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 God does not
 suggest, he
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 that we do
 justice. Social
 justice is not
 optional for
 the Christian.
 All injustice

<p>affects others, so talking about justice that isn't social is like talking about water that isn't wet or a square with no right angles. But the Bible's call to seek justice is not a call to superficial, kneejerk activism. We are not merely commanded to execute justice, but to "truly execute justice." The God who commands us to seek justice is the same God who commands us to "test everything" and "hold fast</p>	<p>to what is good." Drawing from a diverse range of theologians, sociologists, artists, and activists, Confronting Injustice without Compromising Truth, by Thaddeus Williams, makes the case that we must be discerning if we are to "truly execute justice" as Scripture commands. Not everything called "social justice" today is compatible with a biblical vision of a</p>	<p>better world. The Bible offers hopeful and distinctive answers to deep questions of worship, community, salvation, and knowledge that ought to mark a uniquely Christian pursuit of justice. Topics addressed include: Racism Sexuality Socialism Culture War Abortion Tribalism Critical Theory Identity Politics Confronting Injustice without Compromising</p>
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Truth also brings in unique voices to talk about their experiences with these various social justice issues, including: Michelle-Lee Barnwall Suresh Budhaprithi Eddie Byun Freddie Cardoza Becket Cook Bella Danusiar Monique Duson Ojo Okeye Edwin Ramirez Samuel Sey Neil Shenvi Walt Sobchak In Confronting Injustice without Compromising Truth, Thaddeus

Williams transcends our religious and political tribalism and challenges readers to discover what the Bible and the example of Jesus have to teach us about justice. He presents a compelling vision of justice for all God's image-bearers that offers hopeful answers to life's biggest questions. **How Knowing God Makes a Difference in Our Daily Lives** NYU Press This paradigm-

shifting book helps believers understand the process of being transformed by God's grace and truth, and challenges them to be a part of the process of discipleship in the lives of their fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. Counseling One Another biblically presents and defends every believer's responsibility to work toward God's goal of conforming us to the image

of His Son—a goal reached through the targeted form of intensive discipleship most often referred to as counseling. All Christians will find Counseling One Another useful as they make progress in the life of sanctification and as they discuss issues with their friends, children, spouses, and fellow believers, providing them with a biblical framework for life and one-another

ministry in the body of Christ. Exploring Theologies of Liberation Zondervan Academic Healing the Mind & Emotions of the Oppressed What does it mean to be oppressed? What are the major signs of oppression? What causes oppression always demonic? Is an oppressed person possessed with demons? What is a stronghold, and how do you pull it down? What can you do to

help heal the mind and emotions of the oppressed? If these are questions you would like to have answered, this five-part series by Rick Renner can provide the answers you need! For years Rick has taught on the subject of spiritual warfare from a balanced, biblical perspective. In this new series, he takes this subject one step deeper to unfold the true definition of oppression,

its origin and visible effects, and how to permanently walk free of this affliction. Nearly every person has experienced oppression or knows someone who is struggling with it right now. Based on the example of Jesus own ministry and His words on the subject, the information in this series can set you or a loved one on a path to freedom forever.

Bible of the Oppressed
Beacon Press
Why haven't

we North American biblical scholars done such a systematic study of the words for oppression in the Bible? If the answer is that we who possess the critical skills are not ourselves oppressed or identified with communities of the oppressed, then it becomes imperative that we listen all the more carefully to these voices from the South. -- Walter Wink, Professor

Emeritus of Biblical Interpretation, Auburn Theological Seminary, New York This book is a welcome addition to a growing body of evidence that the Bible is a book about social justice for the oppressed of the land and that this indeed is the good news. -- Marie Augusta Neal, SND de Namur, author of A Socio-Theology of Letting Go Elsa Tamez's book attracts our attention, not only for wrestling with

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School Elsa Tamez is the author of 'Through Her Eyes' (Wipf & Stock reprint, 2006), 'Jesus and Courageous Women' (2001), and coeditor of 'The Discourse of Human Dignity' (2003). *Suffering and the Sovereignty of God* Metropolitan Books Famously known as the text that Martin Luther King Jr. sought inspiration from in the days leading up to the Montgomery

bus boycott, Howard Thurman's Jesus and the Disinherited helped shape the civil rights movement and changed our nation's history forever. In this classic theological treatise, the acclaimed theologian and religious leader Howard Thurman (1900-1981) demonstrates how the gospel may be read as a manual of resistance for the poor and disenfranchised. Jesus is a partner in the pain of the

oppressed and the example of His life offers a solution to ending the descent into moral nihilism. Hatred does not empower-- it decays. Only through self-love and love of one another can God's justice prevail. Oxford University Press
In Hope for the Oppressor, Patrick Oden examines the topic of liberation from the perspective of the oppressor, arguing that oppressors need to be and indeed

can be liberated from oppressing. Oden points to community as a hope that brings change, inviting people into a new expression of life together. *Freeing the Oppressed* Orbis Books Published originally as part of C. Eric Lincoln's series on the black religious experience, *Is God a White Racist?* is a landmark critique of the black church's treatment of evil and the nature of suffering. In this powerful examination

of the early liberation methodology of James Cone, J. Deotis Roberts, and Joseph Washington, among others, Jones questions whether their foundation for black Christian theism—the belief in an omnibenevolent God who has dominion over human history—can provide an adequate theological foundation to effectively dismantle the economic, social, and political framework of oppression.

Seeing divine benevolence as part of oppression's mechanism of disguise, Jones argues that black liberation theologians must adopt a new theism that is informed by humanism and its principle of the functional ultimacy of wo/man, where human choice and action determine whether our condition is slavery or freedom. [Finding God in Somali Legal Politics](#) Stanford

University Press
In his controversial 1973 book, *Is God a White Racist?*, William R. Jones sharply criticized black theologians for their agnostic approach to black suffering, noting that the doctrine of an omnibenevolent God poses very significant problems for a perennially oppressed community. He proposed a 'humanocentric theism' which denies

God's sovereignty over human history and imputes autonomous agency to humans. By rendering humans alone responsible for moral evil, Jones's theology freed blacks to revolt against the evil of oppression without revolting against God. Sherman Jackson now places Jones's argument in conversation with the classical schools of Islamic theology. The problem

confronting the black community is not simply proving that God exists, says Jackson. The problem, rather, is establishing that God cares. No religious expression that fails to tackle the problem of black suffering can hope to enjoy a durable tenure in the black community. For the Muslim, therefore, it is essential to find a Quranic/Islamic grounding for the protest-

oriented agenda of black religion. That is the task Jackson undertakes in this pathbreaking work. Jackson's previous book, *Islam and the Blackamerican* (OUP 2006) laid the groundwork for this ambitious project. Its sequel, *Islam and the Problem of Black Suffering*, will solidify Jackson's reputation as the foremost theologian of the black American Islamic

movement.
For My People: Black Theology and the Black Church Oxford University Press, USA
 The most enduring challenge to traditional monotheism is the problem of evil, which attempts to reconcile three incompatible propositions: God is all-good, God is all-powerful, and evil happens. The Prince of This World traces the story of one of the most influential attempts to

square this circle: the offloading of responsibility for evil onto one of God's rebellious creatures. In this striking reexamination, the devil's story is bitterly ironic, full of tragic reversals. He emerges as a theological symbol who helps oppressed communities cope with the trauma of unjust persecution, torture, and death at the hands of political authorities and eventually becomes a

vehicle to justify oppression at the hands of Christian rulers. And he evolves alongside the biblical God, who at first presents himself as the liberator of the oppressed but ends up a cruel ruler who delights in the infliction of suffering on his friends and enemies alike. In other words, this is the story of how God becomes the devil—a devil who remains with us in our ostensibly secular age.

God of the Oppressed
James H. Cone

Wipf and Stock Publishers
In the last few years, 9/11, a tsunami, Hurricane Katrina, and many other tragedies have shown us that the vision of God in today's churches in relation to evil and suffering is often frivolous. Against the overwhelming weight and seriousness of the Bible, many Christians are choosing to become more shallow, more

entertainment-oriented, and therefore irrelevant in the face of massive suffering. In *Suffering and the Sovereignty of God*, contributors John Piper, Joni Eareckson Tada, Steve Saint, Carl Ellis, David Powlison, Dustin Shramek, and Mark Talbot explore the many categories of God's sovereignty as evidenced in his Word. They urge readers to look to Christ, even in

suffering, to find the greatest confidence, deepest comfort, and sweetest fellowship they have ever known. *A Dream Or a Nightmare* Orbis Books
A provocative history of men who were worshipped as gods that illuminates the connection between power and religion and the role of divinity in a secular age. Ever since 1492, when Christopher Columbus made landfall

in the New World and was hailed as a heavenly being, the accidental god has haunted the modern age. From Haile Selassie, acclaimed as the Living God in Jamaica, to Britain's Prince Philip, who became the unlikely center of a new religion on a South Pacific island, men made divine—always men—have appeared on every continent. And because these deifications always emerge at moments of

turbulence—civil wars, imperial conquest, revolutions—they have much to teach us. In a revelatory history spanning five centuries, a cast of surprising deities helps to shed light on the thorny questions of how our modern concept of “religion” was invented; why religion and politics are perpetually entangled in our supposedly secular age; and how the power to call

someone divine has been used and abused by both oppressors and the oppressed. From nationalist uprisings in India to Nigerien spirit possession cults, Anna Della Subin explores how deification has been a means of defiance for colonized peoples. Conversely, we see how Columbus, Cortés, and other white explorers amplified stories of their godhood to justify their

dominion over native peoples, setting into motion the currents of racism and exclusion that have plagued the New World ever since they touched its shores. At once deeply learned and delightfully antic, Accidental Gods offers an unusual keyhole through which to observe the creation of our modern world. It is that rare thing: a lyrical, entertaining work of ideas, one that marks the

debut of a remarkable literary career. Liberation Theologies in the United States Orbis Books
 There Shall Be No Poor Among You is a careful and comprehensive but not overly technical study of the biblical portrait of the poor and poverty. Hoppe introduces the study with the socioeconomic structures of ancient Israel and Roman Palestine, then proceeds systematically to examine

the biblical evidence, including that of the Old Testament, New Testament, Apocrypha, and rabbinic literature. The Bible describes the poor and poverty in a variety of ways. Sometimes poverty is a curse; other times it is a blessing. Sometimes the text is concerned about material poverty exclusively; other times poverty becomes a metaphor for another

reality. Hoppe describes the various ways the Bible deals with the poor, but his fundamental conclusion is that the Bible never idealizes the reality of material poverty and the oppression of the poor by the rich. Even when the Bible speaks of “poverty of the spirit” as a positive religious metaphor, God requires humans to seek social justice. Hoppe suggests that just as poverty is not idealized in

the Bible, so the poor should be a priority of every community of faith. Ancient Israel, early Judaism, Jesus, and the first Christians did not forget the poor, and if believers today wish to be faithful to their biblical heritage, neither can they. This book provides a practical background for scholars and is a primer for a significant theological motif. It will be useful in the classroom (in college and

seminary courses in biblical ethics and social justice), as well as in serious Bible study. Study questions will help readers and students further probe history, theology, and application.

**The Irish,
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and the End
of a Special
Relationship**

Orbis Books

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introduction to this edition by Cornel West was originally published in Dwight N. Hopkins, ed., *Black Faith and Public Talk: Critical*

Essays on James H. Cone's Black Theology & Black Power (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 1999; reprinted 2007 by Baylor University Press)."

God-talk and the Suffering of the Innocent

Derek Prince Ministries

This book is a consideration of major contemporary Black and Jewish understanding of God, examining how profound faith in a just God is sustained, and

even strengthened, in the face of particularly horrific and long-standing evil and suffering in a community.

We Need To Talk About Race

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A landmark in the conversation about race and religion in America.

"They put him to death by hanging him on a tree."

Acts 10:39

The cross and the lynching tree are the two most emotionally charged symbols in the history of the

African American community. In this powerful new work, theologian James H. Cone explores these symbols and their interconnection in the history and souls of black folk. Both the cross and the lynching tree represent the worst in human beings and at the same time a thirst for life that refuses to let the worst determine our final meaning. While the lynching tree symbolized white power and "black

death," the cross symbolizes divine power and "black life" God overcoming the power of sin and death. For African Americans, the image of Jesus, hung on a tree to die, powerfully grounded their faith that God was with them, even in the suffering of the lynching era. In a work that spans social history, theology, and cultural studies, Cone explores the message of the spirituals and the power

of the blues; the passion and of Emmet Till and the engaged vision of Martin Luther King, Jr.; he invokes the spirits of Billie Holliday and Langston Hughes, Fannie Lou Hamer and Ida B. Well, and the witness of black artists, writers, preachers, and fighters for justice. And he remembers the victims, especially the 5,000 who perished during the lynching period. Through their

witness he contemplates the greatest challenge of any Christian theology to explain how life can be made meaningful in the face of death and injustice. Counseling One Another Orbis Books This study analyses the commentaries of four Muslim intellectuals who have turned to scripture as a liberating text to confront an array of problems, from patriarchy, racism, and empire to

poverty and interreligious communal violence. Shadaab Rahemtulla considers the exegeses of the South African Farid Esack (b. 1956), the Indian Asghar Ali Engineer (1939-2013), the African American Amina Wadud (b. 1952), and the Pakistani American Asma Barlas (b. 1950). Rahemtulla examines how these intellectuals have been able to expound this seventh-century

Arabian text in a socially liberating way, addressing their own lived realities of oppression, and thus contexts that are worlds removed from that of the text's immediate audience. Through a close reading of their works, he underlines the importance of both the ethico-social content of the Qur'an and their usage of new and innovative reading practices. This work provides a rich analysis

of the thought-ways of specific Muslim intellectuals, thereby substantiating a broadly framed school of thought. Rahemtulla draws out their specific and general importance without displaying an uncritical sympathy. He sheds light on the impact of modern exegetical commentary which is more self-consciously concerned with historical context and present realities. In a

mutually reinforcing way, this work thus illuminates both the role of agency and hermeneutical approaches in modern Islamic thought. *Discovering Freedom Through Transformative Community* eBooks2go When Jesus spoke at his local synagogue he boldly proclaimed that he was the one sent to free those who were oppressed. He came to provide hope, peace, and

safety to those suffering in the world. When he left this earth, his followers were left with the task of continuing this ministry. Statistics suggest that in America one in four women has experienced physical violence in an intimate relationship. Dating violence, intimate-partner violence, and child abuse rank as some of our nation's largest problems. Men are also being

abused by intimate partners, parents, or care providers at increasing rates. The statistic is even more alarming worldwide. Unfortunately, these statistics represent only reported incidents. The rates of verbal, emotional, and spiritual abuse are even higher. In addition, countless women are encouraged by clergy to return to their abusive spouses. The faith

community, while called by God to free the oppressed, has been slow to respond to this sin against humanity. Few seminaries offer quality domestic-violence-prevention training for clergy. However, clergy still continue to be sought for help from the community and as advocates for victims of domestic violence. A partnership between the church and community

(locally and abroad) is necessary if we wish to transform humans caught in this form of oppression. In *Setting the Captives Free* Ron Clark proposed a theology of addressing domestic violence and its application for clergy. *Freeing the Oppressed* is a book that seeks to condense Clark's previous work into a readable form for those seeking spiritual answers

concerning abuse and batterer intervention, and for helpers of those caught in the cycle of family violence. It is also designed as an outreach for those seeking help from the faith community. *There Shall be No Poor Among You* Orbis Books The Power of this prayer of Imam Muhammad al-Dar'i lies in its simplicity, its purity, and its sincere supplication. It is essentially a plea to God

that our transgressions be overlooked, that divine mercy be bestowed upon us, that social justice be restored in spite of us, that wrongs be righted, and that righteousness reign once again in our lands, so that the destitute may no longer be in need, the young may be educated, the animals' purpose fulfilled, rain restored, and bounties poured forth. It is a plea to be freed from the aggression

of foreigners in lands over which they have no right—a plea much needed in our modern world, rampant as it is with invasions and territorial occupations. Ultimately, it asks not that our enemies be destroyed, but simply that their plots, and the harm they cause, be halted. Its essence is mercy, which in turn is the essence of the Messenger of God, Muhammad (peace and blessing of

God be upon him): “And We have only sent you as a mercy to all the worlds.”
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 When Dubliner Derek Scally goes to Christmas Eve

Mass on a visit home from Berlin, he finds more memories than congregants in the church where he was once an altar boy. Not for the first time, the collapse of the Catholic Church in Ireland brings to mind the fall of another powerful ideology - East German communism. While Germans are engaging earnestly with their past, Scally sees nothing comparable going on in his native land.

So he embarks on a quest to unravel the tight hold the Church had on the Irish. He travels the length and breadth of Ireland and across Europe, going to Masses, novenas, shrines and seminaries, talking to those who have abandoned the Church and those who have held on, to survivors and campaigners, to writers, historians, psychologists and many more. And he

has probing and revealing encounters with Vatican officials, priests and religious along the way. The Best Catholics in the World is the remarkable result of his three-year journey. With wit, wisdom and compassion Scally gives voice and definition to the murky and difficult questions that face a society coming to terms with its troubling past. It is both a lively personal odyssey and a resonant and

<p>gripping work of reporting that is a major contribution to the story of Ireland. 'Reflective, textured, insightful and original ... rich with history, interrogation and emotional intelligence' Diarmaid Ferriter, Irish Times 'An unblinking look at the collapse of the Church and Catholic deference in Ireland. Excellent and timely' John Banville, The</p>	<p>Sunday Times 'Engaging and incisive' Caelainn Hogan, author of Republic of Shame 'Remarkable ... Essential reading for anyone concerned about history and forgetting' Michael Harding 'Fair-minded ... thoughtful' Melanie McDonagh, The Times 'Very pacey and entertaining ... and it changed how I regard Ireland</p>	<p>and our history for good. 'Fantastic' Oliver Callan 'Original, thought-provoking and very engaging' Marie Collins 'A provocative insight into a time that many would rather forget' John Boyne 'Challenging' Mary McAleese 'Explores this subject in a way that I've never seen before' Hugh Linehan, Irish Times</p>
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