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Spirit and Beauty-Patrick Sherry 2002 This text discusses what both the early Fathers and later writers such as Calvin and Sergius Bulgakov said about the association of beauty, both in nature and art, with the Holy Spirit. It also considers topics such as divine glory, inspiration and the eschatological character of beauty.

An Introduction to Torrance Theology-Gerrit Scott Dawson 2007-09-01

For more than six decades, the brothers Torrance--Thomas, James and David—have had a tremendous influence on the theological world. They and particularly TF Torrance, have a devoted following world-wide and particularly in the US. Their high view of the fully human, fully divine Jesus is built upon the foundation of the Patristic writers, and the great Reformers from Calvin to Barth. Working in both pastoral and academic settings, the Torrances have stressed the profound implications of Christology for the mission of their Church and the daily life of Christians. Today, a generation of their students around the world find themselves in positions of pastoral and theological leadership. The focus of this book is the person of Christ (christology), a subject central to the Torrance theological vision and one which has had great influence on the presbyterian church. The contributors explore the contemporary relevance of Torrance Christology in such areas as the nature of Christ, the atonement, the ministry of the Church, epistemology and inclusion in Christ. The result is a book that offers both a fresh introduction to the Torrance tradition even as it advances the Torrance thought along fresh avenues of theological exploration.

An Introduction to Christian Philosophical Theology-Stephen T. Davis 2020-11-17

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Existential Theology-Hue Woodson 2020-09-29  
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An Introduction to Psychology of Religion-Robert W. Crapps 1986
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An Introduction to Moral Theology-William E. May 2003 Offers a clear, complete and convincing examination and explanation of Catholic
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The Great Passion—Eberhard Busch 2010-10-04 Widely regarded as the twentieth century’s greatest theologian, Karth Barth refocused the task of Christian theology and demonstrated its relevance to every domain of human life, from the spiritual to the social to the political. It is precisely the broad sweep of Barth’s theology that makes a book like The Great Passion of such great value a succinct yet comprehensive introduction to Barth’s entire theological program. Of the many people who write on the life and thought of Karl Barth, Eberhard Busch is uniquely placed. A world-renowned expert on Barth’s theology, he also served as Barth’s personal assistant from 1965 to 1968. As Busch explains, one cannot fully understand Barth the theologian apart from understanding Barth the man. In this book he weaves doctrine and biography into a superb presentation of Barth’s complete work. Busch’s purpose in this introduction is to guide readers through the main themes of the multivolume Church Dogmatics against the horizon of our own times and problems. In ten sections Busch clearly explains Barth’s views on all of the major subject areas of systematic theology: the nature of revelation, Israel and Christology, the Trinity and the doctrine of predestination, the problem of religion, gospel and law, creation, salvation, the Holy Spirit, ecclesiology, and eschatology. A distinctive feature of the book is the way Busch lets Barth speak for himself, often through surprising quotations and paraphrases. Busch also shows how Barth’s writing should be read as a dialogue, constantly and consciously engaging other voices past and present, both inside and outside the church. Most important, The Great Passion demonstrates that Barth’s thought is still remarkably helpful today.

An Introduction to Liberation Theology—J. David Turner 1994 Liberation theology is one of the most influential theologies of the twentieth century in its attempt to ground social, economic, political, and religious structures with Jesus’ second commandment to ‘love your neighbor as yourself’. In this introductory text, Turner explains Liberation Theologians’ fight for democratic socialism, demands for radical economic structural change, attempts to raise the consciousness of the poor, and their challenge to traditional roles within the Catholic Church.
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