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### THE GOSPEL AS CENTER

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#### RENEWING OUR FAITH AND REFORMING OUR MINISTRY PRACTICES

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Crossway Books This collection of essays offers timely and valuable core teachings of an evangelical movement dedicated to the gospel of Christ and a Scripture-based reformation of ministry practices.

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### THE GOSPEL AS CENTER

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#### RENEWING OUR FAITH AND REFORMING OUR MINISTRY PRACTICES

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It's time to reclaim the core of our beliefs... Important aspects of Christianity are in danger of being muddled or lost as relativism takes root in our churches today. What was historically agreed upon is now readily questioned and the very essentials of the Christian faith are in jeopardy. It's time to reclaim the core of our beliefs. To that end, D. A. Carson, Tim Keller, Kevin DeYoung, and other influential leaders have created this volume to defend the traditional gospel and to strengthen the church. The Gospel as Center will help you join in the movement-the movement dedicated to a Scripture-based reformation of ministry practices and the centrality of the gospel-and stand united under the conviction that what holds us together is worth fighting for. Arabic Translation

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### CENTER CHURCH

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#### DOING BALANCED, GOSPEL-CENTERED MINISTRY IN YOUR CITY

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Zondervan Today many pastors are struggling to adapt to a post-Christian culture without abandoning orthodox theology. How do we communicate the concepts of grace and substitutionary atonement in our globalized culture and context? In Center Church, Timothy Keller offers challenging insights and provocative questions based on over twenty years of ministry in New York City. This book outlines a theological vision for ministry - applying classic doctrines to our time and place - organized around three core commitments: • Gospel-centered: The gospel of grace in Jesus Christ changes everything, from our hearts to our community to the world. It completely reshapes the content, tone and strategy of all that we do. • City-centered: With a positive approach toward our culture, we learn to affirm that cities are wonderful, strategic and underserved places for gospel ministry. • Movement-centered: Instead of building our own tribe, we seek the prosperity and peace of our community as we are led by the Holy Spirit. "In this important book, Tim Keller unpacks the gospel and gently but firmly reminds us that it is nonnegotiable. At the same time, he enables us to think through how we can responsibly interact with the culture, how we can - indeed, must - appreciate good things within it, and how we can firmly and faithfully apply the gospel to it." - D.A. Carson, research professor of New Testament, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

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### RENEWING THE CENTER

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#### EVANGELICAL THEOLOGY IN A POST-THEOLOGICAL ERA

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Baker Academic The second edition of this important foundational text for the emerging church includes a new foreword by Biran McLaren and a new afterword from John Franke updating the book for the contemporary church scene.

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### THIS IS OUR TIME

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#### EVERYDAY MYTHS IN LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL

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B&H Publishing Group Uncertain. Confused. Overwhelmed. Many Christians feel bombarded by the messages they hear and the trends they see in our rapidly changing world. How can we resist being conformed to the pattern of this world? What will faithfulness to Christ look like in these tumultuous times? How can we be true to the gospel in a world where myths and false visions of the world so often prevail? In This is Our Time, Trevin Wax provides snapshots of twenty-first-century American Life in order to help Christians understand the times. By analyzing our common beliefs and practices (smartphone habits, entertainment intake, and our views of shopping, sex, marriage, politics, and life's purpose), Trevin helps us see through the myths of society to the hope of the gospel. As faithful witnesses to Christ,

Trevin writes, we must identify the longing behind society's most cherished myths (what is good, true, beautiful), expose the lie at the heart of these myths (what is false and damaging), and show how the gospel tells a better story - one that exposes the lie but satisfies the deeper longing.

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## **ENCYCLOPEDIA OF CHRISTIANITY IN THE UNITED STATES**

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Rowman & Littlefield From the Founding Fathers through the present, Christianity has exercised powerful influence in America—from its role in shaping politics and social institutions to its hand in art and culture. The Encyclopedia of Christianity in the United States outlines the myriad roles Christianity has played and continues to play. This masterful multi-volume reference includes biographies of major figures in the Christian church in the United States, documents and Supreme Court decisions, and information on theology and theologians, denominations, faith-based organizations, immigration, art—from decorative arts and film to music and literature—evangelism and crusades, women's issues, racial issues, civil religion, and more.

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## **THE CAPE TOWN COMMITMENT: A CONFESSION OF FAITH, A CALL TO ACTION**

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### **BIBLIOGRAPHIC RESOURCES**

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Wipf and Stock Publishers The Cape Town Commitment, which arose from The Third Lausanne Congress on World Evangelization (Cape Town, 2010), stands in the historic line of The Lausanne Covenant (1974) and The Manila Manifesto (1989). It has been translated into twenty-five languages and has commanded wide acceptance around the world. The Commitment is set in two parts. Part 1 is a Confession of Faith, crafted in the language of covenantal love. Part 2 is a Call to Action. The local church, mission agencies, special-interest groups, and Christians in the professions are all urged to find their place in its outworking. This annotated bibliography of The Cape Town Commitment, arranged by topic, has been compiled by specialists in a range of fields. As such, it is the first bibliography of its kind. - Arranged in sections for graduate-level teaching - Equally useful for research students

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## **LIVING THE KING JESUS GOSPEL**

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### **DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRY THEN AND NOW (A TRIBUTE TO SCOT MCKNIGHT)**

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Wipf and Stock Publishers Living the King Jesus Gospel brings together biblical scholars, theologians, church historians, and ministry practitioners to discuss the Good News of Jesus Christ, discipleship, and the Christian life throughout the centuries and in the world today. Drawing from across the New Testament, the Church Fathers, the Reformers, the Anglican and Orthodox Traditions, and various modern contexts, the contributors bring diverse perspectives to key questions about the gospel. What ties them all together is the person of King Jesus and the hope for a church that embodies and reflects a life-giving and flourishing kingdom.

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## **RE-ENVISIONING TRANSFORMATION**

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### **TOWARD A THEOLOGY OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE**

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Wipf and Stock Publishers In today's church, use of the term transformation has become commonplace. Various perspectives are offered on what a Christian view of transformation is--and on how it may be achieved. These often-conflicting views suggest an ecclesial landscape characterized by pluralism, division, fragmentation, confusion, relativism, individualism, pragmatism, and subjectivism. Despite the current interest in transformational theology, the absence of a common, coherent, and integrated vision (and the lack of transformation) is often accepted and affirmed. Re-Envisioning Transformation looks at the possibility of moving toward a vision of transformational theology that is cohesive, unified, broad, effectual, and distinctly Christian. In this book, the contributions of two radically different "theologians of the Christian life" are examined. This provides the basis from which to develop a comprehensive and integrated framework of transformational theology--pointing God's people toward the need to express and live out a distinctly Christian vision.

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## **SAVING GOD'S FACE**

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### **A CHINESE CONTEXTUALIZATION OF SALVATION THROUGH HONOR AND SHAME**

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WCIU Press Years ago, the author had a startling realization. Theologians and pastors have long taught on the glory of God and its central importance in the Bible. However, because he was living in East Asia, it also dawned on the author that this sort of talk about God's glory, praising Him, and magnifying His name was simply another way of talking about honor and shame. When the author looked at most theology and ministry-related books, he found that honor and shame seemed to be treated differently. Anthropologists talked about honor-shame, but theologians largely focused more on legal metaphors. The author could see both themes in Scripture but couldn't find help as to how to bring them together. This study was developed in order to address this gap and bring those themes together. Sign up for the WCIU Press newsletter to be notified about new books from this author and more! <http://eepurl.com/rB15L>

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## **CHURCHES PARTNERING TOGETHER**

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### **BIBLICAL STRATEGIES FOR FELLOWSHIP, EVANGELISM, AND COMPASSION**

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Crossway How to Work Together for the Sake of the Gospel Most churches in the U. S. have less than 75 members.

Many of these congregations barely have enough money to pay their pastor's salary, much less launch a movement or host a conference. How can they hope to make an impact beyond their own walls? In *Churches Partnering Together*, Chris Bruno and Matt Dirks show how all churches—big and small—can do more together than they can do apart. Looking to the New Testament for guidance, this practical book will help pastors, church leaders, and laypeople alike think creatively about gospel-driven church partnerships in their own communities and around the world.

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### **15 THINGS SEMINARY COULDN'T TEACH ME**

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Crossway Some lessons can't be learned in a classroom. A seminary education is immensely valuable, offering theological preparation, spiritual formation, and wise mentoring. But many new pastors are discouraged when the realities of their first call don't line up with what they came to expect from assigned readings and classroom discussions. Bridging the gap between seminary training and real life in a local church, fifteen veteran pastors and ministry leaders offer advice and encouragement related to a host of real-world issues, such as leading congregations through seasons of suffering, handling conflict, accepting a call, leaving a church, and more.

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### **GETTING THE GOSPEL RIGHT**

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### **THE TIE THAT BINDS EVANGELICALS TOGETHER**

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Baker Books Unity in the gospel is essential to the witness of the church. Yet that unity was tested by the release of two documents, *Evangelicals and Catholics Together* and *The Gift of Salvation*, which appeared to surrender the historic doctrine of sola fide (faith alone). In response, Christian leaders released a statement called *The Gospel of Jesus Christ: An Evangelical Celebration*. *Getting the Gospel Right*, a companion to Sproul's popular *Faith Alone*, contains the complete text of that statement along with thorough, point-by-point discussion and exposition, to make a strong declaration of the abiding unity of evangelicals regarding the gospel and justification by faith alone.

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### **COMING HOME**

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### **ESSAYS ON THE NEW HEAVEN AND NEW EARTH**

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Crossway The Bible has a lot to say about Christ's return—it is mentioned more than three hundred times throughout the New Testament. We often downplay this doctrine because the precise details are debated. However, these passages are in Scripture to build our hope and joy in the here and now. This compilation of expository messages from eight leading Bible teachers, including Tim Keller, John Piper, and D. A. Carson, explores the theme of redemption from Genesis to Revelation—stirring up within us a longing for our future home and filling us with joyful hope in light of Jesus's return.

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### **FAITHFUL ENDURANCE**

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### **THE JOY OF SHEPHERDING PEOPLE FOR A LIFETIME**

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Crossway "This book will prove to be a spiritual tonic for pastors." —Thomas R. Schreiner This book offers pastors examples of long-term faithfulness in ministry and practical wisdom from veteran pastors for real-life issues. Attending to your personal spiritual life (Tim Keller) Leaving a church (D. A. Carson) Crafting sermons week after week (Bryan Chapell) Facing criticism (Dan Doriani) Pastoring a church you wouldn't attend (Tom Ascol) Caring for your wife in the midst of criticism (Juan R. Sanchez with Jeanine D. Sanchez) Feeling deserted by members leaving (Dave Harvey) Pastoring a small church that seems insignificant (Mark McCullough) Experiencing burnout (John Starke) Shepherding a church that has outgrown your gifts (Scott Patty) Handling financial burdens (Brandon Shields) Doubting your calling (Jeff Robinson Sr.)

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### **CONFRONTING CHRISTIANITY**

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### **12 HARD QUESTIONS FOR THE WORLD'S LARGEST RELIGION**

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Crossway Although many people suggest that Christianity is declining, research indicates that it continues to be the world's most popular worldview. But even so, the Christian faith includes many controversial beliefs that non-Christians find hard to accept. This book explores 12 issues that might cause someone to dismiss orthodox Christianity—issues such as the existence of suffering, the Bible's teaching on gender and sexuality, the reality of heaven and hell, the authority of the Bible, and more. Showing how the best research from sociology, science, and psychology doesn't disagree with but actually aligns with claims found in the Bible, these chapters help skeptics understand why these issues are signposts, rather than roadblocks, to faith in Christ.

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### **HERE IS OUR GOD**

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### **GOD'S REVELATION OF HIMSELF IN SCRIPTURE**

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Crossway "I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up." - Isaiah 6:1 Scripture records a number of instances in which God visibly revealed himself to his people, offering a glimpse of his stunning beauty and overwhelming glory. These awe-inspiring manifestations of God's presence—known as "theophanies"—give us wonderful insights into his character, will, and salvation. In this collection of biblical expositions, eight prominent Bible teachers explore key passages in which God displayed himself in a spectacular revelation. From the giving of the law at

Mt. Sinai to Christ's glorious transfiguration, the passages examined in this book challenge us to look afresh at our God—that we might truly know, love, and serve him.

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## REMEMBER DEATH

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### THE SURPRISING PATH TO LIVING HOPE

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Crossway Life-expectancy worldwide is twice what it was a hundred years ago. And because of modern medicine, many of us don't often see death up close. That makes it easy to live as if death is someone else's problem. It isn't. Ignoring the certainty of death doesn't protect us from feeling its effects throughout the lives we're living now. But this avoidance can hold us back from experiencing the powerful, everyday relevance of Jesus's promises to us. So long as death remains remote and unreal, Jesus's promises will too. But honesty about death brings hope to life. That's the ironic claim at the heart of this book. Cultivating "death-awareness" helps us bring the promises of Jesus from the hazy clouds of some other world into the everyday problems of our world—where they belong.

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## RESURRECTION LIFE IN A WORLD OF SUFFERING

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### 1 PETER

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Crossway "He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." 1 Peter 1:3 The book of 1 Peter offers a gospel perspective on our short lives. Originally written to Christians facing intense suffering, Peter's message is one of hope and grace—all centered on the resurrected Christ. Featuring contributions from six popular Bible teachers, this volume will help you better understand the hope-filled message of the book of 1 Peter and experience the resurrection life Jesus offers us today.

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## HIS MISSION

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### JESUS IN THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

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Crossway "But who do you say that I am?" —Jesus (Luke 9:20) In this collection of biblical expositions, eight prominent Bible teachers look to the Gospel of Luke and its unique portrait of our Savior, exploring everything from the nature of Jesus's divine sonship to his rejection by the religious and political rulers of his day. Chapters include: John Piper - Jesus the Son of God, the Son of Mary (Luke 1-2) Colin Smith - Jesus Despised (Luke 4:14-30) Crawford Loritts - Jesus's Transforming Power on Behalf of the Afflicted (Luke 8:26-56) D. A. Carson - Jesus's Resolve to Head toward Jerusalem (Luke 9:18-62) Kevin DeYoung - Jesus and the Lost (Luke 15:1-32) Stephen Um - Jesus and Money (Luke 16:1-15) Gary Millar - Jesus Betrayed and Crucified (Luke 22:3-23:49) Tim Keller - Jesus Vindicated (Luke 24:1-53) This book will help you grasp the overarching message of the book of Luke: the blameless life, atoning death, and vindicating resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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## GOD'S LOVE COMPELS US

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### TAKING THE GOSPEL TO THE WORLD

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Crossway With contributions from popular Bible teachers, including David Platt, John Piper, D. A. Carson, Andy Davis, Mack Stiles, Michael Oh, and Stephen Um, this collection of biblical expositions explores how God's love for us is meant to drive Christians out into the world on mission for him. Addressing "hot topics" that are actively discussed today—such as whether or not people without Christ are really lost and the Christian's responsibility to fight for social justice—this book sketches the biblical basis for missions based on the apostle Paul's words in 2 Corinthians, equipping Christian men and women to think carefully about their own role in taking the good news about Jesus to the world.

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## THE GOD WHO IS THERE

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### FINDING YOUR PLACE IN GOD'S STORY

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Baker Books It can no longer be assumed that most people--or even most Christians--have a basic understanding of the Bible. Many don't know the difference between the Old and New Testament, and even the more well-known biblical figures are often misunderstood. It is getting harder to talk about Jesus accurately and compellingly because listeners have no proper context with which to understand God's story of redemption. In this basic introduction to faith, D. A. Carson takes seekers, new Christians, and small groups through the big story of Scripture. He helps readers to know what they believe and why they believe it. The companion leader's guide helps evangelistic study groups, small groups, and Sunday school classes make the best use of this book in group settings.

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## THE HOUSE WHERE GOD LIVES

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### THE DOCTRINE OF THE CHURCH

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Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing In large parts of the Western world, institutional Christianity is becoming a thing of the past. Yet most contemporary theological discussion on the church still deals with technique and process. Gary Badcock here moves beyond that how-to approach to address the much more fundamental question of why there should exist a church at all. / The House Where God Lives makes the case for a constructive and explicitly theological understanding of the church as a problem of doctrine. Ecclesiology, Badcock argues, should keep company with the great creedal

themes of the triune God and of human salvation. He begins by considering the place of ecclesiology in theology in general, and deals with the church as a mystery of faith. Surprising insights emerge both from the scriptures and from the Christian theological traditions on each of these accounts. He further examines the themes of community, proclamation, and sacrament. / Badcock's conclusion is that, in order for the church in the West to be renewed in our time, it must escape the narrow confines of individualism that currently surround it, instead becoming reacquainted with the staggering claim that its fellowship, its teaching, its worship ? indeed, its very roots ? reach deep into God.

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## LEARNING TO FOLLOW JESUS

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Morning Joy Media

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## FINDING THE RIGHT HILLS TO DIE ON

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## THE CASE FOR THEOLOGICAL TRIAGE

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Crossway In theology, just as in battle, some hills are worth dying on. But how do we know which ones? When should doctrine divide, and when should unity prevail? Pastor Gavin Ortlund makes the case that while all doctrines matter, some are more essential than others. He considers how and what to prioritize in doctrine and ministry, encouraging humility and grace along the way. Using four basic categories of doctrine in order of importance, this book helps new and seasoned church leaders alike wisely labor both to uphold doctrine and to preserve unity.

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## CHRIST HAS SET US FREE

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## PREACHING AND TEACHING GALATIANS

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Crossway How can a sinful human stand before a holy God? The New Testament book of Galatians deals with this question—a question that stands at the heart of the gospel. In Christ Has Set Us Free, nine seasoned Bible teachers walk through the entirety of Galatians, offering insights on how to interpret and apply its important message about justification by faith. This book will help all who teach or study the Bible better understand what Christ has done to set us free from the power of sin through his death and resurrection.

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## THEMELIOS, VOLUME 37, ISSUE 3

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Wipf and Stock Publishers Themelios is an international, evangelical, peer-reviewed theological journal that expounds and defends the historic Christian faith. Themelios is published three times a year online at The Gospel Coalition (<http://thegospelcoalition.org/themelios/>) and in print by Wipf and Stock. Its primary audience is theological students and pastors, though scholars read it as well. Themelios began in 1975 and was operated by RTSF/UCCF in the UK, and it became a digital journal operated by The Gospel Coalition in 2008. The editorial team draws participants from across the globe as editors, essayists, and reviewers. General Editor: D. A. Carson, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School Managing Editor: Brian Tabb, Bethlehem College and Seminary Consulting Editor: Michael J. Ovey, Oak Hill Theological College Administrator: Andrew David Naselli, Bethlehem College and Seminary Book Review Editors: Jerry Hwang, Singapore Bible College; Alan Thompson, Sydney Missionary & Bible College; Nathan A. Finn, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary; Hans Madueme, Covenant College; Dane Ortlund, Crossway; Jason Sexton, Golden Gate Baptist Seminary Editorial Board: Gerald Bray, Beeson Divinity School Lee Gatiss, Wales Evangelical School of Theology Paul Helseth, University of Northwestern, St. Paul Paul House, Beeson Divinity School Ken Magnuson, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Jonathan Pennington, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary James Robson, Wycliffe Hall Mark D. Thompson, Moore Theological College Paul Williamson, Moore Theological College Stephen Witmer, Pepperell Christian Fellowship Robert Yarbrough, Covenant Seminary

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## JOYFULLY SPREADING THE WORD

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## SHARING THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS

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Crossway You can be a part of the spread of the gospel in the world. Here are theological reflections and real stories from women from across the world who are eagerly sharing the good news of Jesus wherever God has placed them—showing us just how possible it is to follow Jesus's call to evangelism in our ordinary, everyday lives.

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## WORD-FILLED WOMEN'S MINISTRY

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## LOVING AND SERVING THE CHURCH

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Crossway The Bible is clear that women as well as men are created in God's image and intended to serve him with their lives. But what does this look like for women in the church? Helping church leaders think through what a Bible-centered women's ministry looks like, this collection of essays by respected Bible teachers and authors such as Gloria Furman, Nancy Guthrie, and Susan Hunt addresses a variety of topics relevant to women. Whether exploring the importance of intergenerational relationships, the Bible's teaching on sexuality, or women's roles in the church and the home, this book of wise teaching and practical instruction will become a must-have resource for anyone interested in bolstering the health and vitality of Christian women in the context of the local church.

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## **BECOMING A PASTOR THEOLOGIAN**

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### **NEW POSSIBILITIES FOR CHURCH LEADERSHIP**

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InterVarsity Press The Center for Pastor Theologians (CPT) seeks to overcome the bifurcation that has developed between the roles of pastor and theologian. Based on the first CPT conference in 2015, this volume brings together the reflections of church leaders and academic theologians to consider how these roles might be reconnected once again.

### **EVANGELICAL THEOLOGY**

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#### **A BIBLICAL AND SYSTEMATIC INTRODUCTION**

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Zondervan Academic Evangelical Theology is a systematic theology written from the perspective of a biblical scholar. Michael F. Bird contends that the center, unity, and boundary of the evangelical faith is the evangel (= gospel), as opposed to things like justification by faith or inerrancy. The evangel is the unifying thread in evangelical theology and the theological hermeneutic through which the various loci of theology need to be understood. Using the gospel as a theological leitmotif—an approach to Christian doctrine that begins with the gospel and sees each loci through the lens of the gospel—this text presents an authentically evangelical theology, as opposed to an ordinary systematic theology written by an evangelical theologian. According to the author, theology is the drama of gospelizing—performing and living out the gospel in the theatre of Christian life. The text features tables, sidebars, and questions for discussion. The end of every part includes a “What to Take Home” section that gives students a run-down on what they need to know. And since reading theology can often be dry and cerebral, the author applies his unique sense of humor in occasional “Comic Belief” sections so that students may enjoy their learning experience through some theological humor added for good measure.

### **DEEP CHURCH**

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#### **A THIRD WAY BEYOND EMERGING AND TRADITIONAL**

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InterVarsity Press If you feel caught between the traditional church and the emerging church, read Jim Belcher. He paints a picture of an alternate, “deep” church—a missional church committed to both tradition and contemporary culture, valuing innovation in worship, arts and community but also adhering to creeds and confessions.

### **EVANGELICAL THEOLOGY, SECOND EDITION**

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#### **A BIBLICAL AND SYSTEMATIC INTRODUCTION**

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Zondervan Academic Gospel-Centered Theology for Today Evangelical Theology, Second Edition helps today's readers understand and practice the doctrines of the Christian faith by presenting a gospel-centered theology that is accessible, rigorous, and balanced. According author Michael Bird the gospel is the fulcrum of Christian doctrine; the gospel is where God meets us and where we introduce the world to God. And as such, an authentically evangelical theology is the working out of the gospel in the various doctrines of Christian theology. The text helps readers learn the essentials of Christian theology through several key features, including: A “What to Take Home” section at end of every part that gives readers a run-down on all the important things they need to know. Tables, sidebars, and questions for discussion to help reinforce key ideas and concepts A “Comic Belief” section, since reading theology can often be dry and cerebral, so that readers enjoy their learning experience through some theological humor added for good measure. Now in its second edition, Evangelical Theology has proven itself in classrooms around the world as a resource that helps readers not only understand the vital doctrines of Christian theology but one that shows them how the gospel should shape how they think, pray, preach, teach, and minister in the world.

### **MERE CHRISTIANITY**

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Harper Collins In the classic Mere Christianity, C.S. Lewis, the most important writer of the 20th century, explores the common ground upon which all of those of Christian faith stand together. Bringing together Lewis’ legendary broadcast talks during World War Two from his three previous books The Case for Christianity, Christian Behavior, and Beyond Personality, Mere Christianity provides an unequalled opportunity for believers and nonbelievers alike to hear this powerful apologetic for the Christian faith.

### **GOD IN THE WHIRLWIND**

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#### **HOW THE HOLY-LOVE OF GOD REORIENTS OUR WORLD**

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Crossway Building on years of research, writing, and cross-cultural ministry, renowned author and theologian David Wells calls our attention to that which defines God’s greatness and gives shape to the Christian life: the holy-love of God. In God in the Whirlwind, Wells explores the depths of the paradox that God is both holy and loving, showing how his holy-love provides the foundation for our understanding of the cross, sanctification, the nature of worship, and our life of service in the world. What’s more, a renewed vision of God's character is the cure for evangelicalism’s shallow theology, with its weightless God and sentimental gospel. Written by one of evangelicalism’s most insightful minds, this book will help you stand firm in your faith despite the changing winds and raging storms of the modern world.

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## CHRIST-CENTERED BIBLICAL COUNSELING

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### CHANGING LIVES WITH GOD'S CHANGELESS TRUTH

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Harvest House Publishers Master the essentials of effective biblical counseling Christ-Centered Biblical Counseling is a comprehensive resource that will help you understand how to minister from God's truth to change lives. With the cumulative wisdom of almost 40 contributors with exceptional credentials and experience, you'll discover a valuable model for counseling that explains... The Why of Biblical Counseling Why the Bible is sufficient and relevant for addressing every issue we face Why biblical counseling is so effective in helping people face life's struggles in Christ's strength The How of Biblical Counseling How you can lead struggling, hurting people to the hope and strength available only in Christ How to counsel in a way that is Christ-centered and God-glorifying Every chapter provides a wonderful blend of theological wisdom and practical expertise, and is written to be accessible to everyone who wishes to extend Christ's love to others—pastors, church leaders, counseling practitioners, instructors, lay people, and students. In this massively important new book...leading figures in the biblical counseling movement set forth a wealth of wisdom. We have needed this book for a long time. —Dr. R. Albert Mohler Jr., president, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Christ-Centered Biblical Counseling is warm, personal, gentle, always wanting to listen and know the person, confident in the Spirit's working through the Word of Christ. —Dr. Ed Welch, CCEF faculty, author of Shame Interrupted

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## THE PEACEMAKING CHURCH

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### 8 BIBLICAL KEYS TO RESOLVE CONFLICT AND PRESERVE UNITY

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Baker Books When human beings are involved in any endeavor, conflict is inevitable. But the best fight is the one a church never has to have because its members have been intentionally cultivating practices that lead to peace and preserve unity. Whether they are dealing with conflict right now or hoping to avoid it later, church members, pastors, and ministry leaders will benefit from the proactive approach to peacemaking found in The Peacemaking Church, which will equip them with the knowledge and practices they need to instill in their church leadership and membership. Foreword by Ken Sande.

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## THE FUTURE OF EVANGELICALISM IN AMERICA

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Columbia University Press In The Future of Evangelicalism in America, thematic chapters on culture, spirituality, theology, politics, and ethnicity reveal the sources of the movement's dynamism, as well as significant challenges confronting the rising generations. A collaboration among scholars of history, religious studies, theology, political science, and ethnic studies, the volume offers unique insight into a vibrant and sometimes controversial movement, the future of which is closely tied to the future of America.

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## REPARATIONS

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### A CHRISTIAN CALL FOR REPENTANCE AND REPAIR

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Baker Books "Kwon and Thompson's eloquent reasoning will help Christians broaden their understanding of the contemporary conversation over reparations."--Publishers Weekly "A thoughtful approach to a vital topic."--Library Journal Christians are awakening to the legacy of racism in America like never before. While public conversations regarding the realities of racial division and inequalities have surged in recent years, so has the public outcry to work toward the long-awaited healing of these wounds. But American Christianity, with its tendency to view the ministry of reconciliation as its sole response to racial injustice, and its isolation from those who labor most diligently to address these things, is underequipped to offer solutions. Because of this, the church needs a new perspective on its responsibility for the deep racial brokenness at the heart of American culture and on what it can do to repair that brokenness. This book makes a compelling historical and theological case for the church's obligation to provide reparations for the oppression of African Americans. Duke Kwon and Gregory Thompson articulate the church's responsibility for its promotion and preservation of white supremacy throughout history, investigate the Bible's call to repair our racial brokenness, and offer a vision for the work of reparation at the local level. They lead readers toward a moral imagination that views reparations as a long-overdue and necessary step in our collective journey toward healing and wholeness.

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## THE DRAMA OF PREACHING

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### PARTICIPATING WITH GOD IN THE HISTORY OF REDEMPTION

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Wipf and Stock Publishers Preaching is dramatic. Through it, we hear the voice of the living God as he speaks to us both through the reading and the preaching of the word of God. But where do the hearers of sermons fit into the drama? This book suggests ways in which the drama metaphor may help to address age old questions about the centrality of the gospel and the place of the hearer in preaching. As God in Christ is the central character in the biblical drama of redemption, he also calls hearers to understand their role in creatively, yet faithfully living according to the biblical script. Thus, no sermon is complete until God's redemptive work is powerfully proclaimed, and his people are instructed in how they too are participating in the Missio Dei. In this work, Hebrews 11 is employed as a means of showing how God not only reveals his redemptive work to his people, but also through them. As postmodernism sets

**the stage of contemporary preaching, *The Drama of Preaching* interacts with some of the particular challenges preachers face in engaging postmodern listeners, that they might not only be hearers, but doers of the preached word.**