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## **Reasons to Believe** Harper Collins

In this groundbreaking volume, J. Anderson Thomson, Jr., MD, with Clare Aukofer, offers a succinct yet comprehensive study of how and why the human mind generates religious belief. Dr. Thomson, a highly respected practicing psychiatrist with credentials in forensic psychiatry and evolutionary psychology, methodically investigates the components and causes of religious belief in the same way any scientist would investigate the movement of astronomical bodies or the evolution of life over time—that is, as a purely natural phenomenon. Providing compelling evidence from psychology, the cognitive neurosciences, and related fields, he, with Ms. Aukofer, presents an easily accessible and exceptionally convincing case that god(s) were created by man—not vice versa. With this slim volume, Dr.

Thomson establishes himself as a must-read thinker and leading voice on the primacy of reason and science over superstition and religion.

Their Roles in Religious and Secular Life Univ of California Press

Reason to Believe Loveswept

**How the Oldest Book in the Bible Answers Today's Scientific Questions** Random House

A first African-American governor of Massachusetts draws on lessons from his own life and career to counsel readers on how to build a meaningful community and country, sharing stories from his disadvantaged youth while describing his views on the transcendent power of friendship and faith. 100,000 first printing.

Think and Grow Rich Lulu.com  
Does Christianity Have Good

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Answers for the Really Tough Questions? Dr. R. C. Sproul believes it does. In this book, the founder of Ligonier Ministries deals with the most common objections to the truths of the Christian faith, including: Has science disproved the existence of God? Will non-Christians who never hear of Christ go to hell? Is it narrow-minded and bigoted to believe Christ is only one way to God? Why do people need God when life is going smoothly? Isn't Christianity just a crutch for people who can't handle life's pressures? Is heaven real or just "pie in the sky"? Do Christians have a good answer to evil and suffering?

How does the church explain all its hypocrites? Reason to Believe is no collection of pat answers and proof texts. It addresses each objection in a separate chapter—rigorously and biblically—and includes a special capsule summary that gives the kernel of each argument. This is a superb resource for those in visitation and calling programs, and a must for anyone who wants to do more than scratch the surface of Christian truths.

How to Understand, Explain, And Defend the Catholic Faith Adda247 Publications

"Gina Gordon never disappoints," declares Jen McLaughlin! In this sizzling novel, two outsiders

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trying to turn their lives around I swear off all  
find everything they're looking for distractions—especially sex—and  
in each other's arms. Grace: I turn to Grace Nolan, the most  
thought that reinventing myself as poised and polished woman I know,  
a corporate go-getter would be easy for help cleaning up. But after my  
compared to my old life as an little vow of celibacy, spending  
escort, but I couldn't have been time with Grace is pure torture. I  
more wrong. After taking a full- can't touch her, and yet I can't  
time office job, my past has come stop thinking about her. And deep  
back to haunt me, my love life is down, I know the reason why. Praise  
nonexistent, and I miss sex—even for Reason to Believe "Hot, hot,  
with the lying cheats who used to hot!"—The Coffeeholic Bookworm  
be my clients. The trouble is, the "Reason to Believe was a  
closest thing to a man in my life revelation."—Lightning City Book  
is Ben Lockwood. After pushing me Reviews "There is lots of humor and  
away, that jerk has the nerve to entertainment in this story, which  
ask a favor—so why is he so hard to makes it a great overall  
resist? Ben: Working my way up from read."—Books & Boys Book Blog "This  
cameraman to vice president of an book was sexy and a great read! I  
adult media company has been . . . really enjoyed reading about Grace  
interesting. To focus on my career, and Ben finding their way and

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making the lives they dreamed of living! . . . I can't wait to read more by Gina!"—Once upon an Alpha "I think the message this book gives us is that we have to trust ourselves and understand that we can do anything we set our minds to. It doesn't matter where you come from, you have to learn to love yourself and fight for what you want and eventually you will find your happily ever after."—The Secret World of Book Lovers "This is my second Gina Gordon book and I really enjoy her writing style!"—Books According to Abby "Get ready to laugh, swoon, and fall in love. You don't want to miss this book!"—USA Today bestselling author Stacey Kennedy Includes a special message from the

editor, as well as an excerpt from another Loveswept title.

*Brain Science and the Biology of Belief* Harlequin

How would you respond to the question, "Why should I be Christian instead of Muslim, Hindu, or Buddhist?" In answering, you might focus on what Scripture teaches and what you believe - namely, the Gospel message. But the skeptics will press you for more. They will ask why a loving god allows evil in the world. They will promote science that supports Darwinian theories. They will

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challenge the reliability of Scripture. People don't often believe something just because someone says they should, especially when it comes to religion. But what if you answered, "You should be a Christian because Christianity is the only religion that can be proven to be true." And what if you had the evidence to support this powerful claim? In *The Reason I Believe*, author Allen Quist returns to a basic fact-based defense of Christianity. In doing so, he offers a wealth of compelling evidence for the truthfulness of Christianity, including the existence of God, the reliability of Scripture, and the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Quist also presents a biblical response to the problem of evil and the scientific issues with Darwinism, equipping Christians to confidently respond to these common objections to their faith. After reading *The Reason I Believe*, Christians and skeptics alike will better understand why Christianity requires faith - just not a blind leap of faith.

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## **True Reason** Image

Plasma physicist Ian Hutchinson has been asked hundreds of questions about faith and science. Is God's existence a scientific question? Is the Bible consistent with the modern scientific understanding of the universe? Are there scientific reasons to believe in God? In this comprehensive volume, Hutchinson answers a full range of inquiries with sound scientific insights and measured Christian perspective. *A Reason To Stay* Loveswept Can their marriage survive the ultimate betrayal? Young and passionately in love, Clara and Ben Pipestone came from vastly different worlds. She was a college student, studying the

indigenous people of the Great Plains. He fixed cars in the winter and followed the amateur Indian rodeo circuit all summer. Ignoring those who doomed their relationship to failure, they married, settled into their life in Bismarck, North Dakota, and had a beautiful daughter, Anna. But now, thirteen years later, Ben's alcoholism blurs his judgment and lands him in the arms of another woman. The betrayal has torn their marriage apart, and their daughter is paying the price. Shoplifting, drinking, and running with a bad crowd, Anna is out of control. Determined to save their troubled teenage daughter, Clara and Ben take Anna and join a two week trek on horseback across an unforgiving winter terrain, a

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journey across sacred land in remembrance of Ben's Lakota ancestors. Can their journey bring them a better understanding of the past and each other? Can it heal their broken trust and unite them as a family? Bestselling author Kathleen Eagle set aside a gratifying seventeen-year teaching career on a North Dakota Indian reservation to become a full-time novelist. The Lakota Sioux heritage of her husband and their three children has inspired many of her stories. Among her other honors, she has received the Romance Writers of America's prestigious RITA Award.

Easy-to-Understand Answers to 10 Essential Questions Baker Books

Does God exist? The oldest and most fundamental question mankind has asked. Is there any evidence of a divine Creator? Haden gives eight reasons to believe in God in this short booklet. In an age of growing skepticism, where 70% of teens walk away from their faith, it is passed time that Christians understand the reasons for their faith. Faith is not blind. There are good reasons to believe in God. Learn some of those reasons today and become a better defender of your faith. Contents Include: 1. Aquinas' Five Ways 2. The Kalam Cosmological Argument 3. The Fine-Tuning



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Argument4. The Moral Argument  
Confronting the Irrationality of  
the New Atheism Simon and Schuster  
Recent Barna research indicates  
that less than one in ten  
evangelical Christians hold a  
biblical worldview. A World of  
Difference seeks to change this  
disturbing fact by educating  
readers on how the Christian  
perspective is uniquely  
reasonable, verifiable, and  
liveable. Author Kenneth Richard  
Samples faced a profound test of  
his own belief system during a  
personal life-and-death crisis. In  
A World of Difference, he uses  
nine distinct tests to compare the  
Christian worldview with current  
religious and philosophical  
competitors, including Islam,

postmodernism, naturalism, and  
pantheistic monism. Samples tackles  
tough issues through this in-depth  
study of Christianity's history,  
creed, and philosophical basis. An  
excellent resource for readers who  
want their view of life and the  
world to make sense.

**Why You Believe, Act, and Feel the  
Way You Do About God** Humanist  
Press

This collection of essays shows  
now New Atheists's claim on reason  
fits poorly withing their  
presumptions and presuppositions.  
Reason rightly belongs to God, and  
strong reasoning is accessible  
through biblically informed  
thinking.

**50 Popular Beliefs That  
People Think Are True** Henry

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Holt and Company

In each of our lives we are faced with events that seem inexplicable, unjust, even cruel—events that can shatter our perception of the world, our understanding of ourselves, and our faith in a higher power. Friends and family members often offer comfort with “Everything happens for a reason”—a simple, common phrase with an unbearably elusive meaning. In *Everything Happens for a Reason*, psychotherapist Mira Kirshenbaum helps us understand the principles

behind this frequently used phrase and provides us with tools to grasp its true meaning. According to Kirshenbaum, there is significance to each of the events in our lives. We all can discover meaning in what has happened to us—seeing such occurrences as gifts, lessons, or opportunities that we might not have been able to get any other way. Building on more than twenty-five years of clinical research, Kirshenbaum has developed tests to help readers decode the confusing or unfortunate events in their

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lives and find solace and strength in the positive outcomes that exist.

Kirshenbaum offers ten universal reasons for the tragedies in our lives, among them letting go of fear, radically accepting ourselves, becoming a truly good person, finding forgiveness, and discovering our mission. While coming to terms with unexpected loss and disappointment is never easy, *Everything Happens for a Reason* empowers readers to embrace the positive and comprehend the specific

message that is larger and more powerful than their grief.

*Getting Started with Demand-Driven Acquisitions for E-books: A LITA Guide* Harmony

A study of the hows and whys of the Catholic faith draws on scriptural passages, personal experience, and everyday life to offer a straightforward, thought-provoking response to common criticisms of Catholicism. 40,000 first printing.

*Why Faith Makes Sense* Reason to Believe

Based on fieldwork among Pentecostal men in Caracas,

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Venezuela, this ethnography seeks an explanation for the explosion of Evangelical Protestantism, unraveling the cultural and personal dynamics of Evangelical conversion to show how and why these men make the choice to convert, and how they come to have faith in a new system of beliefs.

*Lessons From An Improbable Life*  
Baker Books

Explores the mutually dependent relationship of faith and reason in human life and human knowledge.

What Can You Believe If You Don't Believe In God? Crossway

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • "A meditation on sense-making when there's no sense to be made, on

letting go when we can't hold on, and on being unafraid even when we're terrified."—Lucy Kalanithi  
"Belongs on the shelf alongside other terrific books about this difficult subject, like Paul Kalanithi's *When Breath Becomes Air* and Atul Gawande's *Being Mortal*."—Bill Gates NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY REAL SIMPLE  
Kate Bowler is a professor at Duke Divinity School with a modest Christian upbringing, but she specializes in the study of the prosperity gospel, a creed that sees fortune as a blessing from God and misfortune as a mark of God's disapproval. At thirty-five, everything in her life seems to point toward "blessing." She is thriving in her job, married to her

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high school sweetheart, and loves life with her newborn son. Then she is diagnosed with stage IV colon cancer. The prospect of her own mortality forces Kate to realize that she has been tacitly subscribing to the prosperity gospel, living with the conviction that she can control the shape of her life with "a surge of determination." Even as this type of Christianity celebrates the American can-do spirit, it implies that if you "can't do" and succumb to illness or misfortune, you are a failure. Kate is very sick, and no amount of positive thinking will shrink her tumors. What does it mean to die, she wonders, in a society that insists everything happens for a reason? Kate is stripped of this certainty only to discover that without it, life is hard but beautiful in a way it never has been before. Frank and funny, dark and wise, Kate Bowler pulls the reader deeply into her life in an account she populates affectionately with a colorful, often hilarious retinue of friends, mega-church preachers, relatives, and doctors. Everything Happens for a Reason tells her story, offering up her irreverent, hard-won observations on dying and the ways it has taught her to live. Praise for Everything Happens for a Reason "I fell hard and fast for Kate Bowler. Her writing is naked, elegant, and gripping—she's like a Christian Joan Didion. I left Kate's story feeling more present,

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more grateful, and a hell of a lot less alone. And what else is art for?"—Glennon Doyle, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Love Warrior* and president of *Together Rising*

**7 Reasons to Believe in the Afterlife** Zondervan Academic

God. Whether one loves him, hates him, denies or defies him, it is hard to deny the worldwide fascination with God. This book explores why and suggests a personal response to the God Attachment in all of us. Why has the human race, the world over, been so fascinated with . . . some might say obsessed

with . . . God? This built-in attachment to God crosses religious, political, ethnic, cultural, and generational barriers. Drs. Clinton and Straub reveal fascinating research about this worldwide phenomenon. From avoidant, anxious, and fearful to secure and personal, the range of responses to our internal attachment to God has a profound influence on the way we do relationships, intimacy, and life choices. With helpful self-assessments, intriguing questions, and surprising revelations, this book moves

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from worldwide statistics to personal challenge, offering the means to become securely attached to God in a way that can have positive effects on our attitudes, approach to life, and overall life satisfaction.

*A Concise Guide to the Science of Faith* Pitchstone Publishing (US&CA)

An uplifting study of the scientific evidence for the afterlife from an experienced anesthesiologist/intensive care physician • Details meticulously recorded and hospital-verified cases of

near-death experiences • Cites scientific research on NDEs to refute the standard objections of doubters and materialists point by point • Explores out-of-body experiences, sessions with mediums, electronic communication with the deceased, and other signs from the afterlife Over the course of his 25-year career as an anesthesiologist and intensive care physician, Jean Jacques Charbonier, M.D., gathered hundreds of accounts of patients who returned from clinical death. Across all of these accounts--from patients

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with vastly different backgrounds--Dr. Charbonier found striking similarities as well as indisputable proof that these experiences were more than hallucinations. He surveyed other physicians, nurses, and professional caregivers and discovered that their patients described the same experiences as well as exhibited the same positive life transformations afterward. Igniting a scientific quest to learn more, he collected more accounts of near-death experiences as well as out-of-body experiences, attended dozens of sessions with mediums, experimented successfully with electronic communication with the deceased (EVP), interviewed hundreds of people who have cared for the dying, and gathered countless inexplicable stories of "signs" from the afterlife. With each experience he studied, he found himself more firmly believing in the survival of consciousness beyond death. Dr. Charbonier distills his findings into 7 reasons to believe in the



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afterlife, beginning with the more than 60 million people worldwide who have reported a transcendent afterlife experience. He refutes the standard objections of doubters and materialists point by point, citing scientific research on NDEs and the work of pioneers in the field of consciousness studies such as Raymond Moody and Pim van Lommel. Drawing on meticulously recorded and hospital-verified cases, Dr. Charbonier explains that we should not fear death for ourselves or our loved ones.

By releasing our fear of death, we can properly prepare for "the final journey." As those who have returned from death reveal, death is simply a transition and its lessons enable us to live more fully, peacefully, and happily in the now.

**Can a Scientist Believe in Miracles?** SUNY Press

Detective Matthew Bennett doesn't believe in ghosts. So when the spirit of a murdered child leads him to her body, he's shaken to the core—and taken off the case. Unable to explain his vision, or to let go of the investigation, Matthew turns to renowned medium

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Kiernan Fitzpatrick. Though he has doubts about Kiernan's claims to communicate with the dead, Matt is nevertheless drawn to the handsome psychic, who awakens feelings he thought were long-buried. Haunted by the lingering spirit of the little girl, Kiernan is compelled to aid in the search for her killer. The chance to get closer to the enigmatic Matt is an unexpected bonus. Although Kiernan's been betrayed by people who turned out to be more interested in his fame than in himself, with Matt he's willing to risk his heart. As the two men grow closer, Kiernan helps Matt rediscover that life offers no guarantees—but love offers a reason to believe... 81,000 words

*Putting Christian Truth-Claims to the Worldview Test* Wyatt North Publishing, LLC

Think and Grow Rich is a motivational personal development and self-help book by Napoleon Hill. The book was heavily inspired by the work of Andrew Carnegie. While the title focuses on how to get rich, the author explains that the philosophy taught in the book can be used to help people succeed in all lines of work and to do or be almost anything they want.