

Jesus Apocalyptic Prophet Of The New Millennium Bart D Ehrman

WHEN PEOPLE SHOULD GO TO THE BOOKS STORES, SEARCH LAUNCH BY SHOP, SHELF BY SHELF, IT IS ESSENTIALLY PROBLEMATIC. THIS IS WHY WE GIVE THE BOOKS COMPILATIONS IN THIS WEBSITE. IT WILL UNCONDITIONALLY EASE YOU TO LOOK GUIDE **JESUS APOCALYPTIC PROPHET OF THE NEW MILLENNIUM BART D EHRMAN** AS YOU SUCH AS.

BY SEARCHING THE TITLE, PUBLISHER, OR AUTHORS OF GUIDE YOU TRULY WANT, YOU CAN DISCOVER THEM RAPIDLY. IN THE HOUSE, WORKPLACE, OR PERHAPS IN YOUR METHOD CAN BE EVERY BEST AREA WITHIN NET CONNECTIONS. IF YOU TAKE AIM TO DOWNLOAD AND INSTALL THE **JESUS APOCALYPTIC PROPHET OF THE NEW MILLENNIUM BART D EHRMAN**, IT IS ENORMOUSLY EASY THEN, PREVIOUSLY CURRENTLY WE EXTEND THE JOIN TO BUY AND MAKE BARGAINS TO DOWNLOAD AND INSTALL **JESUS APOCALYPTIC PROPHET OF THE NEW MILLENNIUM BART D EHRMAN** FITTINGLY SIMPLE!

JESUS BART D. EHRMAN 1999 FEW BIOGRAPHICAL WORKS SPARK PASSIONS AS INTENSELY AS DO INTERPRETATIONS OF THE LIFE OF JESUS. IN THIS HIGHLY ACCESSIBLE BOOK, BART EHRMAN REVIEWS THE LATEST TEXTUAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESEARCH INTO JESUS'S LIFE AND THE HISTORY OF FIRST-CENTURY PALESTINE, AND DRAWS A FASCINATING, CONTROVERSIAL PORTRAIT OF THE MAN AND HIS TEACHINGS.

JESUS, APOCALYPTIC PROPHET OF THE NEW MILLENNIUM SEEKS TO SHOW GENERAL READERS WHAT HISTORIANS HAVE LONG KNOWN ABOUT THE GOSPELS AND THE MAN WHO STANDS BEHIND THEM. THROUGH A CAREFUL EVALUATION OF THE NEW TESTAMENT GOSPELS AND OTHER SURVIVING SOURCES, INCLUDING THE MORE RECENTLY DISCOVERED GOSPELS OF THOMAS AND PETER, EHRMAN PROPOSES THAT JESUS CAN BE BEST UNDERSTOOD AS AN APOCALYPTIC

PROPHET, A MAN CONVINCED THAT THE WORLD WOULD END DRAMATICALLY WITHIN HIS LIFETIME, AND THAT A NEW KINGDOM WOULD BE CREATED ON EARTH--A JUST AND PEACEFUL KINGDOM RULED BY A BENEVOLENT GOD. ACCORDING TO EHRMAN, JESUS'S BELIEF IN A COMING APOCALYPSE AND HIS EXPECTATION OF AN UTTER REVERSAL IN THE WORLD'S SOCIAL ORGANIZATION UNDERSCORES NOT ONLY THE RADICALISM OF HIS TEACHINGS, BUT ALSO SHEDS LIGHT ON BOTH THE APPEAL OF HIS MESSAGE TO SOCIETY'S OUTCASTS AND THE THREAT HE POSED TO THE ESTABLISHED LEADERSHIP IN JERUSALEM. IN THIS SHARPLY-WRITTEN AND PERSUASIVE BOOK, EHRMAN SUGGESTS THAT THE APOCALYPTIC FERVOR THAT PERPETUALLY GRIPS LARGE SEGMENTS OF SOCIETY IS NOTHING NEW. INDEED, HISTORY'S MANY DOOMSAYERS, INCLUDING THOSE TODAY WHO ARE FRANTIC ABOUT THE APPROACHING MILLENNIUM, ARE CLOSE IN SPIRIT AND THINKING TO JESUS, WHO WAITED IN VAIN FOR THE IMMINENT ARRIVAL OF A NEW KINGDOM OF PEACE.

PETER, PAUL AND MARY MAGDALENE BART D EHRMAN
2006-05-01 BART EHRMAN, AUTHOR OF THE HIGHLY POPULAR BOOKS TRUTH AND FICTION IN THE DA VINCI CODE, LOST CHRISTIANITIES, AND THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER MISQUOTING JESUS, HERE TAKES READERS ON ANOTHER ENGAGING TOUR OF THE EARLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH, ILLUMINATING THE LIVES OF JESUS' MOST INTRIGUING FOLLOWERS: SIMON PETER, THE APOSTLE PAUL, AND MARY

MAGDALENE. WHAT DOES THE BIBLE TELL US ABOUT EACH OF THESE KEY FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST? WHAT LEGENDS HAVE SPRUNG UP ABOUT THEM IN THE CENTURIES AFTER THEIR DEATHS? WAS PAUL BOW-LEGGED AND BALD? WAS PETER CRUCIFIED UPSIDE DOWN? WAS MARY MAGDALENE A PROSTITUTE? IN THIS LIVELY WORK, EHRMAN SEPARATES FACT FROM FICTION, PRESENTING COMPLICATED HISTORICAL ISSUES IN A CLEAR AND INFORMATIVE WAY AND RELATING VIVID ANECDOTES CULLED FROM THE TRADITIONS OF THESE THREE FOLLOWERS. HE NOTES, FOR INSTANCE, THAT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE TO SUGGEST THAT MARY MAGDALENE WAS A PROSTITUTE (THIS LEGEND CAN BE TRACED TO A SERMON PREACHED BY GREGORY THE GREAT FIVE CENTURIES AFTER HER DEATH), AND LITTLE REASON TO THINK THAT SHE WAS MARRIED TO JESUS. SIMILARLY, THERE IS NO HISTORICAL EVIDENCE FOR THE WELL-KNOWN TALE THAT PETER WAS CRUCIFIED UPSIDE DOWN. A SERIOUS BOOK BUT VIBRANTLY WRITTEN AND LEAVENED WITH MANY COLORFUL STORIES, PETER, PAUL, AND MARY MAGDALENE WILL APPEAL TO ANYONE CURIOUS ABOUT THE EARLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH AND THE LIVES OF THESE IMPORTANT FIGURES. "AN INFORMED BUT BREEZY LOOK AT THE MYTHS SURROUNDING JESUS' MOST INFLUENTIAL FOLLOWERS.... THIS BOOK CONTAINS VALUABLE HISTORICAL SCHOLARSHIP. IT ALSO ENCOURAGES READERS TO APPROACH THE SCRIPTURES WITH FRESH AND ENLIGHTENED EYES." --CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR

JESUS THE JEW Geza Vermes 1981-01-01 This now classic book is a significant corrective to several recent developments in the study of the historical Jesus. In contrast to depictions of Jesus as a wandering cynic teacher, Geza Vermes offers a portrait based on evidence of charismatic activity in first-century Galilee. Vermes shows how the major New Testament titles of Jesus-prophet, Lord, Messiah, son of man, son of God-can be understood in this historical context. The result is a description of Jesus that retains its power and its credibility.

THE TEXT OF NEW TESTAMENT B.M. Metzger 1985

BORN BAD James Boyce 2014-07-23 "Original sin is the Western world's creation story." According to the doctrine of original sin, humans are born bad and only God's grace can bring salvation. In this captivating book, acclaimed historian James Boyce shows how these ideas have shaped the Western view of human nature right up to the present. The legacy of original sin takes many forms, including the distinctive discontent of Western people - the feelings of guilt and inadequacy associated not with doing wrong, but with being wrong. As well as an innovative history of Christianity, Boyce offers new insights into the making of the West. Born Bad traces a fascinating journey from Adam and Eve all the way to Adam Smith and

Richard Dawkins in this sweeping story of a controversial idea and its remarkable influence. "What is wrong with me? This question has haunted the West for fifteen hundred years, but until recently it came with an answer - which was called original sin. Western people believed they were "born bad" because they had inherited the sin of the first humans." — James Boyce "This highly original, readable book shows how the Christian idea that we are all somehow fundamentally warped has helped to shape democratic politics, free markets, sexual anxieties and even debates about whether dead babies go to heaven." — Marion Maddox, author of God Under Howard and Taking God to School

TERRIBLE REVOLUTION Christopher James Blythe 2020-06-17 The relationship between early Mormons and the United States was marked by anxiety and hostility, heightened over the course of the nineteenth century by the assassination of Mormon leaders, the Saints' exile from Missouri and Illinois, the military occupation of the Utah territory, and the national crusade against those who practiced plural marriage. Nineteenth-century Latter-day Saints looked forward to apocalyptic events that would unseat corrupt governments across the globe, particularly the tyrannical government of the United States. The

INFAMOUS "WHITE HORSE PROPHECY" REFERRED TO THIS COMING AMERICAN APOCALYPSE AS "A TERRIBLE REVOLUTION IN THE LAND OF AMERICA, SUCH AS HAS NEVER BEEN SEEN BEFORE; FOR THE LAND WILL BE LITERALLY LEFT WITHOUT A SUPREME GOVERNMENT." MORMONS ENVISIONED DIVINE DELIVERANCE BY WAY OF PLAGUES, NATURAL DISASTERS, FOREIGN INVASIONS, AMERICAN INDIAN RAIDS, SLAVE UPRISINGS, OR CIVIL WAR UNLEASHED ON AMERICAN CITIES AND AMERICAN PEOPLE. FOR THE SAINTS, THESE VIOLENT IMAGES PROMISED A NATIONAL REBIRTH THAT WOULD VOUCHSAFE THE PROTECTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND END THEIR OPPRESSION. IN TERRIBLE REVOLUTION, CHRISTOPHER JAMES BLYTHE EXAMINES APOCALYPTICISM ACROSS THE HISTORY OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS, PARTICULARLY AS IT TOOK SHAPE IN THE WRITINGS AND VISIONS OF THE LAITY. THE RESPONSES OF THE CHURCH HIERARCHY TO APOCALYPTIC LAY PROPHECIES PROMOTED THEIR OWN FORM OF SEPARATIST NATIONALISM DURING THE NINETEENTH CENTURY. YET, AFTER UTAH OBTAINED STATEHOOD, AS THE CHURCH SOUGHT TO ASSIMILATE TO NATIONAL RELIGIOUS NORMS, THESE SAME LEADERS SOUGHT TO LESSEN THE TENSIONS BETWEEN THEMSELVES AND AMERICAN POLITICAL AND CULTURAL POWERS. AS A RESULT, VISIONS OF A VIOLENT END TO THE NATION BECAME A LIABILITY TO DISAVOW AND REGULATE. ULTIMATELY,

BLYTHE ARGUES THAT THE VISIONARY WORLD OF EARLY MORMONISM, WITH ITS APOCALYPTIC EMPHASES, CONTINUED IN THE CHURCH'S MAINSTREAM CULTURE IN MODIFIED FORMS BUT CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN SEPARATIST RADICAL FORMS AT THE LEVEL OF FOLK-BELIEF.

APOCALYPTICISM IN THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS JOHN J. COLLINS 2002-01-04 SINCE THE PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS WERE RELEASED IN 1992, THERE HAS BEEN AN EXPLOSION OF INTEREST IN THEM. THIS VOLUME EXPLORES THE ISSUE OF APOCALYPTICISM IN THE SCROLLS; HOW THE NOTIONS OF THE 'END', MESSIANIC EXPECTATION AND ETERNAL LIFE AFFECTED THE DEAD SEA SECT, INFLUENCED JUDAISM AND FILTERED INTO CHRISTIANITY. COLLINS' VOLUME PROVIDES A VALUABLE AND ACCESSIBLE INTRODUCTION TO THE INTERPRETATION OF THE SCROLLS, WHICH IS AN INFORMATIVE ADDITION TO THE SERIES EXAMINING THE MAJOR THEMES OF THE SCROLL TEXTS.

THE PROPHET'S MANUAL JOHN ECKHARDT 2017-07-04 SHARPEN AND SUSTAIN YOUR PROPHETIC GIFT, AND LEARN STRATEGIES FOR SPEAKING THE WORD OF GOD WITH CONFIDENCE.

THE LATE GREAT PLANET EARTH HAL LINDSEY 2016-10-11 THE IMPACT OF THE LATE GREAT PLANET EARTH CANNOT BE OVERSTATED. THE NEW YORK TIMES CALLED IT THE "NO. 1 NON-FICTION BESTSELLER OF THE DECADE." FOR CHRISTIANS AND NON-CHRISTIANS OF THE

1970s, HAL LINDSEY'S BLOCKBUSTER SERVED AS A WAKE-UP CALL ON EVENTS SOON TO COME AND EVENTS ALREADY UNFOLDING -- ALL LEADING UP TO THE GREATEST EVENT OF ALL: THE RETURN OF JESUS CHRIST. THE YEARS SINCE HAVE CONFIRMED LINDSEY'S INSIGHTS INTO WHAT BIBLICAL PROPHECY SAYS ABOUT THE TIMES WE LIVE IN. WHETHER YOU'RE A CHURCH-GOING BELIEVER OR SOMEONE WHO WOULDN'T DARKEN THE DOOR OF A CHRISTIAN INSTITUTION, THE BIBLE HAS MUCH TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE IMMINENT FUTURE OF THIS PLANET. IN THE MIDST OF AN OUT-OF-CONTROL GENERATION, IT REVEALS A GRAND DESIGN THAT'S UNFOLDING EXACTLY ACCORDING TO PLAN. THE REBIRTH OF ISRAEL. THE THREAT OF WAR IN THE MIDDLE EAST. AN INCREASE IN NATURAL CATASTROPHES. THE REVIVAL OF SATANISM AND WITCHCRAFT. THESE AND OTHER SIGNS, FORESEEN BY PROPHETS FROM MOSES TO JESUS, PORTEND THE COMING OF AN ANTICHRIST . . . OF A WAR WHICH WILL BRING HUMANITY TO THE BRINK OF DESTRUCTION . . . AND OF INCREDIBLE DELIVERANCE FOR A DESPERATE, DYING PLANET.

JESUS THE APOCALYPTIC PROPHET CECILIA WASSEN
2021-01-14 IN THIS NEW ENGLISH LANGUAGE
TRANSLATION OF DEN OK[?]NDE JESUS (THE UNKNOWN JESUS),
CECILIA WASS[?]N AND TOBIAS H[?]GERLAND CONSIDER JESUS
AS AN APOCALYPTIC PROPHETIC FIGURE WITHIN THE CONTEXT
OF FIRST-CENTURY JUDAISM AND RECONSTRUCT THE LIFE OF
JESUS FROM HIS BIRTH TO HIS DEATH, WITH A FOCUS ON

UNDERSTANDING HIM IN THE CONTEXT OF HIS OWN TIME AND PLACE. ENGAGING CRITICALLY WITH THE SOURCES, THEY EXAMINE JESUS' LIFE IN ORDER OF EVENTS AND DRAW TOGETHER THE THREADS OF SCHOLARLY DISCUSSION ON THE HISTORY, ARCHAEOLOGY AND GEOGRAPHY OF FIRST-CENTURY GALILEE, FORMING A COMPLETE PICTURE OF JESUS' WORLD SUITABLE FOR NON-SPECIALISTS AND UNIVERSITY STUDENTS. WASS[?]N AND H[?]GERLAND PROVIDE A STRICTLY HISTORICAL RECONSTRUCTION, DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN THE RHETORICAL AIMS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT TEXTS AND THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PAST THAT THESE TEXTS CONTAIN. THEY ENHANCE THE TEXTS SURROUNDING JESUS IN THE CONTEXT OF FIRST-CENTURY GALILEE WITH HISTORICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL REFLECTIONS AND DISCUSSION, INCLUDING PENETRATING INSIGHTS FROM THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS. ILLUSTRATED THROUGHOUT WITH PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY THE AUTHORS SPECIFICALLY TO OFFER INSIGHTS INTO THE WORLD OF JESUS AND THE NEW TESTAMENT WRITINGS, JESUS THE APOCALYPTIC PROPHET PROVIDES A DEEPLY INFORMED INTRODUCTION TO JESUS IN HIS FIRST-CENTURY CONTEXT. BART EHRMAN INTERPRETED ROBERT M. PRICE 2018-04-24 ARGUABLY NO SCHOLAR IN THE 21ST CENTURY HAS HAD MORE OF AN IMPACT ON PUBLIC DISCUSSION AND DEBATE OVER THE HISTORICAL JESUS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF EARLY CHRISTIANITY THAN DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES, BART D. EHRMAN. HE HAS INTRODUCED MANY NEW

READERS TO CRUCIAL QUESTIONS OF BIBLICAL CRITICISM IN A SERIES OF BESTSELLING BOOKS. IN *BART EHRMAN INTERPRETED*, THEOLOGIAN AND WRITER ROBERT M. PRICE EVALUATES EHRMAN'S BODY OF WORK. TAKING A COLLEGIAL APPROACH AND REJECTING POLEMICS, PRICE DEFENDS EHRMAN'S WRITING AGAINST CONSERVATIVE ATTACKS BUT ALSO SUGGESTS A NUMBER OF POINTS AT WHICH EHRMAN MAY BE INSUFFICIENTLY OR INCONSISTENTLY CRITICAL. NO MATTER ONE'S VIEWS TOWARD EHRMAN, *BART EHRMAN INTERPRETED* WILL PROMPT MUCH FRUITFUL AND POSITIVE DISCUSSION OF HIS IMPORTANT WORK AND OF THE POPULAR AND SCHOLARLY DEBATES THAT SURROUND IT.

WHEN CHRISTIANS WERE JEWS PAULA FREDRIKSEN 2018-10-23 A COMPELLING ACCOUNT OF CHRISTIANITY'S JEWISH BEGINNINGS, FROM ONE OF THE WORLD'S LEADING SCHOLARS OF ANCIENT RELIGION HOW DID A GROUP OF CHARISMATIC, APOCALYPTIC JEWISH MISSIONARIES, WORKING TO PREPARE THEIR WORLD FOR THE IMPENDING REALIZATION OF GOD'S PROMISES TO ISRAEL, END UP INAUGURATING A MOVEMENT THAT WOULD GROW INTO THE GENTILE CHURCH? COMMITTED TO JESUS'S PROPHECY—"THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS AT HAND!"—THEY WERE, IN THEIR OWN EYES, HISTORY'S LAST GENERATION. BUT IN HISTORY'S EYES, THEY BECAME THE FIRST CHRISTIANS. IN THIS ELECTRIFYING SOCIAL AND INTELLECTUAL HISTORY, PAULA FREDRIKSEN ANSWERS THIS QUESTION BY RECONSTRUCTING THE LIFE OF THE EARLIEST

JERUSALEM COMMUNITY. AS HER ACCOUNT ARCS FROM THIS GROUP'S HOPEFUL CELEBRATION OF PASSOVER WITH JESUS, THROUGH THEIR BITTER CONTROVERSIES THAT FRAGMENTED THE MOVEMENT'S MIDCENTURY MISSIONS, TO THE CITY'S FIERY END IN THE ROMAN DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM, SHE BRINGS THIS VIBRANT APOSTOLIC COMMUNITY TO LIFE. FREDRIKSEN OFFERS A VIVID PORTRAIT BOTH OF THIS TEMPLE-CENTERED MESSIANIC MOVEMENT AND OF THE BEDROCK CONVICTIONS THAT ANIMATED AND SUSTAINED IT.

JESUS BART D. EHRMAN 1999 IN THIS SHARPLY WRITTEN AND PERVASIVE BOOK, EHRMAN PRESENTS A PROVOCATIVE PORTRAIT OF JESUS AS AN APOCALYPTIC VISIONARY WHO TAUGHT HIS FOLLOWERS TO PREPARE FOR THE IMMINENT END OF THE WORLD. 20 HALFTONES.

HOW HUMAN IS GOD? MARK S. SMITH 2014-07-07 WALTER CARDINAL KASPER HAS WRITTEN, "IT IS TIME, IT IS THE RIGHT TIME, TO SPEAK OF GOD." THIS BOOK INVITES READERS TO USE THEIR GOD-GIVEN ABILITY TO WORK THROUGH IMPORTANT QUESTIONS THAT MANY PEOPLE HAVE ABOUT GOD TODAY: WHY IS GOD SO ANGRY IN THE BIBLE? IS THE BIBLICAL GOD MALE OR FEMALE (OR WHAT)? WHO IS SATAN? WHY DO PEOPLE SUFFER? BY EXPLORING THE BIBLE'S ANSWERS TO THESE AND OTHER BIBLICAL QUESTIONS, PEOPLE CAN COME TO UNDERSTAND BETTER THEIR LIVING AND LOVING GOD.

JESUS BART D. EHRMAN 1999-09-23 IN THIS HIGHLY

ACCESSIBLE DISCUSSION, BART EHRMAN EXAMINES THE MOST RECENT TEXTUAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOURCES FOR THE LIFE OF JESUS, ALONG WITH THE HISTORY OF FIRST-CENTURY PALESTINE, DRAWING A FASCINATING PORTRAIT OF THE MAN AND HIS TEACHINGS. EHRMAN SHOWS US WHAT HISTORIANS HAVE LONG KNOWN ABOUT THE GOSPELS AND THE MAN WHO STANDS BEHIND THEM. THROUGH A CAREFUL EVALUATION OF THE NEW TESTAMENT (AND OTHER SURVIVING SOURCES, INCLUDING THE MORE RECENTLY DISCOVERED GOSPELS OF THOMAS AND PETER), EHRMAN PROPOSES THAT JESUS CAN BE BEST UNDERSTOOD AS AN APOCALYPTIC PROPHET--A MAN CONVINCED THAT THE WORLD WOULD END DRAMATICALLY WITHIN THE LIFETIME OF HIS APOSTLES AND THAT A NEW KINGDOM WOULD BE CREATED ON EARTH. ACCORDING TO EHRMAN, JESUS' BELIEF IN A COMING APOCALYPSE AND HIS EXPECTATION OF AN UTTER REVERSAL IN THE WORLD'S SOCIAL ORGANIZATION NOT ONLY UNDERSCORES THE RADICALISM OF HIS TEACHINGS BUT ALSO SHEDS LIGHT ON BOTH THE APPEAL OF HIS MESSAGE TO SOCIETY'S OUTCASTS AND THE THREAT HE POSED TO JERUSALEM'S ESTABLISHED LEADERSHIP.

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Lost Christianities BART D. EHRMAN 2005-09-15 THE EARLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH WAS A CHAOS OF CONTENDING BELIEFS. SOME GROUPS OF CHRISTIANS CLAIMED THAT THERE WAS NOT ONE GOD BUT TWO OR TWELVE OR THIRTY. SOME BELIEVED THAT THE WORLD HAD NOT BEEN CREATED BY GOD BUT BY A LESSER, IGNORANT DEITY. CERTAIN SECTS MAINTAINED THAT JESUS WAS HUMAN BUT NOT DIVINE, WHILE OTHERS SAID HE WAS DIVINE BUT NOT HUMAN. IN **LOST CHRISTIANITIES**, BART D. EHRMAN OFFERS A FASCINATING

LOOK AT THESE EARLY FORMS OF CHRISTIANITY AND SHOWS HOW THEY CAME TO BE SUPPRESSED, REFORMED, OR FORGOTTEN. ALL OF THESE GROUPS INSISTED THAT THEY UPHELD THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS AND HIS APOSTLES, AND THEY ALL POSSESSED WRITINGS THAT BORE OUT THEIR CLAIMS, BOOKS REPUTEDLY PRODUCED BY JESUS'S OWN FOLLOWERS. MODERN ARCHAEOLOGICAL WORK HAS RECOVERED A NUMBER OF KEY TEXTS, AND AS EHRMAN SHOWS, THESE SPECTACULAR DISCOVERIES REVEAL RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY THAT SAYS MUCH ABOUT THE WAYS IN WHICH HISTORY GETS WRITTEN BY THE WINNERS. EHRMAN'S DISCUSSION RANGES FROM CONSIDERATIONS OF VARIOUS "LOST SCRIPTURES"--INCLUDING FORGED GOSPELS SUPPOSEDLY WRITTEN BY SIMON PETER, JESUS'S CLOSEST DISCIPLE, AND JUDAS THOMAS, JESUS'S ALLEGED TWIN BROTHER--TO THE DISPARATE BELIEFS OF SUCH GROUPS AS THE JEWISH-CHRISTIAN EBIONITES, THE ANTI-JEWISH MARCIONITES, AND VARIOUS "GNOSTIC" SECTS. EHRMAN EXAMINES IN DEPTH THE BATTLES THAT RAGED BETWEEN "PROTO-ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS"--THOSE WHO EVENTUALLY COMPILED THE CANONICAL BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT AND STANDARDIZED CHRISTIAN BELIEF--AND THE GROUPS THEY DENOUNCED AS HERETICS AND ULTIMATELY OVERCAME. SCRUPULOUSLY RESEARCHED AND LUCIDLY WRITTEN, *LOST CHRISTIANITIES* IS AN EYE-OPENING ACCOUNT OF POLITICS, POWER, AND THE CLASH OF IDEAS AMONG CHRISTIANS IN THE

DECADES BEFORE ONE GROUP CAME TO SEE ITS VIEWS PREVAIL. *THE HISTORICAL JESUS* TEACHING COMPANY 2000 A SERIES OF 24 HALF-HOUR LECTURES ON A COLLEGE COURSE LEVEL. EXAMINES WHAT AVAILABLE SOURCES CAN RELIABLY TELL US ABOUT JESUS' WORDS AND DEEDS IN THE CONTEXT OF 1ST-CENTURY ROMAN PALESTINE AND THE JEWISH RELIGIOUS ENVIRONMENT OF THE TIME.

JESUS BEFORE THE GOSPELS BART D. EHRMAN 2016-03-01
THE BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF *MISQUOTING JESUS*, ONE OF THE MOST RENOWNED AND CONTROVERSIAL BIBLE SCHOLARS IN THE WORLD TODAY EXAMINES ORAL TRADITION AND ITS ROLE IN SHAPING THE STORIES ABOUT JESUS WE ENCOUNTER IN THE NEW TESTAMENT—AND ULTIMATELY IN OUR UNDERSTANDING OF CHRISTIANITY. THROUGHOUT MUCH OF HUMAN HISTORY, OUR MOST IMPORTANT STORIES WERE PASSED DOWN ORALLY—INCLUDING THE STORIES ABOUT JESUS BEFORE THEY BECAME WRITTEN DOWN IN THE GOSPELS. IN THIS FASCINATING AND DEEPLY RESEARCHED WORK, LEADING BIBLE SCHOLAR BART D. EHRMAN INVESTIGATES THE ROLE ORAL HISTORY HAS PLAYED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT—HOW THE TELLING OF THESE STORIES NOT ONLY SPREAD JESUS' MESSAGE BUT HELPED SHAPE IT. A MASTER EXPLAINER OF CHRISTIAN HISTORY, TEXTS, AND TRADITIONS, EHRMAN DRAWS ON A RANGE OF DISCIPLINES, INCLUDING PSYCHOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY, TO EXAMINE THE ROLE OF MEMORY IN THE CREATION OF THE GOSPELS. EXPLAINING HOW ORAL

TRADITION EVOLVES BASED ON THE LATEST SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, HE DEMONSTRATES HOW THE ACT OF TELLING AND RETELLING IMPACTS THE STORY, THE STORYTELLER, AND THE LISTENER—CRUCIAL INSIGHTS THAT CHALLENGE OUR TYPICAL HISTORICAL UNDERSTANDING OF THE SILENT PERIOD BETWEEN WHEN JESUS LIVED AND DIED AND WHEN HIS STORIES BEGAN TO BE WRITTEN DOWN. AS HE DID IN HIS PREVIOUS BOOKS ON RELIGIOUS SCHOLARSHIP, DEBATES ON NEW TESTAMENT AUTHORSHIP, AND THE EXISTENCE OF JESUS OF NAZARETH, EHRMAN COMBINES HIS DEEP KNOWLEDGE AND METICULOUS SCHOLARSHIP IN A COMPELLING AND EYE-OPENING NARRATIVE THAT WILL CHANGE THE WAY WE READ AND THINK ABOUT THESE SACRED TEXTS.

WHOSE WORD IS IT? BART D. EHRMAN 2008-01-01
LEADING BIBLICAL SCHOLAR BART EHRMAN REVEALS THE MANY CHALLENGING AND EVEN DISTURBING EARLY VARIATIONS OF OUR CHERISHED BIBLICAL STORIES.

THE LOST GOSPEL OF JUDAS ISCARIOT BART D. EHRMAN 2008-10-01
THE BIBLICAL SCHOLAR RECOUNTS THE EVENTS SURROUNDING THE DISCOVERY AND HANDLING OF THE GOSPEL OF JUDAS, AND PROVIDES AN OVERVIEW OF ITS CONTENT, IN WHICH JUDAS IS PORTRAYED AS A FAITHFUL DISCIPLE.

ELEPHANTS AND THEIR CALVES MARGARET HALL 2016-08
TEXT AND PHOTOGRAPHS DESCRIBE THE LIVES OF BABY ELEPHANTS CALVES FROM BIRTH TO EARLY MATURITY.

WHEN THE SON OF MAN DIDN'T COME CHRISTOPHER M. HAYS 2016-06-01
THE DELAY OF THE PAROUSIA—THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST—HAS VEXED CHRISTIANS SINCE THE FINAL DECADES OF THE FIRST CENTURY. THIS VOLUME OFFERS A CRITICAL, CONSTRUCTIVE, AND INTERDISCIPLINARY SOLUTION TO THAT DILEMMA. THE ARGUMENT IS GROUNDED IN CHRISTIAN TRADITION WHILE REMAINING FULLY ENGAGED WITH THE CRITICAL INSIGHTS AND METHODOLOGICAL APPROACHES OF TWENTY-FIRST-CENTURY SCHOLARS. THE AUTHORS ARGUE THAT THE DEFERRAL OF CHRIST'S PROPHESIED RETURN FOLLOWS LOGICALLY FROM THE CONDITIONAL NATURE OF ANCIENT PREDICTIVE PROPHECY: JESUS HAS NOT COME AGAIN BECAUSE GOD'S PEOPLE HAVE NOT YET RESPONDED SUFFICIENTLY TO CHRIST'S CALL FOR HOLY AND GODLY ACTION. GOD, IN PATIENT MERCY, REMAINS COMMITTED TO COOPERATING WITH HUMANS TO BRING ABOUT THE CONSUMMATION OF HISTORY WITH JESUS' RETURN. COLLABORATIVELY WRITTEN BY AN INTERDISCIPLINARY AND ECUMENICAL TEAM OF SCHOLARS, THE ARGUMENT DRAWS ON EXPERTISE IN BIBLICAL STUDIES, SYSTEMATICS, AND HISTORICAL THEOLOGY TO FUSE CRITICAL BIBLICAL EXEGESIS WITH A POWERFUL THEOLOGICAL PARADIGM THAT GENERATES AN APOPHATIC AND CONSTRUCTIVE CHRISTIAN ESCHATOLOGY. THE AUTHORS, HOWEVER, HAVE DONE MORE THAN TACKLE A DAUNTING THEOLOGICAL PROBLEM: AS THE GROUP TRAVERSES ISSUES FROM HIGHER CRITICISM THROUGH

DOCTRINE AND INTO LITURGY AND ETHICS, THEY PRESENT AN INNOVATIVE APPROACH FOR HOW TO DO CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY IN THE TWENTY-FIRST-CENTURY ACADEMY.

THE FATE OF THE DEAD RICHARD BAUCKHAM 1998-08-26

THESE PIONEERING STUDIES OF PERSONAL ESCHATOLOGY IN THE JEWISH AND CHRISTIAN APOCALYPSES, INCLUDING THOSE NEGLECTED APOCALYPSES WHICH FOCUS ON LIFE AFTER DEATH, MAKE AN IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TO UNDERSTANDING IDEAS AND IMAGES OF THE HEREAFTER IN EARLY JUDAISM AND CHRISTIANITY.

FORGED BART D. EHRMAN 2011-03-22 BART D. EHRMAN, THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF *JESUS, INTERRUPTED* AND *GOD'S PROBLEM* REVEALS WHICH BOOKS IN THE BIBLE'S NEW TESTAMENT WERE NOT PASSED DOWN BY JESUS'S DISCIPLES, BUT WERE INSTEAD FORGED BY OTHER HANDS—AND WHY THIS CENTURIES-HIDDEN SCANDAL IS FAR MORE SIGNIFICANT THAN MANY SCHOLARS ARE WILLING TO ADMIT. A CONTROVERSIAL WORK OF HISTORICAL REPORTING IN THE TRADITION OF ELAINE PAGELS, MARCUS BORG, AND JOHN DOMINIC CROSSAN, *FORGED* DELIVERS A STUNNING EXPLICATION OF ONE OF THE MOST SUBSTANTIAL—YET LEAST DISCUSSED—PROBLEMS CONFRONTING THE WORLD OF BIBLICAL SCHOLARSHIP.

TRUTH AND FICTION IN THE DA VINCI CODE BART D. EHRMAN 2006-05-18 IN HIS STAGGERINGLY POPULAR WORK OF FICTION, DAN BROWN STATES UP FRONT THAT THE

HISTORICAL INFORMATION IN THE *THE DA VINCI CODE* IS ALL FACTUALLY ACCURATE. BUT IS THIS CLAIM TRUE? AS HISTORIAN BART D. EHRMAN SHOWS IN THIS INFORMATIVE AND WITTY BOOK, *THE DA VINCI CODE* IS FILLED WITH NUMEROUS HISTORICAL MISTAKES. DID THE ANCIENT CHURCH ENGAGE IN A COVER-UP TO MAKE THE MAN JESUS INTO A DIVINE FIGURE? DID EMPEROR CONSTANTINE SELECT FOR THE NEW TESTAMENT--FROM SOME 80 CONTENDING GOSPELS--THE ONLY FOUR GOSPELS THAT STRESSED THAT JESUS WAS DIVINE? WAS JESUS CHRIST MARRIED TO MARY MAGDALENE? DID THE CHURCH SUPPRESS GOSPELS THAT TOLD THE SECRET OF THEIR MARRIAGE? BART EHRMAN THOROUGHLY DEBUNKS ALL OF THESE CLAIMS. BUT THE BOOK IS NOT MERELY A LAUNDRY LIST OF BROWN'S MISREADING OF HISTORY. THROUGHOUT, EHRMAN OFFERS A WEALTH OF FASCINATING BACKGROUND INFORMATION--ALL HISTORICALLY ACCURATE--ON EARLY CHRISTIANITY. HE DESCRIBES, FOR INSTANCE, THE DISCOVERY OF THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS ; OUTLINES IN SIMPLE TERMS HOW SCHOLARS OF EARLY CHRISTIANITY DETERMINE WHICH SOURCES ARE MOST RELIABLE; AND EXPLORES THE MANY OTHER GOSPELS THAT HAVE BEEN FOUND IN THE LAST HALF CENTURY. IN HIS ENGAGING BOOK, EHRMAN SEPARATES FACT FROM FICTION, THE HISTORICAL REALITIES FROM THE FLIGHTS OF LITERARY FANCY. ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE TRUTH ABOUT THE BEGINNINGS OF CHRISTIANITY AND THE REAL TRUTH BEHIND *THE DA VINCI CODE* WILL FIND THIS BOOK

RIVETING.

CAN WE TRUST THE BIBLE ON THE HISTORICAL JESUS? BART D. EHRMAN 2020-09-22 THIS BOOK FEATURES A LEARNED AND FASCINATING DEBATE BETWEEN TWO GREAT BIBLE SCHOLARS ABOUT THE NEW TESTAMENT AS A RELIABLE SOURCE ON THE HISTORICAL JESUS. BART EHRMAN, AN AGNOSTIC NEW TESTAMENT SCHOLAR, DEBATES CRAIG EVANS, AN EVANGELICAL NEW TESTAMENT SCHOLAR, ABOUT THE HISTORICAL JESUS AND WHAT CONSTITUTES "HISTORY." THEIR INTERACTION INCLUDES SUCH COMPELLING QUESTIONS AS: WHAT ARE SOUND METHODS OF HISTORICAL INVESTIGATION? WHAT ARE RELIABLE CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING THE AUTHENTICITY OF AN ANCIENT TEXT? WHAT ROLES DO REASON AND INFERENCE PLAY? AND, OF COURSE, INTERPRETATION? READERS OF THIS DEBATE—REGARDLESS OF THEIR INTERPRETIVE INCLINATIONS AND BIASES—ARE SURE TO FIND SOME CONFIRMATION OF THEIR EXISTING BELIEFS, BUT THEY WILL SURELY ALSO FIND AN HONEST AND WELL-INFORMED CHALLENGE TO THE WAY THEY THINK ABOUT THE HISTORICAL JESUS. THE RESULT? A MORE OPEN, BETTER INFORMED, AND QUESTIONING MIND, WHICH IS BETTER PREPARED FOR DISCOVERING BOTH TRUTH AND CONTRIVANCE. THE DEBATE BETWEEN EHRMAN AND EVANS ALONG WITH STEWART'S INTRODUCTORY FRAMEWORK MAKE THIS BOOK AN EXCELLENT PRIMER TO THE STUDY OF THE HISTORICAL JESUS, AND READERS WILL COME AWAY WITH A DEEPER

APPRECIATION FOR THE ONGOING QUEST FOR THE HISTORICAL JESUS.

WHAT EVERY CHRISTIAN NEEDS TO KNOW ABOUT THE QUR'AN JAMES R. WHITE 2013-05-01 A LOOK INSIDE THE SACRED BOOK OF ONE OF THE WORLD'S FASTEST-GROWING RELIGIONS WHAT USED TO BE AN EXOTIC RELIGION OF PEOPLE HALFWAY AROUND THE WORLD IS NOW THE BELIEF SYSTEM OF PEOPLE LIVING ACROSS THE STREET. THROUGH FAIR, CONTEXTUAL USE OF THE QUR'AN AS THE PRIMARY SOURCE TEXT, APOLOGIST JAMES R. WHITE PRESENTS ISLAMIC BELIEFS ABOUT CHRIST, SALVATION, THE TRINITY, THE AFTERLIFE, AND OTHER IMPORTANT TOPICS. WHITE SHOWS HOW THE SACRED TEXT OF ISLAM DIFFERS FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE BIBLE IN ORDER TO HELP CHRISTIANS ENGAGE IN OPEN, HONEST DISCUSSIONS WITH MUSLIMS.

JESUS AND THE CHAOS OF HISTORY JAMES CROSSLEY 2015-02-26 IN JESUS AND THE CHAOS OF HISTORY, JAMES CROSSLEY LOOKS AT THE WAY THE EARLIEST TRADITIONS ABOUT JESUS INTERACTED WITH A CONTEXT OF SOCIAL UPHEAVAL AND THE WAYS IN WHICH THIS HISTORICAL CHAOS OF THE EARLY FIRST CENTURY LED TO A RANGE OF IDEAS WHICH WERE TAKEN UP, MODIFIED, IGNORED, AND REINTERPRETED IN THE MOVEMENT THAT FOLLOWED. CROSSLEY EXAMINES HOW THE EARLIEST PALESTINIAN TRADITION INTERSECTED WITH SOCIAL UPHEAVAL AND HISTORICAL CHANGE AND HOW ACCIDENTAL, PURPOSEFUL,

DISCONTINUOUS, CONTRADICTIONARY, AND IMPLICIT MEANINGS IN THE DEVELOPMENTS OF IDEAS APPEARED IN THE MOVEMENT THAT FOLLOWED. HE CONSIDERS THE WAYS SEEMINGLY EGALITARIAN AND COUNTERCULTURAL IDEAS CO-EXIST WITH IDEAS OF DOMINANCE AND POWER AND HOW HUMAN REACTIONS TO SOCIO-ECONOMIC INEQUALITIES CAN END UP MIMICKING DOMINANT POWER. IN THIS CASE, THE BOOK ANALYZES HOW A GALILEAN "PROTEST" MOVEMENT LAID THE FOUNDATIONS FOR ITS OWN BRAND OF IMPERIAL RULE. THIS EVALUATION IS CARRIED OUT IN DETAILED STUDIES ON THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND "CHRISTOLOGY," "SINNERS" AND PURITY, AND GENDER AND REVOLUTION.

JESUS OF NAZARETH DALE C. ALLISON 1998 DALE ALLISON'S CLEARLY WRITTEN JESUS OF NAZARETH WILL ENABLE PEOPLE WHO HAVE FOLLOWED RECENT DISCUSSIONS TO VINDICATE AND RECLAIM THE CENTRAL RELIGIOUS SIGNIFICANCE OF THE HISTORICAL JESUS. ALLISON MAKES A CREATIVE CONTRIBUTION TO JESUS STUDIES IN SEVERAL WAYS: -- HE OFFERS NEW SUGGESTIONS FOR ESTABLISHING THE AUTHENTICITY OF JESUS' WORDS -- INCLUDING WHAT HE CALLS "THE INDEX OF INTERTEXTUAL LINKAGE" -- AND FOR THE PROCESS OF FRAMING A CONVINCING PICTURE OF THE CENTRAL THRUST AND PURPOSE OF THE ACTIVITY OF JESUS. - REFERRING TO FASCINATING CROSS-CULTURAL MILLENARIAN PARALLELS, HE SHOWS THAT THE IMPETUS FOR THE PRE-EASTER JESUS MOVEMENT WAS APOCALYPTIC IN NATURE AND

THAT THE HISTORICAL JESUS CAN BEST BE UNDERSTOOD AS AN ESCHATOLOGICAL PROPHET. -- HE PRESENTS THE FIRST FULL-LENGTH TREATMENT OF THE QUESTION OF JESUS AND ASCETICISM AND SHOWS THAT JESUS, FAR FROM THE IMAGE SUGGESTED BY SOME TODAY, WAS DRIVEN BY AN APOCALYPTIC ASCETICISM THAT EXTENDED TO MATTERS OF SEX, FOOD, AND SOCIAL RELATIONS.

FROM JESUS TO CHRIST PAULA FREDRIKSEN 2008-10-01 "MAGISTERIAL. . . . A LEARNED, BRILLIANT AND ENJOYABLE STUDY."—GEOFFREY VERMES, TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT IN THIS EXCITING BOOK, PAULA FREDRIKSEN EXPLAINS THE VARIETY OF NEW TESTAMENT IMAGES OF JESUS BY EXPLORING THE WAYS THAT THE NEW CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES INTERPRETED HIS MISSION AND MESSAGE IN LIGHT OF THE DELAY OF THE KINGDOM HE HAD PREACHED. THIS EDITION INCLUDES AN INTRODUCTION REVIEWS THE MOST RECENT SCHOLARSHIP ON JESUS AND ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR BOTH HISTORY AND THEOLOGY. "BRILLIANT AND LUCIDLY WRITTEN, FULL OF ORIGINAL AND FASCINATING INSIGHTS."—REGINALD H. FULLER, JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF RELIGION "THIS IS A FIRST-RATE WORK OF A FIRST-RATE HISTORIAN."—JAMES D. TABOR, JOURNAL OF RELIGION "FREDRIKSEN CONFRONTS HER DOCUMENTS—PRINCIPALLY THE WRITINGS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT—AS AN ARCHAEOLOGIST WOULD AN ESPECIALLY RICH COMPLEX SITE. WITH GREAT CARE SHE DISTINGUISHES THE LITERARY IMAGES FROM HISTORICAL FACT. AS SHE DOES

SO, SHE EXPLAINS THE IMAGES OF JESUS IN TERMS OF THE STRATEGIES AND PURPOSES OF THE WRITERS PAUL, MATTHEW, MARK, LUKE, AND JOHN.”—THOMAS D’EVELYN, CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR

THE OTHER GOSPELS BART D. EHRMAN 2014-01 EHRMAN AND PLESE PRESENT A RARE COMPILATION OF OVER 40 ANCIENT GOSPEL TEXTS AND TEXTUAL FRAGMENTS THAT DO NOT APPEAR IN THE NEW TESTAMENT.

THE GOD DIALOGUES TORIN ANDREW ALTER 2011 THE GOD DIALOGUES IS AN INTRIGUING AND EXTENSIVE PHILOSOPHICAL DEBATE ABOUT THE EXISTENCE OF GOD. ENGAGING AND ACCESSIBLE, IT COVERS ALL THE MAIN ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST GOD’S EXISTENCE, FROM TRADITIONAL PHILOSOPHICAL PROOFS TO ARGUMENTS THAT INVOLVE THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN BIOLOGY AND PHYSICS. THREE MAIN CHARACTERS REPRESENT THE PRINCIPAL VIEWS: THEODORE LOGAN, THE THEIST; EVA LUCIEN, THE ATHEIST; AND GENE SESQUOIS, THE AGNOSTIC. THEIR DEBATE TAKES PLACE DURING A POST-COLLEGE CROSS-COUNTRY ROAD TRIP DURING WHICH GENE EXPRESSES DISMAY OVER HIS FUTURE. HE WANTS TO DO SOMETHING MEANINGFUL WITH HIS LIFE BUT IS AT A LOSS AS TO HOW TO PROCEED, DESPITE HAVING JUST EARNED A DEGREE IN ENGINEERING. GENE’S QUANDARY PRECIPITATES A DISCUSSION OF THE MEANING OF LIFE AND ITS CONNECTION TO GOD’S EXISTENCE. THIS IN TURN LEADS TO VIGOROUS DEBATES ABOUT MORALITY AND THEISM,

EVIDENCE FOR AND AGAINST GOD’S EXISTENCE, PROBABILITY AND THE RATIONALITY OF BELIEF, AND THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FAITH AND REASON. THE STRONGEST ARGUMENTS FROM ALL THREE PERSPECTIVES ARE FAIRLY REPRESENTED. AN ANNOTATED LIST OF SUGGESTED READINGS DIRECTS READERS TO RELEVANT AND HELPFUL PRIMARY SOURCES. ASSUMING NO BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE, THE GOD DIALOGUES IS IDEAL FOR COURSES IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION, AN EXCELLENT SUPPLEMENT FOR INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY COURSES, AND A COMPELLING INTRODUCTION FOR ANYONE WITH AN INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT.

LOST SCRIPTURES BART D. EHRMAN 2005-09-15 A COMPANION VOLUME TO LOST CHRISTIANITIES, THIS REMARKABLE ANTHOLOGY OF LONG-LOST CHRISTIAN WRITINGS THAT WERE NEVER INCLUDED IN THE NEW TESTAMENTS INCLUDES FIFTEEN ADDITIONAL GOSPELS, THIRTEEN EPISTLES, FIVE NON-CANONICAL ACTS OF THE APOSTLES, APOCALYPTES AND SECRET BOOKS, AND BRIEF INTRODUCTIONS TO EACH. HISTORY DUAL MAIN. (SCRIPTURE) **REVELATION** 1999-01-01 THE FINAL BOOK OF THE BIBLE, REVELATION PROPHESES THE ULTIMATE JUDGEMENT OF MANKIND IN A SERIES OF ALLEGORICAL VISIONS, GRISLY IMAGES AND NUMEROLOGICAL PREDICTIONS. ACCORDING TO THESE, EMPIRES WILL FALL, THE “BEAST” WILL BE DESTROYED AND CHRIST WILL RULE A NEW JERUSALEM. WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY WILL SELF.

CHRISTIAN PROPHECY NIELS CHRISTIAN HVIDT 2007-04-19
THROUGHOUT THE HEBREW BIBLE, GOD GUIDES AND SAVES HIS PEOPLE THROUGH THE WORDS OF HIS PROPHETS. WHEN THE PROPHETS ARE SILENCED, THE PEOPLE EASILY LOSE THEIR WAY. WHAT HAPPENED AFTER THE INCARNATION, DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF CHRIST? DID GOD FALL SILENT? THE DOMINANT POSITION IN CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY IS THAT PROPHECY DID INDEED CEASE AT SOME POINT IN THE PAST -IF NOT WITH THE OLD TESTAMENT PROPHETS, THEN WITH JOHN THE BAPTIST, WITH JESUS, WITH THE LAST APOSTLE, OR WITH THE CLOSURE OF THE CANON OF THE NEW TESTAMENT. NEVERTHELESS, THROUGHOUT THE HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY THERE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN ACCLAIMED SAINTS AND MYSTICS - MOST OF THEM WOMEN-WHO DISPLAYED PROPHETIC TRAITS. IN RECENT YEARS, THE CHARISMATIC REVIVAL IN BOTH PROTESTANT AND CATHOLIC CIRCLES HAS ONCE AGAIN RAISED THE QUESTION OF THE PLACE AND FUNCTION OF PROPHECY IN CHRISTIANITY. SCHOLARLY THEOLOGICAL ATTITUDES TOWARD CHRISTIAN PROPHECY RANGE FROM MODEST RECOGNITION TO CONTEMPT. MAINSTREAM SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY, BOTH PROTESTANT AND CATHOLIC, HAS MOSTLY MARGINALIZED OR IGNORED THE GIFT OF PROPHECY. IN THIS BOOK, HOWEVER, NIELS CHRISTIAN HVIDT ARGUES THAT PROPHECY HAS PERSISTED IN CHRISTIANITY AS AN INHERENT AND CONTINUOUS FEATURE IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH. PROPHECY NEVER DIED, HE ARGUES, BUT RATHER

PROVED ITS DYNAMISM BY MUTATING TO MEET NEW HISTORICAL CONDITIONS. HE PRESENTS A COMPREHENSIVE HISTORY OF PROPHECY FROM ANCIENT ISRAEL TO THE PRESENT AND CLOSELY EXAMINES THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE THEOLOGICAL DISCOURSE THAT SURROUNDS IT. THROUGHOUT, THOUGH, THERE IS ALWAYS AN AWARENESS OF THE CRITICAL DISCERNMENT REQUIRED WHEN EVALUATING THE CHARISM OF PROPHECY. THE DEBATE ABOUT PROPHECY, HVIDT SHOWS, LEADS TO SOME PROFOUND INSIGHTS ABOUT THE VERY NATURE OF CHRISTIANITY AND THE CHURCH. FOR EXAMPLE, SOME HAVE ARGUED THAT CHRISTIANITY IS A PERFECT STATE AND THAT ALL THAT IS REQUIRED FOR SALVATION IS ACCEPTANCE OF ITS DOCTRINES. OTHERS HAVE EMPHASIZED HOW GOD CONTINUES TO INTERVENE AND GUIDE HIS PEOPLE ONTO THE RIGHT PATH AS THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF GOD'S SALVATION IN CHRIST IS STILL FAR AWAY. THIS IS THE POSITION THAT HVIDT FORCEFULLY AND PERSUASIVELY DEFENDS AND DEVELOPS IN THIS AMBITIOUS AND IMPORTANT WORK.

THE ORTHODOX CORRUPTION OF SCRIPTURE BART D. EHRMAN 1996-02-29 VICTORS NOT ONLY WRITE HISTORY: THEY ALSO REPRODUCE THE TEXTS. BART EHRMAN EXPLORES THE CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF EARLY CHRISTIANITY AND THE TEXTUAL TRADITION OF THE EMERGING NEW TESTAMENT, EXAMINING HOW EARLY STRUGGLES BETWEEN CHRISTIAN "HERESY" AND

"ORTHODOXY" AFFECTED THE TRANSMISSION OF THE DOCUMENTS OVER WHICH MANY OF THE DEBATES WERE WAGED. HE MAKES A CRUCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE SOCIAL AND INTELLECTUAL HISTORY OF EARLY CHRISTIANITY AND RAISES INTRIGUING QUESTIONS ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP OF READERS TO THEIR TEXTS, ESPECIALLY IN AN AGE WHEN SCRIBES COULD TRANSFORM THE DOCUMENTS THEY REPRODUCED. THIS EDITION INCLUDES A NEW AFTERWORD SURVEYING RESEARCH IN BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION OVER THE PAST TWENTY YEARS.

JESUS, INTERRUPTED BART D. EHRMAN 2009-03-03

EXAMINES CONTRADICTIONS AND DISCREPANCIES THAT COME TO LIGHT WHEN THE NEW TESTAMENT IS STUDIED FROM A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE, INCLUDING VARYING VIEWS OF JESUS AND SALVATION AND FORGERIES IN THE NAMES OF THE APOSTLES.

MARY MAGDALENE BRUCE CHILTON 2005-11-01 AFTER 2,000 YEARS OF FLAWED HISTORY, HERE AT LAST IS A MAGNIFICENT NEW BIOGRAPHY OF MARY MAGDALENE THAT DRAWS HER OUT OF THE SHADOWS OF HISTORY AND RESTORES HER TO HER RIGHTFUL PLACE OF IMPORTANCE IN CHRISTIANITY. THROUGHOUT HISTORY, MARY MAGDALENE HAS BEEN BOTH REVERED AND REVILED, A WOMAN WHO HAS TAKEN ON MANY FORMS—WITCH, WHORE, THE INCARNATION OF THE ETERNAL FEMININE, THE DEVOTED COMPANION (AND PERHAPS EVEN THE WIFE) OF JESUS. IN THIS BRILLIANT NEW

BIOGRAPHY, BRUCE CHILTON, A RENOWNED BIBLICAL SCHOLAR, OFFERS THE FIRST COMPLETE AND AUTHORITATIVE PORTRAIT OF THIS FASCINATING WOMAN. THROUGH GROUNDBREAKING INTERPRETATIONS OF ANCIENT TEXTS, CHILTON SHOWS THAT MARY PLAYED A CENTRAL ROLE IN JESUS' MINISTRY AND WAS A SEMINAL FIGURE IN THE CREATION OF CHRISTIANITY. CHILTON TRACES THE EVOLVING IMAGES OF MARY MAGDALENE AND THE LEGENDS SURROUNDING HER. HE EXPLAINS WHY, DESPITE HER PROMINENCE, THE GOSPELS ACTUALLY SAY SO LITTLE ABOUT HER AND WHY THE CATHOLIC CHURCH FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS HAS SOUGHT TO MARGINALIZE HER IMPORTANCE. IN A PROBING LOOK AT THE CHURCH'S ATTITUDES TOWARD WOMEN, HE INVESTIGATES CHRISTIAN MISOGYNY IN THE ANCIENT WORLD, INCLUDING THE SUPPRESSION OF WOMEN PRIESTS WHO PATTERNED THEIR ACTIVITIES ON MARY'S; EXPLORES THE IMPACT OF Gnostic AMBIVALENCE TOWARD WOMEN ON ITS DEPICTIONS OF MARY; AND SHOWS THAT THESE TRADITIONS STILL INFLUENCE MODERN PORTRAYALS OF HER. CHILTON'S DESCRIPTIONS OF WHO MARY MAGDALENE WAS AND WHAT SHE DID CHALLENGE THE MALE-DOMINATED HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY FAMILIAR TO MOST READERS. PLACING MARY WITHIN THE TRADITIONS OF JEWISH FEMALE SAVANTS, CHILTON PRESENTS A VISIONARY FIGURE WHO WAS FULLY IMMERSSED IN THE MYSTICAL TEACHINGS THAT SHAPED JESUS' OWN TEACHINGS AND A WOMAN WHO WAS A RELIGIOUS MASTER IN HER OWN RIGHT.

THE TRIUMPH OF CHRISTIANITY BART D. EHRMAN
2018-02-13 THE “MARVELOUS” (REZA ASLAN,
BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF ZEALOT), NEW YORK TIMES
BESTSELLING STORY OF HOW CHRISTIANITY BECAME THE
DOMINANT RELIGION IN THE WEST. HOW DID A RELIGION
WHOSE FIRST BELIEVERS WERE TWENTY OR SO ILLITERATE
DAY LABORERS IN A REMOTE PART OF THE EMPIRE BECAME THE
OFFICIAL RELIGION OF ROME, CONVERTING SOME THIRTY
MILLION PEOPLE IN JUST FOUR CENTURIES? IN THE TRIUMPH OF
CHRISTIANITY, EARLY CHRISTIAN HISTORIAN BART D. EHRMAN
WEAVES THE RIGOROUSLY-RESEARCHED ANSWER TO THIS

QUESTION “INTO A VIVID, NUANCED, AND ENORMOUSLY
READABLE NARRATIVE” (ELAINE PAGELS, NATIONAL BOOK
AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR OF THE Gnostic GOSPELS),
SHOWING HOW A HANDFUL OF CHARISMATIC CHARACTERS
USED A BRILLIANT SOCIAL STRATEGY AND AN IRRESISTIBLE
MESSAGE TO WIN OVER HEARTS AND MINDS ONE AT A TIME.
THIS “HUMANE, THOUGHTFUL AND INTELLIGENT” BOOK (THE
NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW) UPENDS THE WAY WE THINK
ABOUT THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT CULTURAL
TRANSFORMATION OUR WORLD HAS EVER SEEN—ONE THAT
REVOLUTIONIZED ART, MUSIC, LITERATURE, PHILOSOPHY,
ETHICS, ECONOMICS, AND LAW.