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Contending for the Faith

2003

in this book ralph wood calls for churches to offer a sustained and unapologetically christian witness to a postmodern world wood carefully chronicles how the church is watching the complete destruction of post christian institutions and practices that once shaped human character toward fulfillment in goods larger than humanity's own self interest the chief of these being the worship and service of god wood contends that christian existence can never be taken for granted and so the church itself must seek to create a christian culture that offers the world a drastic alternative to its own cultureless existence

Religion, the State, and Education

1984

j m dawson institute of church state studies bibliography p 147 151

Autism and the Church

2019

models a christian hermeneutic and practice that accommodates and cares for those with autism within the life of the church

Family Systems and Congregational Life

2019-02-19

experienced pastor and seminary teacher r robert creech helps pastoral leaders increase their effectiveness by applying family systems theory to congregational life and ministry creech introduces readers to the basic concepts of bowen family systems theory applies family theory to the work of ministry in church settings and connects systems thinking to the everyday aspects of congregational ministry such as preaching pastoral care leadership spiritual formation and interpreting biblical texts each chapter contains discussion questions and there are five helpful appendixes with supplemental information about bowen theory

Church in Color

2020

employs ethnographic methodology to analyze the effects of post racialism in three congregational youth ministries

The Recovery of Doctrine in the Contemporary Church

2002

heyduck examines the false options on doctrine that modernity has offered the church especially his own tradition united methodism and suggests ways to get beyond this impasse

Congregation and Campus

2008

in this book the fullness of the baptist experience in christian higher education is explored charted and analyzed beginning with the establishment in 1756 of the academy and reaching to the present the author explores the need for baptists to pursue education and the types of schools they founded included are colleges universities manual labor schools literary and theological institutions theological schools and bible colleges special attention is given to women and higher education and the black baptist achievements details are provided about what makes a baptist school baptist charters trustees presidents support church accountability chapters at the end of the typological and chronological narratives ponder the meaning of denominational education at present with suggestions about the future of faith based institutions and the failure of contemporary literature to attend properly to baptist idiosyncrasies

Quest for Spiritual Community

2011-02-24

revision of author s thesis ph d princeton theological seminary 2010

The Future of Baptist Higher Education

2006

the future of baptist higher education investigates four key issues that inform baptist efforts at higher education the denominational conflict that has afflicted baptists since the 1980s the secularization of higher education in america the dominance of the market driven tendencies in american higher education today and the meaning of christian higher education but more specifically the meaning of baptist higher education this volume clearly illustrates that the meaning of baptist and christian higher education as with the christian life itself is far more complex than any one imperial interpretation

What Americans Really Believe

2008

what americans really believe gives a detailed comprehensive often surprising snapshot of the most current impulses in american religion confirm ing that about 95 percent of the american population is interested in religion and spirituality george h gallup jr

The Resilience of Religion in American Higher Education

2018

the resilience of religion in american higher education documents a surprising openness to religion in collegiate communities schmalzbauer and mahoney develop this claim in three areas academic scholarship church related higher education and student life they highlight growing interest in the study of religion across the disciplines as well as a willingness to acknowledge the intellectual relevance of religious commitments the resilience of religion in american higher education also reveals how church related colleges are taking their founding traditions more seriously even as they embrace religious pluralism finally the volume chronicles the diversification of student religious life revealing the longevity of campus spirituality

Leadership in Small Churches

2021-03-01

leadership in small churches inspires and equips men and women who are called to serve in churches of less than 100 people which are the majority of churches in the united states small churches in the united states suffer from a lack of leadership on the one hand there is a shortage of leaders on the other hand leaders who serve

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faithfully sometimes feel ill equipped to carry out their calling due to inadequate training especially a lack of training specific to small churches this volume provides guidance from scholars and practitioners with experience in small churches because of their experience in and commitment to ministry in small churches these writers are well qualified to discuss the breadth of topics in this book these topics include developing vision handling conflict pastoral care preaching discipleship ministry to youth and children missions and identifying and training leaders

Bonhoeffer and the Racialized Church

2020

how do we remain faithful to and work within a christian church that has been historically complicit in racism and that still exhibits racist actions in its communal life while there have been numerous recent accounts addressing why the christian church of the west is marked by racism and whiteness there has been less attention given to how we reconcile the church's racial inequities with the belief that god works through god's people in bonhoeffer and the racialized church ross halbach seeks to reframe the question within dietrich bonhoeffer's conception of the ultimate and penultimate bonhoeffer's acute sense of god's continual speaking offers a prophetic challenge to the church instead of masking the realities of racial sin or pursuing easy resolution we must confront the full consequences of whiteness in repentant expectation of christ's coming halbach places the writings of bonhoeffer into dialogue with the contemporary writings of willie jennings j kameron carter and brian bantum allowing these various perspectives to augment one another this approach gives new clarity to present theological discussions of race through a consideration of god's regenerative work discussions of race must move from seeking a diagnosis to exploring a dialogue that delves deeper into the issue racism is not a question to be answered but a resistance that hinders the church from hearing god's present call which is given to the body of christ through baptism and eucharist the church's response to god's call is found not in the assurance of a solution but in the obedient act of the church's participation with christ in preparing the way for the church to hear how the triune god has already spoken and continues to speak today

Stuck

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stuck is a guide for understanding how and why a traditional approach to ministry does not align with the modern realities facing pastors congregations and seminaries more than simply describing findings from their firsthand research however todd w ferguson and josh packard offer a new understanding of why professional ministry can be so alienating today stuck shifts the dominant narrative around calling vocation and ministry away from a focus on individual traits and characteristics of pastors and congregational leaders and toward a more structural understanding of the social forces that impact modern ministry the authors focus on the nature of calling the need for modern flexible congregational supports and a different approach to training professional clergy stuck lets pastors who feel stuck know that they're not alone they're not crazy and it's not their fault it helps congregations be more supportive of their clergy and it participates in the conversation for reshaping seminary training and professional development

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Toward Benevolent Neutrality

2020-11-15

in this two volume set toward benevolent neutrality presents the text of virtually every significant supreme court decision concerning religious freedom and separation of church and state also included are essays interpreting the historical background and legal issues involved in each case beginning with the principal events leading to the adoption of the first amendment

The Baylor Bulletin

1905

batson provides a practical approach to principles that can be employed by congregations to foster church growth

Common-sense Church Growth

1999

contemporary worship music shapes the way evangelical christians understand worship itself author monique m ingalls argues that participatory worship music performances have brought into being new religious social constellations or modes of congregating through exploration of five of these modes concert conference church public and networked congregations singing the congregation reinvigorates the analytic categories of congregation and congregational music drawing from theoretical models in ethnomusicology and congregational studies singing the congregation reconceives the congregation as a fluid contingent social constellation that is actively performed into being through communal practice in this case the musically structured participatory activity known as worship congregational music making is thereby recast as a practice capable of weaving together a religious community both inside and outside local institutional churches congregational music making is not only a means of expressing local concerns and constituting the local religious community it is also a powerful way to identify with far flung individuals institutions and networks that comprise this global religious community the interactions among the congregations reveal widespread conflicts over religious authority carrying far ranging implications for how evangelicals position themselves relative to other groups in north america and beyond

Singing the Congregation

2018-11-29

do you want to live for jesus but struggle with what that means day by day the deep desire of our hearts to be close to god is so easily sidetracked by daily realities this book is designed to cover the areas of faith and life that you most want to bring together under god s leadership decision making dating and relationships racial reconciliation suffering experiencing god loving your parents emotional healing time management everyday evangelism hope for times of failure following jesus is a wild and wonderful journey it is perhaps the riskiest choice you will ever make and the most rewarding come and see

Faith on the Edge

2009-09-20

esther chung kim

Inventing Authority

2011

recently the scholarly community and popular media have highlighted the denial of science by conservative christians linking a low view of scientific expertise to the united states current cultural turmoil various theories are offered to explain such christians persistent denialism cognitive mechanisms that short circuit human reasoning manipulation by media companies for profit or a cult like willingness of believers to accept whatever their faith leaders assert critics contend that the religious impulse to believe blindly without evidence is the main obstacle to a more just and sustainable world redeeming expertise scientific trust and the future of the church argues against this diagnosis suggesting that however misguided individual conclusions about science may be most christians reason their way to those conclusions in the same way that non christians do they rely upon trusted sources of information to guide them through an overwhelmingly expansive information landscape rather than heaping derision on the uneducated or unenlightened believer josh reeves offers a sympathetic account of the average christian in the pew and explains the reasons why skepticism toward mainstream science is compelling to many conservative christians the second part of the book then proposes a uniquely christian defense of taking scientific expertise seriously trusting experts plays an important role in a healthy intellectual life and believers must learn how to make discerning choices redeeming expertise presents a middle ground that avoids the extremes of allowing experts to rule or of foregrounding populist positions that champion the intellectual superiority of laypersons christians who dismiss what communities of experts have discovered about our universe do so at their own peril unless the church can trust the best knowledge of the modern world that same modern world will not trust the church

Bulletin

1952-03

barry harvey provides a doctrine of the church that combines baptist distinctives and origins with an unbending commitment to the visible church as the social body of christ speaking to the broader christian community harvey updates streamlines and recontextualizes the arguments he made in an earlier edition of this book can these bones live this new edition offers a style of ecclesial witness that can help christian churches engage culture the author suggests new ways baptists can engage ecumenically with catholics and other protestants offers insights for christian worship and practice and shows how the fragmented body of christ can be re membered after christendom

Redeeming Expertise

2021-10

this is an intensely personal and intimate portrait of the baptist minister and journalist s lifetime efforts on behalf of social justice religious liberty and christian morality culminating in his service as the first executive director of the baptist joint committee of public affairs in washington d c this book is the life story of a tenant farm boy who became a world leader in the cause of separation of church and state and religious liberty he really wanted to be a newspaperman in a ravine back of the cotton field dawson writes in this richly human volume there came a showdown between preaching and writing at the time dawson felt that preaching had won he turned down a staff job at the dallas news to enter baylor university to study for the ministry as it turned out preaching and writing remained rivals for his time this is his eleventh major volume he is the author of hundreds of articles for the church and secular press an advocate of separation of church and state dawson also fought for absolute freedom in the editorial office and the pulpit ever the bedrock of his dedication was his firm commitment to the sacred cause of christian education he was a trustee of baylor university for over thirty years

Baptists and the Catholic Tradition

2020-02-18

gain an understanding of the increased role religious congregations now play in providing social support to the elderly religious congregations and faith based organizations fbo from the jewish christian and islamic traditions have worked on behalf of older adults for centuries but the initiation of president bush s office of faith based initiatives has raised many questions from both the traditional secular and sectarian services as well as many nontraditional services found in each community faith based initiatives and aging services addresses the issues of the separation of church and state the concerns involved in developing social services in religious congregations and the larger public policy implications of this office this unique book offers perspectives from traditional and nontraditional faith based groups as well as experts in volunteerism the enactment by congress of the charitable choice section of the federal welfare reform law combined with the creation of the center for faith based and community initiatives in the united states department of health and human services to signal a high level of interest in supporting faith based organizations faith based initiatives and aging services focuses on the specific applications of services provided by religious congregations editors f ellen netting and james w ellor conducted an in depth interview with elizabeth seal scott then director of the center for faith based and community initiatives an edited transcript of the interview is

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included in the book to help promote understanding of the development and implementation of faith based grass roots programs faith based initiatives and aging services examines the separation of church and state baptist perspectives on faith based initiatives and religious liberty managing older volunteers faith organizations and ethnically diverse elders the heritage of religion and spirituality in the field of gerontology faith related agencies and their implications for aging services the role of religious congregations in the social service system faith based initiatives and aging services is an essential resource for anyone interested in developing programs for older adults in religious congregations for human services staffs seeking to work with faith based initiatives and for government workers in need of a better understanding of faith based services in their community

The Separation of Church & State Defended

1995

tracing the little known history of the first underground catholic church in china noted scholar de mungello illuminates the period between the imperial expulsion of foreign christian missionaries in 1724 and their return with european colonialism in the 1800s few realize that this was the first time in which chinese rather than europeans came to control their own church as chinese clergy and lay leaders maintained communities of clandestine catholics mungello follows the church in a time of persecution focusing in particular on the role of chinese clergy and lay leaders in maintaining communities of clandestine catholics during the eighteenth century he highlights the parallels between the 1724 and 1951 expulsions of missionaries from china the first driven by a chinese imperial system and the second by a revolutionary communist government the two periods also reflected foreign bias against the chinese priests and laity and questions about their spiritual depth and constancy however mungello shows that the historical record of incarcerated and interrogated christians reveals a spiritually inspired resistance to government oppression and a willingness to suffer often to the point of martyrdom

A Thousand Months to Remember

1964

dr glen e clifton became pastor of his first church at age nineteen while attending baylor university he and his wife dee have had four children he has been pastor of southern baptist churches in texas twice mississippi and california twice with three interim pastorates in florida he retired to the treasure coast of florida where he has been serving churches for the past eleven years a native texan clifton is a graduate of baylor university ba new orleans baptist theological seminary mre and louisiana baptist university dmin he has also taught in public schools in four states as well as seminary extension of n o b t s he has had the privilege of speaking and preaching revivals in almost twenty states clifton has also served as a church planter in areas with no church most of the churches he pastored have led their association in baptisms church growth and mission giving in california mississippi and texas this is cliftons second book his first what all new christians should know is a quick start book for new christians it is in its fourth printing although retired clifton fills the pulpit almost every sunday somewhere on the southeast coast of florida

Faith-Based Initiatives and Aging Services

2012-12-06

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This Suffering Is My Joy

2021-03-29

steven r harmon explores the relationship of the baptist calling to be a pilgrim community and the ecumenical movement harmon argues that neither vision can be fulfilled apart from a mutually receptive ecumenical engagement as harmon shows baptist communities and the churches from which they are separated need one another chief among the gifts baptists have to offer the rest of the church are their pilgrim aversion to overly realized eschatologies of the church and their radical commitment to discerning the rule of christ by means of the scriptures baptists in turn must be willing to receive from other churches neglected aspects of the radical catholicity from which the bible is inseparable embedded in the baptist vision and its historical embodiment are surprising openings for ecumenical convergence baptist identity and the ecumenical future urges baptists and their dialogue partners to recognize and embrace these ecumenically oriented facets of baptist identity as indispensable provisions for their shared pilgrimage toward the fullness of the rule of christ in their midst which remains partial so long as christ s body remains divided

Being "In Christ"

2012-08-14

what does it mean to be evangelical what does it mean to be catholic can one consider oneself both simultaneously francis beckwith has wrestled with these questions personally and professionally he was baptized a catholic but his faith journey led him to protestant evangelicalism he became a philosophy professor at baylor university and president of the evangelical theological society ets and then in 2007 after much prayer counsel and consideration beckwith decided to return to the catholic church and step down as ets president this provocative book details beckwith s journey focusing on his internal dialogue between the protestant theology he embraced for most

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of his adult life and catholicism he seeks to explain what prompted his decision and offers theological reflection on whether one can be evangelical and catholic affirming his belief that one can be both excerpt it s difficult to explain why one moves from one christian tradition to another it is like trying to give an account to your friends why you chose to pursue for marriage this woman rather than that one though both may have a variety of qualities that you found attractive it seems to me then that any account of my return to the catholic church however authentic and compelling it is to me will appear inadequate to anyone who is absolutely convinced that i was wrong conversely my story will confirm in the minds of many devout catholics that the supernatural power of the grace i received at baptism and confirmation as a youngster were instrumental in drawing me back to the mother church given these considerations i confess that there is an awkwardness in sharing my journey as a published book knowing that many fellow christians will scrutinize and examine my reasons in ways that appear to some uncharitable and to others too charitable

A Church Without a Prelate

2015-08-31

study of church and state in the united states is incredibly complex scholars working in this area have backgrounds in law religious studies history theology and politics among other fields historically they have focused on particular angles or dimensions of the church state relationship because the field is so vast the results have mostly been monographs that focus only on narrow cross sections of the field and the few works that do aim to give larger perspectives are reference works of factual compendia which offer little or no analysis the oxford handbook of church and state in the united states fills this gap presenting an extensive multidimensional overview of the field twenty one essays offer a scholarly look at the intricacies and past and current debates that frame the american system of church and state within five main areas history law theology philosophy politics and sociology these essays provide factual accounts but also address issues problems debates controversies and where appropriate suggest resolutions they also offer analysis of the range of interpretations of the subject offered by various american scholars this handbook is an invaluable resource for the study of church state relations in the united states

Ecumenical Perspectives on Church and State

1988

a veteran baptist pastor and ministry professor offers a distinctive free church vision for pastoral leadership attending to voices from the past four centuries as they speak about the practice of ministry the book contains theological reflection on current ministry issues among baptists based on biblical and historical foundations and reflects a diversity of baptist life across time and around the world including many different voices each chapter contains reflection questions to help readers consider the implications of baptist thinking

Baptist Identity and the Ecumenical Future

2016

skilled pastoral caregiving susan dunlap argues requires an understanding of the culture of the local congregation where it is practiced an engaging example par excellence caring cultures looks closely at three very different congregations responses to the body in times of illness an african american congregation in the apostolic holiness tradition a euro american mainstream protestant church and the latino members in a roman catholic parish with vivid examples drawn from the author s interviews and observations this beautifully written book shows how each congregation has developed divergent ways of thinking about the body habits of responding to it and understandings of god s response to the body s pain or peril the author offers unusually rich descriptions of care giving as it is displayed in these three congregations integrating both well explained theory and moving personal stories

Return to Rome

2009-01-10

christianity s center of gravity has tilted from the euro american west to the global south driving this shift is the emergence of charismatic renewal movements among protestant roman catholic and orthodox churches this reshaping of the theological landscape has inspired prominent theologian amos yong to construct a cutting edge theology for the twenty first century within a pentecostal and evangelical framework yong s renewing christian theology is a primer on how to think theologically in a global context students seeking an introduction to systematic theology will not only discover the treasures of the tradition but will also encounter a revolutionary pastoral theology that bridges pentecostal charismatic evangelical and ecumenical traditions yong s theological imagination prioritizes christian hope gifts of the spirit baptism sanctification and healing renewing christian theology unveils an inclusive theology conversant with contemporary theological movements theology and science contextual theologies intercultural theologies theology and disability public theologies theology and the arts and theological aesthetics renewing christian theology is theology for the twenty first century church

The Oxford Handbook of Church and State in the United States

2017-03

in all its triumphs and innovations evils and errors the reformation left a lasting double legacy a divided church in need of unity and the possibilities of a liberated world

Pastoral Theology in the Baptist Tradition

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baptists through the centuries provides a clear introduction to the history and theology of this influential and international people david bebbington a leading baptist historian surveys the main developments in baptist life and thought from the seventeenth century to the present the baptist movement took root and grew well beyond its british and american origins bebbington persuasively demonstrates how baptists continually adapted to the cultures and societies in which they lived generating ever more diversity within an already multifaceted group bebbington s survey also examines the challenging social political and intellectual issues in baptist history attitudes on race women s roles in the church religious liberty missions and theological commitments the second edition of this proven textbook extends the scope with chapters on three parts of the world where baptists have become particularly numerous latin america where brazilian baptists number over 2 million nigeria where baptists are at their strongest outside north america numbering roughly 5 million and the naga hills in india where baptists form over 80 percent of the population each chapter also highlights regional issues that have presented new challenges and opportunities to baptists holistic mission in latin america the experience of charismatic renewal and the encounter with islam in nigeria and the demands of peacemaking in the naga hills through this new edition bebbington orients readers and expands their knowledge of the baptist community as it continues to flourish around the world

Caring Cultures

2009

explores the relationship between the particular salvation of the jews and the universal salvation of all people in the gospel of matthew provided by publisher

Renewing Christian Theology

2014

Reformation in the Western World

2017

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2018

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