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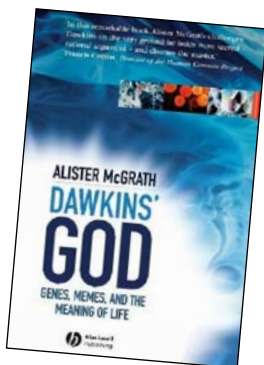
Dawkins' God

Genes, Memes, and the Meaning of Life

ALISTER McGRATH

University of Oxford

"McGrath has written a brilliant book, and it is difficult to think that the exposition of Dawkins' writings and their religious implications, will ever be better stated, explored and criticised... at once dispassionate, robust and readable."



TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPLEMENT

This is the first book-length response to Richard Dawkins, author of some of the most popular scientific works, such as *The Selfish Gene* and *The Blind Watchmaker*.

Dawkins has become perhaps the world's best-known atheist, noted for his hostile and controversial views on religion. This wonderfully argued book explains and examines Dawkins' scientific ideas and their religious implications. Head-to-head, it takes on some of Dawkins' central assumptions, including the conflict between science and religion, the 'selfish gene' theory of evolution, the role of science in explaining the world, and brilliantly exposes their unsustainability.

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The Spiritual Revolution

Why Religion is Giving Way to Spirituality

PAUL HEELAS & LINDA WOODHEAD

BENJAMIN SEEL, BRONISLAW SZERSZYNSKI & KARIN TUSTING

All Lancaster University

"This is an important book that should be read by anyone concerned with the future of religion in this country."

CHURCH TIMES

Are we living through a 'spiritual revolution' in which traditional forms of religion are giving way to new forms of spirituality? Are yoga, reiki and other forms of holistic practice set to become more popular than churchgoing? This book addresses these questions by presenting findings from a major research project designed to chart the state of religion and spirituality today.

SERIES: RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY IN THE MODERN WORLD
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MARTIN E. MARTY

University of Chicago Divinity School

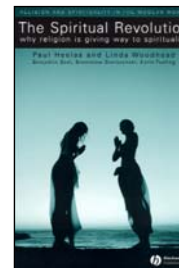
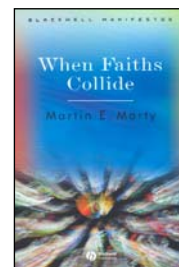
"This is a marvellous accomplishment."

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Collisions of faiths are among the most threatening conflicts around the world at the beginning of the twenty-first century. In the face of these conflicts, this manifesto is a call to embrace religious pluralism.

Tackling people's fears of religious pluralism, Marty demonstrates that citizens, religions, and identities can in fact survive in radically pluralist settings. The book deals with conflicts that affect or occur within those nations whose politics can be called republican, open, democratic, liberal, or free, particularly the UK, the US, and Western Europe.

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The Sacred Desert

Religion, Literature, Art, and Culture

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ALISTER McGRATH

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GRAHAM WARD

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Edited by RICHARD E. DeMARIS

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CARTER LINDBERG

Boston University

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This brief history tells the story of Christianity from its origins to the present day. It spans over 2,000 years of colorful incident to give an authoritative history of Christianity for both the general reader and the beginning student.

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SERIES: BLACKWELL BRIEF HISTORIES OF RELIGION

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A Brief History of Saints

LAWRENCE S. CUNNINGHAM

University of Notre Dame

A BRIEF HISTORY OF SAINTS follows the rise of the cult of saints in Christianity from its origin in the age of the martyrs down to the present day. Referring to both well-known saints such as Joan of Arc and lesser-known figures like the 'holy fools' in the Orthodox tradition, the book ranges over subjects as diverse as the history of canonization processes, the Reformation critique of the cult of saints, and the role of saints in other religious traditions.

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A Brief History of Dante

PETER S. HAWKINS

Boston University

In this book, Peter S. Hawkins brings the great Italian writer Dante Alighieri to life. Drawing on over 30 years' experience of teaching and writing about Dante, he introduces newcomers to the poet and his masterpiece, the *Commedia*.

Hawkins starts by offering a brief account of the poet's life that demonstrates the central importance of Dante's personal story to his works. After rehearsing the narrative in his own way, he considers the prominence Dante gives to eros as part of spiritual life, and explores the poet's idiosyncratic interpretation of Christian theology. Finally, he traces how Dante has been variously portrayed over the centuries as lover, statesman, proto-Protestant Reformer, Romantic visionary, Byronic hero, father of his country, a theologian in verse, and 'altissimo poeta', the consummate poet.

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A Brief History of Happiness

NICHOLAS P. WHITE

University of California, Irvine

Do we really know what happiness is? Should happiness play such a dominant role in shaping and orienting our lives? And how can we deal with conflicts between the various things that make us happy? Philosopher Nicholas White reviews 2,500 years of attempts to answer such questions.

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A Brief History of Death

DOUGLAS J. DAVIES

University of Durham

The act of death itself and the rituals surrounding it vary enormously and shed a fascinating light on the cultures of which they are a part. In this lively history, Douglas Davies – internationally acknowledged as one of the leading experts in this field – tackles some of the most significant aspects of death and weaves them into a compelling story about our changing attitudes to dying.

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A Brief History of Heaven

ALISTER E. McGRATH

A Brief History of Heresy

G.R. EVANS

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SERIES

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This new series examines the main religious denominations in America, offering a full profile of each denomination's traditions, style of worship, theology, politics, and of their role in American society. Each volume offers an historical overview followed by a thematic structure, making it ideal for course use.

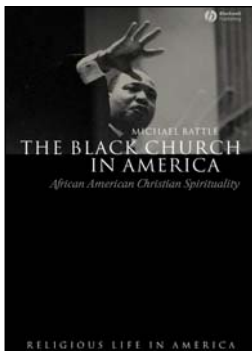
KEY TEXTBOOK

The Black Church in America

African American Christian Spirituality

MICHAEL BATTLE

Virginia Theological Seminary



"I am, because we are; and since we are, therefore I am," said Archbishop Desmond Tutu. This strong sense of community, argues author Michael Battle, is central to African American Christian spirituality. Exploring the history of the Black Church in America, its African roots, its beliefs, practices, politics, and moral dilemmas, he gives readers a broad understanding of African American Christian spirituality

and a sense of its uniqueness in the wider world.

Michael Battle is Vice President, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Associate Professor of Theology at Virginia Theological Seminary. He has previously worked with Archbishop Desmond Tutu and served as an inner-city chaplain with Tony Campolo Ministries. Battle has travelled to Uganda and Kenya with Plowshares Institute, and was ordained in Cape Town, South Africa by Archbishop Desmond Tutu. He therefore has a strong affinity with the many forms of African American Christian spirituality.

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KEY TEXTBOOK

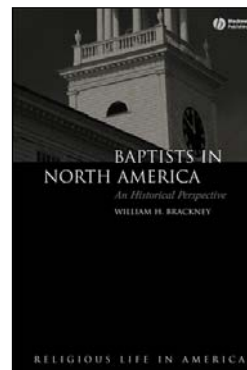
Baptists in North America

An Historical Perspective

WILLIAM H. BRACKNEY

Baylor University, Texas

Written by a leading authority on Baptist history, this inclusive survey traces the development of the Baptist tradition in North America over the past 400 years. It shows how, from a handful of churches scattered along the East Coast in the seventeenth century, the Baptist movement spread across the continent to become the largest Protestant denomination in the United States.

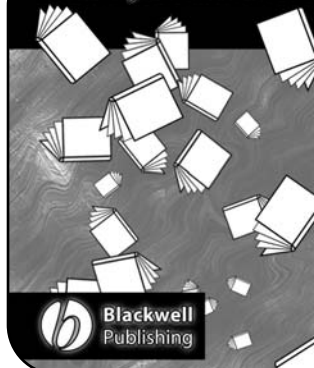


This book emphasizes the great diversity that North American Baptists have exhibited over time. It highlights the role of early Baptists as advocates of religious liberty, the separation of church and state, and universal healthcare; and it reflects on the reasons for the schisms that have arisen within the Baptist Church. Throughout, the author pays attention to different Baptist traditions, giving a rounded picture of the way they have thrived in North America.

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Thinking about Religion: A Reader

Edited by **IVAN STRENSKI**

University of California, Riverside

This concise reader creates a useful mix of classic and contemporary responses to issues in the study of religion, ideal for those coming to the subject for the first time. Pairing pivotal theorists and their theories of religion alongside cutting-edge criticism from both their contemporaries and modern-day scholars, this vibrant collection enables students to gain a balanced understanding of the diverse methods, theories, and theorists involved.

The major historical and methodological developments in the study of religion in the West are traced through the works of leading theorists including: Herbert of Cherbury, David Hume, Georges Sorel, Baruch de Spinoza, Friedrich Max Muller, Edward Burnet Tylor, William Robertson Smith, James George Frazer, Bronislaw Malinowski, Max Weber, Sigmund Freud and Emile Durkheim. Each of these primary figures meets their critical match in contributions designed to raise questions - both for and against - their approach and work. An accompanying website will be available on publication at www.blackwellpublishing.com/strenski.

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KEY TEXTBOOK

Thinking about Religion

An Historical Introduction to Theories of Religion

IVAN STRENSKI

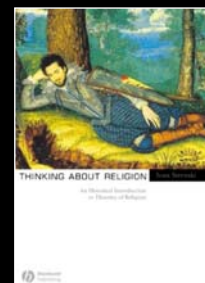
University of California, Riverside

Is the Bible unique and flawless divine revelation? Or is it an historical human document subject to criticism? Is religious experience a link to the divine? Or is it a product of social pressure or psychological malformation? This history-based introductory textbook tells the story of how and why classic theorists have posed such questions, and how the theories and methods of religious studies arose as attempts to answer them.

- ⊙ Introduces the main methods, theories and theorists in the field
- ⊙ Engages with leading figures from the history of anthropology, sociology, psychology, philosophy and theology who have influenced the study of religion
- ⊙ Reveals how the study of religion evolved in response to great cultural conflicts and major historical events such as the discovery of pre-historic cultures in the ruins of Neolithic Europe and the colonial encounter with the 'higher' civilizations of India and China
- ⊙ Considers the influence of inner experience, tackling issues such as human survival and wish-fulfilment.

Along with the accompanying *Thinking about Religion: A Reader*, this book offers a complete resource for introductory students of religious studies. Visit www.blackwellpublishing.com/strenski for further details.

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The Blackwell Companion to the Study of Religion

Edited by **ROBERT A. SEGAL**

University of Lancaster

This **COMPANION** offers the most comprehensive survey to-date of the study of religion. Key features include:

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- ⊙ Consists of 25 essays written by an outstanding team of international scholars
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- ⊙ Provides a bibliographical guide to the main literature on each subject.

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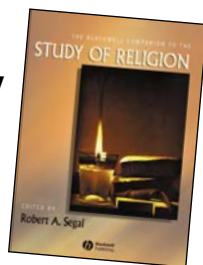
LOUISE TAMBLIN & PAT WARD

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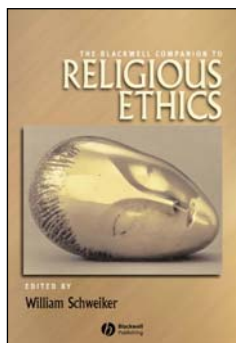
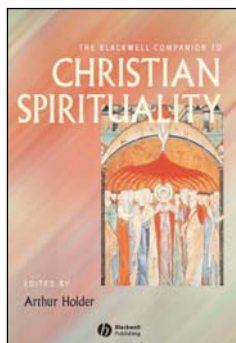
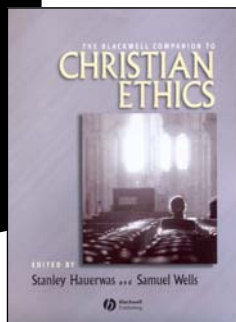
Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley

Christian spirituality has recently emerged as a distinct academic field in universities, colleges, and theological schools. This comprehensive, single-volume introduction to this burgeoning subject chooses not to impose a single definition of Christian spirituality upon its contributors, resulting in a wide-ranging reference source.

- ☉ Reflects an understanding of the field as the study of the lived experience of Christian faith and discipleship
- ☉ Takes a thoroughly interdisciplinary, broadly ecumenical approach
- ☉ Structured in six accessible parts: approaches to the study of Christian spirituality, biblical foundations, historical developments, theological perspectives, interdisciplinary dialogue partners, and selected special topics in contemporary Christian spirituality.

This volume will be of interest to scholars in the field and in other related disciplines, to undergraduate and graduate students in theology and religious studies, and to Christians of all denominations who desire to learn more about the practice of faith.

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NEW IN PAPERBACK

The Blackwell Companion to Christian Ethics

Edited by **STANLEY HAUERWAS & SAMUEL WELLS**

Both Duke University

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FERGUS KERR, REGENT, BLACKFRIARS, OXFORD

THE BLACKWELL COMPANION TO CHRISTIAN ETHICS presents an innovative exposition of Christian ethics, seen through the lens of Christian worship. Editors Stanley Hauerwas and Samuel Wells challenge conventional approaches to the subject, contending that it is Christian worship that shapes the moral life of Christians.

- ☉ Restores a sense of the integral connection between Christian ethics and theology
- ☉ Is co-edited by Stanley Hauerwas – one of the most influential figures in Christian ethics around the world
- ☉ Embraces contributors from the Roman Catholic, Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian, Mennonite and Pentecostal traditions.

The **COMPANION** is designed to be accessible to introductory students, and will have a major impact on the study of Christian ethics.

528 PAGES / 0-631-23506-X HB 2004
1-4051-5051-3 PB JANUARY 2006

Also see Wells's *God's Companions* on page 29

The Blackwell Companion to Religious Ethics

Edited by **WILLIAM SCHWEIKER**
University of Chicago

"One expects this to be an inclusive and exhaustive treatment of the subject, but two other characteristics make this a sterling and indispensable work that deserves the widest readership. First, articles by a wide range of outstanding and well-known scholars give the book an impressive depth. Second, William Schweiker, as editor, has provided a unifying focus for studying this vast and complex field."

CHARLES E. CURRAN, SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

THE BLACKWELL COMPANION TO RELIGIOUS ETHICS is a rich resource for understanding the moral teachings and practices of the world's religions.

- ☉ Includes detailed discussions of issues in moral theory
- ☉ Offers extensive treatment of the world's major religious traditions, including Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, Chinese religions and African religions
- ☉ Compares the ways in which the religions provide resources for addressing current moral challenges in areas such as ecology, economics, global dynamics, religious war, human rights and other topics.

Written by internationally renowned scholars, this **COMPANION** maps the moral teachings of the world's religions, and also charts new directions for work in the field of religious ethics.

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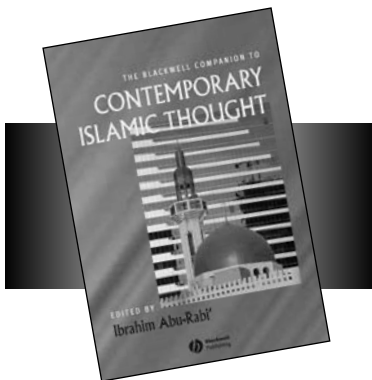
Also see Schweiker's *Theological Ethics and Global Dynamics* on page 29

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The Blackwell Companion to Contemporary Islamic Thought

Edited by **IBRAHIM M. ABU-RABI'**
Hartford Seminary

This **COMPANION** reflects the variety of trends, voices, and opinions in the contemporary Muslim intellectual scene. It challenges Western misconceptions about the modern Muslim world, demonstrating that Islam is far from being a monolithic religious, cultural and intellectual phenomenon.



- ⊙ Consists of around 45 significant essays written by contemporary Muslim thinkers and scholars who represent a plethora of perspectives on the contemporary Muslim world
- ⊙ Covers issues including Islamic tradition, modernity, globalization, feminism, the West, the USA, reform, and secularism
- ⊙ Explores the history, range, and future of these issues in contemporary Muslim societies
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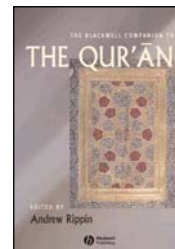
The Blackwell Companion to the Qur'an

Edited by **ANDREW RIPPIN**
University of Victoria, Canada

THE BLACKWELL COMPANION TO THE QUR'ĀN is the ideal resource for anyone who wishes to read and understand the Qur'an as a text and as a vital piece of Muslim life. The volume is divided into accessible sections, including an initial orientation to the text for the first-time reader. The **COMPANION** then goes on to consider: the structure of the Qur'an, asking why it looks the way it does; the content of the Qur'an and what the text is about; the rhetoric of the Qur'an and how it conveys its message; how Muslims have interpreted the text; the place of the Qur'an in the religion of Islam and the manifestation of the Qur'an in the world.

The main body of the book comprises over 30 original essays written by leading scholars in the field. These are supported by notes, an extensive bibliography, and indexes of names, Qur'an citations, topics, and technical terms.

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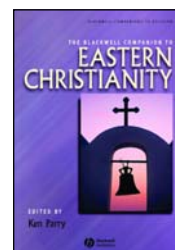
The Blackwell Companion to Eastern Christianity

Edited by **KEN PARRY**
Macquarie University

Recent political events in the Middle East and Eastern Europe have brought Eastern Christianity to global attention. **THE BLACKWELL COMPANION TO EASTERN CHRISTIANITY** provides an unparalleled account of the history and development of this vital Christian tradition, at the same time placing contemporary events in their full context. The **COMPANION** provides authoritative and lively essays on the main Byzantine traditions, such as the Greek, Russian and Georgian churches, as well as the Oriental traditions, including the Armenian, Coptic and Syrian churches.

The in-depth articles of the **COMPANION**, which are written by an international team of experts, offer a comprehensive survey of the history, theology, doctrine, worship, art, culture and politics that make up the churches of Eastern Christianity. The **COMPANION** can also be used alongside the respected *Blackwell Dictionary of Eastern Christianity* (Blackwell Publishing, 2001), providing an in-depth focus to complement the Dictionary's shorter entries.

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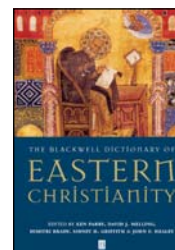
Edited by **KEN PARRY, DAVID J. MELLING, DIMITRI BRADY, SIDNEY H. GRIFFITH & JOHN HEALEY**

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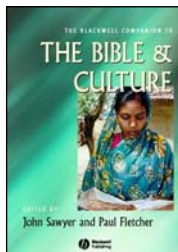
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The Blackwell Companion to the Bible and Culture

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Formerly Newcastle University and Lancaster University

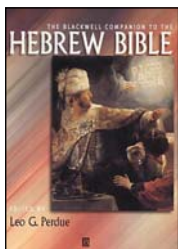
This stimulating, one-volume reference source explores twenty-first century approaches to the Bible. Drawing on interdisciplinary and international examples, the volume examines how the Bible has impacted on all the major social contexts where it has been influential - world-wide, ancient, medieval and modern. It also offers guidance on how to read the Bible and its many interpretations.

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SHORT CONTENTS: Introduction; Part I: Revealing the Past; Part II: The Nomadic Text; Part III: The Bible and the Senses; Part IV: Reading in Practice; Bibliography; Index of Biblical References; General Index.

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The Blackwell Companion to the Hebrew Bible

Edited by **LEO G. PERDUE**

Texas Christian University

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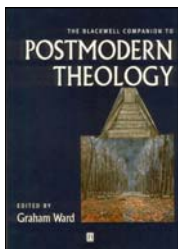
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This comprehensive **COMPANION TO THE HEBREW BIBLE** offers a broad overview and survey of Old Testament study. Key features include:

- ① Newly commissioned articles from an impressive range of top international Old Testament scholars, from the UK, Europe, Canada and the US
- ② Consideration of the history, archaeology, theology, sociology and ancient Near Eastern context of the Hebrew Bible
- ③ Addresses questions of methodology and interpretation
- ④ Written to appeal to non-specialists as well as scholars.

The volume as a whole is introduced by an editorial overview of the discipline, providing the reader with a guide to the interconnections between individual articles. This **COMPANION** is an ideal tool for students, not just for use on one course, but over several years of study.

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FORTHCOMING

The Blackwell Companion to the New Testament

Edited by **DAVID E. AUNE**

University of Notre Dame

This detailed introduction to New Testament study is written by more than 40 scholars from a variety of Christian denominations. Distinctive features include a unified treatment of Luke and The Acts, a detailed discussion of the Gospel of Thomas following articles on the canonical Gospels, and a discussion of the apocryphal New Testament.

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The Blackwell Companion to Postmodern Theology

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University of Manchester

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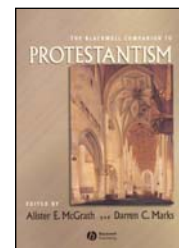
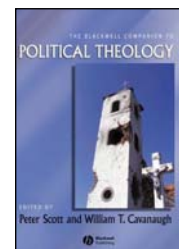
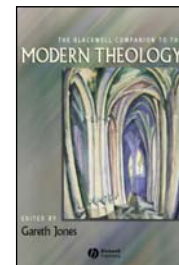
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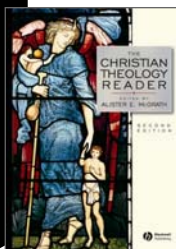
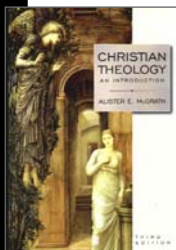
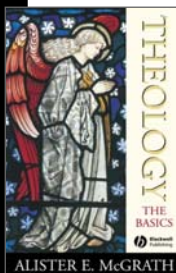
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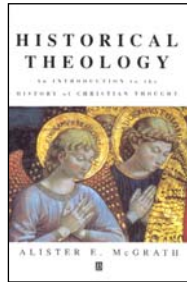
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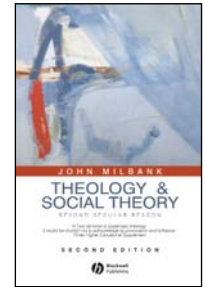
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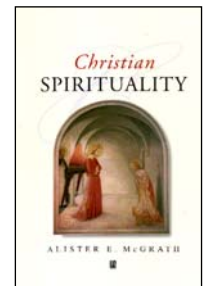
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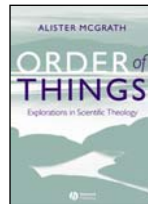


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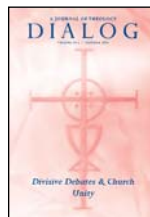
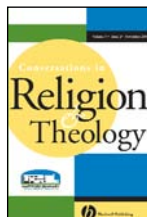
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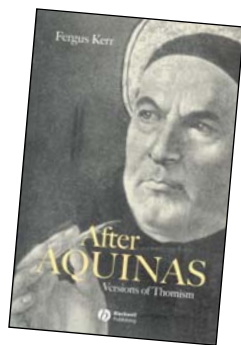
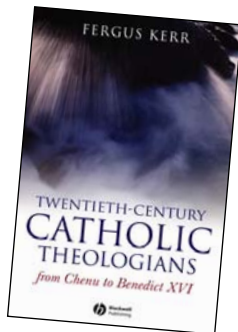
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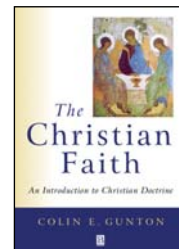
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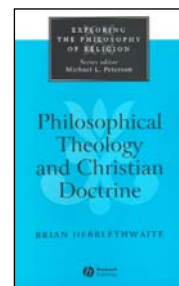
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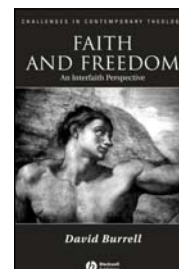
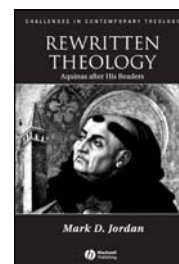
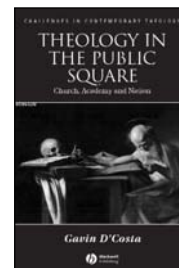
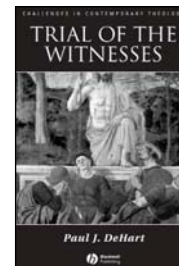
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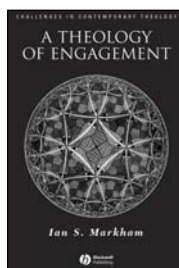
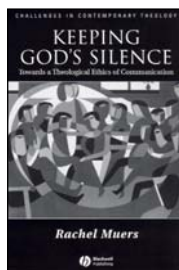
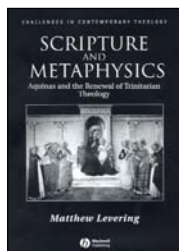
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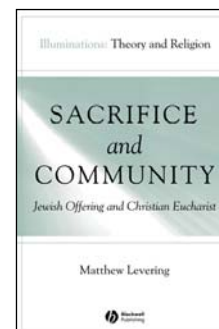
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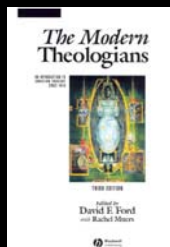
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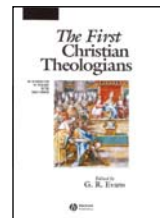
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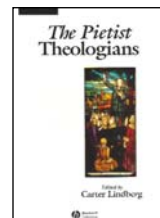
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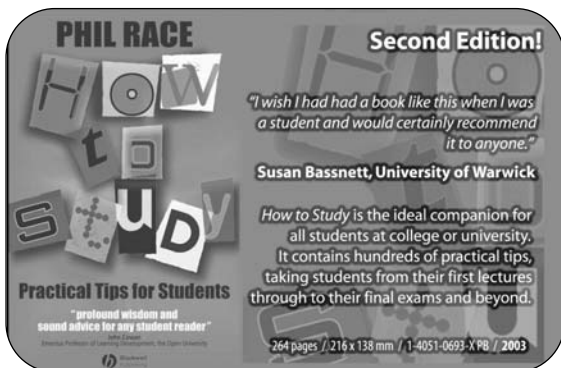
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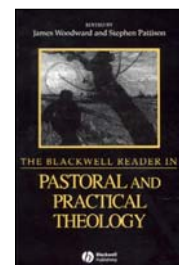
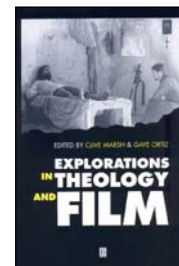
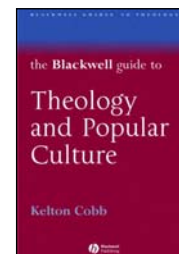
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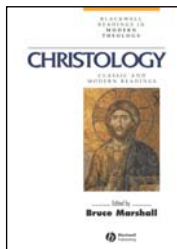
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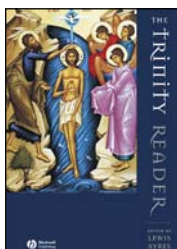
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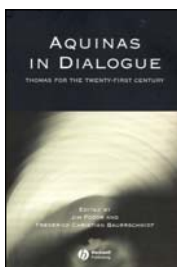
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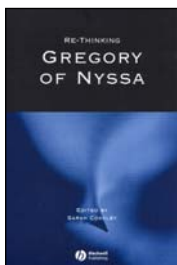
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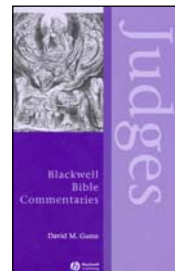
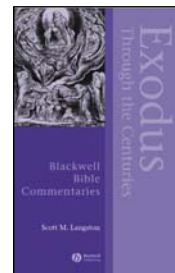
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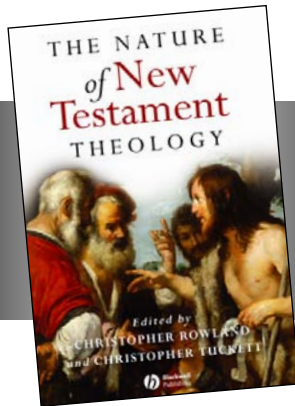
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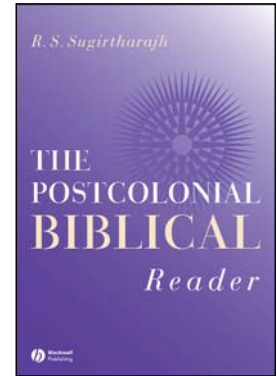
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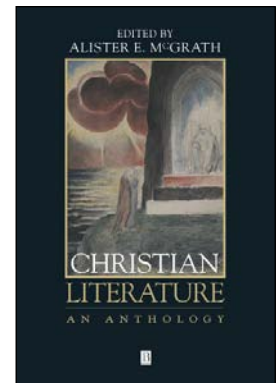
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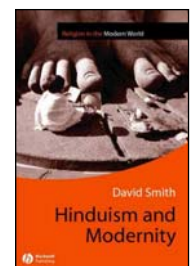
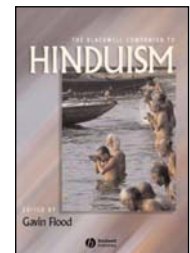
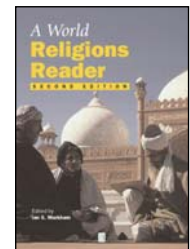
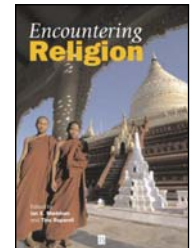
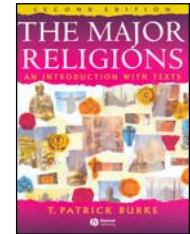
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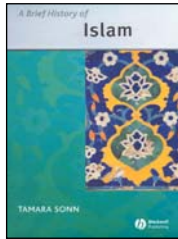
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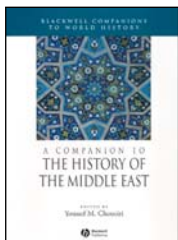
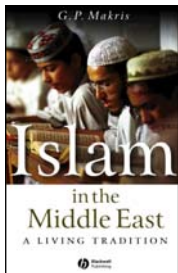
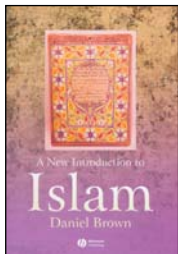
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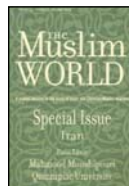
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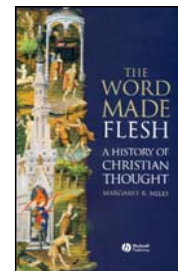
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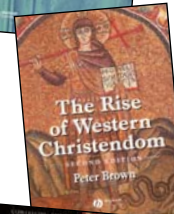
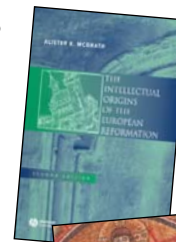
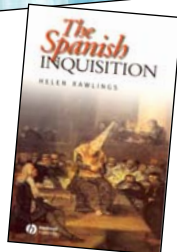
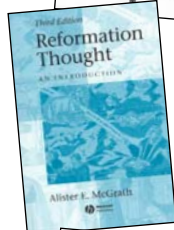
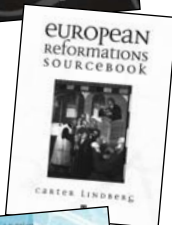
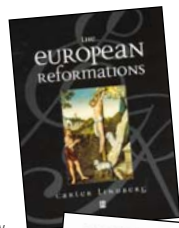
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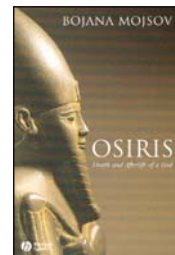
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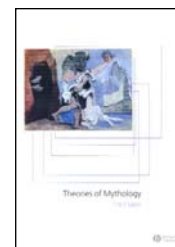
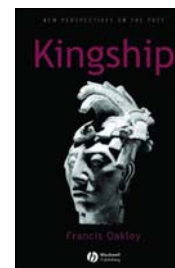
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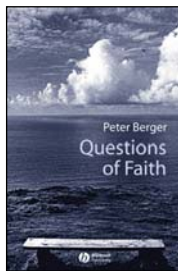
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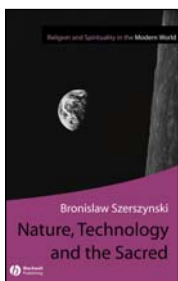
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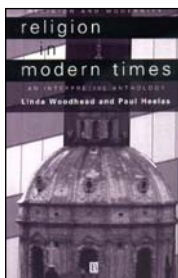
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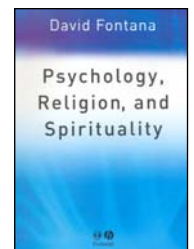
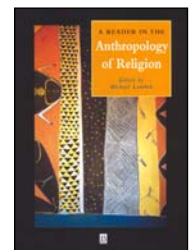
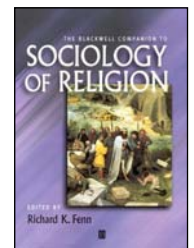
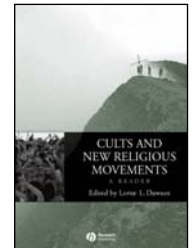
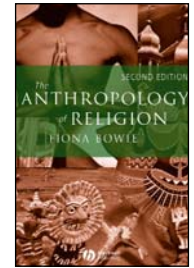
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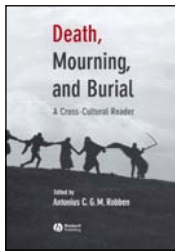
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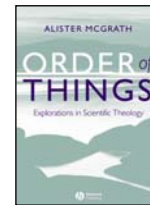
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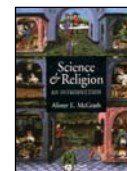
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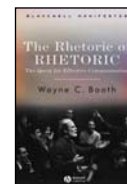
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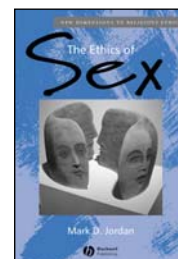
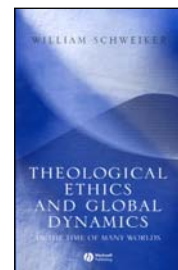
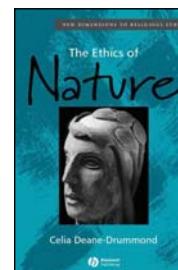
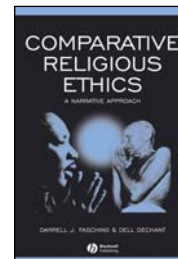
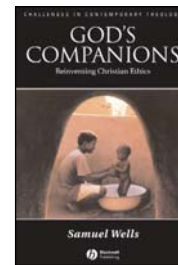
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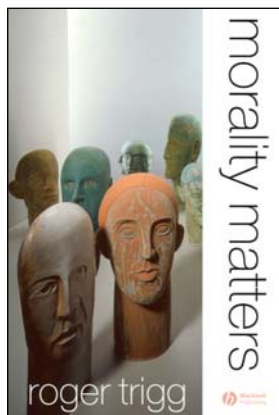
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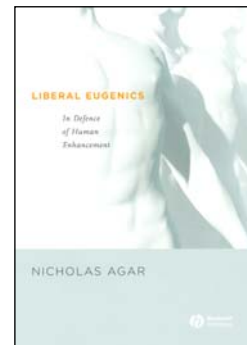
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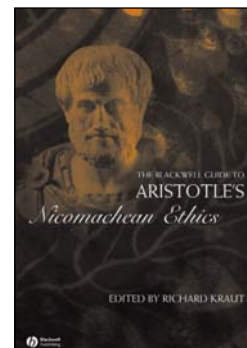
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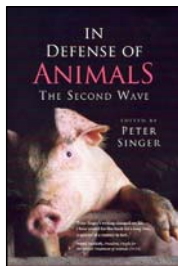
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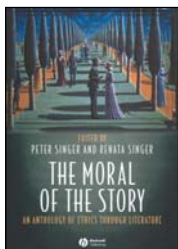
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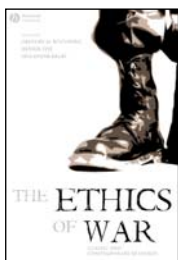
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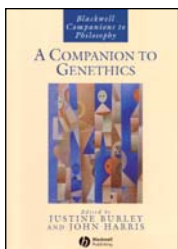
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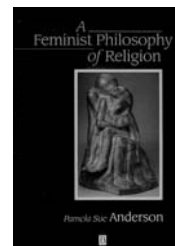
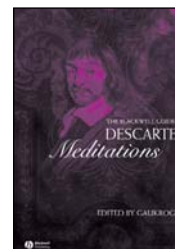
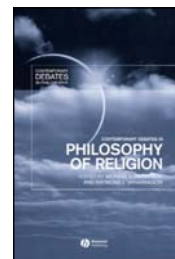
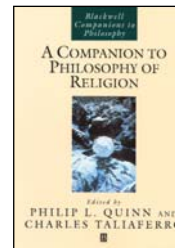
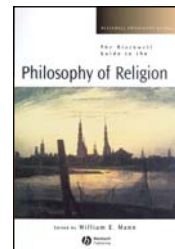
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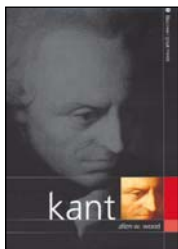
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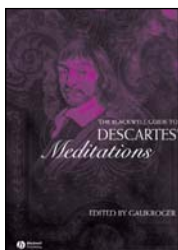
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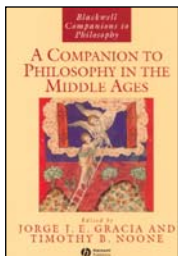
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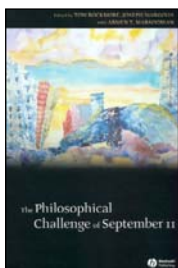
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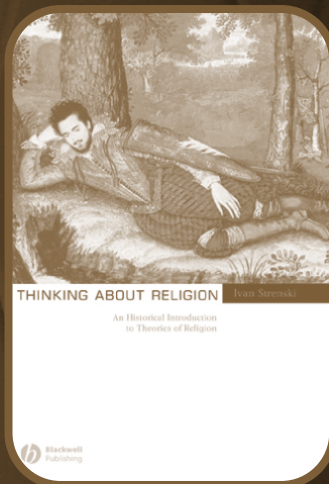
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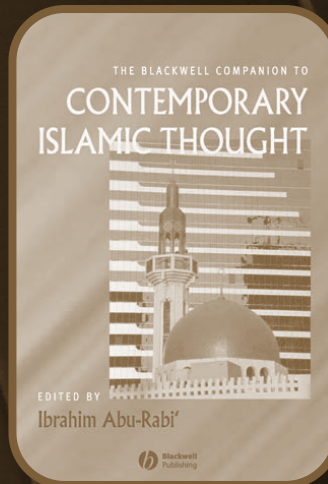
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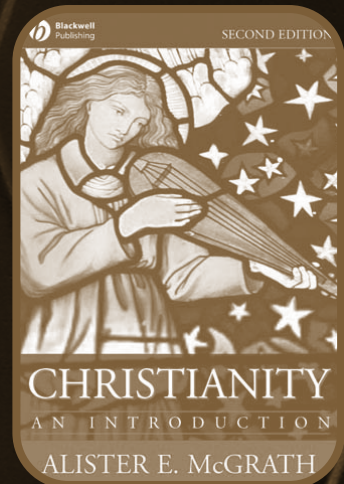
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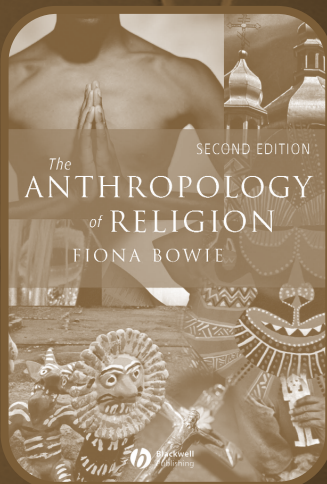
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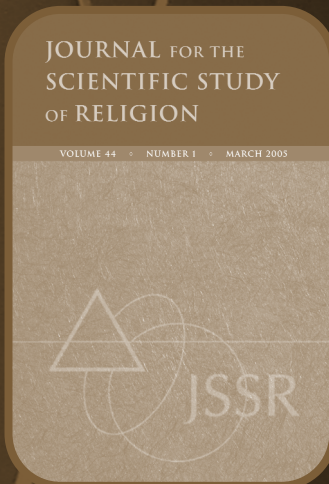
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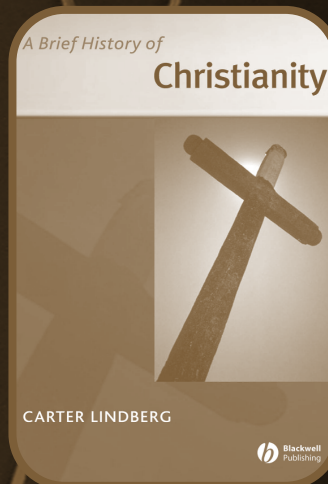
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