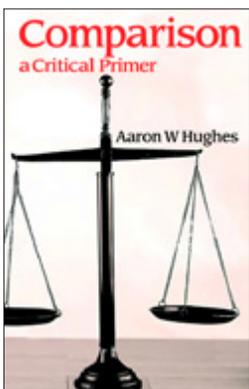


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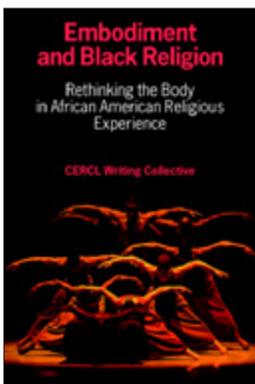
Comparison is held to be one of the central methods of the academic study of religion. This book starts with the premise that while there are good comparisons and bad comparisons, what is common to both is the sheer artificiality of the enterprise and develops an analytical framework for using the method in the context of religious studies. After briefly

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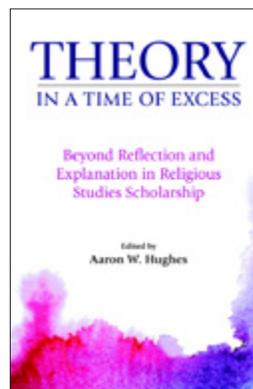
The volume expands current scholarship on African American religion and embodiment by going beyond an understanding of black religion as the “Black Church” and underscoring the variety of religious experiences, in both marginal religious traditions and in non-traditional forms of religion. The

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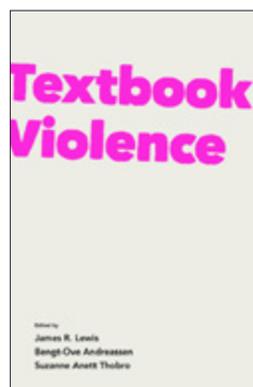
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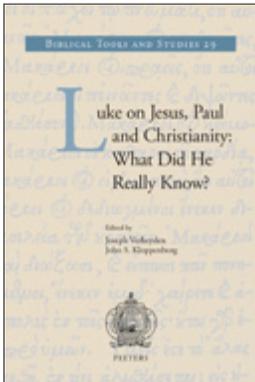
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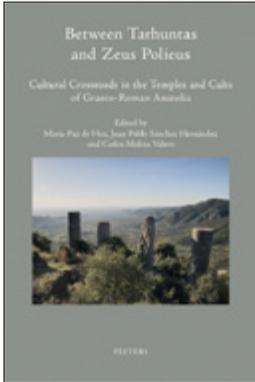
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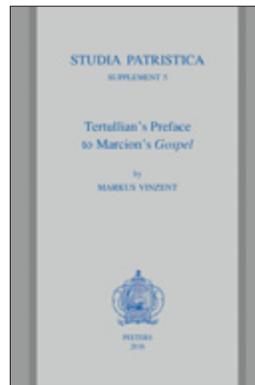
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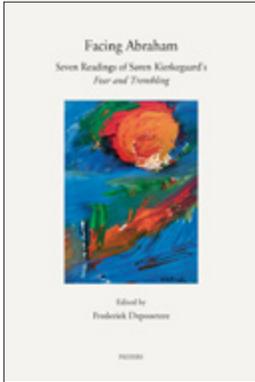
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Mark 6:14-29 and Matthew 14:1-12 recount the death of John the Baptist. This essay revisits the iconographic motif of the dancing girl from an interdisciplinary perspective involving exegesis, gender, anthropology, ritual performance, psycho-energetics, Pathosformeln and paragone.

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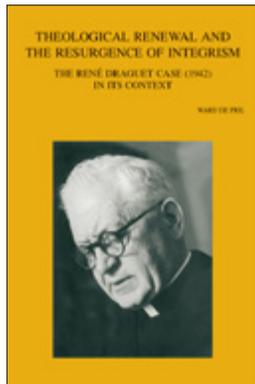


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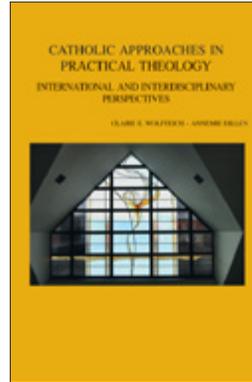
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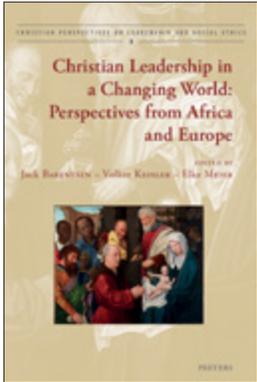
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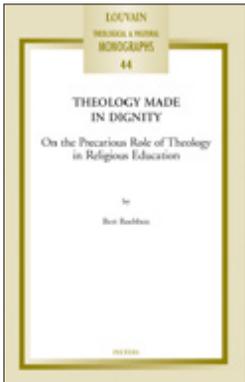
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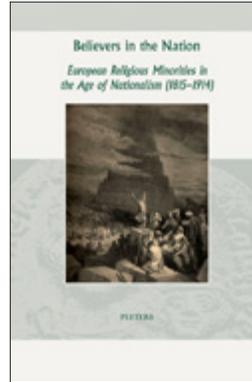
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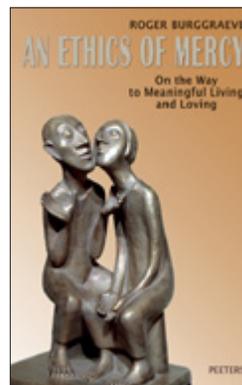
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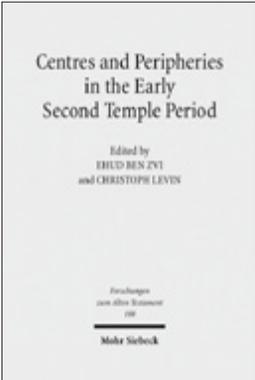
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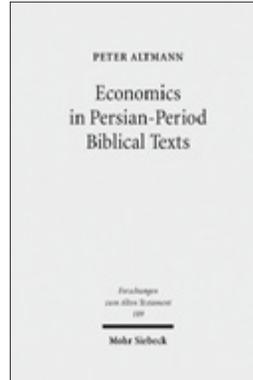
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by Aren M. Wilson-Wright

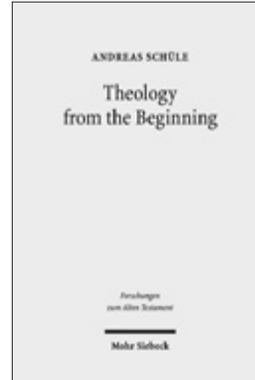
This book proposes a new model for studying gods in the Ancient Near East. The key insight is that the roles, functions, and representations of deities correspond to the daily routines of their worshippers. Soldiers tend to worship martial gods, while farmers tend to worship agricultural gods. The author

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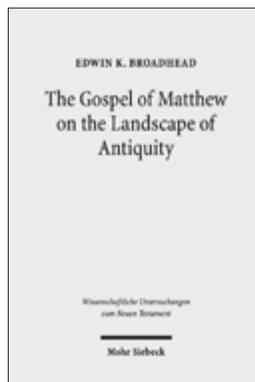
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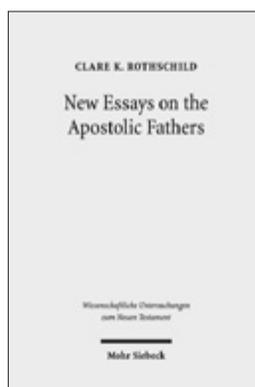
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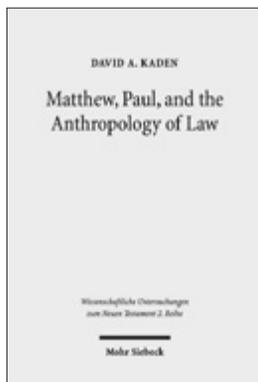
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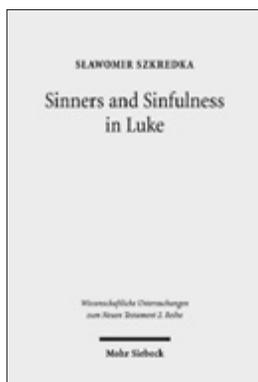
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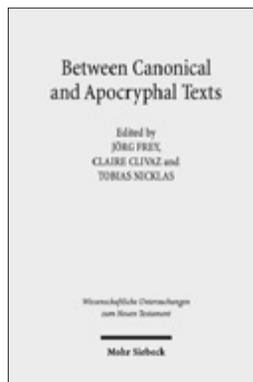
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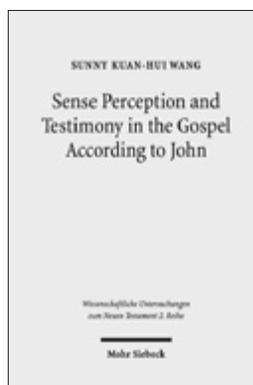
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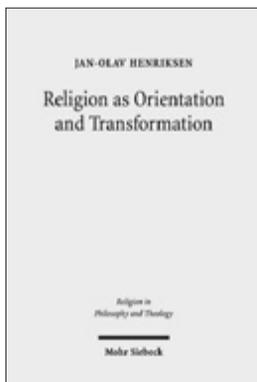
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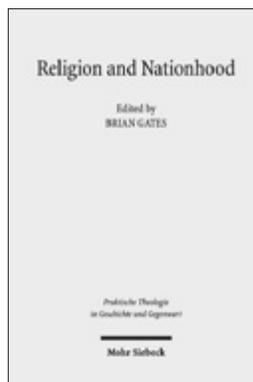
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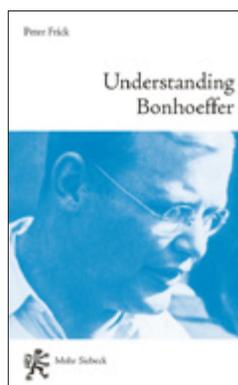
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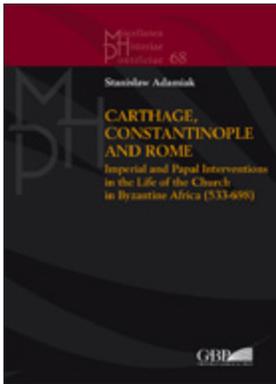
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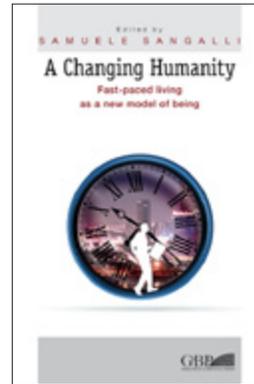
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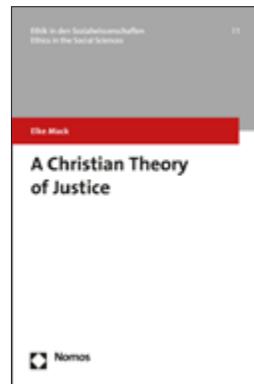
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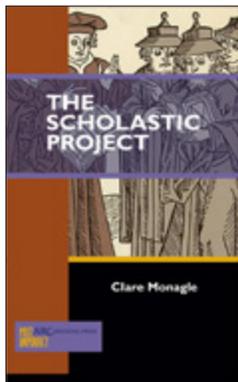
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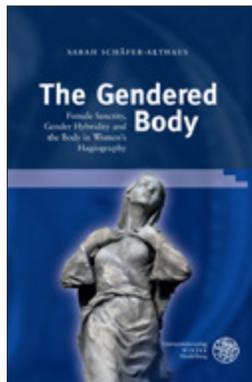
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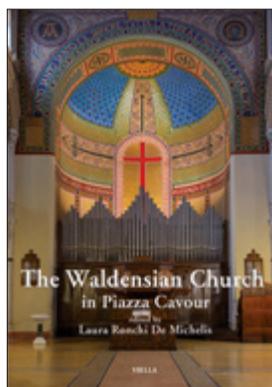
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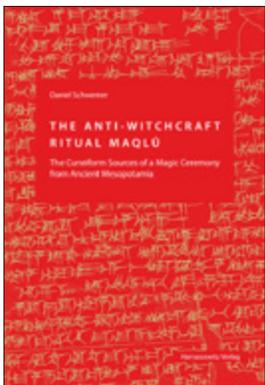


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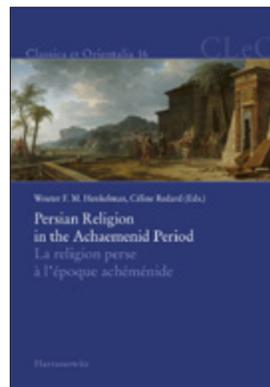
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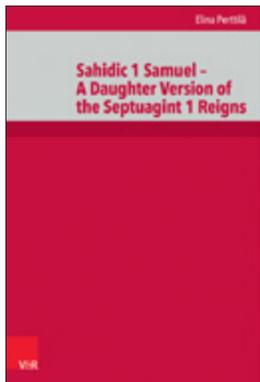
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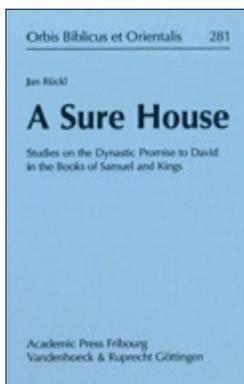


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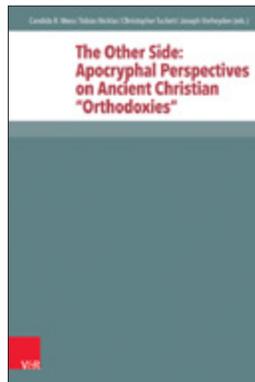
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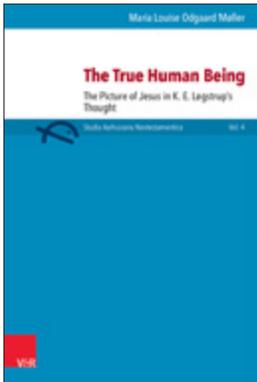
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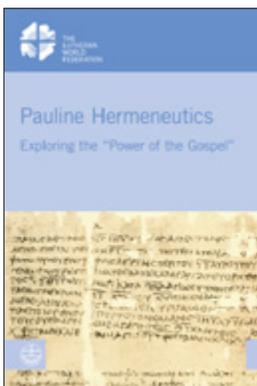
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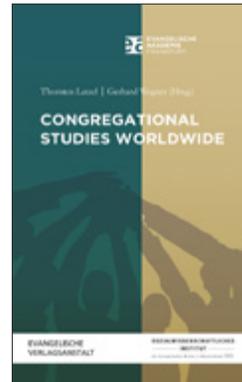
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