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Primary Source Readings in World Religions Oxford University Press, USA

In this the third edition of Jacob Neusner's basic, accessible, and proven guide to the world's religions as they are practiced in America, new chapters explore the Church of Scientology, Nature Religions, and the Baha'i faith. In addition, the chapter on Islam in America has been expanded. Each chapter includes study questions, essay topics, and suggestions for further reading.

Christianity and World Religions - Participant's Book Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing

In our times hope is called into question. The disintegration of economic systems, of states and societies, families, friendships, distrust in

political structures, forces us to ask if hope has disappeared from the experience of today's men and women. In August 2019, up to 240 participants met at the international theological congress in Bratislava, Slovakia. The main lectures, congress sections and workshops aimed to provide a space for thinking about the central theme of hope in relation to philosophy, politics, pedagogy, social work, charity, interreligious dialogue and ecumenism.

Fully Awake and Truly Alive MSU Press "Featuring a unique, consistent, and modular chapter structure--"Teachings," "History," and "Way of Life"--and numerous pedagogical features, Invitation to Asian Religions invites students to explore Asia's great religions with respect and a sense of wonder. It describes the essential features of each Asian religion and shows how they have responded to basic human needs and to the cultural contexts in which they have

developed. The authors also encourage students to develop an appreciation of what religious beliefs and practices actually mean to their adherents"--
Religious Telescope Invitation to Western Religions

Seven Testaments is volume one of a trilogy, introducing and supplementing the already popular academic texts, Three Testaments: Torah Gospel and Quran (2012) and Four Testaments: Tao Te Ching, Analects, Dhammapada, Bhagavad Gita (2016). Organized in three parts, Seven Testaments will cover the foundations of how these testaments were formed, the essence of each one of the testaments and a section of primary source documents that frames the testaments in a modern setting.

A Road Map for Spiritual Formation

Bloomsbury Publishing USA

The fourth edition of World Religions in America continues its lauded tradition of providing students with reliable and nuanced information about America's religious diversity, while also reflecting new developments and ideas. Each chapter was updated to reflect important changes and events, and current statistics and information. New features include a timeline of key events and people for each tradition, sidebars on major movements or controversies, personal stories from members of various faiths, a theme-based organization of subjects, more subheads, three new chapters exploring America's increasing religious diversity, and suggestions for further study.

World Religions in Practice Abingdon Press

A collection of essays by internationally renowned female scholars contesting notions of fundamentalism and examining women's roles in religion.

Not So Black and White LIT Verlag Münster
A world Bible for our time from Buddhist,

Hindu, Confucian, Taoist, Jewish, Christian, Islamic, and primal religion sources! In this perfect companion to Huston Smith's bestselling *The World's Wisdom*, Philip Novak distills the most powerful and elegant expressions of the wisdom of humankind. Authentic, poetic translations of key texts are coupled with insightful introductions and "grace notes."

Wrestling with Questions People Ask
Abingdon Press

Featuring a unique, consistent, and modular chapter structure--"Teachings," "History," and "Way of Life"--and numerous pedagogical features, *Invitation to Western Religions* invites students to explore the world's great religions with respect and a sense of wonder. This chapter structure enables students to navigate Western religions--Indigenous Religions of North America, Indigenous Religions of Africa, Zoroastrianism, Judaism, Christianity, Islam, and New Religious Movements--in a consistent and systematic way and helps students to make comparisons between religions. The book describes the essential features of each Western religion and shows how they have responded to basic human needs and to the cultural contexts in which they developed. The authors also encourage students to develop an appreciation for what religious beliefs and practices actually mean to their adherents. **FEATURES:** A consistent, modular chapter structure--"Teachings," "History," and "Ways of Life"--enables students to navigate each religion in a consistent and systematic way and helps them to make comparisons between religions A lucid and accessible writing style

imparts a sense of invitation, welcoming students into the beliefs and practices of religious adherents around the world. A large team of authors with diverse specialties ensures that each religion is covered with true expertise. "Voices" present personal, candid interviews with a diverse array of people sharing the ways in which they live their faiths. "Seeking Answers" sections at the end of each chapter encourage students to compare the ways in which different religions address the same essential questions. "Visual Guides" offer keys to important religious symbols in easy-to-read tables for quick reference and comparison. Chapter-opening maps and timelines throughout the text provide geographical, social, and political context for each religion's development. "For Review" and "For Further Reflection" questions prompt students to reexamine essential concepts and invite students to think critically and to engage in deeper analyses. Key terms are boldfaced at their first appearance and defined in the glossaries that follow each chapter and also in the glossary at the back of the book. Suggestions for further reading direct students to some of the best and most recent print and online resources on each tradition. Also available to suit your course needs:

Invitation to World Religions, Second Edition: 978-0-19-937836-4
Invitation to Asian Religions: 978-0-19-021126-4
The World's Wisdom Westminster John Knox Press

This book codifies, describes, and contextualizes group rituals and individual practices from world religious traditions. At the interface of religious studies, psychology, and medicine, it elucidates the cultural richness of practices and rituals from numerous world religions. The book begins by discussing the role that religious rituals and practices may play in the well-being of humans and the multi-dimensional cultural and psychological complexity of religious rituals and practices. It then discusses rituals and practices within a number of religions, including Christian, Islamic, Jewish, Buddhist, Taoist, Sikh, Hindu, Confucian, and other traditions. There is a need for a more inclusive collection of religious rituals and practices, as some practices are making headlines in contemporary society. Mindfulness is one of the fastest-growing psychological interventions in healthcare and Yoga is now practiced by tens of millions of people in the U.S.A. These practices have been examined in thousands of academic publications spanning neuroscience, psychology, medicine, sociology, and religious studies. While Mindfulness and Yoga have recently received widespread scientific and cultural attention, many rituals and practices from world religious traditions have remained underexplored in scholarly, scientific, and clinical contexts. This book brings more diverse rituals and practices into this academic discourse while providing a reference guide for clinicians and students of the topic.

Sacred Texts of the World's Religions
Penguin

One of the most original thinkers on the role of religion in the modern world—author of such acclaimed books as *A History of God*, *Islam*, and *Buddha*—now gives us an

impassioned and practical book that can help us make the world a more compassionate place. Karen Armstrong believes that while compassion is intrinsic in all human beings, each of us needs to work diligently to cultivate and expand our capacity for compassion. Here, in this straightforward, thoughtful, and thought-provoking book, she sets out a program that can lead us toward a more compassionate life. The twelve steps Armstrong suggests begin with "Learn About Compassion" and close with "Love Your Enemies." In between, she takes up "compassion for yourself," mindfulness, suffering, sympathetic joy, the limits of our knowledge of others, and "concern for everybody." She suggests concrete ways of enhancing our compassion and putting it into action in our everyday lives, and provides, as well, a reading list to encourage us to "hear one another's narratives." Throughout, Armstrong makes clear that a compassionate life is not a matter of only heart or mind but a deliberate and often life-altering commingling of the two.

An Invitation to the Study of Religion

Oxford University Press, USA

Brief account of Australian and Tasmanian religious beliefs.

Hope Vintage

A new and expanded edition of a highly successful textbook on world religions with a comparative approach which explores how six major religions are lived and expressed through their customs, rituals and everyday practices. A new edition of this major textbook, exploring the world's great religions through their customs, rituals and everyday practices by focusing on the 'lived experience' This comparative study is enriched and broadened with the inclusion of a sixth religion, Daoism Takes a thematic, comparative and practical approach; each chapter explores a series of key themes including birth, death, ethics, and

worship across all six religions at each time Broadens students' understanding by offering an impartial discussion of the similarities and differences between each religion Includes an increased range of student-friendly features, designed to allow students to engage with each religion and extend their understanding

The World Parliament of Religions 1893

SkyLight Paths Publishing

A comprehensive history of Christianity in the century when it truly became a global religion.

A Paradox? Psychology Press

"Featuring a unique, consistent, and modular chapter structure and numerous pedagogical features, Invitation to World Religions, Fourth Edition, invites students to explore the world's great religions with respect and a sense of wonder. The authors also encourage students to develop an appreciation for what religious beliefs and practices actually mean to their adherents"--

Twelve Steps to a Compassionate Life

Harper Collins

Adam Hamilton, named by PBS's Religion and Ethics Newsweekly as one of the top "Ten People to Watch," has created an inviting new series of video-and-book studies on love and marriage, life issues, world religions, and Christian denominations. Hamilton calls these small-group studies "fishing expeditions," because they include tools for congregation wide and communitywide programs to draw in new members. Components include DVD, participant's book, leader's guide, and pastor's guide with CD-ROM. 6-8 sessions / 60-90 minutes Christianity and World Religions: Wrestling With Questions People Ask is

a video-based small-group study and outreach program that explores four major world religions- Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, and Judaism – and compares the beliefs of each with those of Christianity. This six-week study deals openly and honestly with questions people ask about other religions, including why we should believe the claims of Christianity over those of other faiths. As part of the study, author and presenter Adam Hamilton interviews a religious leader from each tradition. He treats the world religions with great respect, recognizing the unique contributions of each. In examining these major world religions and the beliefs of their followers, the Reverend Hamilton urges us as Christians to build bridges with others so that we might grow in our faith, seek peace in our world, love our neighbor, and find positive ways to share the gospel. For group or individual study, the book can be used by class participants during the study group meeting or at home for additional reflection. Includes detailed content for the six sessions. For more information about Adam Hamilton's studies, go to

www.adamhamilton.cokesbury.com.

The Joy of the Gospel Springer Nature America's leading religious scholar and public intellectual introduces lay readers to the Qur'an with a measured, powerful reading of the ancient text Garry Wills has spent a lifetime thinking and writing about Christianity. In *What the Qur'an Meant*, Wills invites readers to join him as he embarks on a timely and necessary reconsideration of the Qur'an, leading us through perplexing passages with insight and erudition. What does the Qur'an

actually say about veiling women? Does it justify religious war? There was a time when ordinary Americans did not have to know much about Islam. That is no longer the case. We blundered into the longest war in our history without knowing basic facts about the Islamic civilization with which we were dealing. We are constantly fed false information about Islam—claims that it is essentially a religion of violence, that its sacred book is a handbook for terrorists. There is no way to assess these claims unless we have at least some knowledge of the Qur'an. In this book Wills, as a non-Muslim with an open mind, reads the Qur'an with sympathy but with rigor, trying to discover why other non-Muslims—such as Pope Francis—find it an inspiring book, worthy to guide people down through the centuries. There are many traditions that add to and distort and blunt the actual words of the text. What Wills does resembles the work of art restorers who clean away accumulated layers of dust to find the original meaning. He compares the Qur'an with other sacred books, the Old Testament and the New Testament, to show many parallels between them. There are also parallel difficulties of interpretation, which call for patient exploration—and which offer some thrills of discovery. What the Qur'an Meant is the opening of a conversation on one of the world's most practiced religions.

Pathways Toward Heaven On Earth

Saint Mary's Press

Gathers together material on six of the world's most influential faiths, with readings drawn from a broad range of historical and contemporary sources.

An Invitation to Honest Conversations about Race and Faith Anchor

This book is an insightful guide to the diverse ways that religious faith is practiced and spirituality is understood. Discussing

contemporary issues such as post-modernism and the emergence of a "new paradigm," the new realities of geopolitics, globalization and global warming, this book explores the importance of religion in people's lives to provide direction in the society today. This book demonstrates the common quest among the world religions for a deeper and more profound spirituality. Describing the spiritual pathways of the various world religions, it assesses the ways that the beliefs, values and practices of these traditions can be life-giving, leading to personal and social responsibility and transformation, but also sometimes harmful and divisive, even used for dangerous purposes. Promoting constructive engagements between the world's religions, this book will connect social justice and ethical engagements with core religious practices and spiritualities. This is an ideal introductory text for students of world religions, spirituality and interfaith relations, broadening their understanding of these lived faiths.

Wisdom From World Religions

Templeton Foundation Press

As seen on Good Morning America!

Reggie Dabbs and John Driver--a Black man and a white man, and longtime friends--engage in a courageous, respectfully honest, challenging exploration of racism in America, including how Black and white Christians can come together to fight the evils of racism within our hearts and our systems, including our churches.

White privilege. Black Lives Matter.

George Floyd. When it comes to racism in America, many of us feel confused, overwhelmed, angry--and eager to know how to engage in meaningful conversations and actions surrounding such a difficult topic. In Not So Black and White, public school communicator and internationally acclaimed speaker Reggie Dabbs and pastor John Driver

team up to offer a hope-filled, convicting, inspiring look at how to be anti-racist in America today. Through Reggie and John's honest conversations, you will: Hear the stories of fellow believers who have found ways to reach across the racial barrier with humility, empathy, and forgiveness Understand a simple yet robust history of racism in America and in the church, including its role in systems, policies, and individual actions Discover fully biblical yet culturally wise responses to the challenges of racism in yourself and your community Come away with fresh thought processes and practical steps for what you can do to think rightly and engage bravely in conversations and actions to end racism Not So Black and White is a compelling resource for pastors, teachers, and community leaders who want to read about issues of racism from a biblical and a historical perspective. For readers of all denominations and backgrounds, Not So Black and White equips us to engage together in the intentional work of dismantling racism, just as the gospel calls us to do.

World Religions Reader Prentice Hall
Invitation to Western Religions Oxford
University Press, USA