED READER: A SOURCEBOOK IN CHRISTIAN

THEOLOGY, VOL. 2: CONTEMPORARY TRAJECTORIES 1799-

Stroup, George W., editor

Westminster/John Knox Press

BOOK

Demonstrates a central Reformed conviction--that theology must honor the historic witness of the church as catholic while being faithful to the new tasks of the present-day church. The result is a map of a theological movement that honors the heritage of Reformed theology and presents this theology as a vital, living voice in today's world.

RICH BEFORE WE WERE BORN:

ON CALVIN'S UNDERSTANDING OF CREATION

Vischer, Lukas

Theology & Worship, PCUSA, 2009

BOOK

The late ecumenical theologian "Lukas Vischer" recovers Calvin's comprehensive appreciation for the goodness of God's creation, and provides a timely resource for contemporary stewardship of all of life. Occasional Paper No. 21.

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SCREWTAPE LETTERS AND SCREWTAPE PROPOSES A TOAST					
	Lewis, C.S.		Macmillan Paperbacks, 1961		BOOK
	In The Screwtape Letters, C.S. Lewis provides a series of lessons in the importance of the Christian life and Christian morality by portraying a typical human life, with all its attendant temptations and failings, as seen from the devil's viewpoint. First published in 1943, this paperback edition includes preface by the author who tells the reader something of the writing of the book. It also includes the short piece, Screwtape Proposes a Toast.				
SIMPLE GOSPEL: REFLECTIONS ON CHRISTIAN FAITH					
	Kerr, Hugh T.		Westminster/John Knox Press		BOOK
	In the preface, Kerr states "Sometimes we can get lost in the intricacies of theological construction and forget that the simple gospel is something that little children can understand...The essays in this little book are exercises in articulating some aspects of the simple gospel."				
SOCIAL TEACHING OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCHES, VOL II					
	Troeltsch, Ernst		Westminster/John Knox Press		BOOK
	Vol. II: Protestantism, including Lutheranism, Calvinism, free churches, Puritanism, the Baptist movement, and Protestant sects.				
SOCIAL TEACHING OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCHES, VOL. I					
	Troeltsch, Ernst		Westminster/John Knox Press		BOOK
	This two-volume work comes near to being a history of the Christian era, for it relates these ideas to the changing structures of church and society, showing mutual influences of ideas, social forces, and institutions. Vol. I: the foundations of the early church, early and medieval Catholicism, and early sects.				
SPIRIT'S GIFTS--GOD'S REIGN: THEOLOGY & WORSHIP OCCASIONAL PAPER NO. 11					
	Hyun, Yohan and Frank Macchia		PCUSA		PAMPHLET
	Provides a glimpse of international ecumenical dialogue between Pentecostal and Reformed Christians. Two preparatory papers for the 1999 Seoul meeting laid the groundwork for a week of intense theological discussion.				
STANDING FIRM: RECLAIMING CHRISTIAN FAITH IN TIMES OF CONTROVERSY					
	Williamson, Parker T.		PLC Publications		BOOK
	Woven through the historical narrative on the Council of Nicaea are reflections on the controversies currently being debated in the PCUSA. The author examines the impact of Nicene theology on modern science, the restoration of human community, the meaning of worship and the arts, and the search for unity among Christians.				
THEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES ON CHRISTIAN FORMATION: A READER ON THEOLOGY AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION					
	Astley, Jeff, et al, eds.		Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1996		BOOK
	The second in a trilogy on Christian Education, this book represents a variety of points of view in the modern debate. Authors of articles include Brueggemann, Dykstra, Fiorenza, Hauerwas, Lindbeck, etc.				
THEOLOGY FOR LIBERAL PRESBYTERIANS AND OTHER ENDANGERED SPECIES					
	Ottati, Douglas F.		Geneva Press, 2006		BOOK
	Theologian Doug Ottati argues that liberal Presbyterians and other liberal Protestants still have much to contribute to the contemporary world. Offering an alternative to evangelical and conservative thought that he believes now pervades the larger culture, Ottati presents what he sees as the foundations of liberal, theological thought.				

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THINKING THEOLOGICALLY ABOUT THE CHURCH

Burgess, John P. Office of Theology and Worship, PCUSA, 2009 BOOK

The author explains what thinking theologically about the church looks like, what its sustaining sources will be. He points to places where thinking theologically about the church can reshape our attitudes and practices, turning us toward the world by turning us toward Jesus Christ. His essay offers us an example of thinking the church's faith in and for the church, articulating our faith both in its concepts and its living-out.

TIME TO LAUGH

THE RELIGION OF HUMOR

Capps, Donald Continuum, 2005 BOOK

Humor is a part of the tough tissue of religion that binds our hearts together in love, worship, or fellowship/community. Often, however, humor is negatively affected by religion, or religious people are allergic to humor. This author argues that religion is diminished when it fails to understand and embrace its own historical connection - much of it dating to biblical days - to humor itself.

TOWARD A LIBERATING FAITH:

A PRIMER ON FEMINIST THEOLOGY

Rogers, Isabel Womens Min. Program Area, PCUSA PAMPHLET

Rogers invites men and women to talk about a liberating faith. Confusion over women's biblical and theological perspectives has led to frequent misunderstandings.

TOWARD A LIBERATING FAITH:

A PRIMER ON FEMINIST THEOLOGY

Rogers, Isabel Womens Ministries Program Area, PCUSA, 2000 BOOK

This resource was produced to aid individuals and congregations in deepening their understanding of feminist theology. It gives fresh insights into some of the Biblical texts which affirm the dignity and humanity of women and also looks carefully at Hebrew words scholars had sometimes overlooked.

TOWARD A THEOLOGY OF NATURE: ESSAYS ON SCIENCE

AND FAITH

Pannenberg, Wolfhart Westminster/John Knox Press BOOK

The author says the scientific view of nature is incomplete and challenges scientists to incorporate the ideal of God into their picture of nature. He provides a commentary and critique of groundbreaking insights of post-World War II, and then presents theology as the "science of God."

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THE INVISIBLE FORCES THAT DETERMINE HUMAN EXISTENCE

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WESTMINSTER HANDBOOK TO REFORMED THEOLOGY

McKim, Donald K., ed.

Westminster John Knox Press

BOOK

A comprehensive discussion of the major themes and topics of Reformed theology by major scholars of the Reformed tradition. It presents clear, concise, up-to-date articles on Reformed Theology introducing the main figures and ideas of a movement impacted upon Christian history and modern thought.

WHAT'S THEOLOGY GOT TO DO WITH IT?

CONVICTIONS, VITALITY, AND THE CHURCH

Robinson, Anthony B.

The Alban Institute, 2006

BOOK

Theology can be a loaded word for mainline Protestant congregations. It often suggests the dogmatic or implies fault lines for conflict. But when unleashed from its narrow academic sense, "theology" offers a powerful way to get at many of the issues that impact the health and vitality of congregations.

WILLIAM BARCLAY: A SPIRITUAL AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Barclay, William

Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co.

BOOK

In this autobiography, the reader meets the man who became an internationally respected theologian and teacher. With warmth and wit, the author reflects of his upbringing, education, and career.

WOUNDED HEALER: MINISTRY IN CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY

Nouwen, Henri J.M.

Doubleday

BOOK

This book offers sensitive and thought-provoking answers to the question "What does it mean to be a minister in our contemporary society?" Four chapter topics--1) the condition of a suffering world, 2) the condition of a suffering generation, 3) the condition of a suffering man, and 4) the condition of a suffering minister.