Its Religious Fundamentalism Stupid

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Religious fundamentalism refers to the strict adherence to specific religious doctrines, often accompanied by a literal interpretation of scripture and a belief in the inerrancy of religious texts. It can manifest in various ways, from conservative social views to active attempts to reshape society according to religious principles, and its rise and impact on social and political landscapes are critical issues to understand in the modern world.

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It's Religious Fundamentalism, Stupid

Morell shows how mankind can rise above the fairy tales that underlie Western Religions. He contends that while Christians are pointing to the dangers from terrorists who have been filled with Islamic Fundamentalism, they are overlooking the mythologies that are basic to Christianity and Judaism. (World Religions)

Fundamentalism in America

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The Complete Idiot's Guide to Evangelical Christianity

The word on spreading the word ... The Evangelical Christian movement is the fastest growing segment of American religion with 42% of all Christians in America identifying themselves as Evangelicals. Now, Evangelical Pastor David Cobia shares the genesis, history, and culture of this religion in America with a balanced, accessible tone. He also touches upon the controversies it's spawned regarding such topics as school curriculum, abortion, gay rights, and family structure. Written both for those inside the movement and those wanting to know more, it gives a clear, factual portrait of what this growing Christian movement is all about. --Balanced, positive yet objective tone and presentation of information --Provides a complete history of the movement, details about specific services and rituals, and interviews with Evangelical Christians about their beliefs and lifestyles --Discusses controversial topics and how Evangelical Christians feel about them

The Glory and the Power

The Fundamentalist Challenge to the Modern WorldPhotographs by Micah Marty "Something rare: a fair-minded assessment of religious fundamentalism. In this companion volume to a three-part PBS series, Marty and Appleby aim to dissipate the fog of ignorance that surrounds the average understanding of fundamentalism.... A useful guide to what is proving to be ... a historical movement at least as important as Marxist-Leninism."-Kirkus Reviews

The Fundamentals of Extremism

The politics, educational policies, and social values perpetuated by Christian fundamentalists are exposed in this critical perspective on the religious right's role in American society. Statistics and studies of the movement are offered that provide insight into the causes and characteristics of fundamentalism and its effects on minority groups including women, children, African Americans, gays, and lesbians. Essays from a variety of authors consider the path to theocracy, the effect of the theology of inerrancy on politics, and the state of fundamentalism in the United States after the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

Defenders of God

Today's media are rife with stories of modern-day defenders of God--Christian, Jew, and Muslim--in revolt against what they feel to be the modern rejection of God's teaching as revealed in their sacred texts. Historian Bruce Lawrence has written the first comparative study to make sense of these contemporary zealots. He argues that fundamentalism is not simply an anachronistic religious revival that will soon fade from the world scene, but rather a burgeoning global movement that we ignore at our peril. Lawrence explains the nature of fundamentalism; he details its manifestation in Islam, Judaism, and Christianity; and he asserts that fundamentalism is at the heart of the modern world: "Fundamentalists do not deny or disregard modernity; they protest as moderns against the heresies of the modern age." They use science, technology, and the mass media for their own ends, yet they reject scientific and technological theories that dilute what they believe to be absolute truths. "Without certitude, the world is doomed. With it, salvation (for some) is assured."--Publisher description.

The Sources of Islam

Coming out of Fundamentalist Christianity is an autobiographical account of one woman's journey from growing up in a rigid, troubled fundamentalist Christian home where she discovered at an early age her attraction to women, and how she survived and fled the oppression of her family of origin, later coming to terms with and joyously embracing her sexual orientation and a life-affirming spiritual path. It is an account of foolish errors and wise choices on the way to embracing all parts of herself and her total humanity-the people, places, and experiences that shaped those choices and helped form and inform who she is today. Her current deep engagement in social justice activism is informed by and echoes her daunting journey and reverberates through the last section of her book as she takes to task not only Christian fundamentalism, but what she considers the naïve and irrelevant politics of the gay and lesbian community. Reflecting on her personal experience she states, "As a young-adult fundamentalist Christian, agonizing over my sexual orientation, I might have found liberation, comfort, and affirmation had I had access to a book that blessed it and illumined its compatibility with my unquenchable heart's desire for the sacred." An honest account of a woman accepting herself as a lesbian despite a fundamentalist Christian upbringing. As a gay couple we feel less isolated because Carolyn isn't afraid to criticize the LGBT community for their lack of interest in compelling issues beyond same-sex marriage and AIDS. -Philip Botwinick & Tom Nielsen, Organizers of the 2006 Local Solutions To The Energy Dilemma Conference, NYC, Woodhaven, New York Dr. Carolyn Baker's riveting personal experience and keen intellect combine to illuminate the untruths, oppressions and mean-spirited culture that pervades our society, politics, and religious institutions. "Coming out" stories are legion, and each and every one is to be celebrated. Baker goes even further. It is not only a journey of passionate self-discovery of one's being and values. It is also an analysis of those cultural and religious systems which on a daily basis, choose to oppress or to honor the diversity and inherent value of each human being. Read, sense, know, and act. -The Rev. Dr. Susan Beehler, El Paso, Texas, Retired Ordained Clergy, United Methodist Church

Coming Out of Fundamentalist Christianity

Seth Andrews wasn't an idiot during his thirty years as an evangelical Christian. He wasn't unintelligent, nor did his IQ shift when he ultimately left religion entirely. He considered himself thoughtful, moral,

reasonable, and at least as smart as the average person. In other words, he wasn't an idiot. Yet strangely, he often sounded like one. In any other context, Christians would likely smirk, scoff, or recoil at many of their "normal" beliefs and practices: reenacted Easter crucifixions, eating monthly communion "flesh," singing hymns about being washed in blood, and the embrace of a Bible containing scripture verses about golden hemorrhoids, apocalypse dragons, and human sacrifice, So what gives? Are these notions embraced only because they're familiar? Do they make any sense? And do they cause otherwise reasonable people to sound like idiots? Seth Andrews admits that, for himself, the answer was a definite yes. For everyone else? Read the book and decide.

Christianity Made Me Talk Like an Idiot

In God and the New Atheism, a world expert on science and theology gives clear, concise, and compelling answers to the charges against religion laid out in recent best-selling books by Richard Dawkins (The God Delusion), Sam Harris (The End of Faith), and Christopher Hitchens (God Is Not Great). For some, these "new atheists" appear to say extremely well what they believe to be wrong with religion. But, as John Haught shows, the treatment of religion in these books is riddled with logical inconsistencies, shallow misconceptions, and crude generalizations. Can God really be dismissed as a mere delusion? Is faith really the enemy of reason? And does religion really poison everything? God and the New Atheism offers a much-needed antidote to the extremist claims of scientific fundamentalism. This provocative and accessible little book will enable readers to see through the rhetorical fog of this recent phenomenon and come to a clearer understanding of the issues at stake in this crucial debate.

God and the New Atheism

Olivier Roy, world-renowned authority on Islam and politics, finds in the modern disconnection between faith communities and socio-cultural identities a fertile space for fundamentalism to grow. Instead of freeing the world from religion, secularization has encouraged a kind of holy ignorance to take root, an anti-intellectualism that promises immediate, emotional access to the sacred and positions itself in direct opposition to contemporary pagan culture. The secularization of society was supposed to free people from religion, yet individuals are converting en masse to fundamentalist faiths, such as Protestant evangelicalism, Islamic Salafism, and Haredi Judaism. These religions either reconnect adherents to their culture through casual referents, like halal fast food, or maintain their momentum through purification rituals, such as speaking in tongues, a practice that allows believers to utter a language that is entirely their own. Instead of a return to traditional religious worship, we are now witnessing the individualisation of faith and the disassociation of faith communities from ethnic and national identities. Roy explores the options now available to powers that hope to integrate or control these groups; and whether marginalisation or homogenisation will further divide believers from their culture.

Holy Ignorance

Enjoying life, living richly and happily successful is great. However, all attainments and accomplishment are not about life-engineering but 'I-Management'. Primary success is Self-Actualization. Sadly, I or Self is the worst-handled enterprise of humanity. In new millennium, we need to unlearn the archaic yet all-embracing stupidities of self. This 'Be Yourself' I-Expressions need reality-check Science as well as spiritualism says, 'Self', this unputdownable sense of 'I' is the greatest mysticism. Still, people are madly in never-ending pursuits of 'self-indulgence' and 'I-Centric' gratifications and attainments. Worse, there is this calamitous contemporaneous prescription of 'Be Yourself', as if 'Self' is the definitive genius of everythingness! Worst, this viscerality is being invoked in celebrity-mode, market-mounted 'I-Iconism' as ultimate empowerment. The progenies of 'Be Yourself' viscerality – solipsism, anti-intellectualism and anti-rationality are unleashing loads of conflicts, confusion and chaos in societies. Time to unlearn the stupidities of 'I'. Time to unravel the malaise of 'I-Iconism'. Time to redeem the true 'I'. Why? How? This eBook has it all.

Stupidity Of Be Yourself Viscerality: Unlearning Sexual Unputdownability And Pop Empowerment

Since the end of the Cold War fundamentalism has been seen as the major threat to world peace and prosperity, a concern that was exacerbated by the events of 9/11, and the 'War against Terrorism'. But what does 'fundamentalism' really mean? Since it was coined by American Protestant evangelicals in the 1920s, the word has expanded its meaning to include radical conservatives or ideological purists in many spheres of activity, not all of them religious. Modern applications of fundamentalism include

Islamist radicals in the Muslim world, the militant Israeli settlers who oppose them as well as Sikh, Hindu and even Buddhist nationalists who seek to justify their political agendas by reference to divine edicts or religious tradition. This exciting new book tackles the polemic and stereotypes surrounding this fascinating subject.

Fundamentalism

In god is Not Great Hitchens turned his formidable eloquence and rhetorical energy to the most controversial issue in the world: God and religion. The result is a devastating critique of religious faith god Is Not Great is the ultimate case against religion. In a series of acute readings of the major religious texts, Christopher Hitchens demonstrates the ways in which religion is man-made, dangerously sexually repressive and distorts the very origins of the cosmos. Above all, Hitchens argues that the concept of an omniscient God has profoundly damaged humanity, and proposes that the world might be a great deal better off without 'him'.

God Is Not Great

Alain de Botton meets Russell Brand in this glorious rant about everything that drives you mad about the modern world. How did everything get so dumb? How did we become hostages to idiocy? What must we do to be freed from a captor whose ransom note simply reads, 'D'oh'? The deteriorating quality of our public debate and the dwindling of common sense in media, politics and culture can drive you to despair and rage. It certainly drove writers Helen Razer and Bernard Keane to a desperate act: befriending each other for long enough to write a book. Join forces with these uneasy allies to fight against a world that has lost its reason. Explore what's behind the remorseless spread of idiocy, and why there's just so much damn Stupid around you. Stupid isn't just ignorance; it's not just laziness. Worse than the absence of thought, Stupid is a virus that drains our productivity and leaves us sick and diminished. And Stupid has a long, complex and terrible past, one we need to understand in order to defeat it. A Short History of Stupid traces the origins of this maddening ill, examining the different ways in which we've been afflicted over the last three thousand years. It damns those who have spread Stupid and celebrates the brave few who resisted. It shows how Stupid tightens the grubby grip of the foolish around our throats. Hilarious, smart, unpleasant, infuriating and rude, A Short History of Stupid is at once a provocation and a comfort. It will spark debate, soothe the terminally frustrated and outrage the righteously Stupid. It is a book whose Stupid time has come.

A Short History of Stupid

Listed in Today's Books, Book Register as a "!!!Must Read" title. "This book is really a manual that every therapist should have, if he or she does not already have the knowledge and insight contained within its pages. ...Infinitely enjoyable"--PsycCRITIQUES Religious upbringing influences people in ways that are difficult or impossible to describe; this book provides a "window on their world." The Psychologies of Religion examines the thinking, personality, and development processes as well as specific clinical concerns of clients who are members of particular religious groups. Each contributing author brings dual expertise to their chapters, expertise about a particular religion and psychological sophistication; a look from the inside out. In addition, the book covers possible future religious development as spiritualism beings to replace institutional religion and as religious choice replaces religious constraint. All therapists who want to understand how religious people really think will find this book helpful.

The Psychologies in Religion

A timely exploration of intellectual dogmatism in politics, economics, religion, and literature—and what can be done to fight it Polarization may be pushing democracy to the breaking point. But few have explored the larger, interconnected forces that have set the stage for this crisis: namely, a rise in styles of thought, across a range of fields, that literary scholar Gary Saul Morson and economist Morton Schapiro call "fundamentalist." In Minds Wide Shut, Morson and Schapiro examine how rigid adherence to ideological thinking has altered politics, economics, religion, and literature in ways that are mutually reinforcing and antithetical to the open-mindedness and readiness to compromise that animate democracy. In response, they propose alternatives that would again make serious dialogue possible. Fundamentalist thinking, Morson and Schapiro argue, is not limited to any one camp. It flourishes across the political spectrum, giving rise to dueling monologues of shouting and abuse between those who are certain that they can't be wrong, that truth and justice are all on their side, and that there is nothing to learn from their opponents, who must be evil or deluded. But things

don't have to be this way. Drawing on thinkers and writers from across the humanities and social sciences, Morson and Schapiro show how we might begin to return to meaningful dialogue through case-based reasoning, objective analyses, lessons drawn from literature, and more. The result is a powerful invitation to leave behind simplification, rigidity, and extremism—and to move toward a future of greater open-mindedness, moderation, and, perhaps, even wisdom.

Minds Wide Shut

Best-selling author Leland Gregory--who has so entertainingly highlighted humanity's stupidity in the areas of crime, business, love, politics, cruelty, and history--is back with Stupid California. This time, Gregory builds a case for the common suspicion that Californians, from movie moguls to beach bums, have a special affinity for idiocy. Culled from print, online, and broadcast sources, Stupid California is a hilarious collection of true stories, trivia, and factoids about the Golden State, such as: * "California's state animal is the California grizzly bear, which is also on the state flag. The bear was honored in 1953, a full 31 years after the last known bear in the state was killed." * "During the 1980s, in a bold stroke against terrorism, the Chico City Council banned nuclear weapons, enacting a mandatory \$500 fine for anyone detonating a nuclear weapon within city limits." Silly, shocking, weird, and amusing, Stupid California is ideal for both kinds of people--those who love California and those who hate it.

Stupid California

The first major examination of the New Atheism as a literary phenomenon.

The New Atheist Novel

Each of us is, to a certain extent, dangerous to his or her own health, but how far do we want the government to curb our freedom to be "foolish"? In a look at such highly charged health issues as smoking, alcohol, road safety, and AIDS, Howard Leichter analyzes the efforts of the United States and Great Britain to confront the seemingly constant tension involved with this question. Leichter contends that both governments are now paying less attention to providing access to health care and more to forcing or encouraging people to change their behavior. The result has been a transformation of health politics from a largely consensual to a largely conflictual enterprise: health promotion policies often provoke debate on issues filled with scientific uncertainties, while taking on the quality of a disagreeable moral crusade. A primary concern of this book is to account for the differences, as well as the similarities, between the two countries in their public health policies. Leichter examines, for example, why seat belt regulation flourished in the American states even when federal action was blocked while, in Britain's more concentrated political structure, similar regulation faced a tortuous political path through the Lords and Commons. Finding that the United States is more apt to use formal regulation and that Britain tends toward voluntary agreement, Leichter compares the two approaches. Neither government avoids conflict, he maintains, but regulation, despite its problems, is more effective. Originally published in 1991. The Princeton Legacy Library uses the latest print-on-demand technology to again make available previously out-of-print books from the distinguished backlist of Princeton University Press. These editions preserve the original texts of these important books while presenting them in durable paperback and hardcover editions. The goal of the Princeton Legacy Library is to vastly increase access to the rich scholarly heritage found in the thousands of books published by Princeton University Press since its founding in 1905.

Free to Be Foolish

Alexander ('Sandy') Goehr is a leading British composer and teacher. Born into a Jewish musical family in Berlin in 1932, he arrived in England in 1933 with his father, Walter, a composer, conductor, and pupil of Arnold Schoenberg; and his mother Laelia, a trained pianist from Kyiv. Raised in Amersham, he attended Richard Hall's classes at the Royal Manchester College of Music. There he formed the 'Manchester School' – a group of young composers and performers including Peter Maxwell Davies, Harrison Birtwistle, and John Ogdon. He was introduced to Olivier Messiaen when his father conducted the first British performance of Turangalîla-Symphonie in 1953, and he later studied with Messiaen and Yvonne Loriod in Paris. In the late 1950s and early '60s Goehr became known as a radical exponent of serial music. Since then, he has composed more than one hundred major works, including operas, orchestral and chamber pieces, and music for film, television, dance and theatre. He is Emeritus Professor of Music at Cambridge University and one of Europe's most important music educators. He has written and lectured extensively and his music is performed all over the world. Jack Van Zandt

(b. 1954), an American composer and Goehr's former pupil and assistant, has co-written this first comprehensive account of the life, creative foundations, and teachings of this great composer.

Alexander Goehr, Composing a Life

Presents a guide to religious fundamentalism, including definitions, primary sources, important documents, research tools, organizations, and notable persons.

Fundamentalism

This book is intended to help you live your life, and to shed some light on your own values and ethics, if you don't believe in God. More than just a primer on Humanism, but not quite a full-blown treatise on philosophy, it offers some answers to those crucial questions Socrates asked: What is true? And how shall we live our lives? Those of us who don't believe in the supernatural sometimes struggle to understand how we can ground ourselves ethically, and how to find truth, meaning, purpose and joy. This book offers ideas about how to know, without depending on Holy Scriptures or guidance from a deity, what it means to lead a good and ethical life. "Humanism is a value system whose time has come: a positive philosophy for the surging proportion of the world's population who indicate 'None' as their religion but seek meaning, morality, and purpose in their lives. Michael Werner's statement of Humanism is clear, effective, and graceful, just right for our times." Steven Pinker, professor of psychology, Harvard University author, "The Better Angels of Our Nature" and "How the Mind Works." "Mike Werner captures the depth and breadth of Humanism in his latest work. He shows us what love, reason, imagination and science can have in common. In doing so, he demonstrates what we all have to live for, strive for, and believe in." Roy Speckhardt, executive director, American Humanist Association "Outstanding and a must read for everyone who takes life seriously." Rev. William R. Murry, former president, Meadville Lombard Theological School, University of Chicago

What Can You Believe If You Don't Believe In God?

Shows how and why philosophy is the most important and most practical of all human endeavors, because its mission is to sit in judgment of everything, including itself.

On the Duties of Philosophers

Smelling salts for the uninformed. In four academic essays, the author describes i) the development of corporate evils; ii) the neuropolitics of corporatism's political ponerology and propaganda; and iii) human development in terms that define pristine sexuality's relationship to gender, trust, and our predilections to misplace trust under systems of corporately managed injustice. Dr Zaid leaves no stone unturned in a devastating worldview that also explains the arcana of monotheist cosmology and eschatology.

Trust

They insist they are just a group of friends, yet they funnel millions of dollars through tax-free corporations. They claim to disdain politics, but congressmen of both parties describe them as the most influential religious organization in Washington. They say they are not Christians, but simply believers. Behind the scenes at every National Prayer Breakfast since 1953 has been the Family, an elite network dedicated to a religion of power for the powerful. Their goal is "Jesus plus nothing." Their method is backroom diplomacy. The Family is the startling story of how their faith—part free-market fundamentalism, part imperial ambition—has come to be interwoven with the affairs of nations around the world.

The Family

"This book presents an innovative psychological framework for understanding religious fundamentalism. Blending extensive research and incisive analysis, the highly regarded authors distinguish fundamentalist traditions from other faith-based groups and illuminate the thinking and behavior of believers. Offering respectful, historically informed examinations of several major fundamentalist groups, the volume challenges many commonly held stereotypes. In the process, it stakes out important new terrain for the psychological study of religion" -- BOOK JACKET.

The Psychology of Religious Fundamentalism

Internationally acclaimed Bangladeshi writer Taslima Nasrin brings together for the first time in English a compelling collection of her work written over a period of thirty years. In this powerful selection of essays, Taslima confronts issues of women's oppression and gender inequality, freedom of speech, and religious violence. In bold, pragmatic style, her language of protest challenges the androcentric paradigms that have dictated the female experience for millennia. Taslima unflinchingly questions long held views on marriage, effects of religious rituals on women, prostitution, genital mutilation, divorce, and sexual assault, among many other crucial issues. Forced into exile after being expelled from Bangladesh for her frank and brave writing, Nasrin has been a heroic and courageous voice throughout the world, with many of her works topping the bestseller lists. Taslima Unbound captures the essence of her life's work and is key for those seeking to gain a deeper understanding of this celebrated feminist writer. Taslima Nasrin has been the recipient of the Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, the UNESCO-Madanjeet Singh Prize for the promotion of tolerance and non-violence, the Simone de Beauvoir Prize, an honorary doctorate from the American University of Paris, among many other important recognitions.

Taslima Unbound

When religious diversity is our reality, radical hospitality to people of other faiths is not a luxury but a necessity. More than necessary for our survival, radical hospitality to religious diversity is necessary if we are to thrive as a global society. By no means does the practice of hospitality in a multifaith world require that we be oblivious of our differences. On the contrary, it demands a respectful embrace of our differences because that's who we are. Neither does radical hospitality require that we water down our commitment, because faithfulness and openness are not contradictory. We must be able to say with burning passion that we are open to the claims of other faiths because we are faithful to our religious heritage. The essays in this book do not offer simply theological exhortations; they offer specific ways of how we can become religiously competent citizens in a multifaith world. Let's take the bold steps of radical openness with this book on our side!

Teaching for a Multifaith World

How does a religious fundamentalist come to embrace a counter-cultural world view? Fundamentalism can be analysed from a variety of perspectives. It is a type of belief system which enables individuals to make sense of their lives and provides them with an identity. It is a social phenomenon, in which strictly religious people act according to the norms, values, and beliefs of the group to which they belong. It is a cultural product, in the sense that different cultural settings result in different forms of fundamentalism. And it is a global phenomenon, in the obvious sense that it is to be found everywhere, and also because it is both a reaction against, and also a part of, the globalising modern world. Religious Fundamentalism deals with all of these four levels of analysis, uniquely combining sociological and psychological perspectives, and relating them to each other. Each chapter is followed by a lengthy case study, and these range from a close textual analysis of George W. Bush's second inaugural speech through to a treatment of Al-Qaida as a global media event. This book provides a comprehensive social scientific perspective on a subject of immense contemporary significance, and should be of use both to university students and also to students of the contemporary world.

Religious Fundamentalism

Unstable social climates are causing the displacement of large numbers of people around the world. Thus, the issue of safe replacement arises causing the need for new policies and strategies regarding immigration. Global Perspectives on Human Migration, Asylum, and Security is a timely reference source for the latest research on the challenges, risks, and policies of current relocation and refugee flows, as well as address security problems in relation to these aspects of immigration. Featuring coverage on a wide variety of topics and perspectives such as terrorism, racism, and human rights, this publication is ideally designed for academicians, policy makers, researchers, and practitioners seeking current research on the current societal happenings of refugee integration around the world.

Global Perspectives on Human Migration, Asylum, and Security

Why do certain groups and individuals seek to do harm in the name of God? While studies often claim to hold the key to this frightening phenomenon, they seldom account for the crucial role that religious conviction plays, not just in radical Islam, but also in the fundamentalist branches of the world's two

other largest religions: Christianity and Hinduism. As the first book to examine violent extremism in all three religions together, Competing Fundamentalisms draws on studies in sociology, psychology, culture, and economicswhile focusing on the central role of religious ideasto paint a richer portrait of this potent force in modern life. Clarke argues that the forces of globalization fuel the aggression of these movements to produce the competing feature of religious fundamentalisms, which have more in common with their counterparts across religious lines than they do with the members of their own religions. He proposes ways to deescalate religious violence in the service of peacemaking. Readers will gain important insights into how violent religious fundamentalism works in the world's three largest religions and learn new strategies for promoting peace in the context of contemporary interreligious conflict.

Competing Fundamentalisms

"There is nothing glorious about creating life out of passionate penetration. Even the animals can do that. The real glory comes when the life you create becomes the help in the lives of countless other humans." Parenthood is one of the greatest pleasures of human life, but also it is a great responsibility. In this piece of humanistic literature, one of the greatest thinkers of twenty-first century Abhijit Naskar calls upon the responsible parents of the world, and reveals to them the true potential of parenthood in building a conscientious human society. In his unique philosophical manner, Naskar opens up the inner realm of a child's brain and shows us how every single behavior of the parents contributes to the shaping of the child's character as well as identity, while warning us about the harms of over-parenting. Naskar boldly addresses all the parents of the world—"Human making is our mission, but if you break the very soul of the would-be humans, then there will be no human to raise."

Human Making is Our Mission

This study investigates how writers of Deng Xiaopinga (TM)s China undermined the grand narrative of official history by rewriting the past. It showcases fictions of history by eleven Chinese, Muslim and Tibetan authors in terms of spatial schemes of fictional historiography.

Remapping the Past

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." (Edmond Burke) Or for selfish people to obstruct those who are trying to do the right thing. This book probes the Islamic fanatics' end game - convert or die, they tell the West. The fanatics see our very success as a mortal threat to their own perverted version of the "pure" Islam world over which they thirst to rule. But the book also probes the feckless French and foolish liberals who are so wrapped up in their own agendas that they stand between forceful leadership and the real enemy at the gates. Bin Laden is perfectly willing to brainwash his followers into sacrificing their lives for the illusion of eternal paradise. Not that Bin Laden and his chief lieutenants are ready to die for their cause just yet. They want others to die so that they can live out their fantasies of a world converted in their image. How does he get away with it? By skillfully preying on the weaknesses of others, including the short-sighted who are blinded by their greed, cowardice or folly. This is where the feckless French and foolish liberals come in. As the book explains, tyrants like Saddam Hussein suit the fanatic Islamists' ambitions perfectly. All of this and more were staring the feckless French and foolish liberals in the face. But they turned a blind eye. At a crucial point in the history, they chose a course even worse then doing nothing. They obstructed decisive action against the growing cancer to serve their own agendas. In their own way and for their own selfish reasons, the French (along with other European elites) and the liberal establishment have trouble dealing with decisive assertions of U.S. power. They want to bring the United States down to a level that is indistinguishable from any other country. In a world of moral ambivalence that the feckless French and the foolish liberals are used to inhabiting, the United States government is no less to blame for what happened on September 11th than the terrorists and dictators who support them. This book connects the dots in the concerted strategy to fight the War on Terror that the liberals and French refuse to see and explains how George Bush's decision to remove Saddam Hussein after twelve years of inaction on the part of the United Nations was an essential part of that strategy

The Foolish, the Feckless and the Fanatic

Eugene McCarraher challenges the conventional view of capitalism as a force for disenchantment. From Puritan and evangelical valorizations of profit to the heavenly Fordist city, the mystically animated

corporation, and the deification of the market, capitalism has hijacked our intrinsic longing for divinity, laying hold to our souls.

The Enchantments of Mammon

This authoritative volume offers the fullest account to date of Christian fundamentalism, its origins in the nineteenth century, and its development up to the present day. It looks at the movement in global terms and through a number of key subjects and debates in which it is actively engaged.

The Oxford Handbook of Christian Fundamentalism

Yahweh to Hell comes at a time in our nation's political discourse when the eight-hundred pound gorilla in the room is Christian Dominionism. Renowned author and satirist Rich Woods returns, and this time he's got the twenty-first century version of the Republican Party in his sights. With an uncommon perspective and singular wit, Woods systematically dissects the runaway bigotry, social regression, misogyny, economic illiteracy and overall lack of rationale in the fundamentalist Christian dominated Tea Party/GOP. At times brutally funny, and/or gut wrenchingly astute, Woods is unique amongst his peers in his ability to combine acumen with unapologetic mockery. Yet while Y2H oscillates back and forth between sobriety and satire, it manages to shine a light in the darkest parts of American politics. Indeed, Rich Woods demonstrates —once again—that he is equally adept with both a scalpel, and a chainsaw. "This book will anger many and drive others to uncontrolled laughter. As long as it makes them rethink what they've been told, the author doesn't care." —Bob Ingle, award-winning journalist, Radio and TV commentator and co-author of The New York Times' Best Seller, "The Soprano State: New Jersey's Culture of Corruption" and "Chris Christie: The Inside Story Of His Rise To Power" "Rich Woods is down to earth, outspoken, acerbic, and has absolutely no patience for ignorance or stupidity. He has mastered the art of the book-length rant, and gives voice to the frustration so many of us feel with religion in the United States." —William Hamby, Columnist, Examiner.com "This book should be required reading of all Republican voters in America. Rich pulls the curtain back from a party that many of us used to respect, to show that there is nothing decent left." —Brian Sapient, Secular activist, and Founder of the Rational Responders

Yahweh to Hell

For many decades, the LGBTQ+ community has been plagued by strife and human rights violations. Members of the LGBTQ+ community were often denied a right to marriage, healthcare, and in some parts of the world, a right to life. While these struggles are steadily improving in recent years, disparities and discrimination still remain from the workplace to the healthcare that this community receives. There is still much that needs to be done globally to achieve inclusivity and equity for the LGBTQ+ community. The Research Anthology on Inclusivity and Equity for the LGBTQ+ Community is a comprehensive compendium that analyzes the struggles and accomplishments of the LGBTQ+ community with a focus on the current climate around the world and the continued impact to these individuals. Multiple settings are discussed within this dynamic anthology such as education, healthcare, online communities, and more. Covering topics such as gender, homophobia, and queer theory, this text is essential for scholars of gender theory, faculty of both K-12 and higher education, professors, pre-service teachers, students, human rights activists, community leaders, policymakers, researchers, and academicians.

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This eleventh book of the Earth Manifesto is a compendium of thoughts and ideas that evolved during and after the November 8, 2016 elections in the United States. It provides compelling understandings of the challenges we face in the world today with growing reactionary movements that are creating global discord and unrest, and it provides positive ideas on how we should best cope with these problems to make our societies fairer and healthier. This compilation is a work in process that also contains a provisional Film Script for this manifesto.

The Rather Ridiculous Ruses that Fuel Revolutionary Unrest