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Orthodoxy and Heresy in Early Christian Contexts-Paul A. Hartog 2015-01-30 Eighty years ago, Walter Bauer promulgated a bold and provocative thesis about early Christianity. He argued that many forms of Christianity started the race, but one competitor pushed aside the others, until this powerful “orthodox” version won the day. The vectors re-wrote history, marginalizing all other perspectives and silencing their voices, even though the alternatives possessed equal right to the title of normative Christianity. Bauer’s influence still casts a long shadow on early Christian scholarship. Were heretical movements the original forms of Christianity? Did the heretics outnumber the orthodox? Did orthodox heresiologists accurately portray their opponents? And more fundamentally, how can one make any objective distinction between “heresy” and “orthodoxy”? Is such labeling merely the product of socially situated power? Did numerous, valid forms of Christianity exist without any validating norms of Christianity? This collection of essays, each written by a relevant authority, tackles such questions with scholarly acumen and careful attention to historical, cultural-geographical, and socio-rhetorical detail. Although recognizing the importance of Bauer’s critical insights, innovative methodologies, and fruitful suggestions, the contributors expose numerous claims of the Bauer thesis (in both original and recent manifestations) that fall short of the historical evidence. With contributions from: Rodney Decker Carl Smith William Vaner Rex Butler Bryan Liffin Brian Shelton David Alexander Edward Smither Glen Thompson

Chesterston Spiritual Classics Collection: Orthodoxy, Heretics, The Everlasting Man. Illustrated-G.K. Chesterton 2021-05-27 According to some literary scholars, the writing style of Gilbert Keith Chesterton is a combination of Charles Dickens, Oscar Wilde, and George Bernard Shaw. Chesterton was called the “prince of paradox,” and was known for turning proverbs, sayings, and allegories on their heads. Chesterton gave numerous speeches in defense of Christianity and the Catholic Church, which made him one of the most prominent Christian apologists of the 20th century. This book presents the author’s apologetic works. ORTHODOXY HERETICS THE EVERLASTING MAN

The Construction of Orthodoxy and Heresy-Associate Research Fellow Health Economics Research Unit John B Henderson 1998-01-01 Presents the first systematic and cross-cultural examination of ideas of orthodoxy and heresy in a group of major religious traditions.

Christology From Within and Ahead-Mark Chan 2021-11-01 A hermeneutical Christology is developed, which takes into account the historical contingency of knowledge. Through the proposed models of Christology from within and from ahead, it underscores the role of tradition, experience and exchatology in the formulation of Christology.

The Rise of Orthodoxy Through the Eyes of Gibbon, Harnack and Rodney Stark-Jan N. Bremmer 2010 The rise of Christianity up to the victory of Constantine has often been studied and remains a puzzling phenomenon. In this vaudevilectory Jan N. Bremmer concentrates on the explanations adduced, focusing in particular on the works of three iconic figures from the last two hundred and fifty years. The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire of Edward Gibbon, the most famous ancient historian of all time, at the end of the eighteenth century. Die Mission und Ausbreitung des Christentums von Adolf von Harnack, the greatest historian of early Christianity of all time, around 1900, and The Rise of Christianity of Rodney Stark, the most adventurous sociologist of recent times. In this book, four our times, at the end of the twentieth century, Bremmer puts within their own time and also takes up seriously as scholars, discussing their views and approaches. In this way he shows both the continuities and the innovations in the evolving view which scholarship presents of early Christianity. Bremmer’s exceptional knowledge of the huge range of scholarship and his humane and balanced judgment make this lecture the ideal introduction to the many problems raised by Christianity’s displacement of paganism

Christianity: The First 400 Years-Jonathan Hill 2013-09-20 The first 400 years after the death of Christ saw huge developments and changes in the emerging faith. Christianity spread from Jerusalem to much of the known world; it became the official religion of the British empire; its key texts were written and its core ideas and beliefs were shaped and formalized. Much of this happened under huge pressure, from both within and without. Jonathan Hill charts the fascinating history of this crucial period in the development of Christianity. He shows how and why certain ideas triumphed over others; introduces the key figures, both within the faith and among its opponents, and their intellectual struggles; covers the main battles, often bitterly fought, both of ideas and of weapons; describes the lives of ordinary Christians and their worship and how each influenced the other. Occasionally murky, often thrilling and always compelling, the story Hill tells recounts the ways in which a new religion - centred on a single man executed in the Roman Middle East - first struggled, and then spread, to become the dominant belief system of the world

The Rise of Bogomilism and Its Penetration Into Constantinople-John Sanidopoulos 2011 This study examines the penetration and dissolution of Bogomilism within the Late Eastern Roman Empire. It begins by examining the origins of Bogomilism through the various dualistic sects of the Middle East, Armenia and the Balkans, including those of Zoroastrism, Manicheism, Gnosticism, Messalianism and Paulicianism, and moves forward in the examination of how Bogomilism emigrated from Bulgaria and Macedonia into the borders of the Roman Empire. Particular attention is paid to Basil the Bogomil, who together with his twelve disciples entered the capital of the Empire, Constantinople, during the reign of Emperor Alexios Komnenos (1056-1118 ad), and had great influence over both the rich and the poor. After the Emperor failed to persuade Basil to deny his heresy and accept Orthodoxy, he had him burned to death in front of numerous spectators in the Hippodrome. This eventually led to the official condemnation of Bogomilism by the Orthodox Church and the fleeing of adherents of Bogomilism to the West where they reestablished themselves. Some attention is given also to Bogomilism and its influence on contemporary trends and theology. After this complete examination, the book focuses on the first complete translation into English of Euthymios Zygabenos’ Concerning Bogomilism contained in his Panoplia Dogmatiki (Dogmatic Panoply). This very important text was commissioned by Emperor Alexios, and consists of a complete doctrinal statement of the Bogomilism taught by Basil the Bogomil in Constantinople. This information was obtained by Zygabenos in an interview he conducted with Basil while he was imprisoned. This transcript is a valuable addition in the field of history, patrology, heresiology and church dogma

The Cruelty of Heresy-C. FitzSimons Allison 1994 “In a time when many traditional churches are drowning in a morass of new polysyllabic heresies, it is a delight to find this spirited defense of orthodoxy. I hope it will do for this generation what Chesterton and C.S. Lewis did in the first half of this century.” D.H. Rea

Heresy and Identity in Late Antiquity-Eduard Iricinschi 2008 The papers collected in this volume shift the focus away from “heretics” and “heresy” to heresiological discourse, by contextualizing the late antique Jewish and Christian groups that produced our extant literature. The contributors to the volume draw from multiple literary corpora and genres, bringing a variety of late antique perspectives to bear to explore the discursive construction of the other. They unravel ethnic identities, and re-create the multiple voices textured in the dialogue between the “orthodox” and “heretical” writers.

Hidden Heretics-Ayala Fader 2020-05-26 “This book concerns a combination of ultra-orthodox Jews based in the greater New York area who, while retaining membership and close familial and other ties with their strictly observant communities, seek to secularize knowledge about the world on the down low (so to speak), both online and via in-person encounters. Ayala Fader conducted her ethnographic research in these certified social circles for four years, developing relationships of trust with the mostly young married men and women who have taken to clandestine methods to find alternative social spaces in which to question what it means to be ethical and what a life of self-fulfillment looks like. Fader’s book reveals the stresses and strains that such “double-lifers” experience, including the difficulty these life choices inject into relationships with wives, husbands, and one’s children. Not all of these “double-lifers” become atheists. Fader’s interlocutors can be placed on a broad spectrum ranging from religiously observant but open-minded at one end to atheism on the other. The rabbinical leadership of these ultra-orthodox communities are well aware of this phenomenon and of how unfettered internet access makes such alternative forms of seeking an ever-present temptation. (Some ultra-orthodox rabbis have been sounding the alarm for years, claiming that the internet represents more of a threat to community survival today than the Holocaust did in the last century.) Fader’s book examines the institutional responses of ultra-orthodox communities to the double-lifers. These include what is typically referred to as a Torah-based type of “religious therapy” conducted by trained members of these communities who as therapists and “life coaches” blend elements of modern psychiatry with ultra-orthodoxy and “treat” troubling, potentially life-altering doubt and skepticism as symptoms of underlying emotional pathology”

Orthodoxy, Liberalism, and Adaptation-Boh E.J.H. Bocken 2011-08-25 Liberalism and Orthodoxy can only be successful as strategies for coping with change in society when they will be able to outline a recognizable and authentic framework for religiously informed practises and ethics.

The Light and the Dark-Petrus Francisicus Marta Fontaine 1998
Classifying Christians: Todd S. Berzon 2016-02-23 Classifying Christians investigates late antique Christian heresies and heresiology as ethnographies that catalogued and detailed the origins, rituals, doctrines, and customs of the heresies in explicitly political and theological terms. Oscillating between ancient ethnographic evidence and contemporary ethnographic writing, Todd S. Berzon argues that late antique heresiology shares an underlying logic with classical ethnography in the ancient Mediterranean world. By providing an account of heresiological writing from the second to fifth century, Classifying Christians embeds heresiology within the historical development of imperial forms of knowledge that have shaped western culture from antiquity to the present.


Reading Heresy—Gregory Ericksen 2017-11-20 Heresy studies is a new interdisciplinary, supra-religious, and humanist field of study that focuses on borders of dogma, probes the intersections between orthodoxy and heterodoxy, and explores the real arts of dissent in religion, art, and literature. Free from confessional agendas and tolerant of both religious and non-religious perspectives, heresy studies fulfill an important gap in scholarly inquiry and artistic production. Divided into four parts, the volume explores intersections between heresy and modern literature, it discusses intricacies of medieval iconography, it analyzes issues of heresy in contemporary theology, and it demonstrates how heresy operates as an artistic stimulus. Rather than treating matters of heresy, blasphemy, unbelief, dissent, and non-conformism as subjects to be shunned or naively championed, the essays in this collection chart a middle course, energized by the dynamics of heterodoxy, dissent, and provocation, yet shining a critical light on both the challenges and the revelations of disruptive kinds of thinking and acting.

Modernism and the Occult—John Bramble 2015-03-04 This study of modernism’s high imperial, occult-exotic affiliations presents many well-known figures from the period 1880-1960 in a new light. Modernism and the Occult traces the history of modernist engagement with ‘irregular’, heterodox and imported knowledge.

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Spirituality and the Occult—Brian Gibbons 2013-07-04 Spirituality and the Occult argues against the widely held view that occult spiritualities are marginal to Western culture. Showing that the ecstatic tradition is unfairly neglected in Western culture and that much of what we take to be ‘modern’ derives at least in part from this tradition, it casts a fresh, intriguing and persuasive perspective on spiritual experience in the West. Medieval and Islamic spiritualities are defined by the authors in this study and it is likely to see the influence of the authors in this study. Brian G. Gibbons identifies the influence and continued presence of esoteric mystical movements in disciplines such as: medicine, science, philosophy, Freudian and Jungian psychology, radical political movements, imaginative literature.

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**Orthodox and Alternative Medicine** Mike Saks 2003-03 'There's no book like it. It's Saks' subject and he's good' - Roy Porter This fascinating book explores the changing relationship between orthodox and alternative medicine in Britain and the United States from the sixteenth century to the present day. Mike Saks sees the development of orthodox and alternative medicine as two sides of the same coin and his analysis centers on the role of professionalization in health care. In the sixteenth century, the line between orthodox and alternative medicine was blurred. By the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, the increasing professionalization of orthodox bi-medicine had marginalized medical alternatives. In recent years, following the growth of a strong counter-culture in the 1960s and 1970s, perceptions of the relationship between the two forms of practice have begun to change again. The de-professionalization of orthodox medicine is being debated, while ironically, alternative medicine has become increasingly professionalized. Mike Saks considers the political dynamics of the process of professionalization, and looks at the dilemmas posed for both medical orthodoxy and alternative medicine in the development of a more integrated health care system in Britain and the United States in the future.

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**The Rise of Normative Christianity** Arland J. Hultgren 1994 The influences wrought by the ancient documents discovered at Nag Hammadi have given rise to the notion that various Gnostic interpretations are mere alternatives to more traditional interpretations of Jesus and His significance. Hultgren contends that such a tradition originated at the beginnings of Christianity and came to dominate as the most adequate expression of Jesus' legacy.

**Heresy and Authority in Medieval Europe** Edward Peters 2011-09-22 Throughout the Middle Ages and early modern Europe theological uniformity was synonymous with social cohesion in societies that regarded themselves as bound together at their most fundamental levels by a religion. To maintain a belief in opposition to the orthodoxy was to set oneself in opposition not merely to church and state but to a whole culture in all of its manifestations. From the eleventh century to the fifteenth, however, dissenting movements appeared with greater frequency, attracted more followers, acquired philosophical as well as theological dimensions, and occupied more and more the time and the minds of religious and civil authorities. In the perception of dissent and in the steps taken to deal with it lies the history of medieval heresy and the force it exerted on religious, social, and political communities long after the Middle Ages. In this volume, Edward Peters makes available the most compact and wide-ranging collection of source materials in translation on medieval orthodox and heterodoxy in social context.

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