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John Wesley's Scriptural Christianity

A Plain Exposition of His Teaching on Christian Doctrine

Zondervan Oden shows that Wesley displayed a remarkable degree of internal consistency in his teachings over sixty years of preaching. The book helps readers to grasp Wesley's essential teachings in an accessible form so that the person desiring to go directly to Wesley's own writings will know exactly where to turn.

John Wesley's Pneumatology

Perceptible Inspiration

Routledge Perceptible inspiration, a term used by John Wesley to describe the complicated relationship between Holy Spirit, religious knowledge, and the nature of spiritual being, is not unlike the term 'Methodist' which was also coined by critics of Methodism during the eighteenth century in Britain. John Wesley's adversaries, especially the pseudonymous John Smith with whom Wesley exchanged letters for a period of three years, frequently challenged the plausibility of direct spiritual sensation, which Wesley defended. What does Wesley mean by perceptible inspiration? What does the teaching reveal about the nature and existence of God in Wesley's thinking? What does it suggest about the spiritual nature of humankind? In John Wesley's Pneumatology, it is argued that 'perceptible inspiration' more than a sidebar of Methodist thought, offers a useful model for considering the various features of Wesley's views on the work of the Spirit in relation to human existence, participatory religious knowledge, and moral theology.

A Man Of One Book?

John Wesley's Interpretation and Use of the Bible

Wipf and Stock Publishers John Wesley claimed to be a man of one book, and early Wesley scholarship accepted uncritically that the Bible was his supreme authority. In the late twentieth century, American Wesley scholars discussed what has been termed the Wesley Quadrilateral (the authority of the Bible, tradition, reason, and experience), and this to some extent helps explain the method by which Wesley read and interpreted the Bible. However, modern biblical reader-response criticism has drawn attention to the central role of the reader in his/her interpretation of scriptural texts. Donald Bullen argues that Wesley came to the Bible as a reader with the presuppositions of an eighteenth-century High

Church, Arminian Anglican, in which tradition he had grown up. He then found his beliefs confirmed in the scriptural text. Claiming to base all his beliefs on the Bible, he found himself in controversy with others who made similar claims but came to different conclusions. The implications of this are explored in depth.

The Quest for Love Divine

Select Essays in Wesleyan Theology and Practice

Wipf and Stock Publishers Charles Wesley and early Methodist women shaped Wesleyan theology and practice just as much as John Wesley. All these pioneers in the renewal of the church engaged together in a quest for love divine. That journey led them to timeless discoveries related to God's grace, the liberating nature of life in Christ, the joy of Christian discipleship, and the sense of purpose to be found in partnering with God in the celebration of beloved community. The early Methodist people learned their theology by singing it. "Faith working by love leading to holiness of heart and life." "Accountable discipleship." "The rediscovery of a missional church." Discover the meaning of sound bites like these as you explore these themes and more.

Wesley and Whitefield? Wesley versus Whitefield?

Wipf and Stock Publishers John Wesley and George Whitefield were in many ways larger-than-life figures during their own lifetimes and continue to be so today. Yet our ability to appreciate their abiding influence on contemporary Evangelical theology and practice is lacking if we consider them in isolation from one another. Our understanding of Wesley and the legacy of his public ministry is impoverished apart from considering Whitefield (and vice versa). This collection of essays explores the complex dynamics at work in the Wesley-Whitefield relationship, spanning a variety of theological, historical, and pastoral facets of their full-orbed public ministries. They serve as an invitation to grow in our awareness of their undoubted affinities and significant differences, all the while resisting the potential allure of either uncritically ecumenical "Wesley and" or uncharitably partisan "Whitefield versus" narratives.

Historical Dictionary of Methodism

Scarecrow Press In 2003, Methodists celebrated the 300th anniversary of the birth of their founder, John Wesley. Today, there are more than 300 Methodist denominations in 140 nations. Covering the activities of this group that plays an important role in the ecumenical movement through its many social and charitable activities in world affairs, this book offers more than 400 entries that describe important events, doctrines, and the church founders, leaders, and other prominent figures who have made notable contributions. It also includes: a list of commonly used acronyms, chronology of historical events, introductory essay on the history of Methodism, 15-page black-and-white photo spread, bibliography, listing of important libraries and depositories of Methodist materials. The impressive list of contributors includes more than 60 specialists who are academics, administrators, pastors, and theologians.

Men of One Book

A Comparison of Two Methodist Preachers, John Wesley and George Whitefield

Wipf and Stock Publishers The preaching ministries of John Wesley and George Whitefield propelled them to the forefront of the eighteenth-century evangelical revival. Both self-professed "men of one book," one of the most visible ways in which they expressed their high regard for Scripture was through their desire to be "preachers of one book." This book seeks to compare various aspects of the full-orbed "preach and print" ministries conducted by Wesley and Whitefield. Committed to the principle that the "whole world was their parish," Wesley and Whitefield manifested their singular desire to be men of one book through preaching ministries that were by no means identical, yet equally committed to the spread of the gospel throughout the transatlantic world.

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Holy Love and the Shape of Grace

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The Wesleys

Amazing Love

InterVarsity Press Six lessons on Christian living based on the lives of John and Charles Wesley, and on a variety of passages from Scripture.

After Arminius

A Historical Introduction to Arminian Theology

Oxford University Press, USA "Arminianism" was the subject of important theological controversies in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, and it remains an important position within Protestant thought. What became known as "Arminian" theology was held by people across a swath of geographical and ecclesial positions; it developed in European, British, and American contexts, and it engaged with a wide range of intellectual challenges. While standing together in their common rejection of several key planks of Reformed theology, proponents of Arminianism took various positions on other matters. Some were broadly committed to catholic and creedal theology; others were more open to theological revision. Some were concerned primarily with practical concerns; others were engaged in system-building as they sought to articulate and defend an over-arching vision of God and the world. The story of this development is both complex and important for a proper understanding of the history of Protestant theology. However, this historical development of Arminian theology is not well known. In this book, Thomas H. McCall and Keith D. Stanglin offer a historical introduction to Arminian theology as it developed in modern thought, providing an account that is based upon important primary sources and recent secondary research that will be helpful to scholars of ecclesial history and modern thought as well as comprehensible and relevant for students"--

The Reading and Preaching of the Scriptures in the Worship of the Christian Church, Volume 5

Moderatism, Pietism, and Awakening

Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing *The Reading and Preaching of the Scriptures in the Worship of the Christian Church* is a multivolume study by Hughes Oliphant Old that canvasses the history of preaching from the words of Moses at Mount Sinai through modern times. In Volume 1, *The Biblical Period*, Old begins his survey by discussing the roots of the Christian ministry of the Word in the worship of Israel. He then examines the preaching of Christ and the Apostles. Finally, Old looks at the development and practice of Christian preaching in the second and third centuries, concluding with the ministry of Origen.

An Ancient Blueprint for the Supernatural

The Lost Teachings of the Apostles, Hidden for Such a Time as This

Destiny Image Publishers This is the blueprint for living out the first-century supernatural life! Sid Roth, host of *Its Supernatural!* Lost for centuries, this ancient text is the believers key to unlocking the supernatural lifestyle of first-century believers. In the book of Acts, we glimpse the world-changing community marked by passion, authenticity, and supernatural power that was the early Church. How did the early church cultivate these kinds of powerful believers? Where does the modern church fall short? And what if you could access the early Church's discipleship manual? Picture it: While browsing the stacks of a dimly lit library in the cavernous corridors of an Middle Eastern monastery, a young Greek Orthodox cleric stumbles upon a fragile parchment manuscript, containing ancient wisdom. The cleric's name was Philotheos Bryennios, the year was 1873, the place was Istanbul, Turkey, and the incredible document he found was called the *Didache*, or the *Teaching*. The *Didache* is a transformative step-by-step training program for new believers, and offers a window into the faith and practice of the earliest Gentile disciples, when Christianity was still within the fold of Messianic Judaism. Written for a culture where individuals had no knowledge of Jesus or the gospel, the *Didache's* timeless instruction is especially applicable for our current, postchristian era. *Ancient Blueprints for the Supernatural* contains the full text of the *Didache* along with extensive, revelatory commentary and application from Drs. Dennis and Jen Clark. You will: Discover how to live as a holy vessel in a godless society. Enter a new way of life that reveals Jesus of Nazareth to the world. Access the miraculous lifestyle that Jesus made possible through the Cross. Experience the presence and power of God through ancient practices such as persistent prayer, communion, baptism, and more. Gain wisdom for discerning false teaching and doctrine that obscures the fullness of God's life and power. Uncover the Biblical definition of The One New Man, and what it means for you. Learn to live in watchful preparation for the Messiah's return. Unleash the timeless wisdom of the *Didache* into your life, and begin walking in the world-changing footsteps of the early church.

The Lives of David Brainerd

The Making of an American Evangelical Icon

Oxford University Press The story of the eighteenth century preacher David Brainerd has been told in dozens of popular biographies, articles, and short essays. Almost without exception, these works are celebratory, even hagiographic in nature, making him into a kind of Protestant saint, a model for generations of missionaries. This book will be the first scholarly biography of Brainerd, drawing on everything from town records and published sermons to hand-written fragments to tell the story not only of Brainerd's life, but of his legend.

The A to Z of Methodism

A to Z Guide Series *The A to Z of Methodism* offers more than 400 entries that describe the church founders, leaders, and other prominent figures who have made notable contributions to the church and society as a whole, as well as important events, doctrines, and activities. This book covers a denomination that plays an important role in the ecumenical movement through its many social and charitable activities in world affairs. In 2003, Methodists celebrated the 300th anniversary of the birth of their founder, John

Wesley. Currently, more than 300 Methodist congregations are active in 140 nations worldwide. Many new and first-time entries for these regions are provided, and the impressive list of contributors includes more than 60 academics, administrators, pastors, and theologians. The A to Z of Methodism offers 15 pages of historical photographs of founding members and humanitarian efforts, along with an extensive bibliography of important books on the history and theological heritage of Methodism, plus a detailed list of important libraries and depositories of Methodist materials, especially in Great Britain and North America.

Methodist History

The Sermons of John Wesley

A Collection for the Christian Journey

Abingdon Press With an eye on serious Christian development, Kenneth Collins and Jason Vickers have arranged this collection of the sermons of John Wesley in terms of the way of salvation in general and the "ordo salutis" in particular. This book contains the sermons that John Wesley approved, in addition to the standard 52 of the North American tradition, organized to correspond to the logic of Christian discipleship and formation. The editors include an outline and short introduction to each sermon detailing its importance and context. Sermons include "Sermon on the Mount," which is key to understanding Wesley's ethics, "Free Grace," "On Working Out Our Own Salvation," and "The Danger of Riches." The book is designed to enhance the reader's understanding of Wesleyan practical theology and written in an accessible style that will be appealing to the wider Wesleyan family of churches. Also included are all of the 44 standard sermons of the British tradition.

Classic Christianity

A Systematic Theology

Harper Collins For the first time, Thomas Oden's Systematic Theology classic series (individually titled *The Living God*, *The Word of Life*, and *Life in the Spirit*) is available in one complete volume. A renowned theologian, Oden provides a consensus view of the Christian faith, delving deeply into ancient Christian tradition and bringing to the contemporary church the best wisdom from its past. In this magisterial work, Oden tackles the central questions of Christian belief and the nature of the trinity. Written for clergy, Christian educators, religious scholars, and lay readers alike, *Classic Christianity* provides the best synthesis of the whole history of Christian thought. Part one explores the most intriguing questions of the study of God—Does God exist? Does Jesus reveal God? Is God personal, compassionate, free?—and presents answers that reflect the broad consensus culled from the breadth of the church's teachers. It is rooted deeply and deliberately in scripture but confronts the contemporary mind with the vitality of the Christian tradition. Part two addresses the perplexing Christological issues of whether God became flesh, whether God became Christ, and whether Christ is the source of salvation. Oden details the core beliefs concerning Jesus Christ that have been handed down for the last two hundred decades, namely, who he was, what he did, and what that means for us today. Part three examines how the work of God in creation and redemption is being brought to consummation by the Holy Spirit in persons, through communities, and in the fullness of human destiny. Oden's magisterial study not only treats the traditional elements of systematical theology but also highlights the foundational exegetes throughout history. Covering the ecumenical councils and early synods; the great teachers of the Eastern church tradition, including Athanasius and John Chrysostom; and the prominent Western figures such as Augustine, Ambrose, Thomas Aquinas, Martin Luther, and John Calvin, this book offers the reader the fullest understanding of the Christian faith available.

How Africa Shaped the Christian Mind

Rediscovering the African Seedbed of Western Christianity

InterVarsity Press Thomas C. Oden surveys the decisive role of African Christians and theologians in shaping the doctrines and practices of the church of the first five centuries, and makes an impassioned plea for the rediscovery of that heritage. Christians throughout the world will benefit from this reclaiming of an important heritage.

A History of the Methodist Church in Great Britain, Volume One

Wipf and Stock Publishers "We have not tried to encompass all the facts or to narrate all the happenings which have often been surveyed in accessible historical studies. It would be our hope that we have selected such salient features as enable the story of Methodism to be considered within an ecumenical perspective." -- From the Preface

A Contemporary Wesleyan Theology

Biblical, Systematic, and Practical

Sermons on Several Occasions

Doctrinal Standards in the Wesleyan Tradition

Revised Edition

Abingdon Press The history of Wesleyan family of churches doctrines What are our core beliefs? Doctrinal Standards in the Wesleyan Tradition, Revised Edition, narrates the history of the formation of Wesleyan doctrines, describing how they were transplanted from the British Isles to North American, how they became constitutionally protected in Wesleyan-rooted churches. The first edition of this book affected the outcome of the 1988 General Conference of The United Methodist Church as the delegates decided many then-disputed doctrinal issues. This revised edition addresses the continuing hunger for more precise and useful information on the doctrinal traditions of mainline Protestantism. Hence the arguments have been updated with more than 400 changes. Included are doctrinal statements for the Evangelical United Bethren, Free Methodist, Methodist Protestant, Wesleyan, Nazarene, African Methodist Episcopal Zion, Christian Methodist Episcopal, and African Methodist Episcopal Churches; as well as an outline syllabus of a Course on the Articles of Religion.

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Five Views on Sanctification

Zondervan Christians generally recognize the need to live a holy, or sanctified, life. But they differ on what sanctification is and how it is achieved. *Five Views on Sanctification* brings together in one easy-to-understand volume five major Protestant views on sanctification. Writing from a solid evangelical stance, each author describes and defends his own understanding of the doctrine, and responds as well to the views of the other authors. This book addresses such practical questions as: How does one achieve sanctification in this life? How much success in sanctification is possible? Is a crisis experience following one's conversion normal—or necessary? If so, what kind of experience, and how is it verified? The Counterpoints series provides a forum for comparison and critique of different views on issues important to Christians. Counterpoints books address two categories: Church Life and Bible and Theology. Complete your library with other books in the Counterpoints series.

Encyclopædia of Religion and Ethics: Mundas-Phrygians

Scope: theology, philosophy, ethics of various religions and ethical systems and relevant portions of anthropology, mythology, folklore, biology, psychology, economics and sociology.

The Scripture Way of Salvation: a Sermon on Ephes. ii. 8

A Plain Account of Christian Perfection

Simon and Schuster John Wesley (1703-1791) is the chief architect and source of inspiration to the teaching commonly referred to as Christian perfection. Among his many publications, the book that best summarizes his teachings on holiness is *A Plain Account of Christian Perfection*, as believed and taught by the Reverend Mr. John Wesley, from the year 1725 to the year 1777. For many years this timeless classic has been reproduced in various formats. Now, for the first time, John Wesley's 'A Plain Account of Christian Perfection' is being offered in a definitive Annotated Edition by Mark K. Olson. This edition is volume one in a projected three volume series. The Annotated Edition offers the following: · The entire text has been divided into chapters and verses for detailed study and cross-referencing. · The introduction examines in detail when and why Wesley wrote *A Plain Account*. · The verse by verse commentary discusses the history and background behind the text, offering unsurpassed explanation of Wesley's doctrine of perfect love. · Five end notes address Wesley's early doctrinal development, the impact of Aldersgate on his perfection doctrine, many testimonies of attaining perfection, and other relevant material from early Methodism. · Over 150 quotations from Wesley's sermons, writings, and letters offer unlimited clarification to his views on perfection. · The insights of many Wesley scholars are included: Albert Outler, Randy Maddox, Kenneth Collins, William Greathouse, Thomas Oden, Harold Lindstrom, Stephen Gunter, H. Ray Dunning, Theodore Runyon, plus many others. · A timeline details every event in Wesley's lifetime corresponding to *A Plain Account*. · Several exhaustive indexes are included: scripture, annotation, subject, author, Wesley quotations, and two synonym indexes from Wesley's *Journal* and *A Plain Account*. · The Essential Reading Section further empowers the study of Wesley's theology of perfection. Included are: o Twenty key sermons, along with their dates and locations in Wesley's *Works* (both the Jackson and Bicentennial editions). · Wesley's most important writings on perfection, listing their date and location in his *Works*. · 250 letters relevant to his theology of perfection. The index includes their date and location in Wesley's *Works*, with a brief description of their contents. Two additional volumes are planned in the series. *John Wesley's Theology of Perfection* will offer specialized studies for those wanting to dig deeper into Wesley's theology of perfection. The third volume, *John Wesley's Doctrine of Christian Perfection*, will present in systematic format every facet of Wesley's views on perfection. The projected release for both volumes is 2006 and 2007. Together, these three volumes will present one of the most thorough and exhaustive studies ever done on Wesley's most beloved, yet, most controversial doctrine.

THE DEATH OF DEATH IN THE DEATH OF CHRIST

Lulu.com *The Death of Death in the Death of Christ* is John Owen's definitive work on the extent of the atonement. It is a polemical work, designed to show among other things that the doctrine of universal redemption is unscriptural and destructive of the gospel. It was called forth by the progress in England of Arminianism and the half-way house of

Amyraldianism adopted by Baxter, Davenant and Usher.

Wesley's Revision of the Shorter Catechism

Christian Perfection

As Taught by Rev. John Wesley

Responsible Grace

John Wesley's Practical Theology

Kingswood Books Of special focus in this reflective overview of Wesley's theological convictions is highlighting the practical-theological dynamics of Wesley's work and suggesting possible implications for contemporary attempts to recover theology as a practical discipline. Another distinctive focus of this work is a systematic consideration of the integration of theological emphases traditionally divergent in Eastern and Western Christianity. The author also closely examines the consistency of Wesley's thought throughout his career.

The Christian miscellany, and family visiter

The Life of John Wesley

John Wesley's Conception and Use of Scripture

Kingswood Books Despite wide acceptance of the "Wesleyan quadrilateral", significant disagreements have arisen in both academic and church circles about the degree to which Scripture stood in a place of theological primacy for Wesley, or should do so for modern Methodists, and about the proper and appropriate methods of interpreting Scripture. In this important work, Scott J. Jones offers a full-scale investigation of John Wesley's conception and use of Scripture. The results of this careful and thorough investigation are sometimes surprising. Jones argues that for Wesley, religious authority is constituted not by a "quadrilateral", but by a fivefold but unitary locus comprising Scripture, reason, Christian antiquity, the Church of England, and experience. He shows that in actual practice Wesley's reliance on the entire Christian tradition - in particular of the early church and of the Church of England - is far heavier than his stated conception of Scripture would seem to allow, and that Wesley stresses the interdependence of the five dimensions of religious authority for Christian faith and practice.

An Earnest Appeal to Men of Reason and Religion

By John Wesley, ...

Christ-Centered Preaching

Redeeming the Expository Sermon

Baker Academic In this complete guide to expository preaching, Bryan Chapell teaches the basics of preparation, organization, and delivery--the trademarks of great preaching. This new edition of a bestselling resource, now updated and revised throughout, shows how Chapell's case for expository preaching reaches twenty-first-century readers.

Knowing God

InterVarsity Press For half a century, J. I. Packer's classic has helped Christians around the world discover the wonder, the glory, and the joy of knowing God. Now featured in the IVP Signature Collection, this thought-provoking work seeks to renew and enrich our understanding of God, bringing together knowing about God and knowing God through a close relationship with Jesus Christ.

The Great Controversy

GENERAL PRESS Beginning with the destruction of Jerusalem and continuing through the persecutions of Christians in the Roman Empire, the apostasy of the Dark Ages, the shining light of the Reformation, and the worldwide religious awakening of the nineteenth century, this volume traces the conflict into the future, to the Second Coming of Jesus and the glories of the earth made new. In this concluding volume, the author powerfully points out the principles involved in the impending conflict and how each person can stand firmly for God and His truth.

Deeper Experiences of Famous Christians

Gleaned from Their Biographies, Autobiographies and Writings

Methodism

Empire of the Spirit

Yale University Press Hempton explores the rise of Methodism from its unpromising origins as a religious society within the Church of England in the 1730s to a major international religious movement by the 1880s.