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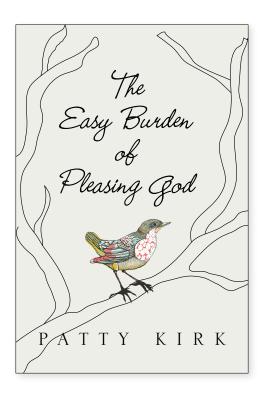
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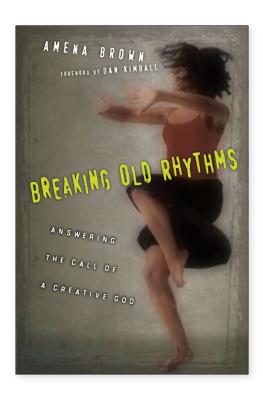
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Breaking Old Rhythms

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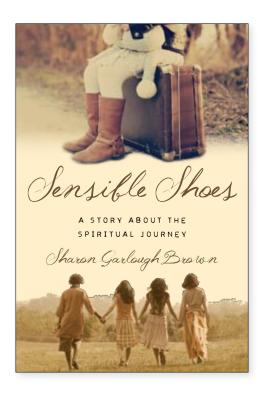
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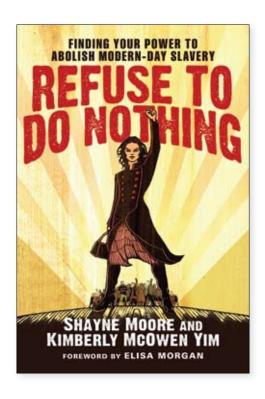
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Shayne Moore, Kimberly McOwen Yim Foreword by Elisa Morgan



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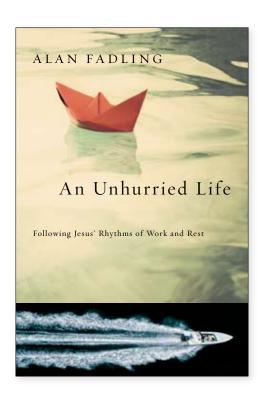
-Margot Starbuck, author, Small Things with Great Love



An Unhurried Life

Following Jesus' Rhythms of Work and Rest

Alan Fadling



Spiritual director and "recovering speed addict" Alan Fadling leads readers in a disarming meditation on the unhurried life. Following the framework of Jesus' earthly life, Fadling shows how the work of "unhurrying" ourselves is central to our spiritual development in such pivotal areas as resisting tempation, caring for others, praying and making disciples.

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- · Written by a certified spiritual director



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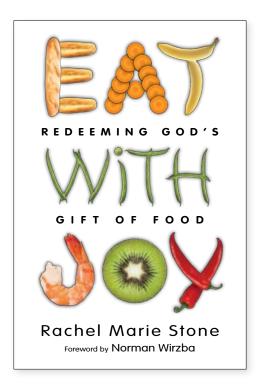
—Doug Fields, coauthor of Purpose-Driven Youth Ministry, executive director of Homeword Center for Youth/Family



Eat with Joy

Redeeming God's Gift of Food

Rachel Marie Stone
Foreword by Norman Wirzba



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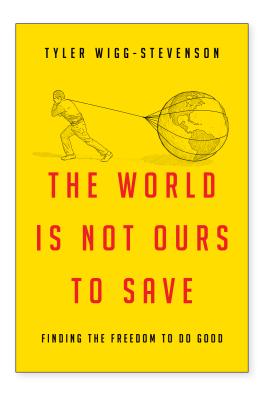
-Jana Riess, author of Flunking Sainthood



The World Is Not Ours to Save

Finding the Freedom to Do Good

Tyler Wigg-Stevenson



Daily news of systemic injustice has caused activist rhetoric to balloon. Tyler Wigg-Stevenson hopes to slow this trend, suggesting that our complex global situation is forcing us to see our limits as world-changers. He calls Christians to leave aside the heady pursuit of causes and take their rightful place as standard-bearers of God's

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- · Seeks a third way between triumphalism and "slacktivism"



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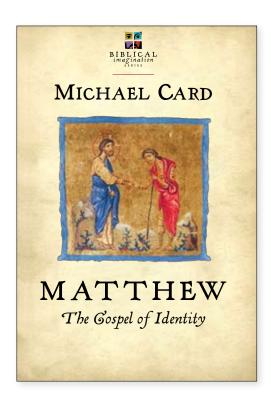
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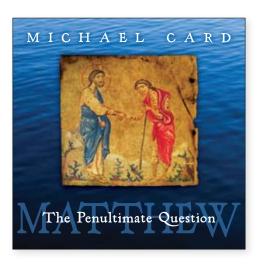


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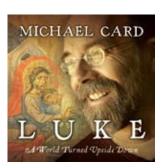
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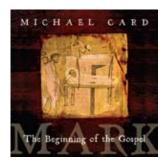
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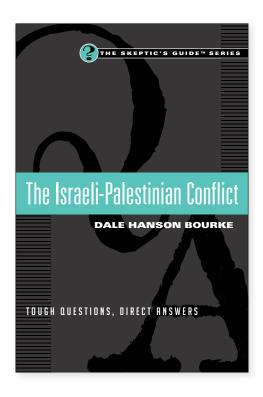
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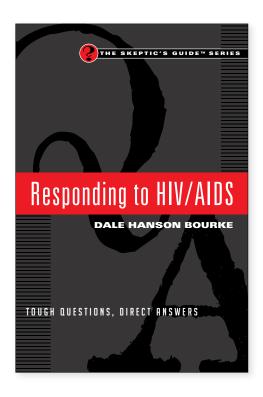


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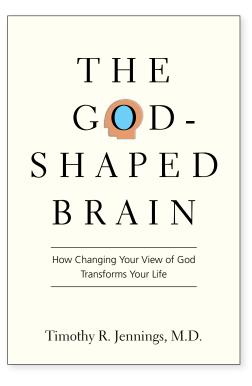
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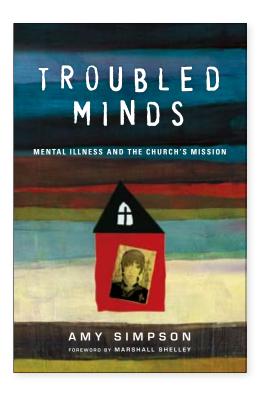
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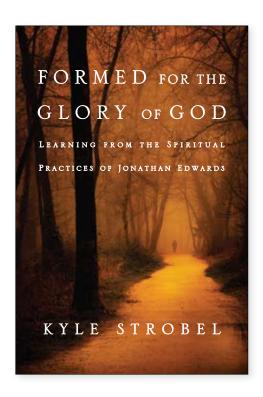
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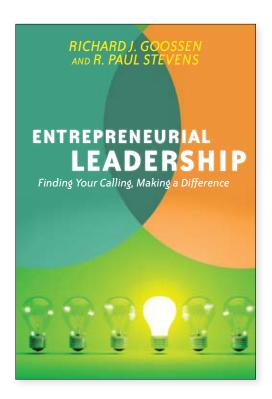
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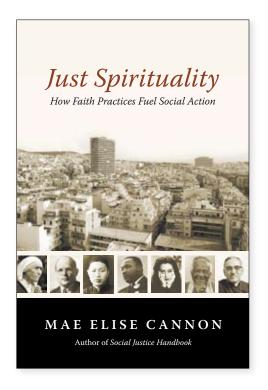
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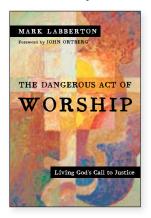
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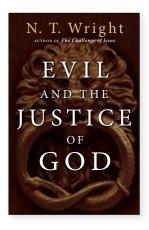
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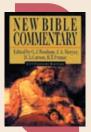
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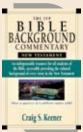
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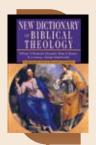
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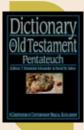
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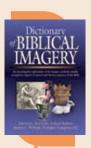
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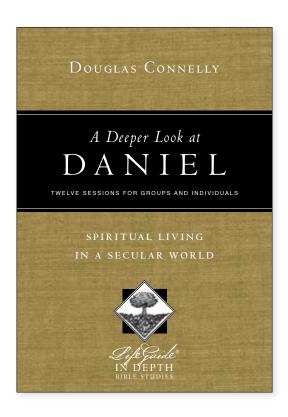
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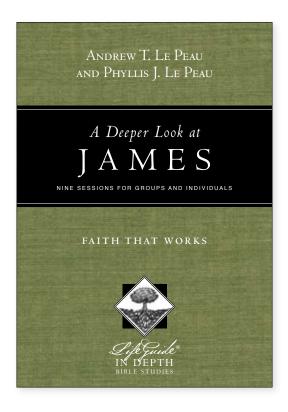
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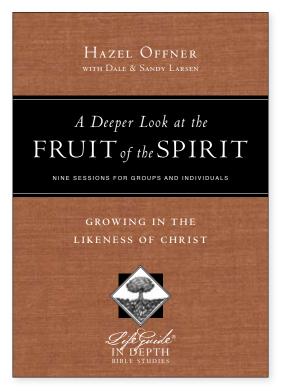
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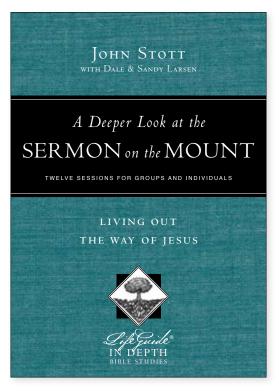
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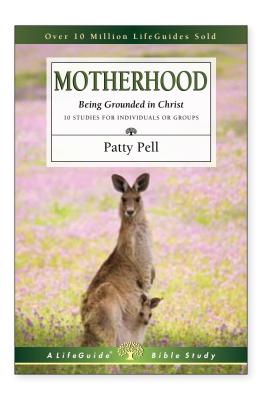


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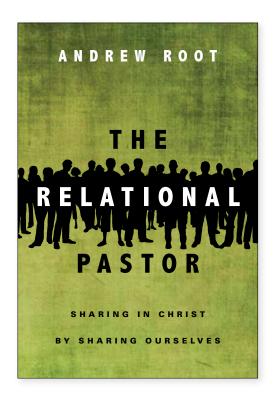
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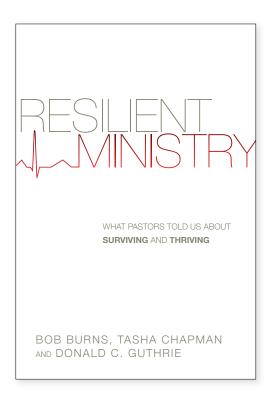
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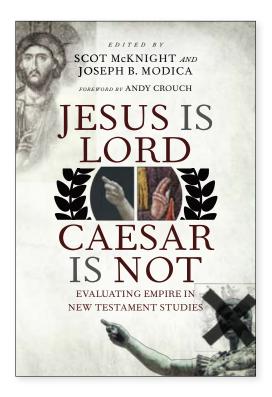
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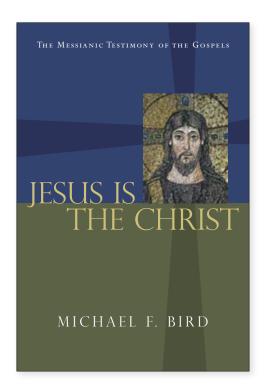
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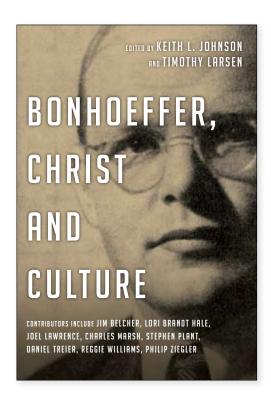
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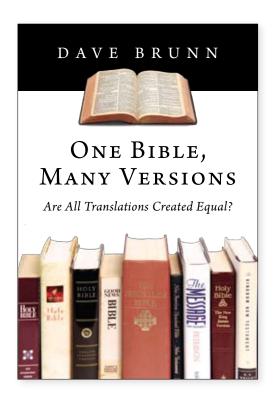
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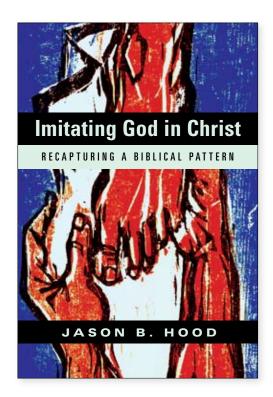
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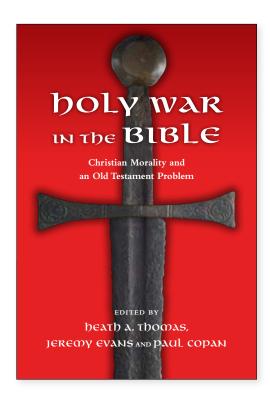
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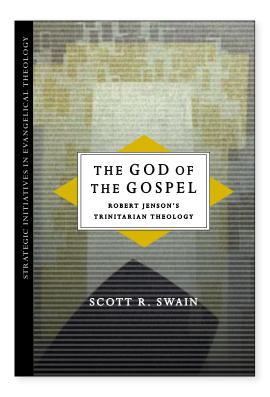


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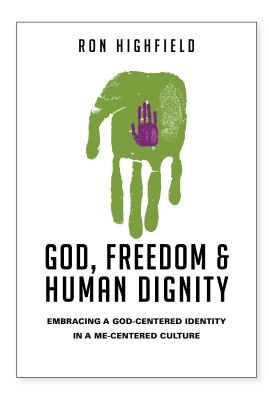
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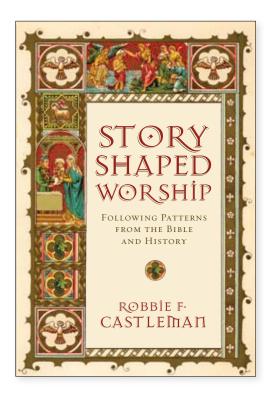
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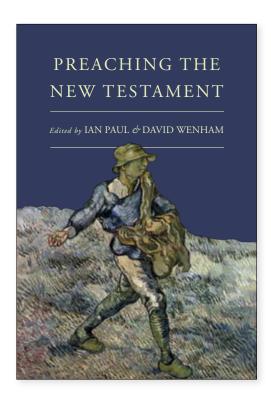
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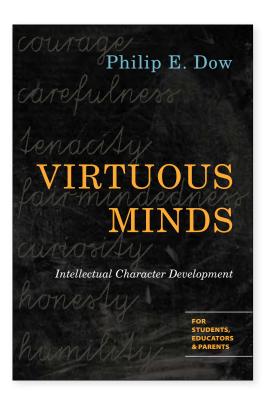
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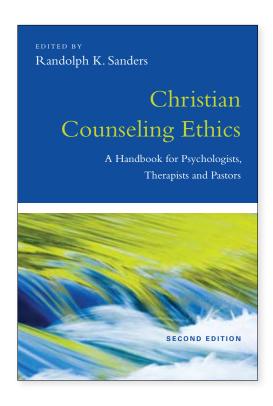


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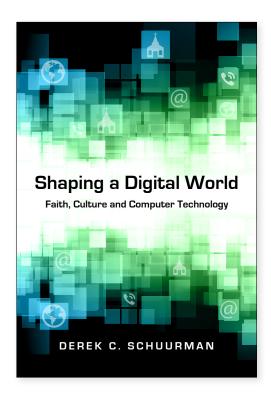
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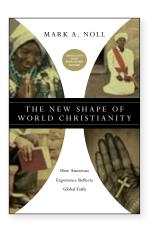


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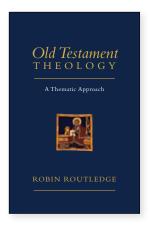
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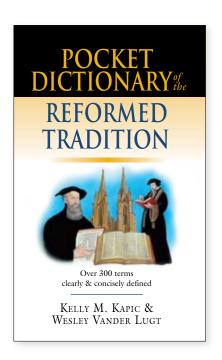
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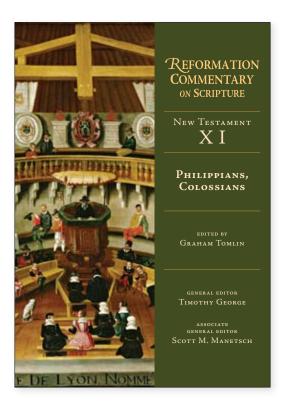
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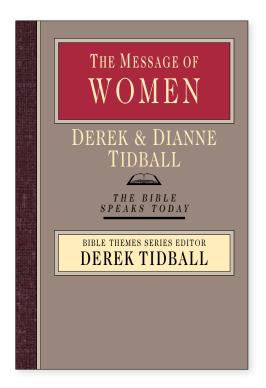
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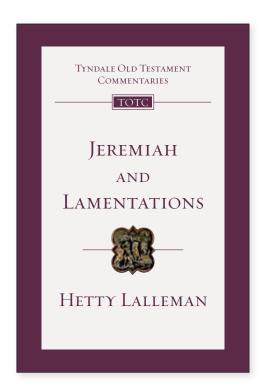
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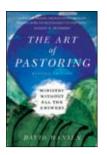
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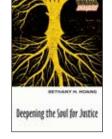
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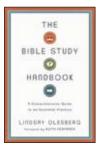
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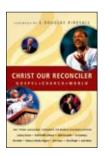
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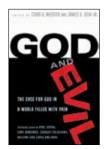
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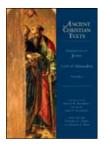
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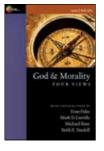
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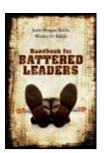
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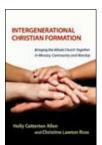
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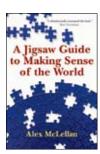
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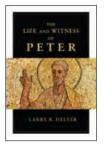
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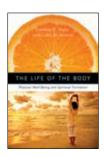
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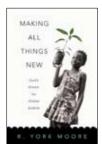
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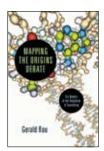
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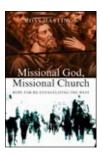
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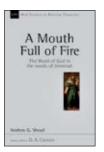
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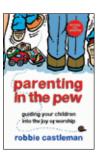
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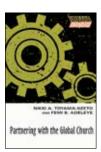
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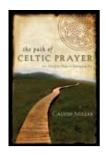
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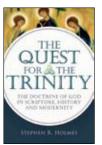
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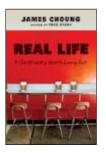
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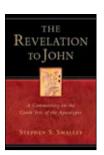
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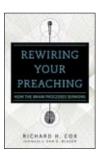
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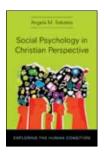
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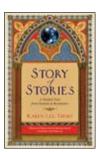
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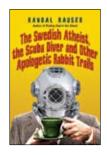
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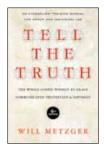
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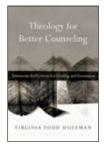
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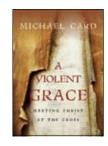
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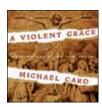
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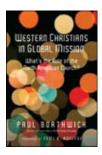
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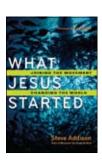
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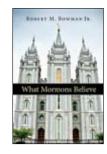
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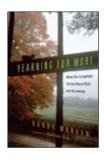
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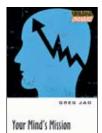
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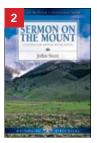
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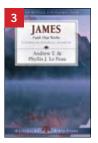
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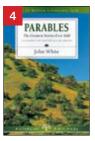
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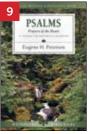
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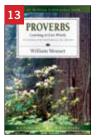
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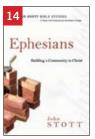
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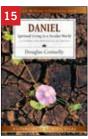
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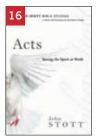
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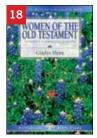
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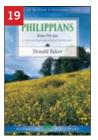
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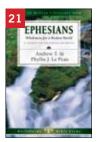
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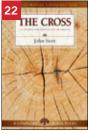
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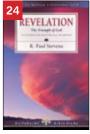
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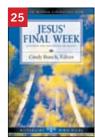
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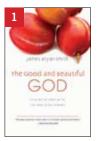


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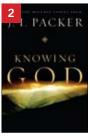


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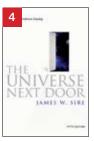
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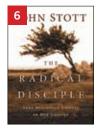
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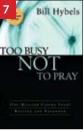
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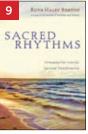
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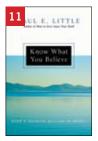
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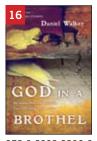
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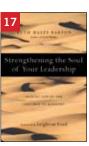
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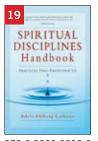
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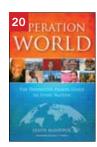
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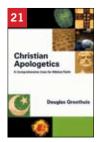
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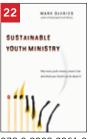
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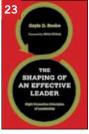
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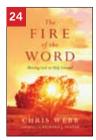
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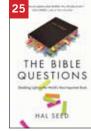
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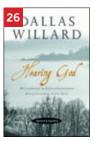
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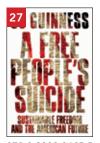
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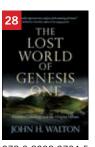
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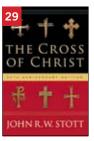
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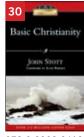
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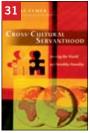
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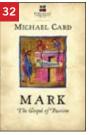
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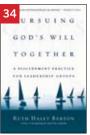
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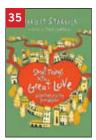
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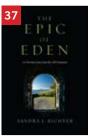
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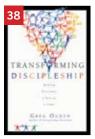
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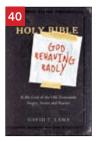
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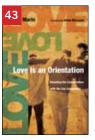
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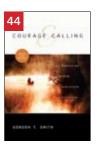
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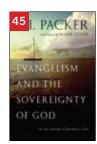
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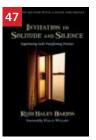
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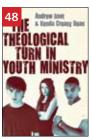
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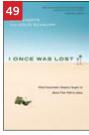
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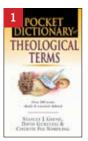
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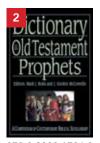
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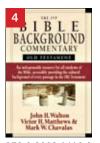
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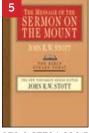
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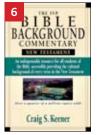
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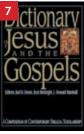
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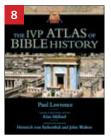
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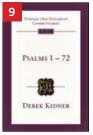
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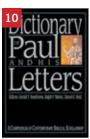
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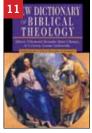
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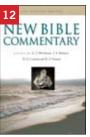
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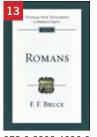
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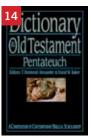
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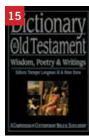
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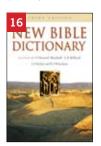
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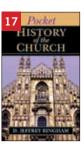
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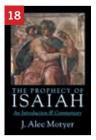
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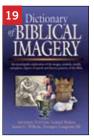
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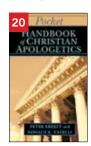
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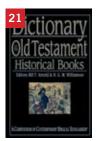
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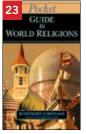
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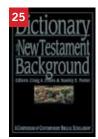
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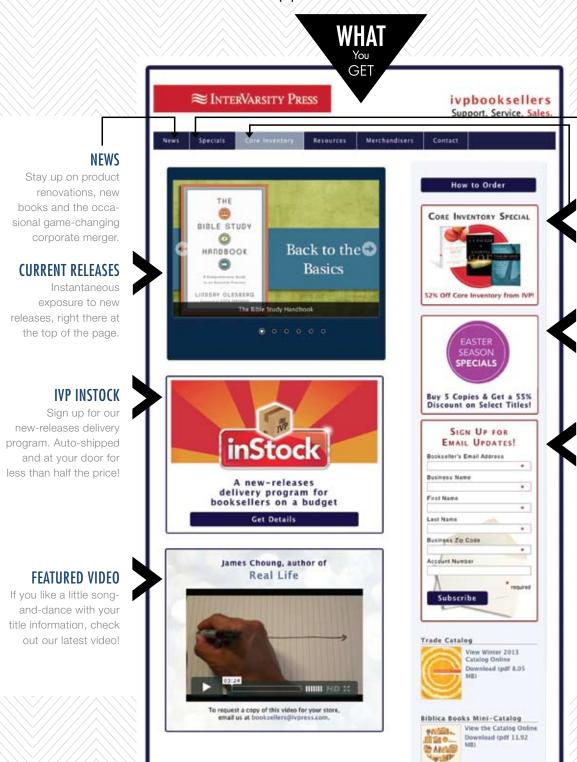
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