

Women Steadfast In Christ

Meticulously researched and drawing on original source materials written in eight different languages, this study fills a lacuna in the historiography of Christianity in Japan. Ward analyzes the experience of nuns, witches, catechists and sisters in sixteenth-century Japan, bringing to light how these women utilized resources from their traditional religions to new Christian adaptations and specific religio-social issues, creating unique hybrids of Catholicism and Buddhism, or rejecting the new religion.

Christian Women and Modern China explores how women have made history throughout the development of Chinese Protestantism. Studying their lived experiences facilitates a nuanced understanding about the interplays of Christianity, gender, power and modern Chinese history.

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An inspiring and encouraging collection of Scripture personalized just for women, God's Personal Promises for Women will be a treasured collection to empower you and give you a renewed sense of God's loving, personal care. Discover promises that address the needs of your heart, from peace and patience to worry and stress. In the midst of the uncertainties of life, you will rediscover the power and authority of God's Word for your every need.

Chinese Women in Christian Ministry uses an interdisciplinary (theological, historical, and anthropological) approach to analyze how theological and cultural factors have influenced attitudes about the place and role of women in the Chinese church and Christian ministry in Asia and in the West. The changing status and role of women in Chinese historical sociocultural contexts provide insights into the development of Confucian gender ideology and its impact on the Chinese. Western women missionaries with their Christian and cultural ideals became a catalyst for change in the gender role and mentality of Chinese women in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Global women's issues have sparked a genuine concern among the Chinese leading to changing attitudes toward Chinese women in Christian ministry.

Through the inspiring stories of eleven faithful women, Empowered will show girls that God is the true source of their power, strength, and purpose in life. In the pages of this book, girls will encounter women they may never have heard of and will learn some of the character traits that go along with the Christian walk. But they will also encounter a God who is faithful to complete the work He has begun in them. The stories in Empowered are about faithful women, but even more about a steadfast God. Girls don't have to do the things these women have done to live a life of purpose; by making a direct connection to their daily lives, readers will have a bigger and a more personal view of their Father and His love for them. The same God who was faithful to give Corrie ten Boom the love she needed to forgive her prison guard can help girls love the unlovable bullies at school. The love for Jesus that compelled Sophie Scholl to sacrifice her life for a higher cause can empower a young girl who sees injustice in the world around her. In a culture where the youth see value in terms of Instagram likes and viral videos, the life of Pandita Ramabai will show the value of humble worship. Empowered flips the popular idea of what it means to be a strong girl on its head, showing that real power comes from our loving Father through His Son and removing the pressure girls may feel to conquer

the world on their own.

Women in the Victorian period were acknowledged to be the "religious sex," but their relationship to the doctrines, practices, and hierarchies of Christianity was both highly circumscribed, which has been well documented, and complexly creative, which has not. Gray visits the importance of the literature of Christian devotion to women's creative lives through an examination of the varied ways in which Victorian women reproduced and recreated traditional Christian texts in their own poetic texts. Investigating how women poets redeployed the discourse of Christianity to uncover the multiple voices of the scriptures, to expand identity and gender constructions, and to question traditional narratives and processes of authorization, Gray contends that women found in religious poetry unexpected, liberating possibilities. Taking into account multiple voices, from the best-known female poets of the day to some of the most obscure, this study provides a comprehensive account of Victorian women's religious poetic creativity, and argues that this body of work helped shape the development of the lyric in the Victorian period.

In the past, scholars and others have asked whether Mormons are Christian. This work reverses the question by asking, "are Christians Mormon?" By identifying Mormon doctrines formerly considered heretical and documenting how these doctrines have gained increasing acceptance within mainstream Christian theologies, the work presents some surprising insights. In chapters focusing on subjects such as deification, the divine feminine, and the reopening of the scriptural canon, among others, the book sets out Joseph Smith's teachings on these ideas, summarizes the criticisms of those positions, and examines trends in contemporary Christian theology that significantly converge in Joseph's direction. Exploring the convergence of contemporary Christian theology with Mormon doctrines, this book will appeal to a broad range of students and readers exploring Christian theology and the Latter-day Saint tradition.

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The challenge of promoting the "new feminism" has barely been addressed since it was first launched by Pope John Paul

It is in his 1995 encyclical *Evangelium vitae*. The thirteen contributors in this book, all outstanding international scholars, take up this task, together laying the necessary theoretical foundation for the new feminism. These chapters articulate an integral philosophical and theological understanding of persons that moves beyond patriarchy on the one hand and traditional feminism on the other. Central to the new perspective offered here is the biblical revelation of the human person - man and woman - in Christ, a vision that directs women beyond the "male" standard against which they have too often been measured. Far from constraining women to an "eternal essence," the dynamic view presented here encourages each woman to realize herself in perfect Christian freedom.

This book is about the journey of Mrs. Deborah Woodley. In it, she shares the reality and firsthand experience of believing and trusting in God in every area of her life both in the past and in the present. As you read, you will find that her relationship, with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, makes a world of difference in where she ended up. Her journey in life is filled with opportunities to have made several choices that could have led to tragic, yet predictable circumstances. In the book, she opens her life and exposes her heart to reveal her most inner and personal biases, weaknesses, failures, low self-esteem, state of mind and mental disturbances from emotional hurt and pain. You will walk with her through situations and events and understand why the grace and favor of God have overshadowed her life. You will get to know the men and women of God, to whom she submitted herself to be groomed and spiritually nourished. Under their tutelage, she was able to grow and remain grounded in His word. Your reading this book is an indication that you have accepted her invitation to take a journey that will change your life. She will show you that right where you are, you can make the necessary adjustments, re-evaluate your true status of success, restore broken relationships and freely live to trust God's word to be true. You will affirm along with her, that God's Word cannot return void; once it is spoken in Faith over your circumstances, whether you understand it or not. The results of extended opportunities, from exposure to other communities, enhanced her drive to do her best even when she didn't feel like it. Whether you understand what you are going through or not, this book will give you hope to strive for excellence in all you do regardless of the size of the contribution you make. From your heart, and dedication to serve God and test His word for your life through faith and perseverance, it will give you peace that surpasses all your understanding. Identify the barriers that are preventing you from having a balanced life and explore what the Bible teaches about Christ-centered living.

This book presents the first three Christian centuries through the lens of what Foucault called "the care of the self." This lens reveals a rich variation among early Christian movements by illuminating their practices instead of focusing on what we anachronistically assume to have been their beliefs. A deep analysis of the discourse of martyrdom demonstrates how writers like Clement, Ignatius, and Polycarp represented self-

care. Deborah Niederer Saxon brings to light an entire spectrum of alternative views represented in newly-discovered texts from Nag Hammadi and elsewhere. This insightful analysis has implications for feminist scholarship and exposes the false binary of thinking in terms of “orthodoxy” versus “heresy”/“Gnosticism.”

Trials have a way of changing us, for better or worse. They can humble us or harden us. They can make us run to God or away from him. Perhaps your trials have resulted in a closer walk with him, or maybe he seems far away. Often, God strengthens our faith through the witness of courageous Christians who've gone before us. Be encouraged and challenged by these 12 portraits of faithful women who steadfastly endured many trials-including physical pain, persecution, infertility, loneliness, and oppression-and who, in their various sufferings, found Christ to be an all-sufficient Lord and Savior, steadfast, faithful, and true.

This book is designed as a woman's Bible study book which examines twelve significant signs of God. In each sign a woman was an integral part of God's plan to make the sign a reality. Sign of the Serpent Sign of the Rainbow Sign of Sarah 's laughter Sign of Struggles Sign of Unafraid Sign of Leprosy Sign of God Working in a Life Sign of Real Prophet of God Sign of the Virgin Birth Sign of Good Works Sign of Pilate 's Wife Sign of the Bride of Christ Each sign is carefully researched as to how and when it came to pass; and who will be involved in the sign in the future. A reading of this book will increase faith in God and bring joy to the heart. Part 2 Short life stories of unknown women whose unselfish devotion to God and others have made this world a better world. You will love every one of them.

Public reaction to the church, and its influence on the lives of early Christian women.

Inclusive Language in the Church is a good introduction to questions about language use today that fairly addresses the issues of the language debate. Nancy Hardesty sets out to convince us that inclusive language is appropriate in Christian theology and worship.

Your Journey to Extraordinary Starts with One Word—Yes If you have a desire deep inside your heart to be someone special and do amazing things, you are not alone. Lysa TerKeurst and her daughter, Hope, have felt that hunger too, and they've learned that only God can satisfy the craving to go beyond just making it through the day. Why? Because God is the one who created that need inside of you and He's using it to draw you closer to Him. As you begin your journey to extraordinary, this book will help you overcome your fear of saying yes to God by focusing on the life-changing results of obeying Him get past your need for perfection by giving all your cares and worries to God stop stressing about change by embracing God's purpose and direction for your life be confident about when God is speaking to you by learning how to recognize His voice let go of the unimportant stuff by choosing to accept the greater gifts that God has in store for you When you say yes to God, you will see your faith grow and bloom. Will you accept His invitation and start your journey today?

There is an enormous amount of confusion and deception about what it means to be a woman. Even within the church, women are continually struggling to define their femininity. Pat Ennis and Lisa Tatlock tackle the difficult question of 'What makes a godly woman?' with warmth, compassion, and directness in *Becoming a Woman Who Pleases God*. Readers will find themselves challenged to re-think their priorities, re-examine the position of the home, and re-work their definition of what it means to be a woman in whom God is well pleased.

Offers a new take on the identities and life histories of medieval people, in their multi-layered and sometimes contradictory dimensions.

This in-depth 6 week Bible study will help you see the church as Christ sees her - a shining Bride preparing for her beloved Bridegroom. You will discover how Jesus often used the marriage relationship to teach us about Himself, His purposes and His ways. The study draws from the rich symbolism of the ancient Jewish wedding customs, familiar during Jesus' time, but not always understood by today's Christians. This remarkable journey through Scripture will encourage and inspire you as you come to better understand God's plan for the church and how believers can work together to prepare for Christ's return. By the conclusion of this study, you will discover fascinating biblical truths that point the climax of human history— the marriage feast of the lamb!

"Magisterial. . . . A learned, brilliant and enjoyable study."—Géza Vermès, Times Literary Supplement In this exciting book, Paula Fredriksen explains the variety of New Testament images of Jesus by exploring the ways that the new Christian communities interpreted his mission and message in light of the delay of the Kingdom he had preached. This edition includes an introduction reviews the most recent scholarship on Jesus and its implications for both history and theology. "Brilliant and lucidly written, full of original and fascinating insights."—Reginald H. Fuller, Journal of the American Academy of Religion "This is a first-rate work of a first-rate historian."—James D. Tabor, Journal of Religion "Fredriksen confronts her documents—principally the writings of the New Testament—as an archaeologist would an especially rich complex site. With great care she distinguishes the literary images from historical fact. As she does so, she explains the images of Jesus in terms of the strategies and purposes of the writers Paul, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John."—Thomas D'Evelyn, Christian Science Monitor

In this Bible study, women discover the depths of God's love and commitment. From this starting point, readers learn to define their purpose and live with greater confidence in God. "Steadfast Love" offers fresh insights to believers at every level of spiritual maturity. While helping women to fully accept God's love, it can inspire women to reach out to others. Designed for small groups but can be used for personal study.

Deeds not words: an extraordinary ordinary life

A Woman Through and Through In a culture that can belittle womanhood on the one hand—making it irrelevant—and glorify it on the other—making it everything—it's hard to know what it really means to be a woman. But when we understand womanhood through the lens of Scripture, we see that we need a bigger category for what God has called "woman." This book breathes fresh air into our womanhood, reminding us what life in Christ—as a woman—looks like. When we see that we are women in all we do, we can be at peace with how God has created us, recognizing womanhood as an essential part of Christ's mission and work.

Starting with Mary, who initially discovered the empty tomb, women have played a significant role in the history of the Christian church. Their prayers, their songs of faith, and their steadfast perseverance in the face of adversity can still encourage us today.

Spend the year with some of the greatest women in Christian history: from Claire of Assisi to Joan of Arc, from Fanny Crosby to Susannah Wesley, from Catherine Booth to Anne Bradstreet, and many more. This One Year book leaves no historical stone unturned in order to help you discover the amazing spiritual heritage you have in the lives of faith-filled women of the past.

This pioneering book reevaluates the place of converts from Judaism in the narrative of Jewish history. Long considered beyond the pale of Jewish historiography, converts played a central role in shaping both noxious and positive images of Jews and Judaism for Christian readers. Focusing on German Jews who converted to Christianity in the sixteenth through mid-eighteenth centuries, Elisheva Carlebach explores an extensive and previously unexamined trove of their memoirs and other writings. These fascinating original sources illuminate the Jewish communities that the converts left, the Christian society they entered, and the unabating tensions between the two worlds in early modern German history. The book begins with the medieval images of converts from Judaism and traces the hurdles to social acceptance that they encountered in Germany through early modern times. Carlebach examines the converts' complicated search for community, a quest that was to characterize much of Jewish modernity, and she concludes with a consideration of the converts' painful legacies to the Jewish experience in German lands. "Carlebach's reading of autobiographical texts by converts from Judaism is careful, intelligent, and skeptical--a model of how to treat spiritual memoirs."--Todd M. Endelman, University of Michigan "This superb book highlights the ambiguous identities of these boundary crossers and their impact on both German and Jewish self-definitions."--Paula E. Hyman, Yale University Elisheva Carlebach is professor of history at Queens College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York. She is the author of *The Pursuit of Heresy: Rabbi Moses Hagiz and the Sabbatian Controversies*, winner of the National Jewish Book Award for Jewish History, and coeditor of *Jewish History and Jewish Memory*. /DIV

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A New Testament commentary written by women with theological training for women with an emphasis on passages of importance to women.

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