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One of history's most influential Christian writings presents the Puritan understanding of God, the church, and the world. Now in modern English. Renewing Christian Theology is theology for the twenty-first-century church.--Cheryl Peterson "Anglican Theological Review" Man has always wrestled with the problem of finding meaning in history. It is not surprising that, as a Christian, von Balthasar finds the meaning of history in Christ, its Center and Lord. What may surprise-as it will surely stimulate-is the theological mastery with which von Balthasar traces the effects of Christ's lordship upon the daily life of the Christian. In this book we have one of the indispensable sources for understanding Balthasar's Catholic Christocentrism. Here we find elaboration of the striking statement that Jesus Christ is 'the Idea made concrete, personal, historical; universale concretum et personale'-which, put otherwise, means that Christ is the universally valid in the here and now. Characteristic of Balthasar, the book inspires as much spiritually as it informs theologically. Theology for Beginners is one of the most outstanding presentations of the central doctrines of the Christian faith ever penned. After showing how God is Spirit, the author examines God's infinity and man's creation from nothing, and then moves on to the Trinity, the Fall, the Incarnation and Redemption, the Mystical Body, Grace and the Sacraments, and the Last Things. For those to whom these doctrines once seemed formidable, Sheed's is a fresh voice of lucid and carefully reasoned prose. To read Theology for Beginners is to have one's mind awakened to the spiritual realities at the center of human existence. F. J. Sheed was one of the best-known Catholic apologists of the 20th century. He and his wife, Masie, founded the Catholic publishing house of Sheed & Ward. They were also outstanding public lecturers as part of the Catholic Evidence Guild. In this volume, Georg Strecker profiles the New Testament with major treatments of Paul, Jesus, the Synoptics, John, and the General Letters. Strecker argues for a rich mosaic of theologies rather than one single New Testament theology. He adopts a redaction-critical approach and thus highlights the background of and relationships among the New Testament writings. Strecker's relentless pursuit of the distinctive views of each specific writing allows the complexity of the New Testament to emerge. In this helpful addition to the Armchair Theologians series, Miguel A. De La Torre provides a concise overview of the global religious movement known as liberation theology that focuses on defining the major themes of this movement, as well as dispelling some common misconceptions. Liberation theology attempts to reflect upon the divine as understood from the poor, the marginalized, and the disenfranchised. The key figures, historical developments, and interfaith manifestations are all explored in this thorough introduction. Expertly written by De La Torre and accompanied by Ron Hill's illustrations, this book will serve as a primary text for those who may have little knowledge of or have never heard of liberation theology. The author reminds us that our Christian stories are at the heart of the faith. Without these stories, formulated doctrines and theological systems would be bereft of meaning and substance. With the breadth of bright Vision, he explains what story theology is all about; and he tells us why it is gripping the minds and hearts of so many. This new printing of Louis Berkhof's classic Systematic Theology represents a publishing landmark. For the first time in its long and acclaimed history, Berkhof's monumental treatment of the doctrines of the Reformed faith is now available together in one volume with Introduction to the Study of Systematic Theology, Berkhof's formal prolegomenon to his theology. Meant to be read together with Systematic Theology, the Introduction includes Berkhof's discussions of the nature and character of dogmatics, the methods and history of theological system, and the principia, or foundations, of theology - Scripture and God. This edition also includes a new preface by Richard A. Muller that explains both the publishing history and the relation and importance of the Introduction to the rest of Berkhof's text. Written in a concise and compact style and organized in a manner ideal for detailed study, Systematic Theology covers the full range of theology in traditional systematic fashion - examining, in order, the doctrines of God, anthropology, Christology, soteriology, ecclesiology, and eschatology. The work also includes an extensive bibliography and full indexes to the authors, subjects, and Scriptures referenced in the text. Revised and enlarged throughout his lifetime until it reached its present final form, Systematic Theology not only stands as Berkhof's magnum opus but also is widely considered to be the most important twentieth-century compendium of Reformed theology. With the publication of his two early works, *Black Theology & Black Power* (1969) and *A Black Theology of Liberation* (1970), James Cone emerged as one of the most creative and provocative theological voices in North America. These books, which offered a searing indictment of white theology and society, introduced a radical reappraisal of the Christian message for our time. Combining the visions of Malcolm X and Martin Luther King, Jr., Cone radically reappraised Christianity from the perspective of the oppressed black community in North America. Forty years later, his work retains its original power, enhanced now by reflections on the evolution of his own thinking and of black theology and on the needs of the present moment. In a world where theologians often seem harsh and divisive, Ronni Kurtz shows how true Christian theology--the contemplation of God--leads to the cultivation of the fruit of the Spirit. This comprehensive survey of New Testament theology is arranged thematically and includes careful exegesis of key passages. Foundational to believers' salvation is their union with Christ. In this accessible introduction, Johnson argues that this neglected doctrine is the lens through which all other facets of salvation in the New Testament should be understood. "Eminent scientist and theologian John Polkinghorne offers an accessible yet authoritative introduction to the stimulating field of science and religion. After surveying their volatile historical relationship, he leads the reader through the whole array of questions that arise at the intersection of the scientific and religious quests." "Polkinghorne provides a marvellously clear overview of the major elements of current science (including quantum theory, chaos theory, time and cosmology). He offers a concise outline of the character of religion, and shows their joint potential to illumine some of the thorniest issues in theology today: creation, the nature of knowledge, human and divine identity and agency. He brings the reader to complex ideas so gently and persuasively that at each turn one is inspired to follow the next step of the argument."--Jacket. In his book, poised to become a standard historical theology textbook, Roger Olson takes us on a journey of events ranging from the apostolic fathers to the Reformation to the present. Coordinated by Serene Jones of Yale Divinity School and Paul Lakeland of Fairfield University, fifty of North America's top teaching theologians (members of the Workgroup on Constructive Christian Theology) have devised a text that allows students to experience the deeper point of theological questions, to delve into the fractures and disagreements that figured in the development of traditional Christian doctrines, and to sample the diverse and conflicting theological voices that vie for allegiance today. The accompanying CD-ROM not only contains the fully searchable text but also includes chapter summaries, discussion questions, a glossary, weblinks, and a guide to writing research papers in theology. Contributors: Victor Anderson Ellen T. Armour Karen Baker-Fletcher Paul E. Capetz Don H. Compier M. Shawn Copeland Paul DeHart James H. Evans Jr. Francis Schüssler Fiorenza Mary McClintock Fulkerson Michelle A. Gonzales Roger Haight Bradford E. Hinze Barbara A. Holmes Dwight N. Hopkins Leonard M. Hummel Ada Maria Isassi-Diaz David H. Jensen William Stacey Johnson Serene Jones Margaret D. Kamitsuka Catherine Keller Kris Kvam Paul Lakeland Walter J. Lowe Charles T. Mathewes Joy Ann McDougall Sallie McFague Ian A. McFarland M. Douglas Meeks Linda Mercadante Jim Perkinson Jamie T. Phelps Amy Plantinga Pauw Darby Ray Stephen G. Ray Joerg Rieger Cynthia L. Rigby Kathleen M. Sands Michele Saracino Laurel C. Schneider Craig Stein Kathryn Tanner John E. Thiel Deanna A. Thompson Mark I. Wallace Sharon D. Welch Tatha Wiley In the first volume of his three-volume Old Testament theology, John Goldingay is closely attentive to the First Testament's narrative, plot, motifs, tensions and subtleties. Telling the story of Israel's gospel as a series of divine acts, he gives readers fresh and challenging perspectives on God and God's ways with Israel and the world. In this quick and vibrant little book, Kelly Kapic presents the nature, method and manners of theological study for newcomers to the field. He emphasizes that theology is more than a school of thought about God, but an endeavor that affects who we are. "Theology is about life," writes Kapic. "It is not a conversation our souls can afford to avoid." Christopher A. Hall offers you the opportunity to study theology and church history under the preaching and instruction of the early church fathers. Looks at the history of Black theology, discusses its relationship to white and liberation theology, and identifies new directions for Black churches to take in the eighties One of the most difficult questions facing Christians today is that of the proper attitude toward possessions. What action should we take on behalf of the poor? What should we do with our own possessions? In this NSBT volume, Craig Blomberg asks what the Bible has to say about these issues. Avoiding easy answers, he draws on the Old and New Testaments to seek a comprehensive biblical theology of possessions. This dictionary is designed to assist pastors and laypeople who use commentaries and other popular works on theology in understanding the technical and semi-technical theological terms that tend to creep into these books. The 1,800 definitions are far more helpful and easy to locate than what might be found in a general Webster's type dictionary. This bestselling reference tool has been a trusted resource for more than 25 years with over 165,000 copies sold. Now thoroughly updated and substantially revised to meet the needs of today's students and classrooms, it offers cutting-edge overviews of key theological topics. Readable and reliable, this work features new articles on topics of contemporary relevance to world Christianity and freshened articles on enduring theological subjects, providing comprehensive A-Z coverage for today's theology students. The author base reflects the increasing diversity of evangelical scholars. Advisory editors include D. Jeffrey Bingham, Cheryl Bridges Johns, John G. Stackhouse Jr., Tite Tiénou, and Kevin J. Vanhoozer. Ray S. Anderson lays out a new and renewing theological foundation for engaging in Christian ministry. Illuminated by discussion and case studies, he shows how a biblically informed approach addresses real issues in Christ's power. The burgeoning field of postcolonial studies argues that most theology has been formed in dominant cultures, laden intrinsically with imperializing structures. An essential task facing theology is thus to "decolonize" the mind and free Christianity from colonizing bias and structures. Here, in this truly groundbreaking study, highly respected feminist theologian Kwok Pui-lan offers the first full-length theological treatment of what it means to do postcolonial feminist theology. She explains her methodological basis and explores several specific topics, including Christology, pluralism, and creation. Michael Jinkins invites you to walk through the theological maze as you follow the pattern of the Apostles' Creed and consider the most profound reflections on Christian belief to be found through the ages. Theology is inherently theatrical, rooted in God's performance on the world stage and oriented toward faith seeking performative understanding in the theatre of everyday life. Following Hans Urs von Balthasar's magisterial, five-volume Theo-Drama, a growing number of theologians and pastors have been engaging more widely with theatre and drama, producing what has been recognized as a "theatrical turn" in theology. This volume includes thirteen essays from theologians and pastors who have contributed in distinct ways to this theatrical turn and who desire to deepen interdisciplinary dialogue between theology and theatre. The result is an unprecedented collection of essays that embodies and advances theatrical theology for the purpose of enriching theological reflection and edifying the church. Contributors include: Kevin J. Vanhoozer Ivan Khovacs Timothy Gorringer Shannon Craigo-Snell George Pattison Jim Fodor Todd E. Johnson David Cunningham Marilyn McCord Adams Richard Carter Samuel Wells Peter Goodwin Heltzel David Brown Renewal Theology deals with the full range of Christian truth from within the charismatic tradition. Previously published as three separate volumes, Renewal Theology represents the first exhaustive, balanced articulation of charismatic theology. Renewal Theology discusses: Book One--God, the World, and Redemption - Book Two--Salvation, the Holy Spirit, and Christian Living - Book Three--The Church, the Kingdom, and Last Things. As theology, this work is an intellectual achievement. But it is much more than that. The author urges the church to undertake its task of theology in the proper spirit: - an attitude of prayer - a deepening sense of reverence - an ever-increasing purity of heart - a spirit of growing love - a theological approach rooted in the glory of God. Done in such a spirit, theology becomes a faithful and powerful witness to the living God. Leading Luther scholars offer students and other non-specialists an accessible way to engage the big ideas of Luther's thinking. Wolfhart Pannenberg is widely regarded as one of the foremost Christian thinkers of this century. The publication of this book, the third and final volume of his masterful Systematic Theology, brings to completion the English translation of his magnum opus. In Volume 3 Pannenberg completes his theological project with the exposition of the Christian doctrines of the Holy Spirit, salvation, the church, and the eschatological hope. At the heart of this volume lies the theme of the church; it not only comprises the largest chapter but is intimately related to each of the other doctrines--to the Spirit as an eschatological gift and to individual salvation as a sign of its future consummation. Throughout this work Pannenberg brings to bear the vast historical and exegetical knowledge and keen philosophical argumentation for which he is well known. This collaborative work represents a pathbreaking exercise in Native American theology. While observing traditional categories of Christian systematic theology (Creation, Deity, Christology, etc.), each of these is reimagined consistent with Native experience, values, and worldview. At the same time the authors introduce new categories from Native thought-worlds, such as the Trickster (eraser of boundaries, symbol of ambiguity), and Land. Finally, the authors address issues facing Native Americans today, including racism, poverty, stereotyping, cultural appropriation, and religious freedom. Book jacket. Most widely used systematic theology of the 20th century in the Wesleyan-Arminian tradition. Approx. 500 pages per volume. Hardback. Presents the insights of St. Ephrem and Jacob of Serugh, two of the earliest representatives of the theological world-view of the Syriac church. This accessible yet comprehensive primer explores the breadth of viewpoints on major issues in evangelical theology by examining positions taken by evangelicals on seventeen seminal issues. The second edition retains the helpful features of the first edition and adds an appendix that addresses thirteen peripheral issues in contemporary evangelicalism. Praise for the first edition "The authors do what no book on the market does: In one volume they faithfully present divergent views on the crucial issues that divide evangelicals, and they do so in an unbiased, succinct, and lively manner. This book is perfect as a supplemental text in an introductory theology course or as a manual for church study groups. It will help everyone arrive at his or her own conclusions within the parameters of the evangelical tradition."--Dennis Okholm, Azusa Pacific University "Across the Spectrum succeeds with distinction in at least two respects. First, it represents a very useful tool for those who wish to begin grappling with different approaches to difficult theological problems. The book will be most helpful to beginning students in evangelical theology, the target audience. Second, the work presents various perspectives in fair and unbiased tones. . . . If used with care, it will repeatedly reward the reader with its fair and even treatment of different theological views."--Nathan D. Holsteen, Bibliotheca Sacra "I've been waiting for this book for some time. Due to its brief, nontechnical format, it can be used in a variety of ways in undergraduate theology courses. Although a concise volume, it succinctly outlines multiple arguments, both pro and con, for (incredibly!) over two dozen issues in disputed, largely non-fundamental areas of doctrine. The professor can present positions in favor of particular views or leave the issues open. It's settled--I'm requiring it!"--Gary R. Habermas, Liberty University "A collective sigh of relief will arise from the evangelical student body when it discovers this book! It helpfully and critically surveys the many legitimate evangelical theological options and convincingly demonstrates that there is no single authentically evangelical viewpoint on a wide range of controversial issues. It constitutes a small library between two covers."--Roger E. Olson, George W. Truett Theological Seminary, Baylor University The contents of this volume offer the reader a broad insight into Catholic theology. Established as an indispensable introduction to six areas of study: The Old Testament, The New Testament, The Person of Jesus, The Church, Christian Morality, and The Sacraments. This collection provides key texts from some of the most distinguished writers in Catholic theology

today. Contributors include: Philippe BTguerie and Claude Duchesneau, Christopher Butler, Raymond Brown, S.S., Joseph A. Fitzmyer, S.J., Gideon Goosen and Margaret Tomlinson, John H. Hayes, Monika Hellwig, Aidan Kavanagh, O.S.B., Dermot A. Lane, Enda Lyons, Vincent MacNamara, Richard P. McBrien, Enda McDonagh, Joseph Martos, Robert Murray, S.J., Denis F. O'Callaghan, Timothy E. O'Connell, John F. O'Grady, Jean-Pierre PrTvost, Thomas P. Rausch, S.J., Jeffrey S. Siker, Daniel L. Smith-Christopher, Francis Sullivan, S.J. Bruner has been both thorough and fair, and has written a book that combines scholarly research with constructive commentary on the life and mission of the contemporary Church. Reading Christian Theology in the Protestant Tradition offers a distinctive approach to the value of classic works through the lens of Protestantism. Protestant theology did not start with the Reformation, but built on the Medieval thought. Thus this book begins with the first Christian theologians, covering 2000 years of theological writing from the church fathers to Moltmann. Five major periods of church history are represented in 12 key works each, carefully explained and interpreted by an expert in the field. The focus lies not only on the context of the work itself but also on its reception and influence on the Protestant tradition. Stephen B Bevans's Models of Contextual Theology has become a staple in courses on theological method and as a handbook used by missionaries and other Christians concerned with the Christian tradition's understanding of itself in relation to culture. First published in 1992 and now in its seventh printing in English, with translations underway into Spanish, Korean, and Indonesian, Bevans's book is a judicious examination of what the terms "contextual theology" and "to contextualize" mean. In the revised and expanded edition, Bevans adds a "counter-cultural" model to the five presented in the first edition -- the translation, the anthropological, the praxis, the synthetic, and the transcendental model. This means that readers will be introduced to the way in which figures such as Stanley Hauerwas, John Milbank, Lesslie Newbigin, "and (occasionally) Pope John Paul II" need to be taken into account. The author's revisions also incorporate suggestions made by reviewers to enhance the clarity of the original three chapters on the nature of contextual theology and the five models. Most historical theology texts follow Christian beliefs chronologically, discussing notable doctrinal developments for all areas of theology according to their historical appearance. And while this may be good history, it can make for confusing theology, with the classic theological loci scattered throughout various time periods, movements, and controversies. In Historical Theology, Gregg Allison offers students the opportunity to study the historical development of theology according to a topical-chronological arrangement, setting out the history of Christian doctrine one theological element at a time. Such an approach allows readers to concentrate on one tenet of Christianity and its formulation in the early church, through the Middle Ages, Reformation, and post-Reformation era, and into the modern period. The text includes a generous mix of primary source material as well, citing the words of Cyprian, Augustine, Aquinas, Luther, Calvin, Barth, and others. Allison references the most accessible editions of these notable theologians' work so that readers can continue their study of historical theology through Christian history's most important contributors. Historical Theology is a superb resource for those familiar with Wayne Grudem's Systematic Theology or interested in understanding the development of Christian theology.

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