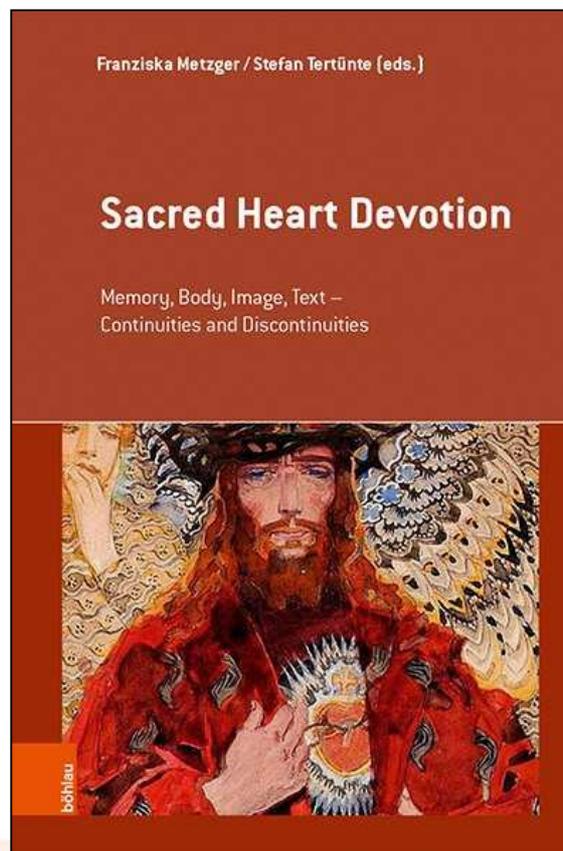


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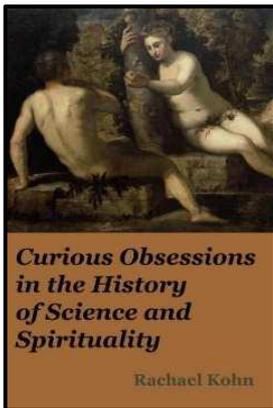


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### ATF Press



#### Curious Obsessions in the History of Science and Spirituality

Rachael Kohn

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The frontiers of religion and science have always been pushed forward by curious and obsessed individuals, like:

the monk who kept banned books in a secret library under the nose of the pope;  
the explorers who searched for the lost tribes of Israel but found a new continent instead;

the eccentric doctor and a mad monk who intuited scientific truths well before future generations would prove their theories correct;

the archaeologists who discovered the goddess just in time for feminism;

the utopians who never quite found what they were looking for;

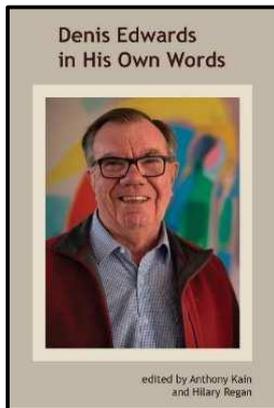
and a current flock of priests and nuns who go wherever knowledge takes them.

It is a delicious quirk of history that individuals dismissed by their contemporaries as eccentrics and troublemakers are often those with the most impact on the world. *Curious Obsessions in the History of Science and Spirituality* is a captivating look at the famous and the forgotten who emerged in times of extreme change and social disruption to change science and spirituality for ever. During our current Covid19 pandemic, this collection is highly relevant to a world still seeking novel answers to the human condition and also drawn to old theories long ago debunked.

**About the Author:** Dr Rachael Kohn, AO, FRNSW and LLD lectured in religion in Canada, the UK and Australia before joining the ABC, producing and presenting programs on religion, such as *The Spirit of Things* and *The Ark*. Her previous book is *The New Believers: Re-Imagining God*.

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## Denis Edwards In His Own Words

Edited by Anthony Kain, Hilary Regan

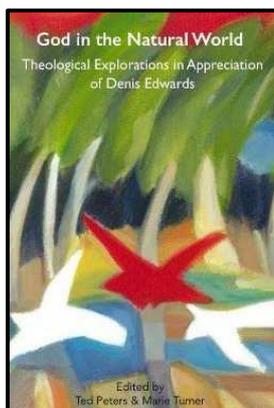
This volume of essays brings together 37 papers by Denis Edwards. They were published in journals and book chapters in edited and single authored volumes between 1976 and 2019. The contributions cover many aspects of theology and contemporary society, including: Australian theology, Indigenous theology, biblical themes, comparison of John of the Cross and Karl Rahner, ecclesiology, multicultural issues in the Australian context, the ordination of women, Lutheran-Roman Catholic Dialogue, evolution, ecological theology, feminist theology, theological language, the Trinity, chaos, Christology, contemporary theology, the created order, the Eucharist, grace, the Holy Spirit, miracles, the Patristics, receptive ecumenism, sin, salvation and science and theology. Denis' work engages with many theologians from various stages of church history as well as a range of contemporary theologians.

**About the Author:** Anthony Kain is a priest of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide who has worked in many parishes around Adelaide and has a specific interest in liturgy.

Hilary Regan is the publisher of ATF Press Publishing Group who has been associated with theological publishing for over 30 years.

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## God in the Natural World

### Theological Explorations in Appreciation of Denis Edwards

Edited by Ted Peters, Marie Turner

“This collection of essays is a fitting tribute to Denis Edwards, who was one of Australia’s leading theologians. In exploring the most challenging questions of our time, these essays canvas some of the great themes of Christian theology that were the focus of Edwards research. Denis Edwards was a theologian of dialogue: dialogue with our rich theological tradition, dialogue with science, dialogue with contemporary theologians. The contributors to this volume enter into a dialogue with substantial parts of the theological output of Denis Edwards. In the process, they capture something of his humanity, his love of creation, and his concern for our common home. The book demonstrates the commitment Denis Edwards had to a theology that is truly ecumenical and always learning from the insights of others. The editors and authors have done a great service in helping many others to deepen reflection on Denis Edwards’ contribution to our understanding of God and the natural world.”

**Gerard Kelly**

**Professor of Theology, Catholic Institute of Sydney President, Australian Catholic Theological Association**

*God in the Natural World* is a scholarly and inspiring anthology honoring the life and writings in theology and science by Australian priest Denis Edwards. Beginning with a fascinating autobiography by Edwards and a moving ‘In Memoriam’ by Michael Trainor, the collection, edited by Ted Peters and Marie Turner, includes 19 chapters by a diverse, ecumenical group of authors. The focus of these writings is primarily on the various ways in which Edwards explored the concept of deep ‘Incarnation’ first formulated by Niels Henrik Gregersen. In so doing, the collection wonderfully illuminates one of Edwards most cherished and richly explored subjects, eco-theology, and with it his commitment to ecological responsibility. I highly recommend this remarkable collection to both scholars and general readers in the intersection between theology, science, spirituality and the natural world.

**Robert John Russell, Ian G. Barbour**

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### The Lamentations of Isis and Nephthys Fragmentary Osirian Papyri, Part I

Andrea Kucharek, Marc Coenen

This book is a comprehensive edition of all known copies of the important Osimerican ritual called *Isis and the laments of the Nephthys*. In addition to the copies themselves, the edition also contains rich comments.

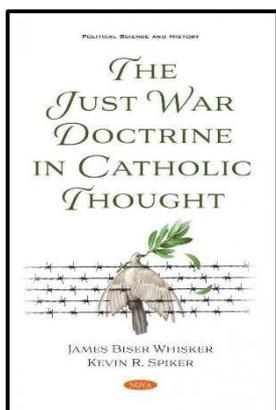
The primary specimens are a series of papyruses from Tebtunis and Thebes, but excerpts of the ritual have also been preserved on coffins from Thebes and Akhmim.

In the papyruss from the Temple Library in Tebtunis are preserved some of the actual guides used by the priests to carry out the ritual, while the other papyruses contain excerpts for the use of private individuals at funerals.

**About the Author:** Andrea Kucharek is a research assistant at the Department of Egypt at the University of Heidelberg. She got her PhD. In 2004, with a dissertation on grievance rituals associated with Isis and the Nephthys, she specialises in Osimianian rites and ancient Egyptian mourning customs.

Marc Coenen is a PhD. in Oriental Studies: Ancient Near East from Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in Belgium. He now works as an officer in the emergency services sector in Limburg Southwest.

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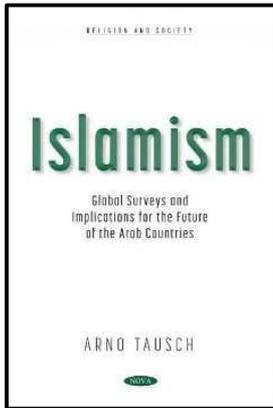


### The Just War Doctrine in Catholic Thought

James Biser Whisker

The just war theory is a doctrine, which is related to and at times interchangeable with such concepts as military tradition, military ethics, the doctrines of military leaders, conflict theology, ethical policy-making, and military tactics and strategy. The purpose of the just war doctrine is to attempt to guarantee that a war is morally justifiable through a series of criteria, all of which must be met for a war to be considered just. The criteria are split into two groups: “right to go to war” (*jus ad bellum*) and “right conduct in war” (*jus in bello*). The first concerns the morality of going to war, and the second the moral conduct within war. Recently there have been calls for the inclusion of a third category of just war theory known as *jus post bellum* that is concerned with the morality of post-war settlement and reconstruction. Just war theory postulates that war, while terrible, is made less so with the right conduct. It also assumes that war is not always the worst option. Important responsibilities, undesirable outcomes, or preventable atrocities may justify war. There is a just war tradition, a historical body of rules or agreements that have applied in various wars across the ages. The just war tradition consists primarily of the writings of various philosophers and legal experts through history. This tradition examines both their philosophical visions of war’s ethical limits and whether their thoughts have contributed to the body of conventions that have evolved to guide war and warfare.

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## Islamism

### Global Surveys and Implications for the Future of the Arab Countries

Arno Tausch

This work is a collection of essays on Islamism and global opinion surveys, focusing on their implications for the future of Arab countries. Much of Western academia and the media still seem to be unable to come to terms with the real challenges posed by Islamism two decades after 9/11 and half a decade after the horrendous Paris 2015 terror attacks.

What is at stake is the question of whether moderate Islamist political movements can and should be a partner with the West. President Obama personally issued the Presidential Study Directive 11 (PSD-11) in 2010, ultimately concluding that the United States should shift from its longstanding policy of supporting “stability” in the Middle East and North Africa to a policy of backing moderate Islamic political movements. The present book squarely contradicts this perspective. Bassam Tibi maintains that only liberal Islam approves of democracy, while Islamism absolutely does not.

The empirical basis of the book is based on estimates of the development of civil society in the Arab World by using comparative opinion survey data based on the evaluation of the World Values Survey and other global and regional surveys. Variables of trust, non-violence, gender justice and tolerance towards homosexuals indicate some of existing deficits in the development of civil societies in the region. Thus, Inglehart and Norris correctly foresaw that the real distinguishing parameter for Huntington’s theory is not societal opinions on democracy but societal opinions on gender issues.

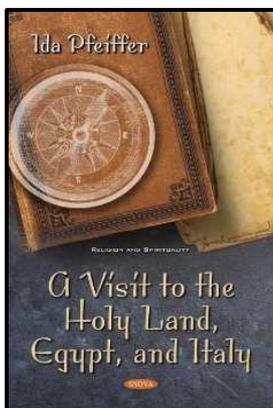
This perspective is followed up with an empirical analysis of the gender ideology of Islamism and its gender values, all based on World Values Survey data. Muslim feminism, which implies the rejection of Islamism and the veil, and the democracy movement in the Muslim world are closely interrelated.

In a chapter on Islamism and anti-Semitism, the book identifies the extent of relationships between anti-Semitism, the current economic and social situation, religious data, and opinions on terrorism among the global Muslim society. Islamism is deeply connected to anti-Semitism.

The book also explores which factors contribute to the approval of terroristic acts, measured by such variables as opinions on suicide bombing and the favorability of terrorist organizations such as Hamas and Hezbollah. The book shows how wrong it is to neglect the underlying ideological radicalism which characterizes the support of organizations such as the Muslim Brotherhood and its affiliates in the region. Along with most radicalized factions of Islamist terrorism, they share intense hatred of Jews and Free Masons and Western civilization.

In a concluding chapter, the book analyzes globalization, the environment in the Arab World and the future “greening” of Arab politics.

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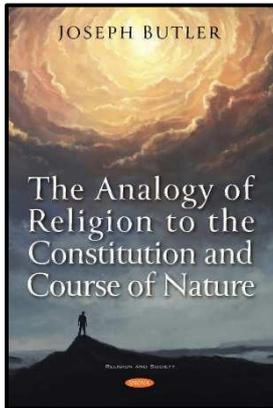


## A Visit to the Holy Land, Egypt, and Italy

Edited by Ida Pfeiffer

Ida Pfeiffer travelled alone in an era when women didn’t travel. She commenced her journey alone, without companions, but fully prepared to bear every ill, to bid defiance to every danger, and to combat every difficulty. That this undertaking should have succeeded may almost be looked upon as a wonder. Every evening, though often greatly exhausted with heat, thirst, and the hardships of travel, she never failed to make notes in her diary. *A Visit to the Holy Land, Egypt, and Italy* is the translation of her diary.

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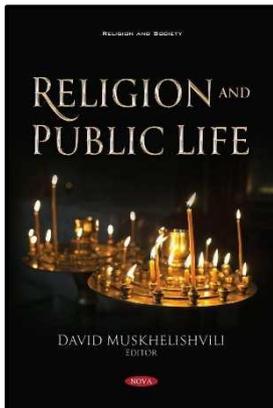


## **The Analogy of Religion to the Constitution and Course of Nature**

Edited by Joseph Butler

In this book, Joseph Butler examines Christianity. He discusses its importance, its proofs, the unavoidableness of its containing strange things, the absurdity of expecting fully to comprehend its statements. He answers not only the objections to Christianity, but the objections against its proofs; which he shows are very different things.

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## **Religion and Public Life**

Edited by David Muskhelishvili

Liberal theologians believe in the necessity of a revision of Christian doctrine, trusting that science excludes the belief in divine intervention. However, divine intervention is perfectly in agreement with the laws of nature and science. Accordingly, there is no reason to reject the Bible and traditional Christian doctrine. A new model of the coexistence of religious and secular discourses is revealed in this collection.

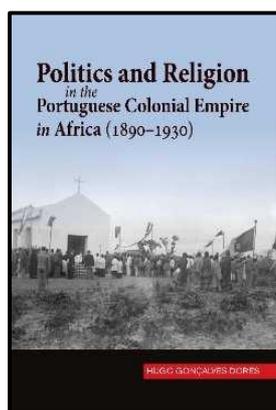
Most of the existing papers focus on the problem of the relationship between church and state in the modern era. In this collection, different experiences are presented along with their significance for specific countries, mostly the Georgian experience on the issues of church and state relations. The role of the religious leader in modern society is described, focusing on his spiritual mission in restoring, enhancing and developing traditional values in society. In particular, the role of His Holiness and Beatitude, the Catholicos-Patriarch of All Georgia, Ilia II is examined for his multifaceted endeavors to strengthen Georgian society and develop traditional spiritual values after the perennial atheism.

This collection is intended for readers interested in the problems of the main right of humanity, freedom of belief, in the modern global era and in the age of secularism.

Today, there is a lack of spirituality around the world. Traditional spiritual values are inhibited; in many European countries, the activity of church figures is stalled, and people are not allowed to choose education based on traditional values. This causes great dissatisfaction in society, as it is believed that traditional spiritual values are the main markers of national identity, and their development and preservation are essential.

Hence, this book will be of great interest for readers interested in the problems of spirituality in both Christian and non-Christian countries. It will be of interest for scholars, as well as for political figures who often encounter such problems in their activities.

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## Politics and Religion in the Portuguese Colonial Empire in Africa (1890-1930)

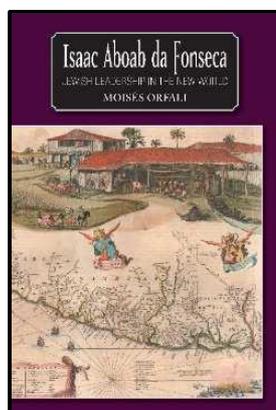
Hugo Gonçalves Dores

The Portuguese authorities balanced missionary and political dynamics as they sought to strengthen their claims over African territories in an imperial and colonial world that was becoming increasingly internationalized. This book sets out to investigate how missionary authorities reacted to national challenges from the monarchical and republican regimes, and rising competition within the Catholic world, as well as the “Protestant threat”, at the international level. To what degree were religious and missionary projects a political instrument? Was this situation similar in other colonial empires?

The 1890 British Ultimatum was part of a process of conflicting religious competition in Africa (among Catholics, and between Catholics and Protestants) in parallel with inter-imperial disputes. The Portuguese authorities saw missionary presence as a potentially useful political weapon, but it cut two ways: in favour of or against its colonial rule. Foreigner missionaries in what was considered the Portuguese empire were viewed as “threats” since they could act as political bridgeheads for other imperial powers or could influence the native populations against Portuguese colonial presence. Anglo-Portuguese competition in Africa, the “native” uprisings against Portuguese rule, the attempts to negotiate a concordat with the Holy See, the Portuguese First Republic, and the aftermath of the First World War had powerful effects on the direction of Portuguese statehood, and were reflected in substantive internal debate and political disagreement.

The overview of missionary experience in the Portuguese empire provided in this book is a major contribution to the international historiography of missions and empires.

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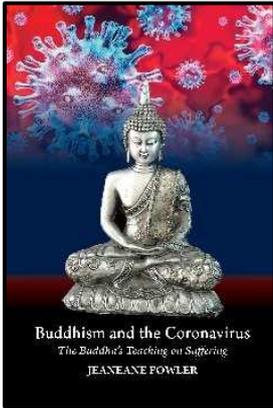


## Isaac Aboab da Fonseca Jewish Leadership in the New World

Moisés Orfali

From 1642 to 1654 *Isaac Aboab da Fonseca* was the *hakham* (Torah scholar) and spiritual leader of the oldest Jewish community in the New World. As a Hebrew grammarian, a poet, and a mystic, as well as an excellent and very popular preacher, Aboab da Fonseca (born 1605) was not only one of the most interesting Jewish personalities of the seventeenth century, but his writings are an invaluable historical resource with regard to many aspects of Jewish life in Dutch Colonial Brazil, the local attitudes towards Jews, and corroboration of events outlined in contemporary literary sources. His forebears were so-called New Christians, having undergone compulsory conversion to Catholicism in Portugal. In order to be able to live freely as professing Jews, the family moved in about 1612 to Amsterdam. There, *Hakham* Isaac Uziel of Fez became his Talmud teacher; among his colleagues was Menasseh Ben Israel. In 1638 he was confirmed as one of the four *hakhamim* of the new congregation Talmud Torah of Amsterdam. In 1641/42 he accepted the nomination for *hakham* of the growing Jewish community in Recife, Brazil, where he was in charge of all rabbinical functions and gave lectures in Talmud and Hebrew. In the interim he wrote the Hebrew grammar *Melekheth ha-Dikduk*, published here in translation for the first time.

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## Buddhism and the Coronavirus The Buddha's Teaching on Suffering

Jeaneane Fowler

This book examines the early teachings of Buddhism associated with the life of the Buddha, Siddhatta Gotama. In these teachings, the Buddha put forward his famous Four Noble Truths concerning the nature of suffering, its causes, the Truth that it can be overcome, and a pathway to end suffering. The suffering experienced in the contemporary coronavirus pandemic may seem to be very distant from the Buddha's message delivered over two thousand years ago, but the teaching of the Four Noble Truths is as relevant today as it was all that time ago. So this book melds the two, occasionally with discrete treatment of past and present but ever cognizant of the ways in which the teachings of the past inform the present crisis. To understand coronaviruses, the book examines the nature of viruses, their origins, causes and the ways in which they are both friends and enemies of humankind. Importantly and crucially, the book investigates how far humanity itself is the cause of its own suffering in the pandemics that arise - no less in the coronaviruses that have emerged in the twenty-first century.

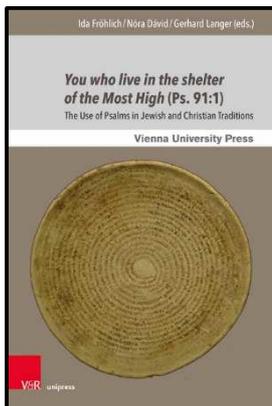
Chapters include:

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- The Fourth Noble Truth: The Noble Eightfold Path
- The Noble Eightfold Path: Mindfulness and Concentration
- The Brahma-vihara: Love: Compassion: Sympathetic Joy: Equanimity

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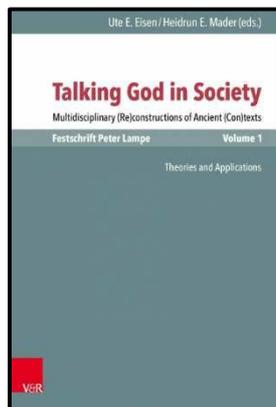


## You who live in the shelter of the Most High (Ps. 91:1) The Use of Psalms in Jewish and Christian Traditions

Edited by Ida Frohlich, Nora David

Biblical Psalms are a common heritage of Jewish and Christian cultures. Serving for the common liturgy of the Jerusalem Temple and individual prayers since biblical times they inspired Hebrew poetical language. The Qumran community, as well as Jewish and Christian communities of Late Antiquity attributed to them a special authority and apotropaic function. Quoted and interpreted in various ways in the New Testament and Rabbinic tradition they had a fundamental role in regular liturgies since the Middle Ages. Referred to in medical texts, recited on pilgrimages and at funeral vigils they represented an important aspect of folk religion and the formation of religious identity. The present volume is intended to show the many ways the Psalms were used and enjoyed a lasting popularity in regular and folk religion, collectively and individually, from antiquity until today.

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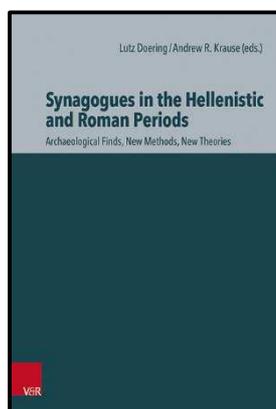


## **Talking God in Society Multidisciplinary (Re)constructions of Ancient (Con)texts. Festschrift for Peter Lampe**

Edited by Ute E. Eisen, Heidrun Elisabeth Mader

Peter Lampe's work has covered a wide range of fields, the common denominator being his interest in contextualizing belief systems. Mirroring his multifaceted work, the authors pursue his interest from different interdisciplinary angles, addressing the interdependence between religious expressions and their situations or contexts. The application of theoretical models to texts examples flanks the inspiring theoretical - epistemological and methodological - reflections. Studies in socio-economic and political history adjoin archaeological, epigraphic, papyrological and iconographic investigations. (Social-)psychological interpretations of texts complement rhetorical analyses. The hermeneutical reception of biblical materials in, for example, the Koran and Christian Chinese or Orthodox contexts, as well as in religious education and homiletics, rounds off the volumes.

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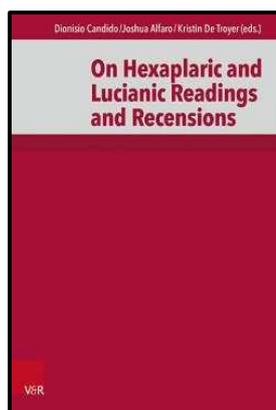


## **Synagogues in the Hellenistic and Roman Periods Archaeological Finds, New Methods, New Theories**

Edited by Lutz Doering, Andrew R Krause

The study of ancient Judaism has enjoyed a steep rise in interest and publications in recent decades, although the focus has often been on the ideas and beliefs represented in ancient Jewish texts rather than on the daily lives and the material culture of Jews/Judaeans and their communities. The nascent institution of the synagogue formed an increasingly important venue for communal gathering and daily or weekly practice. This collection of essays brings together a broad spectrum of new archaeological and textual data with various emergent theories and interpretative methods in order to address the need to understand the place of the synagogue in the daily and weekly procedures, community frameworks, and theological structures in which Judaeans, Galileans, and Jewish people in the Diaspora lived and gathered. The interdisciplinary studies will be of great significance for anyone studying ancient Jewish belief, practice, and community formation.

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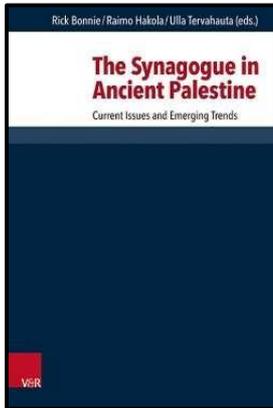


## **On Hexaplaric and Lucianic Readings and Recensions**

Edited by Dionisio Candido, Joshua Alfaro

In the history of the Greek translation of the Bible, there are two recensions that play a very important role. The first is the Hexaplaric recension of Origen. In this work, Origen displayed the different versions of the Biblical text and aimed at bringing the Greek text as it had been submitted so far closer to the then current Hebrew text. His intervention in the Greek text has "opened the gates to a flood of approximations of the Greek text to the Hebrew" (dixit Anneli Aejmelaeus). Indeed, one can find Hexaplaric readings in many manuscripts, and even in texts, manuscripts and versions that have never been labeled like that. Filtering out what are Hexaplaric readings is of utmost importance to the reconstruction of the Old Greek text, which may then point to another Hebrew text. A similar enterprise was undertaken by Lucian, and his work too needs to be reconstructed and traced in order to establish the Old Greek text. The current volume deals with the books of 1-2 Sam, 1-2 Kings, as well as Joshua and Esther.

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## The Synagogue in Ancient Palestine Current Issues and Emerging Trends

Edited by Rick Bonnie, Raimo Hakola

This book brings together leading experts in the field of ancient synagogue studies to discuss the current issues and emerging trends in the study of synagogues in ancient Palestine. Divided into four thematic units, the different contributions apply archaeological, textual, historical and art historical methodologies to questions related to ancient synagogues.

Part One addresses issues related to the origins and early development of synagogues up to 200 CE. The contributions provide different explanations to the alleged lack of evidence for synagogues built in the second and third centuries CE and ask how much continuity or change there is between the late Second Temple and late Roman/early Byzantine synagogues. Part Two deals with architecture and dating of ancient synagogues. It gives an overview of all synagogues found so far, approaches the dating of Galilean synagogues in the light of the recently-exposed synagogue at Huqoq, and provides a stylistic re-evaluation of the Capernaum synagogue decoration.

Part three examines leadership, power and daily life in late antique synagogue contexts, illustrating non-monumental inscriptions, amulets and dining in synagogue contexts as well as the role of individual benefactors. Section four contextualizes synagogue art. An overview of synagogue mosaics in late antique Palestine is complemented with reinterpretations of the mosaics two synagogues. The section also offers a discussion of the appearance of the menorah.

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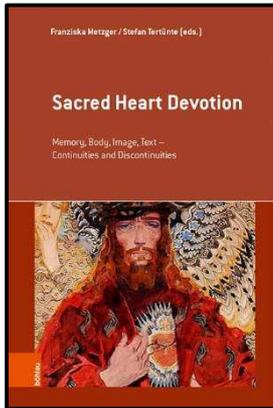
## In Search of 'the Genuine Word of God' Reception of the West-European Christian Hebraism in the Polish- Lithuanian Commonwealth in the Renaissance

Rajmund Pietkiewicz

The Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth familiarized itself with Christian Hebraism in the first half of the 16th century. *"In Search of 'the Genuine Word of God'"* sketches out the process in three chapters. The first one deals with the development of modern Hebrew studies in Western Europe, the second gives an account of the academic and religious level of Hebrew scholarship in the Commonwealth in the 16th century and at the beginning of the 17th century, and the third is devoted to Polish translations of the Hebrew Bible, which were the most significant consequences of the reception of the West-European Christian Hebraism in the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth in Renaissance.

Knowledge of Hebrew would be spread in the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth through personal contacts of magnates and church dignitaries with the Western European Hebrew experts, through Jewish converts teaching Semitic languages, through foreign studies at European universities and through books. Polish Christian Hebraism was not creative; local humanists and reformers who communicated with adherents of Judaism contributed but little to domestic Hebrew studies. Only scholarly trends occasioned by different Christian confessions come to our notice. Hebrew studies were undertaken within universities or religious movements. The purpose was practical: to have direct access to the original Hebrew Bible for the sake of theological disputes or to have proper translation tools for rendering the Scripture in Polish.

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## Sacred Heart Devotion Memory, Body, Image, Text - Continuities and Discontinuities

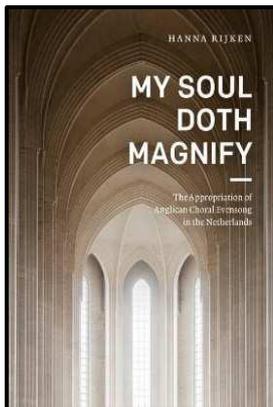
Edited by Franziska Metzger, Stefan Tertunte

In an innovative, pluri-disciplinary approach this volume focuses on how memory in Sacred Heart devotion is created, promulgated and transformed. The volume with contributions by historians, theologians, religious scientists and art historians links the dimension of memory to that of iconography, language, body and ritual practices and sheds light on adaptations, transfers, contestations and variations in a perspective of *longue durée* from the late Middle Ages to the present. The first part of the volume develops central axes of analysis, which are specifically investigated in the two following parts. The contributions of part two intertwine perspectives of cultural, social and art history focusing on the multi-layered creation, public presence and political usage, diversity and variations of Sacred Heart iconography and devotion in a long-term perspective. In-depth analyses centre on late medieval northern Italy, early modern France and 18th-century Switzerland (*Eidgenossenschaft*), on France from the 1950s to the 1980s, and on Indonesia in the 20th and 21st centuries. In a dynamic way, the third part combines systematic theological, philosophical and didactic reflexions on the Sacred Heart with a focus on imagination, embodiment, spirituality and memory.

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## My Soul Doth Magnify The Appropriation of Anglican Choral Evensong in the Netherlands

Hanna Rijken

There is a popular practice of Anglican choral evensong in the Netherlands outside the context of the Anglican Church. Dutch choirs perform the Anglican 'daily prayer' liturgy: with preces and responses, psalms, canticles, hymns and an anthem, as well as lessons and spoken prayers. Choral evensong attracts many people: believers (of all denominations), ex-believers and non-believers. This paradox, the popularity of choral evensong in a so-called secularized country such as the Netherlands, attracts attention and raises questions. What exactly is going on here? Why is choral evensong so popular in contemporary society? The central topic of the research presented in this volume is the appropriation of Anglican choral evensong within the Dutch context in relation to religious dynamics in Dutch culture.

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