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Explorations in Planning Theory Apr 01 2020 What is this thing called planning? What is its domain? What do planners do? How do they talk? What are the limits and possibilities for planning imposed by power, politics, knowledge, technology, interpretation, ethics, and institutional design? In this comprehensive volume, the foremost voices in planning explore the foundational ideas and issues of the profession. *Explorations in Planning Theory* is an extended inquiry into the practice of the profession. As such, it is a landmark text that defines the field for today's planners and the next generation. As Seymour J. Mandelbaum notes in the introduction, "the shared framework of these essays captures a pervasive interest in the behavior, values, character, and experience of professional planners at work." All of the chapters in this volume are written to address arguments that are important in the community of planning theoreticians and are crafted in the language of that community. While many of the contributors included here differ in their styles, the editors note that students, experienced practitioners, and scholars of city and regional planning will find this work illuminating and helpful in their research.

Suspicion and Faith Sep 26 2019 Are there legitimate uses for atheists' critiques of religion? Westphal says yes, if we take a closer look not at the atheists' arguments against the existence of God, but at their observations about the sometimes disreputable functions of religious practice and belief, as demonstrated in the "atheism of suspicion", put forth by Freud, Marx, and Nietzsche.

Rediscovering the Triune God Jun 15 2021 The last century has witnessed a revival and renewal of trinitarian theology, led initially by Karl Barth. The legendary puzzles of trinitarian theology have become especially vexing in an era of changed philosophical and cultural categories, and a host of religious thinkers in the last century have tried to reformulate the main lines of thought about God's trinitarian life. Theologian Stanley Grenz here tells this story of trinitarian theology, reporting and analyzing the remarkable ferment in the discipline and discussing especially eleven theologians on such issues as: God's inner life vs. God's relationship to creation (immanent and economic trinity), social vs. psychological analogies for the relationships within God, the relationship between trinity and Christology, the feminist critique of classical categories, and how God's trinitarian life figures in evolution, social justice, and spirituality. Grenz's Introduction place this ferment historically in the course of Christian thought from the patristic period to now, while his Conclusion sets a future agenda for the doctrine and theology.

Women in the Church Sep 06 2020 Studies of key biblical passages on women's roles in the church fill entire bookshelves, if not libraries. But in *Women in the Church*, Stanley Grenz and Denise Muir Kjesbo offer the first in-depth theological study of this issue--one of the most bitterly contested issues of our day. Carefully considering the biblical, historical and practical concerns surrounding women and the ordained ministry, this book will enlighten people on all sides of the issue. But Grenz and Kjesbo make no secret of their bold conclusion: 'Historical, biblical and theological considerations converge not only in allowing, but also in insisting, that women serve as full partners with men.' Thorough and irenic, *Women in the Church* bids to take an intense discussion to a new plane.

Truth Or Consequences Jul 17 2021 The term slowly filtered into our vocabularies about three decades ago and now permeates most discussions of the humanities. Those who tout the promises and perils of this twentieth-century intellectual movement have filled many a bookshelf. In this book Erickson offers his own promised in-depth analysis and constructive response.

Studying Organization Nov 08 2020 In response to the needs of lecturers, the acclaimed *Handbook of Organization Studies* has been made available as two major paperback textbooks. In this, the first of a two-volume paperback edition of the landmark *Handbook of Organization Studies*, editors Stewart Clegg and Cynthia Hardy survey the field of organization studies. *Studying Organization* is an ideal textbook around which to build courses on organization theory and research methodology. Central to the enterprise has been a concern to reflect and honour the manifest diversity of the field, including recognition of the extent to which the very notion of a single field of organization studies is debated. Part One locates the study of organization by reviewing some of the most significant theoretical paradigms to have shaped our understanding. The second part reflects on the relationships between theory and research in organization studies.

The Cambridge Companion to Postmodern Theology Feb 21 2022 Postmodernity allows for no absolutes and no essence. Yet theology is concerned with the absolute, the essential. How then does theology sit within postmodernity? Is postmodern theology possible, or is such a concept a contradiction in terms? Should theology bother about postmodernism or just get on with its own thing? Can it? Theologians have responded in many different ways to the challenges posed by theories of postmodernity. In this introductory 2003 guide to a complex area, editor Kevin J. Vanhoozer addresses the issue head on in a lively survey of what 'talk about God' might mean in a postmodern age, and vice versa. The book then offers examples of different types of contemporary theology in relation to postmodernity, while the second part examines the key Christian doctrines in postmodern perspective. Leading theologians contribute to this clear and informative *Companion*, which no student of theology should be without.

Confessions of a Reformission Rev. Mar 01 2020 This is the story of the birth and growth of Seattle's innovative Mars Hill Church, one of America's fastest growing churches located in one of America's toughest mission fields. It's also the story of the growth of a pastor, the mistakes he's made along the way, and God's grace and work in spite of those mistakes. Mark Driscoll's emerging, missional church took a rocky road from its start in a hot, upstairs youth room with gold shag carpet to its current weekly attendance of thousands. With engaging humor, humility, and candor, Driscoll shares the failures, frustrations, and just plain messiness of trying to build a church that is faithful to the gospel of Christ in a highly post-Christian culture. In the telling, he's not afraid to skewer some sacred cows of traditional, contemporary, and emerging churches. Each chapter discusses not only the hard lessons learned but also the principles and practices that worked and that can inform your church's ministry, no matter its present size. The book includes discussion questions and appendix resources. "After reading a book like this, you can never go back to being an inwardly focused church without a mission. Even if you disagree with Mark about some of the things he says, you cannot help but be convicted to the inner core about what it means to have a heart for those who don't know Jesus."—Dan Kimball, author, *The Emerging Church* "... will make you laugh, cry, and get mad ... school you, shape you, and mold you into the right kind of priorities to lead the church in today's messy world."—Robert Webber, Northern Seminary

Explaining Postmodernism Jul 05 2020

A Definition and Critique of Postmodernism Aug 25 2019 Bruce A. Proctor is a native of Dallas, Texas but spent most of his youth growing up in Los Angeles, California. He graduated from Oklahoma Christian College (B.A.) in 1973, from Dallas Theological Seminary (Th.M.) in 1981, and Louisiana Baptist University (Ph.D.) in 2011. Bruce has held various ministerial positions including pastor, youth counselor and pastor, prison ministry leader, and college professor. Bruce has taught Bible Exposition, Theology, Old and New Testament history, and Church History at various Christian schools - Southern Bible Institute, D. Edwin Johnson Bible Institute (both in Dallas, TX), True Vine Baptist Bible Institute in Spencer, OK, and at the Ministry Training Institute, an extension of Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, OK. Bruce and his wife, Patricia, reside in San Antonio, Texas. They have eight adult children. Postmodernism is difficult to define because it rejects absolute meaning. However, I found it worth trying to define it by looking at other authors' attempts to define it. It was easier for me to describe than define it. Much discussion is also given to the definition of the emergent church movement, including its fundamental tenets and marks, along with signs of drifting toward it. Next, the idea of postmodernism is weaved into the description of condemned mankind according to Romans 1:18-32. The description given is clearly relevant to the postmodern mindset as "men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness" (verse 18). In my conclusion, I discuss the power of truth and the loss of truth due primarily to a loss of focus. However, in the Person of Jesus Christ, Truth arose from the dead and marches on victoriously despite the postmodern spirits of delusions.

The Moral Quest Jan 23 2022 Stanley J. Grenz masterfully leads readers into a theological engagement with moral inquiry that is a first-rate introduction to Christian ethics.

Betrayal of Trust Dec 22 2021 Sexual misconduct by clergy is a devastating issue that reaches across all denominations, damaging the credibility of the church in its wake. The media regularly reports on the moral failure of leaders and abuse at the hands of those who are supposed to be trustworthy. *Betrayal of Trust* focuses on a common scenario of abuse--sexual involvement between a male pastor and a female congregant--and offers practical solutions on how to respond to and prevent this betrayal of trust. This book presents methods that will help churches respond sensitively to victims and implement policies and procedures to prevent abuse from taking place. For clergy who may be at risk for this behavior, it offers help in establishing appropriate boundaries. This second edition includes a new chapter that offers help for the wandering pastor and a risk-determination questionnaire for pastors who may become abusers.

Ancient & Postmodern Christianity Jul 25 2019 Built on the writings of the early church fathers, these essays--created in honor of Thomas C. Oden--span theological perspectives that emphasize what various Christian traditions hold in common. Edited by Kenneth Tanner and Christopher A. Hall.

Truth Is Stranger Than It Used to Be Apr 13 2021 J. Richard Middleton and Brian J. Walsh offer an introduction, evaluation and response to postmodern culture that comes straight from the heart of the gospel.

A Primer on Postmodernism Nov 01 2022 Grenz examines the topography of postmodernism, a phenomenon everyone acknowledges, but has difficulty describing with precision. Of particular significance is his discussion of the challenges this cultural shift presents to the church.

Revisioning Evangelical Theology May 27 2022 Stanley Grenz evaluates the course of evangelical theology and sets out a bold agenda for a new century. He proposes that evangelical theology should find its central integrative motifs in the reign of God and the community of Christ.

Christianity and the Postmodern Turn Jun 27 2022 In our post-Cold War, post-colonial, post-Christian world, Western culture is experiencing a dramatic shift. Correspondingly, says Myron Penner, recent philosophy has taken a postmodern turn in which traditional concepts of reality, truth, language, and knowledge have been radically altered, if not discarded. Here James K.A. Smith, John Franke, Merold Westphal, Kevin Vanhoozer, Douglas Geivett, and R. Scott Smith respond to the question, "What perils and/or promises does the postmodern turn hold for the tasks of Christian thinkers?" Addressing topics such as the nature of rationality and biblical faith, the relationship of language to reality, and the impact of postmodern concerns on ethics, this book presents a

variety of positions in vigorous dialogue with each other.

The Social God and the Relational Self Apr 25 2022 In this, the first of a six-volume contribution to systematic theology, Grenz creatively extends the insights of contemporary Trinitarian thought to theological anthropology. "The Social God and the Relational Self" is an example of theological construction as an ongoing conversation involving biblical texts, the theological heritage of the Christian tradition, and the contemporary historical-social context.

The Challenge of Postmodernism Oct 20 2021 Learn how to reach a new generation in a rapidly changing world with the unchanging gospel.

Preaching Christ in a Postmodern Culture Oct 08 2020 Starting with some observations relating to shifts in ecclesiology and identifying them as a move beyond contextualization to syncretism this work goes on to assess the feasibility of preaching in a postmodern culture which rejects both the idea of absolute truth and authority used as power. It traces the historical and philosophical development of postmodernism. The Enlightenment project is deemed to have failed and Christianity is perceived as an oppressive metanarrative. In a world that is becoming increasingly sceptical and where preaching practitioners are becoming disillusioned this book offers some guidelines about preaching to postmoderns. In a relational age rationality is impotent, but the author distinguishes between authoritative and authoritarian preaching allowing hope for the survival of the homiletic task. Humility is presented as preferable to certitude and persuasion is redefined. The author suggests using an inductive mode of communication as a means of engaging postmodern listeners. He signposts a way forward in the labyrinthine complexity of the new paradigm and demonstrates that the homiletic task is still feasible. Thus this book will be of interest to teachers and students of theology as well as pastors desiring to develop a new apologetic strategy.

The Millennial Maze Sep 18 2021 Stanley J. Grenz describes four major views on the millennium held by evangelicals and assesses their strengths and weaknesses.

The Postmodern World May 03 2020 Is postmodernism harmful, beneficial--or even indifferent to Christianity or society? Before we can determine this, we must know what postmodernism is and how it is influencing everything about our lives. Using current events and everyday illustrations, the "dean of evangelicalism" offers a lively discussion on postmodernism's characteristics and its effect on popular culture, education, entertainment and Christianity. In this way, Erickson helps readers better understand and interact with the world around them and gives people the tools to respond more wisely, believe more certainly and discern more soundly.

Who's Afraid of Postmodernism? (The Church and Postmodern Culture) Oct 27 2019 The philosophies of French thinkers Derrida, Lyotard, and Foucault form the basis for postmodern thought and are seemingly at odds with the Christian faith. However, James K. A. Smith claims that their ideas have been misinterpreted and actually have a deep affinity with central Christian claims. Each chapter opens with an illustration from a recent movie and concludes with a case study considering recent developments in the church that have attempted to respond to the postmodern condition, such as the "emerging church" movement. These case studies provide a concrete picture of how postmodern ideas can influence the way Christians think and worship. This significant book, winner of a Christianity Today 2007 Book Award, avoids philosophical jargon and offers fuller explanation where needed. It is the first book in the Church and Postmodern Culture series, which provides practical applications for Christians engaged in ministry in a postmodern world.

Tradition and Imagination Dec 10 2020 Tradition and revelation are often seen as opposites: tradition is viewed as being secondary and reactionary to revelation which is a one-off gift from God. Drawing on examples from Christian history, Judaism, Islam, and the classical world, this book challenges these definitions and presents a controversial examination of the effect history and cultural development has on religious belief: its narratives and art. David Brown pays close attention to the nature of the relationship between historical and imaginative truth, and focuses on the way stories from the Bible have not stood still but are subject to imaginative 'rewriting'. This rewriting is explained as a natural consequence of the interaction between religion and history: God speaks to humanity through the imagination, and human imagination is influenced by historical context. It is the imagination that ensures that religion continues to develop in new and challenging ways.

Beyond Foundationalism Sep 30 2022 Grenz and Franke provide a methodological approach for doing theology in the postmodern world. They call for a theological method that moves beyond the Enlightenment way of ordering and understanding information (foundationalism). They propose a theological method that takes seriously the Spirit, tradition and contemporary culture, while stressing trinitarian structure, community and eschatology.

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20th-Century Theology Mar 13 2021 Stanley J. Grenz and Roger E. Olson offer a sympathetic guide and a critical assessment of the significant theologies and theologians of the 20th century. They trace the shifts in theology as it has moved back and forth between God's immanence and God's transcendence.

Truth Decay Jun 23 2019 A 2001 Christianity Today Award of Merit winner! The concept of truth as absolute, objective and universal has undergone serious deterioration in recent years. No longer is it a goal for all to pursue. Rather postmodernism sees truth as inseparable from culture, psychology, race and gender. Ultimately, truth is what we make it to be. What factors have accelerated this decay of truth? Why are people willing to embrace such a devalued concept? How does this new view compare and contrast with a Christian understanding? While postmodernism contains some truthful insights (despite its attempt to dethrone truth), Douglas Groothuis sees its basic tenets as intellectually flawed and hostile to Christian views. In this spirited presentation of a solid, biblical and logical perspective, Groothuis unveils how truth has come under attack and how it can be defended in the vital areas of theology, apologetics, ethics and the arts.

How Postmodernism Serves (My) Faith Aug 18 2021 Crystal L. Downing introduces students (especially those in the arts) to postmodernism: where it came from, and how Christians can best understand, critique and benefit from its insights.

Pocket Dictionary of Theological Terms Jan 11 2021 The perfect companion to theological studies, this dictionary provides three hundred-plus definitions, including both English and foreign terms. A must-have for every theological reader.

Who Needs Theology? Jun 03 2020 Stanley J. Grenz and Roger E. Olson show what theology is, what tools theologians use, why every believer (advanced degrees or not) is a theologian and how the theological enterprise can be productive and satisfying.

The Trinitarian Theology of Stanley J. Grenz Feb 09 2021 Exploring one of the most controversial figures in recent evangelical theology, this book thoroughly examines core features of Stanley J. Grenz's Trinitarian vision.

Preaching to a Postmodern World Nov 28 2019 While growing churches dot our urban centers and country landscapes, church-goers and students today are actually less likely to maintain a Christian worldview than in the past. In fact, the majority of society does not even believe in objective truth. A minister out of touch with this culture is like an uninformed missionary trying to teach in a foreign country. To communicate God's Word effectively in the twenty-first century, teachers need to know how to connect with and confront an audience of postmodern listeners. In *Preaching to a Postmodern World*, Johnston shows pastors, seminary students, professors, lay teachers, and church leaders can reach the present age without selling out to it. The book discusses how to: • distinguish between modernism and postmodernism • understand postmodern worldviews • change the style of preaching without compromising the substance • take advantage of new opportunities provided by the cultural shift • show an inattentive society the relevance of God's truth The author's keen insights into contemporary pop and media culture also help equip speakers to address today's listeners with clarity and relevance.

Renewing the Center Jul 29 2022 The second edition of this important foundational text for the emerging church includes a new foreword by Biran McLaren and a new afterword from John Franke updating the book for the contemporary church scene.

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Sexual Ethics Dec 30 2019 In this biblically grounded study, Stanley Grenz synthesizes theology, ethics, and current medical research to offer an evangelical perspective on the profound role that sexuality does, and should, play in our lives today. He calls for Christians to live a biblical sexual ethic in the contemporary world, at the same calling on the church to recognize that its mandate includes being a reconciling community, one that proclaims God's grace to all.

Postmodernism and Japan Aug 06 2020 Postmodernism and Japan is a coherent yet diverse study of the dynamics of postmodernism, as described by Lyotard, Baudrillard, Deleuze, and Guatarri, from the often startling perspective of a society bent on transforming itself into the image of Western "enlightenment" wealth and power. This work provides a unique view of a society in transition and confronting, like its models in the West, the problems induced by the introduction of new forms of knowledge, modes of production, and social relationships.

Theology for the Community of God May 15 2021 This proven systematic theology represents the very best in evangelical theology. Stanley Grenz presents the traditional themes of Christian doctrine -- God, humankind, Christ, the Holy Spirit, the church, and the last things -- all within an emphasis on God's central program for creation, namely, the establishment of community. Masterfully blending biblical, historical, and contemporary concerns, this new edition of Grenz's respected work provides a coherent vision of the faith that is both intellectually satisfying and expressible in Christian living. Copyright © Libri GmbH. All rights reserved.

Postmodernism 101 Mar 25 2022 Finally, here's a book about postmodernism that you don't need a philosophy degree to understand. In *Postmodernism 101: A First Course for the Curious Christian*, Heath White offers a brief and accessible introduction to the ideas of postmodernism and its relationship to Christianity. White paints the historical and philosophical background underlying postmodernism in understandable, but not oversimplified, language. He then describes what postmodernism means to our view of self, language, thought, the search for knowledge, and culture. White invites Christians who otherwise might have avoided postmodern theorizing into this important dialogue with questions for further thought after each chapter and suggestions for future reading. This book is ideal for students as well as curious pastors and lay readers.

The Politics of Discipleship Jan 29 2020 Internationally acclaimed theologian Graham Ward is well known for his thoughtful engagement with postmodernism. This volume, the fourth in the Church and Postmodern Culture series, offers an engaging look at the political nature of the postmodern world. In the first section, "The World," Ward considers "the signs of the times" and the political nature of contemporary postmodernism. It is imperative, he suggests, that the church understand the world to be able to address it thoughtfully. In the second section, "The Church," he turns to practical application, examining what faithful discipleship looks like within this political context. Clergy and those interested in the emerging church will find this work particularly thought provoking.