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Human Being Hymns
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A first-rate textbook for

students and
researchers in Practical
Theology written by
some of the leading
practical theologians in
the UK.

A Plea for Embodied
Spirituality SCM Press
This textbook works
towards presenting

Christian spirituality as an ongoing dialogue between doctrine and experience, and asserts that Christian spirituality must reflect the idea of search. It features a number of pedagogical tools to aid the undergraduate such as questions for reflection, and guides to further reading.

Mindful Ministry A&C Black

The SCM Studyguide: Biblical Hermeneutics offers entry-level undergraduates a framework for interpreting the Bible. The book goes beyond offering guidance on how to do exegesis, and is intended as a practical tool to help readers develop good interpretative strategies for themselves. As such it features pedagogical tools such as Try-it-Out

boxes to assist students to develop a tested and thought - through overall interpretative strategy of their own. This fully updated 2nd edition takes into account the changing church and world context, and the new challenges this context brings as students seek to read the Bible with attentiveness, integrity and faithfulness. Table of contents
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Christian History

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TheSCM Studyguide:
Christian Spirituality is
designed as an
introduction to
spirituality for students
of all religious
backgrounds coming to
the subject for the first
time.

The Interfaith

Imperative SCM Press

Pete Ward argues that
to make sense of the
contemporary nature
of the Church we must
understand the way
that encounter with
God is mediated by
cultural expression.
Through participation
in expression the
contemporary Church
is both a lived-in
'culture' while it is also
'in-dwelt' by the
Trinitarian God. He

offers a theoretical
approach to practical
theology which will be
of use to practitioners
rather than merely to
other practical
theologians.

SCM Studyguide:

Church Leadership

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From 2006 to 2011
researchers at
Heythrop College and
the Oxford Centre for
ecclesiology and
Practical Theology
(OxCEPT, Ripon College
Cuddesdon) worked on
a theological and
action research
project: "Action
Research – Church and
Society (ARCS). 2010
saw the publication of
Talking About God in
Practice: Theological
Action research and
Practical Theology
(SCM), which
presented in an
accessible way the
work of ARCS and its

developing methodology. This turned out to be a landmark study in the praxis of Anglican and Catholic ecclesiology in the UK, showing how theology in these differing contexts interacted with the way in which clergy and congregations lived out their religious convictions. This book is a direct follow up to that significant work, authored by one of the original researchers, providing a systematic analysis of the impact of the "theological action research" methodology and its implications for a contemporary ecclesiology. The book presents an ecclesiology generated from church practice, drawing on scholarship in the field as well as the results of the

theological action research undertaken. It achieves this by including real scenarios alongside the academic discourse. This combination allows the author to tease out the complex relationship between the theory and the reality of church. Addressing the need for a more developed theological and methodological account of the ARCS project, this is a book that will be of interest to scholars interested not only Western lived religion, but ecclesiology and theology more generally too.

The Bible's Yes to Same-Sex Marriage
SCM Press

This book aims to introduce a distinctively evangelical voice to

the discipline of practical theology. Evangelicals have sometimes seen practical theology as primarily a 'liberal' project. This collection, however, actively engages with practical theology from an evangelical perspective, both through discussion of the substantive issues and by providing examples of practical theology done by evangelicals in the classroom, the church, and beyond. This volume brings together established and emerging voices to debate the growing role which practical theology is playing in evangelical and Pentecostal circles. Chapters begin by addressing methodological concerns, before

moving into areas of practice. Additionally, there are four short papers from students who make use of practical theology to reflect upon their own practice. Issues of authority and normativity are tackled head on in a way that will inform the debate both within and beyond evangelicalism. This book will, therefore, be of keen interest to scholars of practical, evangelical, and Pentecostal theology. Personhood and Presence Routledge Practical theology and theological reflection are growing areas of theological studies. This book aims to create a bridge between pastoral practice and public theology.

Straw for the Bricks

Westminster John Knox

Press
Taking seriously Paul's exhortation in 1 Thessalonians to pray without ceasing, Deborah van Deusen Hunsinger challenges pastors and congregations to put prayer at the center of their Christian practice and theological reflection. In this thought-provoking book Hunsinger reclaims spiritual practices from token use and unites them in a dynamic network of interdependent caring traditions. The book begins with the three foundational disciplines of spiritual reading, careful listening, and self-reflection. Hunsinger then explores prayers of petition, intercession, confession, lament, and thanksgiving. Finally she offers

practical, workable suggestions for developing pastoral care groups and teaching care-giving skills at the congregational level. Clergy and laity alike will reap the benefits of this revitalizing look at the spiritual disciplines as dynamic forces in the life of the church.

Theological Reflection for Human Flourishing

Routledge

The body is crucial to religious life, but there has been little practical attention to how to make a helpful reality of this fact. Strong forms of philosophical dualism have been widely abandoned by post-war theologians in favour of a more integrated view of human nature, but guidance on the role of the body in Christian

spirituality remains fragmentary. Focusing particularly on drawing out practical implications for religious life and ministry, this book will survey the many ways in which the body plays an important role in religions and spiritual life, drawing on scientific research, theology and philosophy.

The Oxford Handbook of Mission Studies

SCM Press
The SCM Studyguide
Pastoral Theology
designed to support undergraduate courses for the training of clergy and lay pastoral workers at an accessible introductory level. The book aims to develop pastoral wisdom and integrity through a critical integration of theology and the human

sciences. Introducing key themes in theological anthropology and pastoral practice, it shapes a creative pastoral vision which is deeply rooted in a Christian vision of what it means to be human and what it takes to care. Working with case studies, the book will introduce broad frameworks of understanding of issues such as growth, loss, and sexuality, together with critical perspectives on important aspects of practice such as language, power and boundaries. The book provides an accessible overview of key concepts in pastoral theology, offering key entry points for further discussion and study. Each chapter includes discussion questions

and/or reflective exercises at the end of each chapter together with a short bibliography.

Throughout the text, key summaries of learning will be indicated by boxed Practice Points.

SCM Studyguide to Christian Spirituality
SCM Press

Resisting the urge to instruct with a more polemical voice, the SCM Studyguide to Church Leadership will encourage ordinands and trainee church leaders to reassess modern pressures and priorities and to re-orient creatively around the callings, giftings, and approaches that are suitable to Christ and particular to the Church.

Participation and Mediation Hymns

Ancient and Modern Ltd
Ministry, the authors contend, is a range of energies freely bestowed by the Spirit. Our task is to channel it mindfully and reflectively. Through the use of imaginative exercises based on scripture, focusing exercises directed at practical situations, and theological reflection that is rooted in the authors' own experience of ministry as Anglican priests, the following 'colours' of the ministerial rainbow are explored: - The Apostle: Mindful Representing, the Christlike shape of ministry.- The Holy One: Mindful Praying, the still centre of ministry.- The Pastor: Mindful Serving, the hard-working body of ministry.- The Teacher:

Mindful Nurture, the wise soul of ministry- The Leader: Mindful Organising, the overseeing mind of ministry.- The Go-Between: Mindful Collaboration, Conviviality and Communication, the interlinking and encouraging hands of ministry.- The Herald of Good Tidings: Mindful Evangelism, the swift, urgent feet of ministry.- The Liberator: Mindful Subversion, the courageous heart of ministry.

Fragments for Fractured Times Wipf and Stock Publishers 'Ordinary theology' characterizes the reflective God-talk of the great majority of churchgoers, and others who remain largely untouched by the assumptions,

concepts and arguments that academic theology takes for granted. Jeff Astley coined the phrase in his innovative study, *Ordinary Theology: Looking, Listening and Learning in Theology*, arguing that 'speaking statistically ordinary theology is the theology of God's Church'. A number of scholars have responded to this and related conceptualizations, exploring their theological implications. Other researchers have adopted the perspective in examining a range of Church practices and contexts of Christian discipleship, using the tools of empirical study. Ordinary theology research has

proved to be key in uncovering people's everyday lay theology or ordinary dogmatics. Exploring Ordinary Theology presents fresh contributions from a wide range of authors, who address the theological, empirical and practical dimensions of this central feature of ordinary Christian existence and the life of the Church.

SCM Studyguide The Books of the New Testament SCM Press

An accessible resource for students and practitioners to become aware of the significance of self-knowledge for the provision of sensitive spiritual and pastoral care.

SCM Studyguide:
Theology in the Contemporary World
Hymns Ancient and

Modern Ltd
A major new introduction to the global history of Christianity, written by one of the world's leading theologians and author of numerous bestselling textbooks. Provides a truly global review by exploring the development of Christianity and related issues in Asia, Latin America and Africa, and not just focusing on Western concerns. Spanning more than two millennia and combining elements of theology, history, and culture, it traces the development of all three branches of Christianity – Catholic, Protestant, and Orthodox – providing context to Christianity's origins and its links to Judaism. Looks beyond

denominational history at Christianity's impact on individuals, society, politics, and intellectual thought, as well as on art, architecture, and the natural sciences. Combines McGrath's acute historical sensibility with formidable organizational skill, breaking the material down into accessible, self-contained historical periods. Offers an accessible and student-oriented text, assuming little or no advance theological or historical knowledge on the part of the reader.

Writing Methods in Theological Reflection
SCM Press

Explores the nature of Christian mission in contemporary post-modern society. This book examines the

main historic types of mission in the Christian tradition, seeing how they were forged in the cross currents of history and how they continue to be expressed by different Christian communities.
SCM Studyguide Pastoral Theology SCM Press

In the early 2000s, Mark Achtemeier embarked on a personal journey with the Bible that led him from being a conservative, evangelical opponent of gay rights to an outspoken activist for gay marriage and a fully inclusive church. In *The Bible's Yes to Same-Sex Marriage*, Achtemeier shares what led to his change of heart: the problems with excluding groups of people and the insights into the Bible's

message that led him to recognize the fullness of God's love and support for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community. Readers will discover how reading snippets of Scripture out of context has led to false and misleading interpretations of the Bible's message about LGBT persons. Achtemeier shows how a careful reading of the whole Scripture reveals God's good news about love, marriage, and sexuality for gay and straight people alike. *Seeking the Church* SCM Press
Since it was first published, the SCM Studyguide to Theological Reflection has quickly gained a reputation for being a vital and accessible guide to the subject for

all who embark on it for the first time. This studyguide offers newcomers a step by step introduction to understanding what theological reflection is and helps them to explore which of the methods introduced best suits them and their particular situation. It is practical in emphasis, providing students with a wide variety of worked examples and opportunities to carry out their own exercises. This 2nd edition will bring the content up to date, offering a revised and improved bibliography and updated and refreshed examples and exercises, including new sections on scriptural reasoning and contemplative theology. *Enriching Ministry*

Hymns Ancient and Modern Ltd
Peter Stevenson provides an introduction to the practice of preaching. It is designed for people from various church traditions, in the early stages of ministerial formation. Preaching is a complex and challenging business requiring a demanding mixture of skills. People listening to a sermon have the right to expect that a person who stands up to preach, can interpret the Bible competently, has a grasp of core Christian beliefs, and believes

what they preach. They also expect someone who has the necessary range of communication skills to put the message across in an accessible way. Such a range of expectations presents daunting challenges to the most experienced preacher. Including practical exercises which could be used by individuals or by groups, this book is suitable for introductory courses in preaching or for modules which consider preaching within an overall focus upon leading public worship.