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*On Earth as in Heaven* - N. T. Wright 2022-03-01

Today's leading Bible scholar, Anglican bishop, and acclaimed author N. T. Wright returns with a collection of pastoral excerpts, carefully curated from his widely celebrated books, that will inspire those wanting to cultivate a life "on earth as it is in heaven." Modern pastors and their flocks have long considered N. T. Wright a role model for being a thoughtful Christian in today's world. His bestselling books, including *Simply Christian*, *Surprised by Hope*, *Simply Jesus*, and *After You Believe*, have guided Christians in their belief and practice of the faith. Now, Christians can rely on his wisdom to guide them through each day of their lives with this thoughtful book of daily meditations, featuring short selections from his classic works. With reflections on themes such as faith, mission, character, and God's work in the world, these daily meditations will invigorate and uplift Christians in their search to live their faith authentically and biblically in today's world.

**The Gospel According to Matthew** - 1999

The publication of the King James version of the Bible, translated between 1603 and 1611, coincided with an extraordinary flowering of English literature and is universally acknowledged as the greatest influence on English-language literature in history. Now, world-class literary writers introduce the book of the King James Bible in a series of beautifully designed, small-format volumes. The introducers' passionate, provocative, and personal engagements with the spirituality and the language of the text make the Bible come alive as a stunning work of literature and remind us of its overwhelming contemporary relevance.

**Christianity Through the Centuries** - Earle Edwin Cairns 1981

This respected, well-known, comprehensive resource has established itself as a classic on church history. Cairns looks for the glory of God in the total process, conveying the issues that have divided the church and also affirming that the church of Jesus Christ is basically one. Copyright © Libri GmbH. All rights reserved.

**From Christ to Christianity** - James R. Edwards 2021-02-16

How did the movement founded by Jesus transform more in the first seventy-five years after his death than it has in the two thousand years since? This book tells the story of how the Christian movement, which began as relatively informal, rural, Hebrew and Aramaic speaking, and closely anchored to the Jewish synagogue, became primarily urban, Greek speaking, and gentile by the early second century, spreading through the Greco-Roman world with a mission agenda and church organization distinct from its roots in Jewish Galilee. It also shows how the early church's witness can encourage the church today.

**From Jesus to Christ** - Paula Fredriksen 2008-10-01

"Magisterial. . . . A learned, brilliant and enjoyable study."—Géza Vermès, *Times Literary Supplement* In this exciting book, Paula Fredriksen explains the variety of New Testament images of Jesus by exploring the ways that the new Christian communities interpreted his mission and message in light of the delay of the Kingdom he had preached. This edition includes an introduction reviews the most recent scholarship on Jesus and its implications for both history and theology. "Brilliant and lucidly written, full of original and fascinating insights."—Reginald H. Fuller, *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* "This is a first-rate work of a first-rate historian."—James D. Tabor, *Journal of Religion* "Fredriksen confronts her documents—principally the writings of the New Testament—as an archaeologist would an especially rich

complex site. With great care she distinguishes the literary images from historical fact. As she does so, she explains the images of Jesus in terms of the strategies and purposes of the writers Paul, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John."—Thomas D'Evelyn, *Christian Science Monitor*

**Christianity in the Second Century** - James Carleton Paget 2017-05-15

*Christianity in the Second Century* seeks to show how academic study on this critical period of Christian development has undergone change over the last thirty years. It focuses on contributions from early Christian and ancient Jewish studies, and ancient history, all of which have contributed to a changing scholarly landscape.

**A New New Testament** - Hal Taussig 2013-03-05

"Important both historically and theologically. Readers will not be able to see the New Testament in the same way again." —Marcus Borg, author of *The Heart of Christianity* "A New New Testament does what some of us never dreamed possible: it opens the treasure chest of early Christian writings, restoring a carefully select few of them to their rightful place in the broad conversation about who Jesus was, what he did and taught, and what all of that has to do with us now." —Barbara Brown Taylor, author of *Leaving Church and An Altar in the World* There are twenty-seven books in the traditional New Testament, but the earliest Christian communities were far more vibrant than that small number might lead you to think. In fact, many more scriptures were written and just as important as the New Testament in shaping early-Christian communities and beliefs. Over the past century, many of those texts that were lost have been found and translated, yet are still not known to much of the public; they are discussed mainly by scholars or within a context of the now outdated notion of gnostic gospels. In *A New New Testament* Hal Taussig is changing that. With the help of nineteen important spiritual leaders, he has added ten of the recently discovered texts to the traditional New Testament, leading many churches and spiritual seekers to use this new New Testament for their spiritual and intellectual growth. "Remarkable . . . Not meant to replace the traditional New Testament, this fascinating work will be, Taussig hopes, the first of several new New Testaments." —Booklist

**Toward the Twenty-first Century in Christian Mission** - Gerald H. Anderson 1993

This is a print on demand book and is therefore non- returnable. This unique volume offers a comprehensive survey of the prospects and critical issues for the Christian world mission. Demonstrating both depth and breadth of perspective, the book's essays have been written by various mission experts in honor of Gerald H. Anderson, director of Overseas Ministries Study Center and editor of *International Bulletin of Missionary Research*. Contributors: Lesslie Newbigin Arthur F. Glasser Eugene L. Stockwell Mary Motte Gary B. McGee Saphir P. Athyal J. Martin Bailey Lamin Sanneh Keith R. Crim Darrell L. Whiteman Samuel Escobar Yoshinobu Kumazawa Peter Kuzmic Norman A. Horner David J. Bosch James A. Scherer Barbara Hendricks Thomas E. Clarke Wilbert R. Shenk Donald R. Jacobs Tite Tiénou Paul G. Hiebert Alan Neely Ruth A. Tucker Jonathan J. Bonk William E. Pannell Harvie M. Conn Charles W. Forman David A. Kerr Norman E. Thomas Robert T. Coote

**The Jefferson Bible** - Thomas Jefferson 2012-03-02

Jefferson regarded Jesus as a moral guide rather than a divinity. In his unique interpretation of the Bible, he

highlights Christ's ethical teachings, discarding the scriptures' supernatural elements, to reflect the deist view of religion.

Who Wrote the Bible? - Richard Friedman 2019-01-15

A much anticipated reissue of *Who Wrote the Bible?*—the contemporary classic the New York Times Book Review called “a thought-provoking [and] perceptive guide” that identifies the individual writers of the Pentateuch and explains what they can teach us about the origins of the Bible. For thousands of years, the prophet Moses was regarded as the sole author of the first five books of the Bible, known as the Pentateuch. According to tradition, Moses was divinely directed to write down foundational events in the history of the world: the creation of humans, the worldwide flood, the laws as they were handed down at Mt. Sinai, and the cycle of Israel’s enslavement and liberation from Egypt. However, these stories—and their frequent discrepancies—provoke questions: why does the first chapter in Genesis say that man and woman were made in God’s image, while the second says that woman was made from man’s rib? Why does one account of the flood say it lasted forty days, while another records no less than one hundred? And why do some stories reflect the history of southern Judah, while others seem sourced from northern Israel? Originally published in 1987, Richard Friedman’s *Who Wrote the Bible?* joins a host of modern scholars who show that the Pentateuch was written by at least four distinct voices—separated by borders, political alliances, and particular moments in history—then connected by brilliant editors. Rather than cast doubt onto the legitimacy of the Bible, Friedman uses these divergent accounts to illuminate a text that was written by real people. Friedman’s seminal and bestselling text is a comprehensive and authoritative answer to the question: just who exactly wrote the Bible?

**Simply Christians** - Sam E. Stone 2004

This book will be helpful to at least three groups of people: 1. Those who have never heard of the "Restoration Movement." This fast-growing, 19th-century effort sought to unite believers and evangelize the world by teaching and practicing the Christianity of the New Testament. The book introduces readers to Christian Churches and Churches of Christ which continue to share this vision. 2. Those who know a little about this fellowship of churches, but want to learn more. 3. Those who want an up-to-date look at the most recent available facts and figures, along with a review of the basic principles of the Restoration Movement. Book jacket.

Christianity for the Twenty-First Century - Philip Esler 1998-01-01

As we enter the twenty-first century after Christ's birth, does Christianity have a clear future? Does it have the resources to meet the challenges of the new millennium thrown up in a world grown increasingly secular and pluralist? Can its theological and moral vision help build a future which is more informed, more compassionate, more just? Philip F. Esler and a team of expert contributors provide a basis for saying 'yes' to these questions. By looking at how Christianity has responded to various challenges and at many strands in its rich ethical tradition, they show that Christians could have an important voice in the future. In a spirit of open engagement with concerns central to our age, such as the role of science, the environment, poverty and riches, gender issues and war and peace, the contributors consider the continuing importance and vitality of the Christian tradition and demonstrate how its nature and insights might enrich the next millennium. The team of contributors comprises Ian Bradley, Philip F. Esler, Tim Gorringer, Michael Keeling, James P. Mackey, Steven G. Mackie, George M. Newlands, Ruth Page and Keith Whitelam. Introduction: Christianity for the Twenty-First Century Part One Christianity: Critiques and Challenges Christianity and Science Christianity and Secular Humanism Christianity and Marxism Part Two Christian Ethics in a Secular Context Poverty and Riches in the Bible and the Third World Women and Religion Christianity, Ecology and the Environment Christianity, War and Peace Epilogue After Christianity?>

**The Shaping of Christianity** - Gerard Vallee 1999

"Written for those who are new to the subject, *The Shaping of Christianity* surveys the development of the Christian movement in the context of the political, social, and religious milieux of the second through eighth centuries."--BOOK JACKET.

**A History of the Bible** - John Barton 2020-08-04

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**The Case for Christ** - Lee Strobel 1998

A Seasoned Journalist Chases Down the Biggest Story in History Is there credible evidence that Jesus of Nazareth really is the Son of God? Retracing his own spiritual journey from atheism to faith, Lee Strobel, former legal editor of the Chicago Tribune, cross-examines a dozen experts with doctorates from schools like Cambridge, Princeton, and Brandeis who are recognized authorities in their own fields. Strobel challenges them with questions like How reliable is the New Testament? Does evidence for Jesus exist outside the Bible? Is there any reason to believe the resurrection was an actual event? Strobel's tough, point-blank questions make this Gold Medallion-winning book read like a captivating, fast-paced novel. But it's not fiction. It's a riveting quest for the truth about history's most compelling figure. What will your verdict be in *The Case for Christ*? "Lee Strobel probes with bulldog-like tenacity the evidence for the truth of biblical Christianity." Bruce M. Metzger, Ph.D., Professor of New Testament, Emeritus, Princeton Theological Seminary "Lee Strobel asks the questions a tough-minded skeptic would ask. His book is so good I read it out loud to my wife evenings after dinner. Every inquirer should have it." Phillip E. Johnson, Law Professor, University of California at Berkeley

The One Year Christian History - E. Michael Rusten 2003

What happened on this date in church history? From ancient Rome to the twenty-first century, from peasants to presidents, from missionaries to martyrs, this book shows how God does extraordinary things through ordinary people every day of the year. Each story appears on the day and month that it occurred and includes questions for reflection and a related Scripture verse.

*Christianity Through the Centuries* - Earle E. Cairns 1996

The third edition of this classic textbook on church history is updated to the late twentieth century. 200,000 copies are in print through the first three printings.

*The Acts of the Apostles* - P.D. James 1999-01-01

Acts is the sequel to Luke's gospel and tells the story of Jesus's followers during the 30 years after his death. It describes how the 12 apostles, formerly Jesus's disciples, spread the message of Christianity throughout the Mediterranean against a background of persecution. With an introduction by P.D. James

**Philosophy and Biblical Interpretation** - Peter Addinall 1991-07-26

A workbook for adult learners on word problems.

**The Biblical Canon Lists from Early Christianity** - Edmon L. Gallagher 2017

The Bible took shape over the course of centuries, and today Christian groups continue to disagree over details of its contents. The differences among these groups typically involve the Old Testament, as they mostly accept the same 27-book New Testament. An essential avenue for understanding the development of the Bible are the many early lists of canonical books drawn up by Christians and, occasionally, Jews. Despite the importance of these early lists of books, they have remained relatively inaccessible. This comprehensive volume redresses this unfortunate situation by presenting the early Christian canon lists all together in a single volume. The canon lists, in most cases, unambiguously report what the compilers of the

lists considered to belong to the biblical canon. For this reason they bear an undeniable importance in the history of the Bible. The Biblical Canon Lists from Early Christianity provides an accessible presentation of these early canon lists. With a focus on the first four centuries, the volume supplies the full text of the canon lists in English translation alongside the original text, usually Greek or Latin, occasionally Hebrew or Syriac. Edmon L. Gallagher and John D. Meade orient readers to each list with brief introductions and helpful notes, and they point readers to the most significant scholarly discussions. The book begins with a substantial overview of the history of the biblical canon, and an entire chapter is devoted to the evidence of biblical manuscripts from the first millennium. This authoritative work is an indispensable guide for students and scholars of biblical studies and church history.

**Re-Claiming the Bible for a Non-Religious World** - John Shelby Spong 2011-11-08

In *Re-Claiming the Bible for a Non-Religious World*, bishop and social activist John Shelby Spong argues that 200 years of biblical scholarship has been withheld from lay Christians. In this brilliant follow-up to Spong's previous books *Eternal Life* and *Jesus for the Non-Religious*, Spong not only reveals the crucial truths that have long been kept hidden from the public eye, but also explores what the history of the Bible can teach us about reading its stories today and living our lives for tomorrow. Sarah Sentilles, author of *Breaking Up With God: A Love Story*, applauds John Shelby Spong's *Reclaiming the Bible for a Non-Religious World*, writing that "pulsing beneath his brilliant, thought-provoking, passionate book is this question: can Christianity survive the education of its believers?...A question Bishop Spong answers with a resounding yes."

*Solid Foundations for the 21st Century Christian* - Milton C. Richards 2010

Milton attended church while growing up in Richmond, Virginia; though it was mostly just part of the family's Sunday routine before dinner and the football game. After graduating from the University of Richmond, Milton entered the U.S. Coast Guard's Officer Candidate School in 1963. Thus began a twenty year career that took him all over the country, including assignments in Viet Nam, Guam and Hawaii. It was in Mayport, Florida, while serving as captain of a Coast Guard buoy tender, that Milton accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior. This experience changed his whole outlook on life and gave him a hunger and thirst for the word of God that continues to drive him today. Since his retirement from the military, Milton has served on church pastoral staff and as lay volunteer in many capacities. In 1989 he co-founded Prison Fellowship Guam and has been involved in prison ministry for the last 21 years, including three years as a prison chaplain. Milton has seen first hand how the power of God's truth changes lives. Milton also observed that many church members were lukewarm in their Christian walk because they lacked an understanding of the foundational truths of Christianity; and therefore hesitated to even share their Christian faith with another. This book is his effort to help those who truly desire a "Solid Foundation" for their future spiritual growth. Milton and his wife, Olivia, live in Gatesville, Texas. He is available for speaking to groups and churches. You may reach him via e-mail at [dnorichards@embarqmail.com](mailto:dnorichards@embarqmail.com) or by letter at PO Box 1073, Gatesville, Texas, 76528.

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**The World of the Early Christians** - Joseph F. Kelly 2017-03-15

Like every lost world, the world of the early Christians was a combination of the foreign and the familiar, the unique and the commonplace. In *The World of the Early Christians*, Joseph Kelly introduces and explains the world of the early Christians, and while he examines the differences between our two societies, he also stresses our similarities. The early Christians were people, like us, trying to make their way in life. There are many introductions to the world of the early Christians, but few if any deal with its historical background and the basic questions non-specialists ask: Why did the Christians use philosophy at all? Didn't it make everything confusing? Why didn't they just stay with the Bible? In *The World of the Early Christians* Kelly answers such preliminary questions and concentrates on the fundamental issue of why Christians used philosophy, rather than simply listing the philosophies they used. Not only do most people know little about the early Christians, they often have erroneous views about them. For example, many modern Christians think their ancient spiritual ancestors were impoverished, uneducated people from the lowest strata of Roman society. *The World of the Early Christians* addresses some of these misconceptions by considering the historical evidence available about these people. Similarly, Kelly also explains some ancient topics - such as magic and astrology - and considers how they can be misleading to modern students. He then describes the early Christians' relationships with other groups, such as Jews, pagans, and members of popular and official cults, and then explores the intellectual and cultural lives of the early Christians. Students and anyone interested in understanding the now lost world of early Christianity will appreciate this volume's straightforward treatment of this essential background material. Kelly touches upon topics treated by the other volumes in the *Message of the Fathers of the Church* series. He refers to original sources in translation unless no translation is available, and he includes bibliographic references for further research. In a direct and easy manner, Kelly brings to life for us today the rich world of the early Christians. Chapters are: "Who Were the Early Christians?" "How Do We Know About the Early Christians?" "The Physical World," "Others," "Intellectual and Cultural Life," "Living in the World," and "A Brief History of Early Christianity."

**Mature Christianity in the 21st Century** - Norman A. Beck 1994

"Mature Christianity is the most careful study of anti-Jewish polemic of the New Testament that I have read".--Krister Stendahl.

**Scripture and Ethics** - Jeffrey Siker 1996-12-19

How should the Bible be used in Christian ethics? Although this question has been addressed many times, little attention has gone to how the Bible actually has functioned in constructing theological ethics. In this book, Siker describes and analyzes the Bible's various uses in the theology and ethics of eight of the twentieth century's most important and influential Christian theologians: Reinhold Niebuhr, H. Richard Niebuhr, Bernhard Haring, Paul Ramsey, Stanley Hauerwas, Gustavo Gutierrez, James Cone, and Rosemary Radford Ruether. Of each author Siker asks five related questions: which biblical texts does the author in fact use; in what ways are the texts used; how does the author envision the authority of the Bible; what kind of hermeneutic does the author employ; and what has each author's approach to the Bible yielded in terms of Christian ethics? Siker ends each chapter with a critical evaluation of the various problems and prospects for the author's use of Scripture, and concludes the study with a comparison and contrast of the authors' respective appropriations of the Sermon on the Mount.

**Christianity's Dangerous Idea** - Alister McGrath 2008-11-04

A New Interpretation of Protestantism and Its Impact on the World The radical idea that individuals could interpret the Bible for themselves spawned a revolution that is still being played out on the world stage today. This innovation lies at the heart of Protestantism's remarkable instability and adaptability. World-renowned scholar Alister McGrath sheds new light on the fascinating figures and movements that continue to inspire debate and division across the full spectrum of Protestant churches and communities worldwide.

**Biblical Truths** - Dale B. Martin 2017-01-01

A leading biblical scholar's landmark work challenges the historical realism that has dominated the

discipline for more than two centuries How can a modern person, informed by science and history, continue to recite the traditional creeds and confessions of the Christian church? What does the Bible mean and how do we verify biblical truths? In this groundbreaking book, a leading biblical scholar urges readers to be more creative interpreters of biblical texts, mapping out an alternative way of reading that is not first and foremost about understanding what those texts would have meant for the original authors and readers. Limiting our study to the ancient meaning of the text, he argues, has produced either bad history, or bad theology, or both. One cannot derive robustly orthodox Christian doctrine or theology from a mere "historical" interpretation of the Bible. Martin offers instead theological readings of the New Testament that are faithful to Christian orthodoxy as generally understood, but without attempting a "foundationalist" understanding of the meaning of the text. His provocative and ambitious book demonstrates how theology and scripture can remain vital in the twenty-first century.

**Christianity In Crisis: The 21st Century** - Hank Hanegraaff 2012-06-18

Nearly two decades ago Hank Hanegraaff's award-winning *Christianity in Crisis* alerted the world to the dangers of a cultic movement within Christianity that threatened to undermine the very foundation of biblical faith. But in the 21st century, there are new dangers—new teachers who threaten to do more damage than the last. These are not obscure teachers that Hanegraaff unmasks. We know their names. We have seen their faces, sat in their churches, and heard them shamelessly preach and promote the false pretexts of a give-to-get gospel. They are virtual rock stars who command the attention of presidential candidates and media moguls. Through make-believe miracles, urban legends, counterfeit Christs, and twisted theological reasoning, they peddle an occult brand of metaphysics that continues to shipwreck the faith of millions around the globe: "God cannot do anything in this earthly realm unless we give Him permission." "Keep saying it—I have equality with God—talk yourself into it." "Being poor is a sin." "The Jews were not rejecting Jesus as Messiah; it was Jesus who was refusing to be the Messiah to the Jews!" "You create your own world the same way God creates His. He speaks, and things happen; you speak, and they happen." *Christianity in Crisis: 21st Century* exposes darkness to light, pointing us back to a Christianity centered in Christ. From the Preface: "Having lost the ability to think biblically, postmodern Christians are being transformed from cultural change agents and initiators into cultural conformists and imitators. Pop culture beckons, and postmodern Christians have taken the bait. As a result, the biblical model of faith has given way to an increasingly bizarre array of fads and formulas."

**Christianity and Western Thought** - Alan G. Padgett 2009-08-28

Colin Brown's *Christianity Western Thought, Volume 1: From the Ancient World to the Age of Enlightenment* was widely embraced as a text in philosophy and theology courses around the world. His project was continued with the same spirit, energy and design by Steve Wilkens and Alan Padgett in volume 2, which explores the main intellectual streams of the nineteenth century. This, the third and final volume, also by Wilkens and Padgett, examines philosophers, ideas and movements in the twentieth century and how they have influenced Christian thought.

[Signs of the End Time 21St Century Fulfilment of the Bible Prophecy Matthew 24](#) - Pastor Amoah Da Costa 2017-08-09

God has revealed himself to his servant to write this great revelation about the signs of the End Times according to the biblical prophecy and its fulfilment in these last evil days of mass media as predicted by the Lord Jesus Christ there will be wars, famine, earthquakes, and a false Messiah. This book is the result of ten years of studying and meditation of the book of Matthew, chapter 24, as directed by the Holy Spirit to make people aware of the End Times signs and to awaken humanity about the End Times and get people ready for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. Signs of the End Times as Predicted by Christ The destruction of the temple foretold. Many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ. Rumours of wars. Famines and pestilences. Earthquakes in diverse places. False prophets shall rise. False prophets. The Gospel must be preached as a witness. Great tribulation. The fulfilment of the biblical prophecy.

[In Search of First-Century Christianity](#) - Joe E. Barnhart 2019-06-04

Originally pulished in 2000, *In Search of First Century Christianity* contends that Christianity in the first century had no founder but rather evolved as a convergence of many forces: political disillusionment, cultural mutations, religious and theological motifs, psychosocial losses and new expectations. Moving on

from an examination of the foundations of historical and literary criticism in the Renaissance, and a detailed study of two writers in antiquity, Thucydides and Chariton, to examine writings in the period between Plato and the Gospel of Mark, the authors then explore the writing of Paul and the stories told in the Gospels. With the early Christians drawing from both Greek and Hebrew sources, Barnhart and Kraeger propose that, like Plato, Paul and other Christians generated an "anti-tragic theatre" gospel with the Jesus figure being the creation of a culture steeped in an anthropomorphic, metaphysical view of the world.

*Spirit-Empowered Christianity in the 21st Century* - Vinson Synan 2011

What does a re-vision of the Charismatic/Pentecostal Spirit-empowered movement look like in the coming years of this millennium? The first century of this revival seems to attest that the Lord raised up the holiness and Pentecostal movements not only to be custodians of these distinctive truths, but the perpetuators of them as well. If any generation ceases to accentuate this emphasis, the movement likely will forfeit the right to be recognized as such. When the Pentecostal message is preached, published, and proclaimed through triumphant song, an atmosphere is sustained for people to experience anew and again the reality of salvation, holiness, charismata, wholeness, and hope. Such a revival will be biblically based, rationally sound, traditionally accurate, and experientially real. *Spirit-Empowered Christianity in the 21st Century* is an authoritative compilation of the presentations from thirty leaders in the Charismatic/Pentecostal movement given at the Empowered 21 Conference in Tulsa, OK, in April 2010. These chapters share emerging insights on how the next generation will handle the profound issues facing Christians within the Charismatic/Pentecostal movement in the 21st century. For example, one portion covers the topic of the 21st century renewal while another discusses how we can protect our Charismatic distinctive. Another portion will highlight Charismatic adaptations for reaching this present age, discussing issues of social and economic justice, prosperity and suffering, challenges to urban ministry, the future of the next generation, Oneness Pentecostalism, and missiological aims in North America.

*What Did Jesus Look Like?* - Joan E. Taylor 2018-02-08

Jesus Christ is arguably the most famous man who ever lived. His image adorns countless churches, icons, and paintings. He is the subject of millions of statues, sculptures, devotional objects and works of art. Everyone can conjure an image of Jesus: usually as a handsome, white man with flowing locks and pristine linen robes. But what did Jesus really look like? Is our popular image of Jesus overly westernized and untrue to historical reality? This question continues to fascinate. Leading Christian Origins scholar Joan E. Taylor surveys the historical evidence, and the prevalent image of Jesus in art and culture, to suggest an entirely different vision of this most famous of men. He may even have had short hair.

*Addicted to Mediocrity* - Franky Schaeffer 1981-02-01

20th century christians and the arts.

[A Century of Bible Christians in the Philippines](#) - Anne C. Kwantes 1998

**The Critical Meaning of the Bible** - Raymond Edward Brown 1981

The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul, discerning the thoughts of the heart. So proclaims te Epistle to the Hebrews. Yet for many persons the biblical Word of God is less a sharp sword than a crutch, supporting rather than piercing them. Interpreted as they have "always" heard it, scripture tells them exactly what they want to hear. Modern critical investigation of the Bible can change that radically, for now Christians and the churches are being told that the biblical authors did not always mean what they were thought to have meant when read through the spectacles of later interests. Because of its approach, some Protestants and Catholics believe the new biblical criticism is impious. Raymond Brown, a Catholic priest who is Auburn Professor of Biblical Studies at Union Theological Seminary in New York City, argues strongly to the contrary. Critically interpreted, the Bible is all the more critical to Christians and the Church. The challenge of the scriptures is unleashed, "piercing to the division of soul, discerning the thoughts of the heart." - Back cover.

**Reading the Bible with Rabbi Jesus** - Lois Tverberg 2018-01-02

What would it be like for modern readers to sit down beside Jesus as he explained the Bible to them? What life-changing insights might emerge from such a transformative encounter? Lois Tverberg knows the treasures that await readers willing to learn how to read the Bible through Jewish eyes. By helping them

understand the Bible as Jesus and his first-century listeners would have, she bridges the gaps of time and culture in order to open the Bible to readers today. Combining careful research with engaging prose, Tverberg leads us on a journey back in time to shed light on how this Middle Eastern people approached life, God, and each other. She explains age-old imagery that we often misinterpret, allowing us to approach God and the stories and teachings of Scripture with new eyes. By helping readers grasp the perspective of its original audience, she equips them to read the Bible in ways that will enrich their lives and deepen their understanding.

**The Case for Jesus** - Brant Pitre 2016-02-02

"This book will prove to be a most effective weapon... against the debunking and skeptical attitudes toward the Gospels that are so prevalent, not only in academe, but also on the street, among young people who, sadly, are leaving the Churches in droves." - Robert Barron, author of *Catholicism For* well over a hundred years now, many scholars have questioned the historical truth of the Gospels, claiming that they were originally anonymous. Others have even argued that Jesus of Nazareth did not think he was God and never claimed to be divine. In *The Case for Jesus*, Dr. Brant Pitre, the bestselling author of *Jesus and the Jewish*

*Roots of the Eucharist*, goes back to the sources—the biblical and historical evidence for Christ—in order to answer several key questions, including: • Were the four Gospels really anonymous? • Are the Gospels folklore? Or are they biographies? • Were the four Gospels written too late to be reliable? • What about the so-called "Lost Gospels," such as "Q" and the Gospel of Thomas? • Did Jesus claim to be God? • Is Jesus divine in all four Gospels? Or only in John? • Did Jesus fulfill the Jewish prophecies of the Messiah? • Why was Jesus crucified? • What is the evidence for the Resurrection? As *The Case for Jesus* will show, recent discoveries in New Testament scholarship, as well as neglected evidence from ancient manuscripts and the early church fathers, together have the potential to pull the rug out from under a century of skepticism toward the traditional Gospels. Above all, Pitre shows how the divine claims of Jesus of Nazareth can only be understood by putting them in their ancient Jewish context.

*Revelation* - 1999-01-01

The final book of the Bible, *Revelation* prophesies the ultimate judgement of mankind in a series of allegorical visions, grisly images and numerological predictions. According to these, empires will fall, the "Beast" will be destroyed and Christ will rule a new Jerusalem. With an introduction by Will Self.