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Accidental Gods Aug 14 2021 NAMED A BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR BY ESQUIRE, THE IRISH TIMES AND THE TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT A provocative history of men who were worshipped as gods that illuminates the connection between power and religion and the role of divinity in a secular age Ever since 1492, when Christopher Columbus made landfall in the New World and was hailed as a heavenly being, the accidental god has haunted the modern age. From Haile Selassie, acclaimed as the Living God in Jamaica, to Britain's Prince Philip, who became the unlikely center of a new religion on a South Pacific island, men made divine—always men—have appeared on every continent. And because these deifications always emerge at moments of turbulence—civil wars, imperial conquest, revolutions—they have much to teach us. In a revelatory history spanning five centuries, a cast of surprising deities helps to shed light on the thorny questions of how our modern concept of “religion” was invented; why religion and politics are perpetually entangled in our supposedly secular age; and how the power to call someone divine has been used and abused by both oppressors and the oppressed. From nationalist uprisings in India to Nigerian spirit possession cults, Anna Della Subin explores how deification has been a means of defiance for colonized peoples. Conversely, we see how Columbus, Cortés, and other white explorers amplified stories of their godhood to justify their dominion over native peoples, setting into motion the currents of racism and exclusion that have plagued the New World ever since they touched its shores. At once deeply learned and delightfully antic, *Accidental Gods* offers an unusual keyhole through which to observe the creation of our modern world. It is that rare thing: a lyrical, entertaining work of ideas, one that marks the debut of a remarkable literary career.

God's Many Voices Jun 12 2021 FOREWORD BY JOHN ORTBERG "Many people claim to 'hear God's voice,' though not always with discernment. I've found Liz Ditty to be a trustworthy guide in learning how to listen, and how to do so with wise discernment." —Philip Yancey, Best-selling author "Liz Ditty writes with warmth, humor, and grace about the spiritual practices that too often feel overwhelming. She approaches the spiritual life with simplicity and generosity and tells a story of learning to listen to the voice of God that inspires me to do the same. *God's Many Voices* is a book for anyone who believes God is still speaking, and anyone who needs a friend to walk them directly toward that Holy Voice." —Micha Boyett, Author of *Found: A Story of Questions, Grace, and Everyday Prayer* Do you wish to hear God speak to you in your everyday life? *God's Many Voices* will help you discover a God who is infinitely closer and more involved in our world than we give Him credit for. This book is an invitation to learn God's voice from the scriptures and then recognize it everywhere in daily life. Author Liz Ditty uses biblical teaching and relatable examples, reinforced with reflective exercises at the end of each chapter to open readers' ears and hearts to what God is telling them. Only His voice in our lives can give us confidence in our decisions and dreams, give us freedom from our fears and failures, and lead us toward the joy of being fully alive, accepted, and loved by God.

Many Many Many Gods of Hinduism Dec 30 2022 Religion is the opium of the people, said Karl Marx many centuries ago. For more than a billion people living in India and abroad, Hinduism is the religion and a way of life. In this multi-award winning book, Swami Achuthananda cracks open the opium poppy pods, analyzes the causes for euphoria, and comes away with a deeper understanding of the people and their religion. *** Winner 2014 Next Generation Indie Book Awards (Religious Non-fiction) *** This is a comprehensive book on Hinduism. It tells you why Hindus do the things they do - and don't. Written in a casual style, the book guides you through the fundamentals of the religion. It then goes further and debunks a number of long-standing myths, some of them coming from the academia (of all places). While most books shy away from contentious issues, this book plunges headlong by taking on controversies, like the Aryan Invasion Theory, idol worship, RISA scholarship and many more. In fact one-third of the book is just on controversies that you rarely find in any other literature. Other Awards: *** Finalist - 2014 Pacific Book Awards (Religion) *** *** Bronze - 2014 IPPY Award - (Religion) ***

God Is Not Great Dec 18 2021 Christopher Hitchens, described in the London Observer as “one of the most prolific, as well as brilliant, journalists of our time” takes on his biggest subject yet—the increasingly dangerous role of religion in the world. In the tradition of Bertrand Russell's *Why I Am Not a Christian* and Sam Harris's recent bestseller, *The End Of Faith*, Christopher Hitchens makes the ultimate case against religion. With a close and erudite reading of the major religious texts, he documents the ways in which religion is a man-made wish, a cause of dangerous sexual repression, and a distortion of our origins in the cosmos. With eloquent clarity, Hitchens frames the argument for a more secular life based on science and reason, in which hell is replaced by the Hubble

Telescope's awesome view of the universe, and Moses and the burning bush give way to the beauty and symmetry of the double helix. **Encyclopedia of Gods** Nov 17 2021 Throughout history, questions of life and death, famine and bounty, good and bad luck have puzzled people the world over, and they have attempted to solve mysteries and allay fears in the same way - through the worship of gods. Arranged alphabetically from A-a, the sun goddess of Mesopotamia, to Zurvan, the Persian god of fate, Encyclopedia of Gods is the most broadly based work of reference yet produced on gods from all over the world. Giving equal emphasis to ancient mythology and contemporary religions, the entries explain the culture of origin and the role of each god or goddess, while longer essays give details of artistic and literary references, known dates of worship and legends associated with the more important deities.

The Isles of the Many Gods Nov 29 2022 "An A-Z of the pagan gods & goddesses worshipped in ancient Britain during the first millennium CE through to the Middle Ages"--Cover.

Walking in the Land of Many Gods Apr 29 2020 "How are we placed on Earth? What is our relationship to the world around us, and how does our thinking affect the way we relate to the world? We are entrapped, says A. James Wohlpart, by what Martin Heidegger calls "enframing," a worldview that considers all objects as mere resources for our use. Walking in the Land of Many Gods envisions a new way of thinking about the world, one grounded in a moral imagination reconnected to Earth. Insightful readings of three contemporary classics of nature writing--Janisse Ray's Ecology of a Cracker Childhood, Terry Tempest Williams's Refuge: An Unnatural History of Family and Place, and Linda Hogan's Dwellings: A Spiritual History of the Living World--are at the heart of Wohlpart's endeavor. Powerful and affecting works like these reveal a pathway to a deeper remembering, one that reconnects us with the primal forces of creation and acknowledges the sacredness of the world. We have forgotten that the world around us is rich and fertile and generative, says Wohlpart. His exploration of these literary works, based on deep anthropology and Native American philosophy, opens a pathway into a new way of thinking called sacred reason. Founded on interdependence and interrelationship, and on care and compassion, sacred reason reminds us that divinity exists around us at all times. We are invited to walk, once again, in a land filled with many gods."--

Essays in Medieval Philosophy and Theology in Memory of Walter H. Principe, CSB May 11 2021 In his extensive work as a theologian and a historian, Walter H. Principe, CSB, (1922-1996) was committed to reflecting on both the present and the past. He was well-known as a historian of medieval theology and philosophy - especially through the work of Thomas Aquinas - as well as a contemporary theologian. This memorial collection addresses a fundamental feature of Principe's thought, namely his concern that the history of medieval theology and philosophy have a significant role to play in contemporary discussions. Strengthening the ties between historical study and contemporary theological and philosophical thought, this book offers much to those who teach and research in historical theology and the history of philosophy. The ten essays provide significant test cases of how modern scholars may utilise the historical record judiciously for contemporary debates. Those who are concerned with intellectual history (both medieval and modern), the history of doctrines, and Thomism, will also find this collection a useful contribution to modern scholarship.

One God Many Names Aug 26 2022 Riots! Armed conflicts!! All in the name of religion! Are all religions different from one another? The world stands violently divided on the basis of religion. The book lists the strikingly similar core concepts in Hinduism, Christianity, and Islam, which are substantiated in their scriptures and revealed in their verses (the Bhagavad Gita, the Upanishads, and the Vedas, the Holy Bible and the Holy Quran). Readers can appreciate the uniqueness of these religions as one of the many paths leading to the One Truth.

Why So Many Gods? Jan 19 2022 Written in a teen-magazine style, this educational resource helps teens understand over 100 world religions, worldviews, cults, and occult practices from a Christian viewpoint.

Norse Mythology May 31 2020 Discover the many gods, myths, beliefs, customs, and traditions that make up the Norse mythology
Moses and Monotheism Oct 24 2019 The book consists of three essays and is an extension of Freud's work on psychoanalytic theory as a means of generating hypotheses about historical events. Freud hypothesizes that Moses was not Hebrew, but actually born into Ancient Egyptian nobility and was probably a follower of Akhenaten, an ancient Egyptian monotheist. Freud contradicts the biblical story of Moses with his own retelling of events, claiming that Moses only led his close followers into freedom during an unstable period in Egyptian history after Akhenaten (ca. 1350 BCE) and that they subsequently killed Moses in rebellion and later combined with another monotheistic tribe in Midian based on a volcanic God, Jahweh. Freud explains that years after the murder of Moses, the rebels regretted their action, thus forming the concept of the Messiah as a hope for the return of Moses as the Saviour of the Israelites. Freud said that the guilt from the murder of Moses is inherited through the generations; this guilt then drives the Jews to religion to make them feel better.

Why We Suffer Apr 10 2021 When somebody asks me "do you believe in God?" I have to answer "yes, but maybe mine is not the one you're talking about". Some people get scared and others smile at this answer, which can be seen as either a joke or a warning. What few people wonder is about what kind of God are they believing in. They always assume that if my God isn't the same as theirs, I'm the one worshipping the wrong God. However, the question related to believing or not in a God, and in what kind of God we believe, makes a huge difference when we want to debate the question of "why does God allow suffering". This difference is behind the creation of millions of different belief systems, each one claiming that their God is the true God. I'm not in favor of the opinion that all Gods are true, which, even if correct, would have to make us question about how many Gods do exist. The main point is that it doesn't matter how many Gods exist, or if they are all different and true in their uniqueness, as they could only operate under one single system that could be common to all human beings on Earth. Therefore, we can assume that maybe different Gods could have different purposes in different galaxies where beings are also different from us. This book proposes to explore, and precisely describe, how a God, or Gods, operate in this planet in particular. Maybe the rules described here don't match the God of the reader, and that's why I must say that this is all about my God, the one in which I believe. Nevertheless, I must mention that I spent my entire life studying different religions with its leaders, and each one of them told me that my believe system was the same as theirs, at least until we could find something to disagree with, which was actually rare, because the deepest we go in any study of any religious philosophy, the closer we get to the universal truth behind the meaning of each one of them. I always believed that my God is a good one, so I struggled for many years of my life trying to understand why I was suffering so much and without any mercy. And then I wondered why so many good people that I knew were suffering. I lost my faith many times, and ended up searching for answers in opposite philosophies, namely, Wicca and Satanic. But I realized that their answers were just another perspective about the same

reality. In fact, my researches on the field of exorcism reinforced this knowledge with a more accurate analysis. In the end, I was able to make my inner positive nature prevail, and as I continued my studies among different religious systems, and later in the temples of Buddhists in China and Hindus in India, I was able to get a much wider approach to suffering in life. Today, it's very simple for me to see why anyone suffers. It only takes a few seconds to realize it. This skill has helped me make many people happy without many efforts. And they all said that I changed their life dramatically, with just a few very powerful words that they'll never forget. The power of these words doesn't come from me, but the universal truth that God wants us to learn. My life today is far happier than it ever was, although I can't say that it's perfect. And even though I helped many souls reach a better insight about the meaning of their lives, there are still many others that I couldn't help, because they are not ready for the truth. Even for me, it took quite a few years to understand how this truth works. Today I know that it doesn't matter if I believe in it or not, because you don't need faith to believe in a way out of the suffering. At least, it's not the most important thing. But you do need to know why and how suffering works, to understand its meaning. In this book, the way out of the suffering, as well as its reasons, are clearly described. But I must warn the reader that the answers aren't pleasant and most people can't accept them. So, knowing them won't mean that we can help ourselves and anybody else. Even though what you'll read here are facts. These facts reveal the way out of the pain, including in situations in which we've been suffering for decades and since we were born. The challenges in accepting and applying them have to do only with our distance towards the lessons that God wants us to learn to get closer to him in the end.

The Political Economy of Indo-European Polytheism Aug 02 2020 This book sheds new light on the evolution and transformation of polytheistic religions. By applying economic models to the study of religious history and by viewing religious events as the result of rational choices under given environmental constraints, it offers a political economy perspective for the study of Indo-European polytheism. The book formally models the rivalry or competition among multiple gods in a polytheistic system and the monotheistic solution to this competition. Presenting case studies on the transformation and demise of various polytheistic religions, it highlights the pivotal role of the priestly class in driving religious change and suggests a joint explanation for the demise of Greco-Roman religion and the resilience of Hinduism and Zoroastrianism. It will appeal to scholars of the economics of religion and religious history and to anyone seeking new insights into the birth and death of religions, and the birth of monotheism in particular.

She Reads Truth Mar 29 2020 She wants faith, hope, and love. She wants help and healing. She wants to hear and be heard, to see and be seen. She wants things set right. She wants to know what is true—not partly true, or sometimes true, or almost true. She wants to see Truth itself, face-to-face. But here, now, these things are all cloudy. Hope is tinged with hurt. Faith is shaded by doubt. Lesser, broken things masquerade as love. How does she find something permanent when the world around her is always changing, when not even she can stay the same? And if she finds it, how does she hold on? *She Reads Truth* tells the stories of two women who discovered, through very different lives and circumstances, that only God and His Word remain unchanged as the world around them shifted and slipped away. Infused with biblical application and Scripture, this book is not just about two characters in two stories, but about one Hero and one Story. Every image points to the bigger picture—that God and His Word are true. Not because of anything we do, but because of who He is. Not once, not occasionally, but right now and all the time. Sometimes it takes everything moving to notice the thing that doesn't move. Sometimes it takes telling two very different stories to notice how the Truth was exactly the same in both of them. For anyone searching for a solid foundation to cling to, *She Reads Truth* is a rich and honest Bible-filled journey to finally find permanent in a world that's passing away.

House of Many Gods Oct 28 2022 From Kiana Davenport, the bestselling author of *Song of the Exile* and *Shark Dialogues*, comes another mesmerizing novel about her people and her islands. Told in spellbinding and mythic prose, *House of Many Gods* is a deeply complex and provocative love story set against the background of Hawaii and Russia. Interwoven throughout with the indelible portrait of a native Hawaiian family struggling against poverty, drug wars, and the increasing military occupation of their sacred lands. Progressing from the 1960s to the turbulent present, the novel begins on the island of O'ahu and centers on Ana, abandoned by her mother as a child. Raised by her extended family on the "lawless" Wai'anae coast, west of Honolulu, Ana, against all odds, becomes a physician. While tending victims of Hurricane 'Iniki on the neighboring island of Kaua'i, she meets Nikolai, a Russian filmmaker with a violent and tragic past, who can confront reality only through his unique prism of lies. Yet he is dedicated to recording the ecological horrors in his motherland and across the Pacific. As their lives slowly and inextricably intertwine, Ana and Nikolai's story becomes an odyssey that spans decades and sweeps the reader from rural Hawaii to the forbidding Arctic wastes of Russia; from the poverty-stricken Wai'anae coast to the glittering harshness of "new Moscow" and the haunting, faded beauty of St. Petersburg. With stunning narrative inventiveness, Davenport has created a timeless epic of loss and remembrance, of the search for family and identity, and, ultimately, of the redemptive power of love.

From Many Gods To One Jul 25 2022 Epic poets of the Renaissance looked to emulate the poems of Greco-Roman antiquity, but doing so presented a dilemma: what to do about the gods? Divine intervention plays a major part in the epics of Homer and Virgil - indeed, quarrels within the family of Olympian gods are essential to the narrative structure of those poems - yet poets of the Renaissance recognized that the cantankerous Olympians could not be imitated too closely. The divine action of their classical models had to be transformed to accord with contemporary tastes and Christian belief. *From Many Gods to One* offers the first comparative study of poetic approaches to the problem of epic divine action. Through readings of Petrarch, Vida, Ariosto, Tasso, and Milton, Tobias Gregory describes the narrative and ideological consequences of the epic's turn from pagan to Christian. Drawing on scholarship in several disciplines - religious studies, classics, history, and philosophy, as well as literature - *From Many Gods to One* sheds new light on two subjects of enduring importance in Renaissance studies: the precarious balance between classical literary models and Christian religious norms and the role of religion in drawing lines between allies and others.

Djinn Patrol on the Purple Line Oct 16 2021 Discover the "extraordinary" (The Washington Post) debut novel that "announces the arrival of a literary supernova" (The New York Times Book Review), "a drama of childhood that is as wild as it is intimate" (Chigozie Obioma). WINNER OF THE EDGAR® AWARD • LONGLISTED FOR THE WOMEN'S PRIZE • NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New York Times Book Review • Time • The Washington Post • NPR • The Guardian • Library Journal In a sprawling Indian city, a boy ventures into its most dangerous corners to find his missing classmate. . . . Through market lanes crammed with too many people, dogs, and rickshaws, past stalls that smell of cardamom and sizzling oil, below a smoggy sky that doesn't let through a single blade of sunlight, and all the way at the end of the Purple metro line lies a jumble of tin-roofed homes

where nine-year-old Jai lives with his family. From his doorway, he can spot the glittering lights of the city's fancy high-rises, and though his mother works as a maid in one, to him they seem a thousand miles away. *Djinn Patrol on the Purple Line* plunges readers deep into this neighborhood to trace the unfolding of a tragedy through the eyes of a child as he has his first perilous collisions with an unjust and complicated wider world. Jai drools outside sweet shops, watches too many reality police shows, and considers himself to be smarter than his friends Pari (though she gets the best grades) and Faiz (though Faiz has an actual job). When a classmate goes missing, Jai decides to use the crime-solving skills he has picked up from TV to find him. He asks Pari and Faiz to be his assistants, and together they draw up lists of people to interview and places to visit. But what begins as a game turns sinister as other children start disappearing from their neighborhood. Jai, Pari, and Faiz have to confront terrified parents, an indifferent police force, and rumors of soul-snatching djinns. As the disappearances edge ever closer to home, the lives of Jai and his friends will never be the same again. Drawing on real incidents and a spate of disappearances in metropolitan India, *Djinn Patrol on the Purple Line* is extraordinarily moving, flawlessly imagined, and a triumph of suspense. It captures the fierce warmth, resilience, and bravery that can emerge in times of trouble and carries the reader headlong into a community that, once encountered, is impossible to forget.

Conceptions of God in Ancient Egypt Jul 13 2021 Osiris, Horus, Isis, Thoth, Anubis - the many strange and compelling figures of the Egyptian gods and goddesses seem to possess endless fascination. The renowned Egyptologist Erik Hornung here studies the ancient Egyptians' conceptions of god, basing his account on a thorough reappraisal of the primary sources. His book, now available in English for the first time, is the most extensive exploration yet undertaken of the nature of Egyptian religion. Hornung examines the characteristics, spheres of action, and significance of Egyptian gods and goddesses, analyzing the complex and changing iconography used to represent them, and disentangling the many seemingly contradictory aspects of the religion of which they are a part. He seeks to answer two basic questions: How did the Egyptians themselves see their gods? Did they believe there was an impersonal, anonymous force behind the multiplicity of their deities? Throughout, he attempts to evoke the complexity and richness of the religion of the ancient Egyptians and of their worldview, which differs so greatly from our own. A work of extraordinary distinction, Hornung's book will appeal to anyone interested in ancient Egypt, in ancient religion, and in the history of religion, as well as students and scholars of ancient history, anthropology, and archaeology. Sensitively translated by John Baines and with a new preface by the author, this edition has been amplified and updated with an English-language audience in mind.

Catechism of the Catholic Church Jul 01 2020 Over 3 million copies sold! Essential reading for Catholics of all walks of life. Here it is - the first new Catechism of the Catholic Church in more than 400 years, a complete summary of what Catholics around the world commonly believe. The Catechism draws on the Bible, the Mass, the Sacraments, Church tradition and teaching, and the lives of saints. It comes with a complete index, footnotes and cross-references for a fuller understanding of every subject. The word catechism means "instruction" - this book will serve as the standard for all future catechisms. Using the tradition of explaining what the Church believes (the Creed), what she celebrates (the Sacraments), what she lives (the Commandments), and what she prays (the Lord's Prayer), the Catechism of the Catholic Church offers challenges for believers and answers for all those interested in learning about the mystery of the Catholic faith. The Catechism of the Catholic Church is a positive, coherent and contemporary map for our spiritual journey toward transformation.

The Language of God Nov 24 2019 Dr Francis S. Collins, head of the Human Genome Project, is one of the world's leading scientists, working at the cutting edge of the study of DNA, the code of life. Yet he is also a man of unshakable faith in God. How does he reconcile the seemingly unreconcilable? In *THE LANGUAGE OF GOD* he explains his own journey from atheism to faith, and then takes the reader on a stunning tour of modern science to show that physics, chemistry and biology -- indeed, reason itself -- are not incompatible with belief. His book is essential reading for anyone who wonders about the deepest questions of all: why are we here? How did we get here? And what does life mean?

The One, the Three and the Many Oct 04 2020 This study offers a theological analysis of, and response to, the modern world, and is at once a theology of culture and of creation. In the first half of the book, Gunton expounds some of the distinctive and often contradictory features of modern culture. It emerges that modern culture, far from being unique in its difficulties, reflects similar inadequacies in ancient thought. The distinctive pathos of modernity is to be found in one unique feature, namely the displacement of God that is a mark of all realms of life. The roots of the problem are sought beyond the Enlightenment, where they are often located, in the combination of platonism and Christian theology which dominated medieval Christian thought. At the heart of the matter is a deficient - because of an inadequately trinitarian - understanding of creation and creation's God. The second half of the book develops a powerful theology of creation where due weight can be given to both universal and particular, both society and the individual.

The Probability of God Nov 05 2020 Does God exist? This is probably the most debated question in the history of mankind. Scholars, scientists, and philosophers have spent their lifetimes trying to prove or disprove the existence of God, only to have their theories crucified by other scholars, scientists, and philosophers. Where the debate breaks down is in the ambiguities and colloquialisms of language. But, by using a universal, unambiguous language—namely, mathematics—can this question finally be answered definitively? That's what Dr. Stephen Unwin attempts to do in this riveting, accessible, and witty book, *The Probability of God*. At its core, this groundbreaking book reveals how a math equation developed more than 200 years ago by noted European philosopher Thomas Bayes can be used to calculate the probability that God exists. The equation itself is much more complicated than a simple coin toss (heads, He's up there running the show; tails, He's not). Yet Dr. Unwin writes with a clarity that makes his mathematical proof easy for even the nonmathematician to understand and a verve that makes his book a delight to read. Leading you carefully through each step in his argument, he demonstrates in the end that God does indeed exist. Whether you're a devout believer and agree with Dr. Unwin's proof or are unsure about all things divine, you will find this provocative book enlightening and engaging. "One of the most innovative works [in the science and religion movement] is *The Probability of God*...An entertaining exercise in thinking."—Michael Shermer, *Scientific American* "Unwin's book [is] peppered with wry, self-deprecating humor that makes the scientific discussions more accessible...Spiritually inspiring."--Chicago Sun Times "A pleasantly breezy account of some complicated matters well worth learning about."--Philadelphia Inquirer "One of the best things about the book is its humor."--Cleveland Plain Dealer "In a book that is surprisingly lighthearted and funny, Unwin manages to pack in a lot of facts about science and philosophy."--Salt Lake Tribune

What Are Biblical Values? Feb 26 2020 What does the Bible actually say about many of today's most contentious moral issues? "For

drawing attention to the relevant scriptures and for guidance in recognizing what are and aren't valid interpretations of them, Collins' pertinent brief is beyond praiseworthy."--Booklist (starred review) "Collins pours a lifetime of scholarship into this study of what the Bible says about controversial ethical topics. It's highly readable, and it's honest."--Jane McBride, Christian Century Many people today claim that their positions on various issues are grounded in biblical values, and they use scriptural passages to support their claims. But the Bible was written over the course of several hundred years and contains contradictory positions on many issues. The Bible seldom provides simple answers; it more often shows the complexity of moral problems. Can we really speak of "biblical values"? In this eye-opening book, one of the world's leading biblical scholars argues that when we read the Bible with care, we are often surprised by what we find. Examining what the Bible actually says on a number of key themes, John Collins covers a vast array of topics, including the right to life, gender, the role of women, the environment, slavery and liberation, violence and zeal, and social justice. With clarity and authority, he invites us to dramatically reimagine the basis for biblical ethics in the world today.

Pascal's Wager Mar 09 2021 In his famous Wager, Blaise Pascal (1623–62) offers the reader an argument that it is rational to strive to believe in God. Philosophical debates about this classic argument have continued until our own times. This volume provides a comprehensive examination of Pascal's Wager, including its theological framework, its place in the history of philosophy, and its importance to contemporary decision theory. The volume starts with a valuable primer on infinity and decision theory for students and non-specialists. A sequence of chapters then examines topics including the Wager's underlying theology, its influence on later philosophical figures, and contemporary analyses of the Wager including Alan Hájek's challenge to its validity, the many gods objection, and the ethics of belief. The final five chapters explore various ways in which the Wager has inspired contemporary decision theory, including questions related to infinite utility, imprecise probabilities, and infinitesimals.

God Has Many Names May 23 2022 Analyzes the attitudes of Christians toward other religions and examines how the major religions of the world establish a relationship with God

Song of the Exile Sep 22 2019 In this epic, original novel in which Hawaii's fierce, sweeping past springs to life, Kiana Davenport, author of the acclaimed *Shark Dialogues*, draws upon the remarkable stories of her people to create a timeless, passionate tale of love and survival, tragedy and triumph, survival and transcendence. In spellbinding, sensual prose, *Song of the Exile* follows the fortunes of the Meahuna family—and the odyssey of one resilient man searching for his soul mate after she is torn from his side by the forces of war. From the turbulent years of World War II through Hawaii's complex journey to statehood, this mesmerizing story presents a cast of richly imagined characters who rise up magnificent and forceful, redeemed by the spiritual power and the awesome beauty of their islands.

Many Nations under Many Gods Apr 22 2022 The lands the United States claims sovereignty over by right of the Doctrine of Discovery are home to more than five hundred Indian nations, each with its own distinct culture, religion, language, and history. Yet these Indians, and federal Indian law, rarely factor into the decisions of the country's governing class—as recent battles over national monuments on tribal sites have made painfully clear. A much-needed intervention, *Many Nations under Many Gods* brings to light the invisible histories of several Indian nations, as well as their struggles to protect the integrity of sacred and cultural sites located on federal public lands. Todd Allin Morman focuses on the history of Indian peoples engaging in consultation, a process mandated by the National Environmental Policy Act and the Indian Religious Freedom Act whenever a federal agency's proposed action will affect land of significance to indigenous peoples. To understand this process and its various outcomes first requires familiarity with the history and culture that make these sites significant to particular Indian nations. Morman provides this necessary context for various and changing indigenous perspectives in the legal process. He also examines consultation itself in a series of case studies, including Hopi efforts to preserve the sacred San Francisco Peaks in the Coconino National Forest from further encroachment by a ski resort, the Washoes' effort near Lake Tahoe to protect Cave Rock from an influx of rock climbers, the Forest Service's plan for the Blackfoot site Badger-Two Medicine, and religious freedom cases involving the Makahs, the Quechans, the Western Apaches, and the Standing Rock Sioux. These cases illuminate the strengths and dangers inherent in the consultation process. They also illustrate the need, for Natives and non-Natives alike, to learn the history of North America in order to understand the value of protecting the many cultural and sacred sites of its many indigenous peoples. *Many Nations under Many Gods* reveals—and works to meet—the urgency of this undertaking.

Decoding Islam - Religion of Many Gods, Many Idols, Many Births Dec 26 2019 This book analyzes the core pillars of Islam on touchstone of reason to establish what real Islam should be (or should not be). Is Islam fastest growing? Is Quran unchangeable? Is Islam most practical religion? Is there only One Allah in Islam? Does Islam reject rebirth? Let's find out.

Hindu Gods and Goddesses Mar 21 2022 The many gods and goddesses of India need not be a mystery to those of us in the West. Includes full explanation of the rationale behind the many aspects of God, with illustrations.

One God - Many Faces Jan 07 2021 Everyone has questions about God and Religion and how they currently work in the modern fast paced world we live in. Is there only One True God or are there many gods? Which is the true God? Which religion is the true Religion: Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Mormonism, Gnosticism, Buddhism, Confucianism, Hinduism, Jainism? Is there really One God, who has many faces? Can knowing the exact right answer make your life work better for you and for your family. We offer the construct that there is One and Only One True God and that God has come to us over and over again, since the beginning of Mankind showing the face and speaking the language of the people of each time and period, so that the stories of "many different Gods" are always only describing One God? *One God - Many Faces* answers your most important and difficult questions and this construct now allows us to understand what One God with Many Faces can mean to you: Prehistoric Man and God - The Origins of God Man and God - How Man Sees God Today Religion and God The Universe Is Everything. The Universe Is Intelligent. God Is the Universe. The Intelligence of the Universe Is God Science and God My Personal Experience - Understanding the Nature of Our Intelligent Universe God = The Laws of the Universe Evolving God What You believe Believing in God Is Good for You Recognizing that there is only One True God and that God has purposes, goals, and a plan that will, once you understand it, make sense to you, answers many of the most important questions you or anyone else has, about believing in God and the Religion you chose.

Many Gods, Many Lords Sep 27 2022 A survey of different views of the uniqueness of Christianity suggests how Christians should represent their faith around other religions.

One Nation, Many Gods Feb 20 2022 The authors discuss how to love America and how to be a patriotic Christian. They sound an

alarm within the church and invite readers to open themselves to God's judgment so that they may respond faithfully in a time of widespread injustice and human suffering.

Many Gods and Many Voices Jan 27 2020 Martz (English, emeritus, Yale) argues that the prophetic tradition, with its focus on the evils of the present, as well as the possibilities of redemption should be understood as an integral component of both the texture and contents of works by such modernist poets as Ezra Pound, William Carlos Williams, T. S. Eliot and others. Biblical prophecy, he asserts, is an important precedent for the tone and subject matter of these poets' works. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

The Many Faces of God Aug 22 2019 In this grand work of philosophy and history, Campbell shows how religious conceptions have been shaped by advances in technology and science over a 400-year period.

A God of Many Understandings Sep 15 2021 Western Christianity's interaction with world religions used to be, for the most part, overseas. Today, "religious others" often live next door. At a changing time when one public prayer spoken during the 2009 U.S. presidential inauguration festivities was addressed to "O god of our many understandings," the evangelical Christian church should do more than simply dismiss non-Christian religions as pagan without argument or comment. The Church needs a theology of religions that is Christ-honoring, biblically faithful, intellectually satisfying, compassionate, and that will encourage Spirit-powered mission. Oregon-based theology professor Todd L. Miles writes to that end in *A God of Many Understandings?*, attempting, as the scholar Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen puts it, "to think theologically about what it means for Christians to live with people of other faiths and about the relationship of Christianity to other religions."

Divine Doppelgängers Dec 06 2020 The Bible says that YHWH alone is God and that there is none like him—but texts and artwork from antiquity show that many gods looked very similar. In this volume, scholars of the Hebrew Bible and its historical contexts address the problem of YHWH's ancient look-alikes, providing recommendations for how Jews and Christians can think theologically about this challenge. Sooner or later, whether in a religion class or a seminary course, students bump up against the fact that God—the biblical God—was one among other, comparable gods. The ancient world was full of gods, including great gods of conquering empires, dynastic gods of petty kingdoms, goddesses of fertility, and personal spirit guardians. And in various ways, these gods look like the biblical God. Like the God of the Bible, they, too, controlled the fates of nations, chose kings, bestowed fecundity and blessing, and cared for their individual human charges. They spoke and acted. They experienced wrath and delight. They inspired praise. All of this leaves Jews and Christians in a bind: how can they confess that the God named YHWH was (and is) the true and living God, in view of this God's profound similarities to all these others? The essays in this volume address the theological challenge these parallels create, providing reflections on how Jews and Christians can keep faith in YHWH as God while acknowledging the reality of YHWH's divine doppelgängers. It will be welcomed by undergraduates studying religion; seminarians and graduate students of Bible, theology, and the ancient world; and adult education classes.

Walking in the Land of Many Gods Jun 24 2022 How are we placed on Earth? What is our relationship to the world around us, and how? *Walking in the Land of Many Gods* envisions a new way of thinking about the world, one grounded in a moral imagination reconnected to Earth. Insightful readings of three contemporary classics of nature writing—Janisse Ray's *Ecology of a Cracker Childhood*, Terry Tempest Williams's *Refuge: An Unnatural History of Family and Place*, and Linda Hogan's *Dwellings: A Spiritual History of the Living World*—are at the heart of Wohlpart's endeavor. Powerful and affecting works like these reveal a pathway to a deeper remembering, one that reconnects us with the primal forces of creation and acknowledges the sacredness of the world. We have forgotten that the world around us is rich and fertile and generative, says Wohlpart. His exploration of these literary works, based on deep anthropology and Native American philosophy, opens a pathway into a new way of thinking called sacred reason. Founded on interdependence and interrelationship, and on care and compassion, sacred reason reminds us that divinity exists around us at all times. We are invited to walk, once again, in a land filled with many gods.

Why Would Anyone Believe in God? Sep 03 2020 Because of the design of our minds. That is Justin Barrett's simple answer to the question of his title. With rich evidence from cognitive science but without technical language, psychologist Barrett shows that belief in God is an almost inevitable consequence of the kind of minds we have. Most of what we believe comes from mental tools working below our conscious awareness. And what we believe consciously is in large part driven by these unconscious beliefs. Barrett demonstrates that beliefs in gods match up well with these automatic assumptions; beliefs in an all-knowing, all-powerful God match up even better. Barrett goes on to explain why beliefs like religious beliefs are so widespread and why it is very difficult for our minds to think without them. Anyone who wants a concise, clear, and scientific explanation of why anyone would believe in God should pick up Barrett's book.

One God Or Many? Feb 08 2021 This book is the precipitate of a conference convened in 1997 to explore concepts of divinity as both one and many in ancient Assyria, Egypt, Greece, and Israel. The five original and provocative essays that resulted engage issues as diverse as the advantages and disadvantages of polytheism; different concepts of deity held by these closely related societies; the possibility that plural nouns may denote singular beings and vice versa; the many definitions of monotheism; and how to decide whether an ancient author in referring to a god as one was characterizing that god as numerically singular, best in quality, or simply first to appear on the cosmic stage.

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