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GOD'S DNA

A METAPHOR FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT'S MINISTRY

Xlibris Corporation There have been all kinds of explanations suggested for what happened at Pentecost. When God first poured out his Spirit's Life upon the church it became obvious that God was at work. Many explanations of what happened at Pentecost have reduced this spiritual phenomenon to a list of things we ought to be doing. What this approach to ministry forgets is that Pentecost was not about what we need to be doing. It is about what God was doing and what God continues to do by bringing Christ to dwell within God's people. Pentecost show us that you can't reduce the mystery of life in the Spirit to a ministry model that can be duplicated whenever we want. If it could wouldn't that have happened by now in America? May I ask you to consider whether any ministry program has brought lasting revival to this nation? What I believe we have seen is the hope for revival being shared; and we are very passionate about that. But our passion or our programs will not produce life in us or in others. Only God can do that! What we need is a fundamental transformation of our lives and ministries. Only the Spirit of God can cause a person to be born again (John 3:5-7). Only the Spirit of God can enable a walk with Jesus (Galatians 3:1-3). And only the Spirit of God can bring about the awakening and revival that this nation needs (Acts 4:31). Pentecost teaches us that it is not about having the right model for ministry. If anyone had a model for ministry that could not be improved upon it was Israel. God told Moses to make their ministry after the "pattern" he had seen on the Mountain as he met with God (Exodus 25:9, 40). And while this ministry was to be preformed it had no power to transform the lives of those believers who faithfully sought to maintain its ritual because their hearts could not be changed by the outward observance of any law (Hebrews 7:19). The author of the Epistle to the Hebrews puts it this way, "This is why Moses was warned when he was about to build the tabernacle: 'See to it that you make everything according to the pattern shown you on the mountain'" (Hebrews 8:5). "But God found fault with the people and said, 'The time is coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they did not remain faithful to my covenant, and I turned away from them. This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time, declares the Lord. I will put my laws in their minds and write them upon their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest. For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.' By calling this covenant 'new,' he has made the first one obsolete; and what is obsolete and aging will soon disappear" (Hebrews 8:8-13). So it is not about getting our model for ministry right or about having the right program or is it about knowing Christ and walking as he did; but only the Spirit's presence in our lives can do that! The book of Acts shows this over and over again. Luke had already written the gospel named after him and he refers to this as "my former book" when he starts his preface in Acts (Acts 1:1). He says that the gospel of Luke recorded, "all that Jesus began to do and to teach until the day he was taken up to heaven." He then wrote Acts which recorded what Jesus continued to do and teach, except now it is through the agency of the church as empowered by his Holy Spirit. Luke's record is a diary of what happened as God's presence returned to earth with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the church. Jesus was on the throne in glory but he

THE PAULINE METAPHORS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

THE INTANGIBLE SPIRIT'S TANGIBLE PRESENCE IN THE LIFE OF THE CHRISTIAN

Peter Lang In the Pauline literature of the New Testament, the characteristics of the Spirit and Christian life are described through the use of metaphor. An interpreter of Paul must understand his metaphors in order to arrive at a complete understanding of the Pauline pneumatological perspective. Thus, The Pauline Metaphors of the Holy Spirit examines how the Pauline Spirit metaphors express the intangible Spirit's tangible presence in the life of the Christian. Rhetoricians prior to and contemporary with Paul discussed the appropriate usage of metaphor. Aristotle's thoughts provided the foundation from which these rhetoricians framed their arguments. In this context, The Pauline Metaphors surveys the use of metaphor in the Greco-Roman world during the NT period and also studies modern approaches to metaphor. The modern linguistic theories of substitution, comparison, and verbal opposition are offered as representative examples, as well as the conceptual theories of interaction, cognitive-linguistic, and the approach of Zoltán Kövecses. In examining these metaphors, it is important to understand their systematic and coherent attributes. These can be divided into structural, orientational, and ontological characteristics, which are rooted in the conceptual approach of metaphor asserted by George Lakoff and Mark Johnson. This book evaluates these characteristics against each of the Pauline Spirit-metaphors.

DICTIONARY OF BIBLICAL IMAGERY

InterVarsity Press This reference work explores the images, symbols, motifs, metaphors, figures of speech, and literary patterns found in the Bible. With over 800 articles by over 100 expert contributors, this is an inviting, enlightening and indispensable companion to the reading, study, contemplation and enjoyment of the Bible.

THE PREACHER AS LITURGICAL ARTIST

METAPHOR, IDENTITY, AND THE VICARIOUS HUMANITY OF CHRIST

Wipf and Stock Publishers Trygve Johnson invites us to consider a new metaphor of identity of The Preacher as Liturgical Artist. This identity draws on a theology of communion and the doctrine of the vicarious humanity of Christ to relocate the preacher's identity in the creative and ongoing ministry of Jesus Christ. Johnson argues the metaphorical association of the preacher and artist understood within the artistic ministry of Jesus Christ frees the full range of human capacities, including the imagination to bear upon the arts of Christian proclamation. The Preacher as Liturgical Artist connects preachers to the person and work of Jesus Christ, whose own double ministry took the raw materials of the human condition and offered them back to the Father in a redemptive and imaginative fashion through the Holy Spirit. It is in the large creative ministry of Jesus Christ that preachers find their creativity freed to proclaim the gospel bodily within the context of the liturgical work of God's people.

MINISTRY IN THE IMAGE OF GOD

THE TRINITARIAN SHAPE OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

InterVarsity Press Merit winner in the 2006 Christianity Today Book Awards! "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Those of us called to Christian ministry are commissioned and sent by Jesus, just as he himself was called and sent by the Father. Thus we naturally pattern our ministries after Christ's example. But distinctively Christian service involves the Spirit as well, just as Jesus himself accomplished his ministry in the power of the Spirit. Thus the whole Trinity--Father, Son and Holy Spirit--gives shape to truly authentic Christian ministry. Though as Christians we all affirm the doctrine of the Trinity, many of us might struggle to explain how understanding the Trinity could actually shape our ministry. Stephen Seamands demonstrates how a fully orbed theology of the Trinity transforms

our perception and practice of vocational ministry. Theological concepts like relationality and perichoresis have direct relevance to pastoral life and work, especially in unfolding a trinitarian approach to relationships, service and mission. A thoroughly trinitarian outlook provides the fuel for our ministry "of Jesus Christ, to the Father, through the Holy Spirit, on behalf of the church and the world." Essential reading for pastors, parachurch workers, counselors, missionaries, youth ministers and all who are called to any vocation of Christian ministry.

THE DEACON'S MINISTRY

Gracewing Publishing

GOD'S FIRE STARTERS

Xulon Press When it comes to having a desire to see things change, it is obvious that most Christians are ready for it! The problem is that churches have tried every program available, and yet they still feel that there is something missing from their ministry. This book takes a fresh look at ministry and challenges us to consider that we may have actually left God out of the ministry equation, by not realizing how desperately we need for Gods Spirit to set us on fire! Take a journey through the Bible and discover for yourself, how Gods fire is present when God is on the move! Discover how Gods fire reveals his character as well as our calling to be transformed into the image of Christ! You will also discover how being one of Gods Fire Starters can be one of the most exciting adventures of anyones life! Donald A. Broadwater was born in Roanoke, Virginia and spent most of his early life growing up around the Blue Ridge Mountains. He graduated from Covenant College and Westminster Theological Seminary, and for the past three decades, Don and his family have been on an adventure that has taken them from America to Australia. He is married to Gloria and has two grown children from their 37-year marriage. God has unfolded a unique ministry of discipleship that has sought to encourage people to take their next step on a Journey in Jesus. This ministry is needed because our journeys are as unique as God who is fashioning them for us. He has also spoken for church camps and seminars, which have included the international conference, Fire on the Mountain, on Mt. Tambourine in Queensland, Australia. Contact him at www.journeyinjesus.com for additional information or for scheduling seminars for your ministry.

METAPHOR, MORALITY, AND THE SPIRIT IN ROMANS 8

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SBL Press Engage compelling arguments that challenge prominent positions in Pauline studies In this innovative book, William E. W. Robinson takes the reader on a journey through Romans 8:1-17 using Conceptual Metaphor Theory and Conceptual Integration Theory. Robinson delineates the underlying cognitive metaphors, their structure, their function, what they mean, and how Paul's audiences then and now are able to comprehend their meaning. He examines each metaphor in the light of relevant aspects of the Greco-Roman world and Paul's Jewish background. Robinson contends that Paul portrays the Spirit as the principal agent in the religious-ethical life of believers. At the same time, his analysis demonstrates that the conceptual metaphors in Romans 8:1-17 convey the integral role of believers in ethical conduct. In the process, he addresses thorny theological issues such as whether Spirit and flesh signal an internal battle within believers or two conflicting ways of life. Finally, Robinson shows how this study is relevant to related Pauline passages and challenges scholars to incorporate these methods into their own investigation of biblical texts. Features: Sustained argument that sheds new light on how Paul communicates with his audiences Substantial contribution to current debates about central theological concepts Conceptual Metaphor Theory and Conceptual Integration Theory applied to the metaphors in Romans 8:1-17

REORDERING THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION

STARTING WITH SCRIPTURE

SCM Press What would theological reflection look like if scripture were the starting point? For many, beginning the process of formation the bible is already a natural place to begin, and models of theological reflection which start in other places can be hard to swallow. All too often, as a result, they reject the idea of reflecting theologically altogether, an outcome which is damaging for their future ministry and for the church as a whole. This book to re-discover the theological heart of the discipline of practical theology and develop new methods which take scripture and tradition more seriously. Offering an alternative to the usual models of theological reflection, this careful and helpful guide demonstrates to students the possibilities which emerge when the starting point for theological reflective practice

CROSSING THE THRESHOLD

METAPHORS OF AN EVOLVING FAITH - A MEMOIR

FriesenPress In Crossing the Threshold, Metaphors of an Evolving Faith, Harlene Walker invites us to accompany her on a metaphorical hike through her cathedral forest while she explores her Christian faith and spirituality. In the land of "don't know," the landscape changes radically until we finally come to an open garden of compassion. Her faith-life evolves: realistically she recognizes that our society has evolved from post-Christian to post-theistic. In this new paradigm, as she laughs, cries, and feels frustrated or surprised, she sees both her spirituality and her faith strengthen. She has prepared herself, and us, to grow deeper into the wisdom of the heart and soul. As we accompany her through many personal conversions, Walker shows us that crossing thresholds is the work of body, mind, and spirit, and that there is more than one threshold to cross.

TOWARD THE FUTURE OF REFORMED THEOLOGY

TASKS, TOPICS, TRADITIONS

Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing This is a print on demand book and is therefore non- returnable. Toward the Future of Reformed Theology brings together the voices of leading contemporary Reformed theologians from around the world, providing a unique summary of the range and wealth of Reformed theology today and exploring its potential for the future. These thirty-one essays consider the task of Reformed theology in the modern world, give Reformed perspectives on key theological themes, and suggest fruitful present-day trajectories of Reformed thought from the past. Contributors: Brian GerrishM Janos Pasztor Nobuo Watanabe Choan-Seng Song Edmund Za Bik Wafiq Wahba John de Gruchy J rgen Moltmann Michael Welker Beatriz Melano Thomas Torrance David Willis William Placher Alexander McKelway Leanne Van Dyk Christian Link Lukas Vischer Walter Herrenbr ck Nancy Duff Hans-Joachim Kraus John Leith Willem Balke Hans- Helmut Esser Dawn DeVries Jan Milic Lochman John Hesselink Sang Hyun Lee Amy Plantinga Pauw Bruce McCormack Daniel Migliore Eberhard Busch

THE WHOLE WORKS OF THE REV. EBENEZER ERSKINE, MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL AT STIRLING

CONSISTING OF SERMONS AND DISCOURSES, ON IMPORTANT AND INTERESTING SUBJECTS. TO WHICH IS ADDED, AN ENLARGED MEMOIR OF THE AUTHOR, BY D. FRASER

RECLAIMING PROPHECY

Certa Publishing Is there a way to experience prophetic ministry in a God-honoring way—without all the mess and confusion? Prophetic ministry is the Holy Spirit's gift to the Church. Yet this gift has been abused, confused, and misused, making it difficult for today's

Church leaders to embrace. With biblically sound delivery, Darin Slack offers a compelling perspective based on his thirty years of experience in prophetic ministry. He challenges indifference and complacency, while discouraging doctrinal disorder in the administration of the gift. Slack provides a powerful and much needed balance that will allow Church leaders to see the great potential for blessing in the prophetic while reducing the risk. Through Scripture, Slack offers leaders, from all doctrinal backgrounds, a faith-building process for realizing prophecy that leads to Church edification. (1 Cor. 14:3) This book is a must-have for every pastor or Church leader who desires to scripturally understand and implement prophetic ministry.

PREACHING TYPES & METAPHORS (KEACH)

Kregel Academic

A DICTIONARY OF THE BIBLE

VOLUME II, PART I (FEIGN - HYSSOP)

The Minerva Group, Inc. For over a century the ten-volume Dictionary of the Bible has been the definitive reference. "It is a Dictionary of the Old and New Testaments, together with the Old Testament Apocrypha, according to the Authorized and Revised English Versions, and with constant reference to the original tongues. ... Articles have been written on the names of all Persons and Places, on the Antiquities and Archaeology of the Bible, on its Ethnology, Geology, and Natural History, on Biblical Theology and Ethic, and even on the obsolete or archaic words occurring in the English Versions." James Hastings (1852-1922) was a distinguished scholar and pastor. He was founder and editor of the Expository Times and is also well known for editing the Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics, the Dictionary of Christ and the Gospels, and the Dictionary of the Apostolic Church.

SHARING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

THEOLOGY FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

Wipf and Stock Publishers Sharing in God's Presence means far more than "getting saved" and experiencing God's blessing in our lives. As believers, his presence becomes a very personal part of who we are and what we do--God actually shares himself with us! The language that we use often fails to capture the depths of God's nature penetrating ours, the fullness of his Spirit permeating our hearts, and the innermost infusion of his presence in our lives. But the truth couldn't be more intimate: "The person who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him" (1 Corinthians 6:17)! This book is an invitation to share in God's presence by allowing God to share himself with you. God wants everyone to share in his embrace. As we accept our responsibility for prayer, ministry, and even revival, we share in the very precious dynamic of give and response that's involved in an intimate walk with Jesus Christ. For a general readership, this book is a reworking of material from the second half of the author's academic work God's Absence and the Charismatic Presence.

HEAVEN'S EAGLE

A REVELATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN PSALM 91

WestBowPress Heaven's Eagle is a commentary on one of Scripture's most beloved passages, Psalm 91. It examines how God dealt with Moses, the author of the poem, using the figure of an eagle to describe the ways of the Holy Spirit. In Heaven's Eagle, you'll learn many fascinating insights, such as: - The eagle of Psalm 91 corresponds closely to the imagery of the Passover. - The cleft of the rock where God hid Moses is actually the place where eagles nest. - When Israel crossed the Red Sea, they were preceded by tens of thousands of eagles. - The eyesight of an eagle demonstrates seven ways the Holy Spirit gives the believer vision. - The eagle's mastery of wind gives deep insight into the ways of the Spirit. - Tales in many cultures speak of eagles fighting dragons (types of Satan and the Antichrist). - Eagles are raptors that carry away prey, much as the Holy Spirit will rapture believers. Heaven's Eagle is a valuable reference that will give you deeper understanding of Psalm 91 and other biblical passages that speak of the Holy Spirit in the metaphor of an eagle.

TROPOLOGIA; A KEY TO OPEN SCRIPTURE METAPHORS, ETC

SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP

A BIBLICAL THEOLOGY OF THE ROLE OF THE SPIRIT IN THE LEADERSHIP OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Wipf and Stock Publishers How should we see the Spirit at work in spiritual leaders today? How did the Spirit work through spiritual leaders in the Bible? While many books on spiritual leadership look at the culture around us and offer sound advice from biblical principles, this study asks Scripture first what the Spirit did through spiritual leaders in the Bible in order to figure out what the Spirit should be doing through spiritual leaders today.

PRACTICAL CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY

EXAMINING THE GREAT DOCTRINES OF THE FAITH

Kregel Academic (4th edition) "One of the best outlined, one-volume books on theology in print." —Dr. Harold L. Wilmington, Liberty University

PREACHING FROM THE TYPES AND METAPHORS OF THE BIBLE

Ravenio Books Originally titled "Tropologia: A Key to Open Scripture Metaphors," this priceless classic is organized as follows: The Divine Authority of the Holy Scriptures Book 1. Philologia Sacra; or Their Proper Heads and Classes, With a Brief Explication of Each Part I Part II Of Types Of Parables Book 2. Metaphors, Allegories, Similes, Types, Etc., Respecting the Members of the Trinity God the Father, the First Person in the Trinity The Second Person in the Glorious Trinity The Third Person of the Blessed Trinity Book 3. Metaphors, Allegories, Similes, Types, Etc., That Relate to the Most Sacred Word of God Book 4. Metaphors, Allegories, Similies, Types, Etc., Respecting Grace and the Blessed Ordinances of the Gospel Grace Baptism The Lord's Supper The Holy Angels of God The Soul and Spirit of Man The Church of God Men in General The Saints Wicked Men True Ministers of the Gospel False Teachers and Churches Sin and the Devil The Devil The Means of Grace Affliction The End of the World The and Death Life of Man The Resurrection and the Life to Come Hell Types of the Old Testament Explained

A MAN OF THE CHURCH

HONORING THE THEOLOGY, LIFE, AND WITNESS OF RALPH DEL COLLE

Wipf and Stock Publishers Ralph del Colle was born in New York City on October 3, 1954 and was raised in Mineola, Long Island. He attended Xavier High School in Chelsea and received a BA in History and Literature of Religions from New York University, and MDiv, MPhil, and PhD degrees from Union Theological Seminary. Ralph taught for 17 years in the Marquette University Theology Department; prior to that he taught at Barry University, Miami Shores, Florida and at St. Anselm College, Manchester, New Hampshire. Ralph's

lively Christian faith and interest in church unity led to his participation in ecumenical dialogues. He served as a representative to the International Catholic-Pentecostal Dialogue for the Pontifical Council on Christian Unity for 12 years and also served on the Catholic-Reformed Dialogue and Catholic-Evangelical Dialogue, both for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. He was invited by the Pontifical Council to serve as a representative to the World Council of Churches Assembly in Harare, Zimbabwe in 1998. In 2002-2003, he served as the President of the Society for Pentecostal Studies and in 2003 Ralph received the Archbishop's Vatican II Award. Ralph's scholarly work, especially his work on the Holy Spirit, made significant contributions to the field of Systematic Theology. Ralph died in July of 2012, slightly more than four weeks after he was diagnosed with a rare form of liver cancer. He was fifty-seven.

SPIRITUALITY IN MINISTERIAL FORMATION

THE DYNAMIC OF PRAYER IN LEARNING

University of Wales Press This is a ground-breaking study into a crucial area of theological education. It traces the origin and evolution of the formation model of training and identifies what difference this paradigm makes to present practice. It uncovers significant and surprising functions of prayer in the formational and learning process as discovered in empirical research (informed by theological and psychological perspectives on prayer) among a sample of newly ordained clergy and tutors. The practical implications of the research are identified, offering creative ideas for a renewed understanding and praxis of the role of prayer in learning. This is essential reading for theological students and teachers alike, and calls for a clearer articulation of a spirituality of education as needed by our present culture and context.

CANON LAW AS MINISTRY

FREEDOM AND GOOD ORDER FOR THE CHURCH

Paulist Press "James Coriden offers a vision of canon law in the Catholic Church - seeing it not as an instrument of control but as a guide and guarantee of freedom for believers. In the process he emphatically joins the ongoing debate about the role of church law, a debate that he believes "will have profound implications for the long term," possibly reshaping the law and indeed "the very face of the church." While his message is addressed primarily to professional canonists, it will resonate among all Catholics who care about the way their church functions." "The view of canon law that unfolds in these pages is that of a ministry that upholds the freedom of believers and the good order of the community. This is based on the assumption that "church" is first of all a local community rather than a global structure. The test of effective law depends upon its service to the lived experience of its members in their own cultural, economic and social situations." "The concluding section of this book sets forth "An Urgent Agenda for the Future of the Ministry," particularly in the way church law is revised and amended."--BOOK JACKET.Title Summary field provided by Blackwell North America, Inc. All Rights Reserved

THE PREACHER AS ARTIST

METAPHOR, IDENTITY, AND THE VICARIOUS HUMANITY OF CHRIST

GTROPOLOGIA: A KEY TO OPEN SCRIPTURE METAPHORS [BY B. KEACH AND T. DELAUNE. 3 VOLS. VOL.1, 2 WANT THE TITLE-LEAVES AND ARE OTHERWISE IMPERF. VOL.3 IS ENTITLED GTROPOSHYMALOGIA [SIC] BY B.K.]. REVISED. BY B. KEACH

SYSTEM AND STORY

NARRATIVE CRITIQUE AND CONSTRUCTION IN THEOLOGY

Wipf and Stock Publishers System and Story is intended to develop a means for bridging the gap between critics of system and those who may find value in doing systematics from a Biblically oriented context. Narrative theologians have rightly identified and critiqued the development of system in academic theology. Unfortunately, they have not identified the ways in which systematic elements have always played a role in theological knowledge. This study demonstrates the inherent systematic tendencies that still exist in narrative approaches to theology, while at the same time acknowledging the appropriateness of aspects of the narrative critique of system. The reaction against Enlightenment modernism is examined from the perspective of the heightened role of system in religious epistemology. The work of Stanley Hauerwas serves to carry much of the conversation regarding the critique of system and a narrative alternative as it is discovered in communal formation. After "summarizing" Hauerwas' theology, if such a thing is possible, the final chapters explore the ecclesiological concerns of narrative theologians according to a more systematic rendering of pneumatology. A Biblical rendering of pneumatology from the perspective of the Spirit's role in ecclesiology allows for a modest (i.e., pre-modern) systematic presentation commensurate with narrative communal formation. Thus, the narrative attempt to once again "do" theology for the church is seen as compatible with a Scriptural (i.e., modestly systematic) theology of the Spirit.

THESSALONIANS

THEN AND NOW

iUniverse Thessalonians: Then & Now works on the assumption that what Paul had to say to those he addressed, concerned matters they could understand. While they were not seminary trained professional theologians, or pastors, they could nevertheless as rank and file work a day Christians, understand the face value meaning of his words. More than this, what Paul had to say had practical bearing on their lives at that moment in history. Hence, while 1900 years of Christian history may have added a superfluity of extra-biblical traditions to Christian faith and practice, the original fountain remains, and modern day Christians can still drink there and receive spiritual nourishment for their lives today. Thessalonians: Then & Now is a book that does not reflect any particular biased contemporary denominational agenda, but instead it seeks to permit the text to speak for itself and thus allow Christians to relate biblical truth to their personal lives in the world in which we live.

CHILDREN MATTER

CELEBRATING THEIR PLACE IN THE CHURCH, FAMILY, AND COMMUNITY

Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Explores how the church can better minister to children inside and outside of the Christian education classroom. Draws on the Bible, psychology, and the authors' experience in various Protestant traditions.

FROM PENTECOST TO THE TRIUNE GOD

A PENTECOSTAL TRINITARIAN THEOLOGY

Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing In From Pentecost to the Triune God Steven Studebaker puts forth a provocative Pentecostal Trinitarian theology, arguing that the Holy Spirit completes the fellowship of the triune God and therefore shapes the identities of the Father and the Son. The Holy Spirit, Studebaker maintains, is not simply a passive end-product of a procession from the Father and Son but, rather, a dynamic person who plays an active role in the Trinity and a constitutional, consummational role in the history of redemption. In the course of his study, Studebaker shows the theological yield of the Pentecostal experience of the Holy Spirit and uncovers the biblical narratives of the Spirit from creation to Pentecost. A constructive and ecumenical contribution to Trinitarian theology, From Pentecost to the Triune God also engages major historical and contemporary figures such as Augustine, the Cappadocians, Weinandy, and Zizioulas, as well as representatives from the evangelical and charismatic traditions. Finally, Studebaker applies his Pentecostal Trinitarian theology to the theology of religions and creation care, proposing that Christians embrace an inclusive posture toward people of other religious traditions and have an earth orientation that sees creation care as Christian formation.

METANOIA (REPENTANCE): A MAJOR THEME OF THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

Wipf and Stock Publishers Matthew describes the beginning of Jesus's ministry with the summary words, "μετανοείτε (repent/turn), for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (3:2; 4:17). Why does Matthew use this command, μετανοείτε, at the beginning of his ministry, and how does it relate to the rest of the Gospel? What do μετανοέω and μετάνοια mean? Scholars have stated that μετανοέω in 4:17 has critical value for understanding Matthew because the verse functions as a summary statement (or key phrase) of Jesus's public ministry and teaching. This book argues the thematic significance of μετάνοια (turning/repentance) in the Gospel of Matthew. The lexical idea of μετανοέω and μετάνοια involves a turning of mind (or heart, will, thinking) and behavior, and so in turn of one's whole being and life. This opening commandment of turning (μετανοέω), especially the concept, the essence, and the contents is fully revealed throughout the body of Matthew in various ways. Discipleship, the language of righteousness, doing the will of God, changing one's heart and mind, the Great Commission, and Matthean soteriological theme convey the essence of μετάνοια and the contents of the fruit worthy of μετάνοια(3:2, 8; 4:17). The five major teaching blocks (5-7; 10; 13; 18; 23-25) teach the theme and the content of μετάνοια.

CHRISTIAN FRUIT--JEWISH ROOT

THEOLOGY OF HEBRAIC RESTORATION

Golden Key Press Christian Fruit--Jewish Root is an in-depth, scholarly examination of the Hebraic foundations of the major tenets and practices of Christianity. This volume confirms the truth that the inherent Jewishness of the Christian faith is simply an undeniable historical and theological fact. By evaluating Christian doctrine and polity through the Jewish mindset of Jesus and the apostles, this book uncovers a veritable treasure of Hebraic truth. For every authentic Christian fruit, there is a Jewish toot! This truth is demonstrated across a wide spectrum of theological truth, including: Scripture, Messiah, Salvation, Faith, Baptism, Gospel, Grace, and Discipleship. Christianity owes a profound debt of gratitude to the Jewish people and to biblical and Second Temple Judaism for the foundations of the truths and practices that it hold dear. As you read this challenging, informative, and inspirational book, you will be amazed at just how Jewish Christianity, the "other Jewish religion," actually is.

UNDERSTANDING MINISTERIAL LEADERSHIP

ESSAYS CONTRIBUTING TO A DEVELOPING THEOLOGY OF MINISTRY

Wipf and Stock Publishers "This project began in a conversation with Ralph Lebold in the halls of Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana. Over the course of several years, I had been in many different locations where significant presentations had been made related to emerging understandings of pastoral ministry. I knew that important things were being spoken which had not been heard for three decades in most Mennonite settings. New wineskins were containing new ways of understanding ministry." -- From the Preface

THE POPE AND THE WORLD

THE THOUGHTS OF POPE BENEDICT XVI

Cambridge Scholars Publishing Pope Benedict XVI, while Pope, but also for years before that as Priest, Bishop, Theologian, Cardinal and Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, has long engaged in a dialogue that has sought to clarify the relationship between the sacred and the secular. While initially considered progressive when engaged as peritus at the Second Vatican Council, the years have shown that he does not easily fit into any form of categorisation. While many of his peers have accused him of changing his views on the engagement of the Church in the world, Joseph Ratzinger argues that he has been consistent in his views while responding to a changing context. This book tracks the ideas of the Pope Emeritus across the years and across many themes as he battles with the rapidly changing modern world. It becomes clear that there has been no about-face in his positions over time, but, rather, that there is a definite consistency in his sense of directing the sacred—whether dealing with the Liturgy in a time of increasing worldliness or discussing the place of the faith in the civil-political sphere—across all spheres towards God and the transcendent. As he has lived and guided during an increasingly turbulent era for the Church, this has meant that his perspective and the clarity and precision of his words have placed him as a sign of contradiction in the world, just as he argues the Church should be.

LIFE IS A METAPHOR

RECOGNIZING GOD IN THE EVERYDAY

During His earthly ministry, Jesus taught people using parables, similes and metaphors. This book of devotional readings will help people today see how Jesus, through the Holy Spirit, still uses metaphors to teach us about God, sin and His everlasting kingdom. Readers will encounter Jesus speaking metaphorically in their daily lives so their understanding of God in Christ will grow deeper and their faith in the Lord will grow stronger.

APPROACHING GOD (ENNS)

Kregel Publications

THE DECADES OF HENRY BULLINGER, MINISTER OF THE CHURCH OF ZURICH, TRANSLATED BY H. I.

THE FOURTH DECADE

Wipf and Stock Publishers

HANDBOOK OF PENTECOSTAL CHRISTIANITY

Northern Illinois University Press

THE HOLY SPIRIT

LORD AND LIFE-GIVER

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TRAJECTORIES IN THE BOOK OF ACTS

ESSAYS IN HONOR OF JOHN WESLEY WYCKOFF

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