The Tao Te Ching (Dao De Jing)

By Lao Tzu
Genre : Religion & Spirituality

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The Tao Te Ching (Dao De Jing) by Lao Tzu is Religion & Spirituality. The text is fundamental to both philosophical and religious Taoism and strongly influenced other schools, such as Legalism, Confucianism and Chinese Buddhism, which when first introduced into China was largely interpreted through the use of Daoist words and concepts. Many Chinese artists, including poets, painters, calligraphers, and even gardeners have used the Daodejing as a source of inspiration. Its influence has also spread widely outside East Asia, and is amongst the most translated works in world literature.

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By : Peter Kreeft
In Letters to an Atheist, Peter Kreeft corresponds with a fictional young atheist to wrestle with the primary reasons for not believing in God. With characteristic warmth and clarity, Kreeft’s letters explore the arguments for God as well as dismantling the arguments against. From explaining the problem of evil to reconciling science and religion, Kreeft’s compelling letters offer believers and non-believers alike much to consider.

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By : Michel Clasquin-Johnson
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their efforts to understand and explain reality have influenced the history and development of humankind. Some of the religions we will explore together will be well known to you already. In fact, you might even belong to one of them yourself! Others will be new and strange to you. Nevertheless, even if you think you already know a religion, try to approach it with an open mind and see if you can learn something new.

Saint Malachie a vu d’avance 110 papes sur 10 siècles

By: Michel Bolechette
Le présent ouvrage concerne la fameuse prophétie de St Malachie, qui n'est pas canonique bien que très intéressante car elle contient une liste de devises correspondant à chaque Pape depuis le XIIème siècle. Les devises, plus ou moins claires, décrivent souvent le Pape concerné de façon frappante. A chaque nouveau Pape, les journalistes en parlent et cherchent à deviner l’issue de l’élection et la ligne directrice du Pontificat. Si on regarde la liste sans du tout faire une critique objective après Benoit XVI, il n’y aurait plus qu’un Pape, à savoir François récemment élu. En fait, il y aura des Papes probablement jusqu’à la fin du siècle. Rome serait ensuite chamboulée et l’ère des Papes prendrait fin. Les journalistes actuels ne parlent plus guère de ce document, puisqu'on leur a dit que c'est la fin et car rien n’annonce ledit changement. Le raisonnement exposé ici peut convaincre certains.

God, Man, & Salvation

By: W. T. Purkiser, Richard S. Taylor &
This is a biblical theology that will give you a deeper understanding of your faith. Gives scriptural basis on the doctrine of the church. Includes subject and scripture indexes. It attempts to state the faith affirmations of the Bible according to whatever 'system' is discernable in the Scriptures themselves.

Benedict XVI and the SSPX Controversy (The Church in the World) (The Society of St. Pius X)

By: Catholic Insight
On January 24, 2009, Pope Benedict made a charitable gesture by lifting the 20 year-old excommunication of four Society of St. Pius X (SSPX) bishops (Bishops Fellay, Tissier de Malleras, Williamson and de Galaretha). The Society of St. Pius X was founded in 1970 by French archbishop Marcel Lefebvre who during the Council refused to accept the Constitutions on the Liturgy, Ecumenism, and Religious Freedom. The moment the Vatican announced the lifting of the excommunication, media sources broadcast a TV interview from Swedish television, produced in November 2008, in which one of the four bishops, Bishop Williamson, was seen to deny the persecution of the Jews during World War II. Over the next six weeks Bishop Williamson and his crack pot denial of the Jewish holocaust was the media's subject of the day. With the help of the usual Catholic dissenters, and a suspicious, hostile, Jewish press Pope Benedict was accused of anti-Semitism, stupidity, irrationality, and other assorted vices, drowning out any reflection about the significance of the January 24 decree. To this we now return.

Idoli della Chiesa

By: Severino Dianich
Da Giacomo a Crisostomo, da Bernardo a Dante, da Savonarola a Lutero, una grande tradizione di profeti ha contestato la ricchezza, gli sfarzi e le violenze della Chiesa. Accanto alle grandi tentazioni capaci di sconvolgere le impostazioni di fondo della coscienza ecclesiale - l’aspetto divino della comunità dei credenti, il potere, la santità - vi sono piccole tentazioni che si insinuano nella banalità
delle cose quotidiane. Esse possono condurre al culto della personalità, agli eccessi nella venerazione per il papa, alla consegna indebita delle proprie decisioni di coscienza ai maestri spirituali, all’accettazione del clericalismo dei pastori. Quando la comunità cristiana non gode di «quella gioiosa libertà che viene dal distacco da cose e persone, dalle mète che ci si è proposti di raggiungere e ideali che si intendono realizzare, là si annida l’idolo, e l’adorazione del solo Dio resta oscurata», osserva l’autore.

**More Than a Theory (Reasons to Believe)**

By : **Hugh Ross**

The year 2009 marks the 150th anniversary of the publication of Charles Darwin's On the Origin of Species. Alongside that event, there are many Darwin Day celebrations planned to acknowledge his 200th birthday. Add to these the virulent attacks of the New Atheists, led by Richard Dawkins. Bible-believing Christians will be left increasingly challenged with the theory of evolution as the only model to explain the origins and age of the universe. In More Than a Theory, Hugh Ross, founder and president of Reasons To Believe, offers discerning readers a comprehensive, testable creation model to consider as an alternative. This fascinating resource will educate readers with a direct response to the recent and well-publicized challenges from aggressive atheists. In doing so, it also reminds the scientific community of what constitutes good science. Furthermore, it will supply Christians with the scientific information they need to defend their convictions that the God of the Bible is the Creator. Complete with several appendices that put common documents and stories to the same test, More Than a Theory is a bold, brave, and unapologetic work of apologetics that will stir much discussion in both the scientific and religious realms.

**21 jours pour maîtriser les affirmations positives**

By : **Louise Hay**

Bienvenue dans le monde des affirmations positives ! Ces 21 affirmations positives constituent la clé de voûte des enseignements de Louise Hay. Cette technique de guérison a déjà réconforté et guéri des millions de personnes à travers le monde. Ce livre pratique et totalement inédit de Louise Hay permet d'acquérir facilement et rapidement cette compétence infiniment puissante. Vous découvrirez le pouvoir des mots simples et apaisants et comment les appliquer à n’importe quel problème, que vos difficultés soient émotionnelles ou physiques. Vous apprendrez également à créer votre propre affirmation positive, qui ciblera vos maux et difficultés du moment. Commencez à guérir votre vie en seulement 21 jours !

**Letters on the Spanish Inquisition**

By : **Comte de Joseph Marie Maistre**

This book contains a collection of letters written by the Count Joseph de Maistre on the subject of the Spanish Inquisition. In each of the several letters, he describes a various element of the Inquisition and details how accurate the general conceptions are of the time and activities therein. The work makes for a fascinating read from a highly acclaimed writer and philosopher of the 19th century. This book was created from a scan of the original artifact, and as such the text of the book is not selectable or searchable.

**Beware the Evil Eye Volume 2**

By : **John H. Elliott**

In the present volume, Elliott addresses the most extensive sources of Evil Eye belief in antiquity—the cultures of Greece and Rome. In this period, features of the belief found in Mesopotamian and Egyptian sources are expanded to the point where an “Evil Eye belief complex”
becomes apparent. This complex of features associated with the Evil Eye—human eye as key organ of information, eye as active not passive, eye as channel of emotion and dispositions, especially envy, arising in the heart, possessors, victims, defensive strategies, and amulets—is essential to an understanding of the literary references to the Evil Eye. This volume, along with chapter 2 of volume 1, sets and illuminates the context for examining Evil Eye belief and practice in the Bible and the biblical communities (the focus of volume 3). “Beware the Evil Eye, Volume 2, Greece and Rome, is a wonderful, comprehensive work of scholarship. Easy to read and erudite, Beware the Evil Eye is destined to become the definitive source text for anyone interested in the origins, spread and nature of this widespread human belief complex.” —Fiona Bowie, King’s College London; author of The Anthropology of Religion “John Elliott’s Beware the Evil Eye is not simply a marvelous collection of literary texts, material objects, and gestures that bear on the ‘evil eye;’ it is ethnography at its best. Elliott not only collects a wealth of texts from Mediterranean antiquity and shows how numerous vocabularic items that might be misunderstood by the modern reader in fact betray beliefs in the evil eye. He has also collected material objects from as far afield as Sri Lanka and modern Britain, and discusses the varied bodily gestures used to ward off the evil eye and its moral locomotive, envy. Importantly, Elliott shows that evil eye practices are not to be dismissed as irrational, but are rational inferences from ancient understandings of the physiognomy of the eye and the nature of vision, and serve to makes sense of the vagaries of human experience. Elliott’s achievement does not stop here: he demonstrates how evil eye beliefs are implicated in human envy, boasting, and other ordinary activities, and assembles a wealth of material objects and gestures that serve as prophylaxes against the evil eye. This will be a standard textbook in ethnography.” —John S. Kloppenborg, Study of Religion, University of Toronto This second volume of a work decades in the making extends the merits of the first: an assiduous comprehensiveness with regard to both method and evidence; an efficient, amicable exposition; an exuberance of illustration; and a compelling sense of the curious that takes full account of the integrity of the culturally different. Here we find the evil eye not only pervasive but central in the Greco-Roman world, making its discovery in the Bible and in Jewish and Christian antiquity, to be explored in volumes three and four, no surprise at all.” —Robert B. Coote, Senior Research Professor of Hebrew Exegesis and Old Testament, San Francisco Theological Seminary “John H. Elliot’s Beware the Evil Eye: The Evil Eye in the Bible and the Ancient World is a monumental achievement. A work of devoted and painstaking research focused on Greece and Rome, volume 2 of the four-volume study provides detailed analysis of the ancient folkloric belief in the evil eye. This is the work of a brilliant intellect, who has given us the last scholarly word on this perplexing ancient belief. The book is essential reading for anthropologists, biblical and classical scholars, medievalists, folklorists, and art historians. No one will have anything to add to this conversation for the imaginable future.” —Brenda Deen Schildgen, Distinguished Professor Comparative Literature, Chair Letters and Science Executive Committee, UC Davis
Introduction to the Dao De Jing [Tao Te Ching], by Lao Zi [Lao Tzu]. Its many riddle-like poems are famously obscure. However, once you can interpret them you'll find that it is actually a very practical philosophy book that dispenses timeless wisdom about leadership qualities and interpersonal relationships ...and maybe the Theory of Everything. Perhaps Steven Hawkins is looking in the wrong place. The Dao De Jing consists of 81 chapters. It can be read from the first to the last chapter as a typical book but it is not necessary to do so. In any event, true understanding will require mu.

The Tao Te Ching, [tāo tê-ch'ing] (listen)), Simplified: 道徳經, Pinyin: Dao De Jing, is a Chinese classic text traditionally credited to the 6th-century BC sage Laozi. The text's authorship, date of composition and date of compilation are debated. The oldest excavated portion dates back to the late 4th century BC, but modern scholarship dates other parts of the text as having been written or at least compiled later than the earliest portions of the Zhuangzi.