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The Manly Eunuch-Mathew Kuefler 2001-07-25 The question of masculinity formed a key part of the intellectual life of late antiquity and was crucial to the development of Christian society. This idea is at the heart of Mathew Kuefler’s new book, which revisits the Roman Empire during the third and fifth centuries of the common era. Kuefler argues that the collapse of the Roman army, an increasingly automated government, and growing restrictions on the traditional rights of men within marriage and sexuality all led to an endemic crisis in masculinity: men of Roman aristocracy, who had always felt themselves to be the social, political, and heads of households, became, by their own definition, unmanly. The cultural and demographic success of Christianity during this epoch lay in the ability of its leaders to recognize and respond to this crisis. Drawing on the tradition of gender ambiguity in early Christian teachings, which included Jesus’s exhortation that his followers "make yourselves eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven," Christian writers and thinkers crafted a new masculine ideal, one that took advantage of the changing social realities in Rome, inverted the Roman model of manliness, and helped solidify Christian ideology by reimagining the masculinity of its adherents.

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Women, Men, and Eunuchs-Liz James 1997 The collected papers in this volume present a unique introduction both to the history of women, of men and eunuchs, or the third sex, in Byzantium and to the various theoretical and methodological approaches through which the topic can be examined. The contributors use evidence from both texts and images to give a wide-ranging picture of the place of women and Byzantine society and the perceptions of women held by that society. Women, Men and Eunuchs offers a unique and valuable exploration of the issue of gender in Byzantium, which will fascinate anyone interested in ancient and medieval history and gender studies.

The Kingdom of Heaven on Earth-Jeff Doles 2009-02-02 THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS HERE ON EARTH! Jesus began His ministry proclaiming, “The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.” In other words – it is now here! Everywhere He went, He preached it, taught it and demonstrated it by signs and wonders, healing the sick and setting the spiritual captives free. He brought heaven to earth and taught His disciples how to do it, too. The Kingdom of Heaven on Earth is a study of the nature and dynamics of the kingdom of Heaven on Earth, and how to live and operate effectively in its dominion. It is a motivational commentary on select passages in the Gospel of Matthew, to stir up your passion for the reality of God’s kingdom now at work in the world. In this book, you will learn about: • The Kingdom of the Heart • The Kingdom of Authentic Living • The Treasure of Heaven on Earth • Discerning Heaven on Earth • The Authority of Heaven on Earth • Parables of Heaven on Earth • The Glory of Heaven on Earth • The Incomparable Value of Heaven on Earth • The Controversy of Heaven on Earth • Heaven on Earth and the End of the Age • The Victorious Kingdom

Different Visions of Love-Brian Griffith 2008-01-01 Griffith's narrative moves like a shadow through each over phase of church history, illuminating the visions, options, and choices behind each events. He traces the rise of a dominant version of Christianity, in which the primary concern was a chain of command to be followed, with rewards or punishments according to the degree of obedience. And beside this he illustrates another face of Christianity, concerned with healing all divisions between loved and ousted people. The story Griffith presents is often deeply disturbing, as in his unstinting accounts concerning the gospel for women, or the age of holy wars and witch hunts. But ultimately his story offers solid grounds for optimism. He shows that all contention between different religious visions can be a process of building partnership. As Griffith points out, Jesus himself wished to debate his opponents openly, not to silence or eliminate them. He was not afraid of real encounter, or the potential of creative conflict. I want to congratulate Brian Griffith on this masterful, controversial, and highly readable account. His book offers hope in a divided world, where reaction against globalized godless corporate secularism meets with a war on religious fundamentalism . I hope to see other writers do comparable work in highlighting the partnership and dominator visions within their religious traditions around the world. Ruane Eisler, author of The Chakras & the Blade, Sacred Peace, Tomorrows Children, The Power of Partnership, The Real Wealth of Nations’ End it give me an incredibly clarifying perspective on Christianity way beyond my previous understanding. It should be read by everyone with an interest in Western Civilization. It is a marvelous companion to The Great Turning.” David Korten, author of The Great Turning: From Empire to Earth Community

The Roman Castrati-Shasn Tougher 2020-11-12 Eunuchs tend to be associated with eastern courts, popularly perceived as harem personnel. However, the Roman empire was also distinguished by eunuchs. This book provides an in-depth look into the identity and roles of eunuchs in the Roman empire covering the period from the 1st century BC to the 6th century AD. Shasn Tougher examines the history of Roman eunuchs, focusing on key texts and specific individuals. Subjects met include the Gauls (the self-castrating devotees of the goddess the Great Mother), Terecios’s comedy The Eunuch (the earliest surviving Latin text to use the word ‘eunuch’), Sporus and Eunars the eunuch favourites of the emperors Nero and Domitian, the ‘Greek eunuchs’ of the Acts of the Apostles (an early convert to Christianity), Favorinus of Arles (a superstar intercessor philosopher), the Grand Chamberlain Eutropius (the only eunuch ever to be consular), and Narses the eunuch general who defeated the Ostrogoths and restored Italy to Roman rule. A key theme of the chapters is gender, inseparable when studying castrated males. Ultimately this book is as much about the eunuch in the Roman imagination as it is the reality of the eunuch in the Roman empire.

Jesus, the Bible, and Homosexuality-Jack Bartlett Rogers 2006-01-01 In this book, Rogers argues unequivocally for the ordination of homosexuals and for the extension of full and equal rights in society to all who are homosexual. Christianity, he believes, has moved through history in the direction of ever-greater support for the rights of homosexuals, women, and diverse and marginalized people. It is inevitable, he believes, that gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people will one day walk in the same steps as other Christian leaders. Rogers, an evangelical, begins by discussing his own personal change of heart and mind on the issue, a change that has moved him into the middle of this controversy in his own church, the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). He examines how the church misused the Bible to justify slavery and the denial of rights to women, and links these efforts to today’s use biblical texts to deny equal rights to gays and lesbians. He shows how neither the Bible nor the Confessions are opposed to homosexuality and homosexuals frequently used fundamentalist stereotypes and myths about gays and lesbians. Rogers concludes with his thoughts on how the church can heal itself and move forward.

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Putting Away Childish Things-Uta Ranke-Heinemann 1994 A religious scholar argues that the Immaculate Conception, Hell, and other elements of Christianity are mere childish, sexist conventions hiding a true encounter with the Gospel

A Practical Commentary on the Gospel according to St. Matthew-James Morrison 1899

Republican Jesus-Tony Keddie 2021-09-09 The complete guide to debunking right-wing misinterpretations of the Bible—from economics and immigration to gender and sexuality. Jesus loves borders, guns, billionaires, and the American economy and hate corporate greed. In this latest book, Keddie distinguishes between the progressive Jesus who taught His disciples how to do it, too. The Kingdom of Heaven on Earth is a study of the nature and dynamics of the kingdom of Heaven on Earth, and how to live and operate effectively in its dominion. It is a motivational commentary on select passages in the Gospel of Matthew, to stir up your passion for the reality of God’s kingdom now at work in the world. In this book, you will learn about: • The Kingdom of the Heart • The Kingdom of Authentic Living • The Treasure of Heaven on Earth • Discerning Heaven on Earth • The Authority of Heaven on Earth • Parables of Heaven on Earth • The Glory of Heaven on Earth • The Incomparable Value of Heaven on Earth • The Controversy of Heaven on Earth • Heaven on Earth and the End of the Age • The Victorious Kingdom

Eunuchs and Nymphomaniacs-Anonymous 2019-10-15 The New York Times bestselling author of Diary of an Odyssey Thief and Chameleon in a Candy Store is back with the spellbinding conclusion to the series. You’ve never seen romance do this before. So brutally honest and breathtakingly fierce you’ll want to throw this book at the wall, but you’ll also want to know if it can possibly get any more disturbing (it can and it does). And as you start to wonder whether men and women were ever even meant to be together, a surprise ending brings the trilogy full circle and provides unexpected closure to an issue raised by a certain photographer’s assistant in the first book. Eunuchs and Nymphomaniacs is about how we love today and how increasingly we try to avoid it altogether.

A Mind of Its Own-David M. Friedman 2008-09-04 Whether enemy or ally, demon or god, the source of satisfaction or the root of all earthly troubles, the penis has forced humanity to wrestle with its enduring mysteries. Here, in an enlightening and entertaining cultural study, is a book that gives context to the central role of the penis in Western civilization. A man can hold his manhood in his hand, but who is really gripping whom? Is the penis the best in man – or the heart? How is man supposed to use it? And when does that use become abuse? Of all the bodily organs, only the penis forces man to confront such contradictions: something insistent yet reluctant, a tool that creates but also destroys, a part of the body that often seems apart from the body. This is the conundrum that makes the penis both hero and villain in a drama that shapes every man – and mankind along with it. In A Mind of Its Own, David M. Friedman shows that the penis is more than a body part. It is an idea, a conceptual but flesh-and-blood measuring stick of man’s place in the world. That men have a penis is a scientific fact; how they think about it, feel about it, and use it is not. It is possible to identify the key moments in Western history when a new idea of the penis addressed the larger mystery of man’s relationship with it and changed forever the way that organ was conceived of and put to use. A Mind of Its Own brilliantly distills this complex and largely unexamined story. Delided by the pagan cultures of the ancient world and demonized by the early Roman church, the organ was later secularized by pioneering anatomists such as Leonardo da Vinci. After being measured “scientifically” in an effort to subjugate some races while elevating others, the organ was psychoanalyzed by Sigmund Freud. As a result, the penis assumed a paradigmatic role in psychology – whether the patient was equipped with the organ or envied those who were. Now, after being politicized by feminism and exploited in countless ways by pop culture, the penis has been medicalized. As no one has before him, Friedman shows how the arrival of erection industry products such as Viagra is

Life-Study of Acts Witness Lee 1986-05-01 In the Lord’s recovery during the past five hundred years the church’s knowledge of the Lord and His truth has been continually progressing. This monumental and classical work by Brother Witness Lee builds upon and is a further development of all that the Lord has revealed to His church in the past centuries. It is filled with the revelation concerning the processed Triune God, the living Christ, the life-giving Spirit, the experience of life, and the definition and practice of the church. In this set Brother Lee has kept three basic principles that should rule and govern every believer in their interpretation, development, and expounding of the truths contained in the Scriptures. The first principle is that of the Triune God dispensing Himself into His chosen and redeemed people; the second principle is that we should interpret, develop, and expound the truths contained in the Bible with Christ for the church; and the third governing principle is Christ, the Spirit, life, and the church. No other study or exposition of the New Testament conveys the life nourishment or ushers the reader into the divine revelation of God’s holy Word according to His New Testament economy as this one does.

River God Wilbur Smith 2014-07-01 Tanus is the fair-haired young lion of a warrior whom the gods have decreed will lead Egypt’s army in a bold attempt to reunite the Kingdom’s shattered halves. But Tanus will have to defy the same gods to attain the reward they have forbidden him, an object more prized than battle’s glory: possession of the Lady Lostris, a rare beauty with skin the color of oiled cedar—destined for the adoration of a nation, and the love of one extraordinary man. International bestselling author Wilbur Smith, creator of over two dozen highly acclaimed novels, draws readers into a magnificent, richly imagined Egyptian saga. Exploding with all the drama, mystery, and rage of ancient Egypt, River God is a masterpiece from a storyteller at the height of his powers.

20 Questions to Ask Before You Say, I Do Jacqueline Ragland 2017-11-11 They say every woman wants to get married. I am not so sure about that, especially when the sentence starts with “they say”. Exactly who is the “they”? Well, it has now been revealed that the “they” is society. Just like some men choose to be “eunuchs” the modern translation is single but straight for the sake of the gospel.

What Every Man and Woman Should Know about the Bible ...—Sidney Calhoun Tapp 1917

The Gospel According to Saint Matthew—Anthony John Maas 1898

Jesus and Other Men—Susanna Asikainen 2018-02-05 In Jesus and Other Men, Susanna Asikainen explores the masculinities of Jesus and other male characters and the ideal femininities in the Synoptic Gospels.


The Last Eunuch of China—Yinghua Jia 2008.

Queens, Eunuchs and Concubines in Islamic History, 661-1257 El-Azhari Taef El-Azhari 2019-06-24 Based on original and previously unexamined sources, this book provides a critical and systematic analysis of the role of women, mothers, wives, eunuchs, concubines, qahramans and atabegs in the dynamics and manipulation of medieval Islamic politics. Spanning over 600 years, Taef El-Azhari explores gender and sexual politics and power: from the time of the Prophet Muhammad through the Umayyad and Abbasid periods to the Mamluks in the 15th century, and from Iran and Central Asia to North Africa and Spain.

The Single Life in the Roman and Later Roman World—Sabine R. Huebner 2019-02-14 Using a variety of historical sources and methodological approaches, this book presents the first large-scale study of single men and women in the Roman world, from the Roman Republic to Late Antiquity and covering virtually all periods of the ancient Mediterranean. It asks how singleness was defined and for what reasons people might find themselves unmarried. While marriage was generally favoured by philosophers and legislators, with the arguments against largely confined to genres like satire and comedy, the advent of Christianity brought about a more complex range of thinking regarding its desirability. Demographic, anthropological and socio-economic perspectives are considered, and in particular the relationship of singleness to the Roman household and family structures. The volume concludes by introducing a number of comparative perspectives, drawn from the early Islamic world and from other parts of Europe down to and including the nineteenth century, in order to highlight possibilities for the Roman world.
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