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Better Thinking and Reasoning

This text combines an introduction to the themes traditionally covered in the philosophy of religion with contemporary developments in the discipline, such as natural histories of religion and feminist approaches.

Great Thinkers on Great Questions

God's number one message to the world: "You've got me all wrong." Inspired by his nine-book Conversations with God series, many people have asked Neale Donald Walsch to find a way to deliver the most essential pieces of God's message to us in a more succinct way. This concise text details and expands just what we need to know about life and how to live it. Bringing his many conversations over the years into sharper focus than ever before, Walsch in What God Said encourages readers to cast aside religious and cultural trappings. To experience life as fallible—and human—beings, open-minded, open-hearted, and all-embracing, and to build on, broaden, and enrich our Ancient Story. But to move forward on this ever-expanding and encompassing spiritual voyage means not only understanding what Walsch considers the most important insights of his Conversations with God, but also applying them in the most practical ways. And so Walsch has included solid suggestions on how to apply each of the 25 Core Messages in daily life. Should humanity begin carrying these messages forward, starting today, we can change the world. From the Trade Paperback edition.

A Thinker's Guide to the Philosophy of Religion

Waiting

The Atheist's Primer

What have the great philosophers written about the nature of knowledge? Epistemology: The Key Thinkers tells the story of how our thinking about knowledge has developed, introducing you to some of the problems and forces that have dominated the history of philosophy. Beginning with Plato, Aristotle, ancient sceptics, and the medievals, before moving to Descartes, the British empiricists, Kant, American pragmatism, and twentieth-century thinkers such as Ludwig Wittgenstein, W. V. O. Quine, Alvin Goldman, and beyond, each chapter guides you through the ideas, contribution, and legacy of a leading philosopher or movement. This second edition includes: · A new chapter covering medieval epistemology · Extended guides to further reading and future directions for epistemology The final chapter looks to the future, highlighting some of the very latest debates that energise philosophical writing today about knowledge and how we know what we know.

A New Perspective on the Book of Job

This innovative and challenging book presents cogent answers from some of the greatest thinkers of the twentieth century to fifteen of the most enduring questions posed by humanity. For questioning minds who seek alternative philosophical viewpoints, this is a unique and accessible assessment of humankind's common experience that offers a new vision for the next millenium.

God Matters

The Puzzle of Ethics

This book is a crash course in effective reasoning, meant to catapult you into a world where you start to see things how they really are, not how you think they are. The focus of this book is on logical fallacies, which loosely defined, are simply errors in reasoning. With the reading of each page, you can make significant improvements in the way you reason and make decisions. Logically Fallacious is one of the most comprehensive collections of logical fallacies with all original examples and easy to understand descriptions, perfect for educators, debaters, or anyone who wants to improve his or her reasoning skills. "Expose an irrational belief, keep a person rational for a day. Expose irrational thinking, keep a person rational for a lifetime." - Bo Bennett This 2021 Edition includes dozens of more logical fallacies with many updated examples.

A Guide to Christian Ambition

The core purpose of "Decisions by the Book" is to demonstrate that the Bible is the ultimate practical source from which we can obtain God's Wisdom in all of our everyday decision making. "Decisions" contains over 300 topical illustrations and applications including: prayer, church government and ministry, business formation, management, finances, marketing, employee relations, ethics, family, marriage, divorce, remarriage, child rearing, personal finances, giving, submission, wisdom, fear, depression, and many other topics. "Decisions" offers common sense insights from the ultimate source of all wisdom - The Bible

Philosophy of Religion

Does the Bible prohibit homosexuality? No, says Bible scholar and activist Jay Michaelson. But not only that: Michaelson also shows that the vast majority of our shared religious traditions support the full equality and dignity of LGBT people. In this accessible, passionate, and provocative book, Michaelson argues for equality, not despite religion but because of it. From the Hardcover edition.

Decisions by the Book

In moments of withdrawal from the busy-ness of life, we sometimes find ourselves wondering about the significance of this struggle and strife – whether our ambitions and aspirations really matter. Looking up into the sky on a clear night, we wonder about the worth of this all too brief life of seventy or eighty years lived in this universe which is billions of years old. When we see death, we wonder whether when our time comes, we will just cease to exist or if we will continue to exist and move on somewhere. We wonder whether there can possibly be a good and kind god administering and managing this world of suffering, violence, cruelty and injustice – though it is comforting for us to believe so. We wonder what the purpose of a life can be in which we often see the results of our efforts crumble like sand sculptures before our very eyes. This book reflects our wonderment. It deals with the dilemma of human existence. It offers no ready answers. It encourages the reader to think and to find his or her own answers.

PILGRIM, PILGRIMAGE AND ROAD

The last century has witnessed a revival and renewal of trinitarian theology, led initially by Karl Barth. The legendary puzzles of trinitarian theology have become especially vexing in an era of changed philosophical and cultural categories, and a host of religious thinkers in the last century have tried to reformulate the main lines of thought about God's trinitarian

life. Theologian Stanley Grenz here tells this story of trinitarian theology, reporting and analyzing the remarkable ferment in the discipline and discussing especially eleven theologians on such issues as: God's inner life vs. God's relationship to creation (immanent and economic trinity), social vs. psychological analogies for the relationships within God, the relationship between trinity and Christology, the feminist critique of classical categories, and how God's trinitarian life figures in evolution, social justice, and spirituality. Grenz's Introduction place this ferment historically in the course of Christian thought from the patristic period to now, while his Conclusion sets a future agenda for the doctrine and theology.

The Church Review

In this witty, incisive guide to critical thinking the author provides you with the tools to allow you to question beliefs and assumptions held by those who claim to know what they're talking about. These days there are many people whom we need to question: politicians, lawyers, doctors, teachers, clergy members, bankers, car salesmen, and your boss. This book will empower you with the ability to spot faulty reasoning and, by asking the right sorts of questions, hold people accountable not only for what they believe but how they behave. By using this book you'll learn to analyze your own thoughts, ideas, and beliefs, and why you act on them (or don't). This, in turn, will help you to understand why others might hold opposing views. And the best way to change our own or others' behavior or attitudes is to gain greater clarity about underlying motives and thought processes. In a media-driven world of talking heads, gurus, urban legends, and hype, learning to think more clearly and critically, and helping others to do the same, is one of the most important things you can do.

Epistemology: The Key Thinkers

Rediscovering the Triune God

Better Thinking and Reasoning provides a biblical approach to the principles of logic and offers practical applications for the development of thinking skills. Each chapter contains: a memory verse; specific examples from the Bible; applications of logic to various areas of study -- business, law, medicine, grammar, writing, debate, math, history, science, computers, or even test-taking. This book can be used as a: source for supplemental material; textbook for individual units or entire courses on logic; study skills course. - Back cover.

On Guard for Students

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The Puzzle of Evil

As a phenomenologist Lacoste is concerned with investigating the human aptitude for experience; as a theologian Lacoste is interested in humanity's potential for a relationship with the divine, what he terms the 'liturgical relationship'. Beginning from the proposition that prayer is a theme that occurs throughout Lacoste's writing, and using this proposition as a heuristic through which to view, interpret and critique his thought, this book examines Lacoste's place amid both the recent 'theological turn' in French thought and the post-war emergence of la nouvelle théologie. Drawing upon unpublished and out of print material previously only available in French, Romanian or German, the book will be of interest to scholars of philosophy, phenomenology and theology.

How Science Reveals God

God vs. Gay?

Turbocharge your reasoning with Critical Thinking Just what are the ingredients of a great argument? What is the secret to communicating your ideas clearly and persuasively? And how do you see through sloppy thinking and flim-flam? If you've ever asked any of these questions, then this book is for you! These days, strong critical thinking skills provide a vital foundation for academic success, and Critical Thinking Skills For Dummies offers a clear and unintimidating introduction to what can otherwise be a pretty complex topic. Inside, you'll get hands-on, lively, and fun exercises that you can put to work today to improve your arguments and pin down key issues. With this accessible and friendly guide, you'll get plain-English instruction on how to identify other people's assumptions, methodology, and conclusions, evaluate evidence, and interpret texts effectively. You'll also find tips and guidance on reading between the lines, assessing validity - and even advice on when not to apply logic too rigidly! Critical Thinking Skills for Dummies: Provides tools and strategies from a range of disciplines great for developing your reflective thinking skills Offers expert guidance on sound reasoning and textual analysis Shows precisely how to use concept mapping and brainstorming to generate insights Demonstrates how critical thinking skills is a proven path to success as a student Whether you're undertaking reviews, planning research projects or just keen to give your brain a workout, Critical Thinking Skills For Dummies equips you with everything you need to succeed.

The Puzzle of Christianity

Peter Vardy is one of the leading moral educators in the UK. His books are on many reading lists for Sixth Formers and undergraduates. The 'Puzzle' books aim to make topics in Religious Studies, Philosophy and Ethics accessible to the schools, undergraduate and general markets. The Puzzle books are simply structured and clearly written and reflect students' needs with regard to exam specifications. Part I of The Puzzle of Moral Philosophy provides a comprehensive introduction to ethical theory and some of its key thinkers such as Plato, Kant, Bentham and Mill. Part II introduces a number of topics frequently studied on A level and undergraduate syllabuses including human relationships, law and justice and the ethics of death and dying.

A Thinker's Guide to Effective Writing

Hugh Hewitt has worked for and with people in some of the most powerful and influential positions in the country. He knows what is required to reach and thrive in such positions, and in this book he shares some of that valuable, hard-won knowledge. A Guide to Christian Ambition provides readers with valuable insights, wisdom, personal experiences, and advice on how to rise in the world and achieve the kind of radical success that honors God.

Logically Fallacious

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The Publishers Weekly

This volume of the Thinker's Guide Library introduces the concept of fallacies and shows readers how to discern and see through forty-four types. Focusing on how human self-deception, mental trickery, and manipulation lie behind fallacies, this guide builds reasoning skills and promotes fairminded, logical thought, discussions, and debate.

Critical Thinking

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Waiting

Brian Swimme, Ralph Abraham, Stanislav Grof, Deepak Chopra, Rupert Sheldrake, Lynn Margulis, Terence McKenna, and

William Irwin Thompson present their ideas concerning the evolution of consciousness.

The Thinker's Guide to Evil

The Atheist's Primer is a concise but wide-ranging introduction to a variety of arguments, concepts, and issues pertaining to belief in God. In lucid and engaging prose, Malcom Murray offers a penetrating yet fair-minded critique of the traditional arguments for the existence of God. He then explores a number of other important issues relevant to religious belief, such as the problem of suffering and the relationship between religion and morality, in each case arguing that atheism is preferable to theism. The book will appeal to both students and professionals in the philosophy of religion, as well as general audiences interested in the topic.

The British National Bibliography

Do you wonder if God exists? Do you wonder if life even has any meaning at all? Do you wonder if Christian faith has answers to these and other difficult questions? An intelligent faith begins with hard questions. In *On Guard for Students* William Lane Craig tackles such questions with reason and precision. He invites you to join him on a quest for ultimate reality. This unique book takes you on an extraordinary journey of exploration as you probe for answers to life's deepest questions: why anything at all exists, the origin and fine-tuning of the universe, the nature of moral values and the reality of evil, the historical person of Jesus of Nazareth, and so on.

The Thinker's Guide to God

The Thinker's Guide to Fallacies

Perhaps human beings are animals, driven by the will to survive and reproduce, perhaps responsibility is a useful fiction and religion is the opium of the masses. Perhaps death is the end, life is ultimately meaningless, brutish and short. Perhaps man is the measure of all things and beauty, truth and justice are open to interpretation. Or, perhaps not. God matters. The choice over whether and what to believe is inescapable because it determines how we live our lives. Nothing matters more. This book encourages and enables students and general readers to ask fundamental questions about the nature and meaning of human life in an open, engaging but academically rigorous way. Centuries of scholarship in the Philosophy of Religion, from Jewish and Muslim as well as Christian traditions, are put in context and critically evaluated. Examples from art, film, and literature show the contemporary relevance of debates which have raged throughout human history.

www.what-matters.org provides recommendations for further reading, a rich anthology of primary texts, questions for discussion and related activities.

God: A Very Short Introduction

The attempt to define what we mean by God, and indeed goodness, has been the central preoccupation of Western religion and philosophy.

How to See

With an approachable, reader-friendly style, A Thinker's Guide to the Philosophy of Religion provides up-to-date themes in contemporary, analytic philosophy of religion. This provocative collection of readings stimulates clear thinking and careful attention to the reasons for taking up views on religious questions.

The Puzzle of God

The purposes of this book are very similar to Kierkegaard's own purposes, namely: ?????????????? To help you think through the meaning and purpose of your life and what Christianity means today. ?????????????? To reintroduce Christianity into a world that has largely forgotten what the word means. ?????????????? To show the limitation of reason and modern philosophy.

Twilight of the Clockwork God

Who or what is God? How do different religions interpret God's existence? How can we know God? Many people believe in God; not just throughout history but also in the present day. But who or what is it they believe in? Many different and sometimes conflicting answers have been suggested to this question. This Very Short Introduction explores some of the answers provided by philosophers, poets, and theologians, and considers why some people believe in God and others do not. John Bowker explores how the major religions established their own distinctive beliefs about God and how they interpret God's existence, and concludes by looking at how our understanding of God continues to evolve. ABOUT THE SERIES: The Very Short Introductions series from Oxford University Press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area. These pocket-sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly. Our expert authors combine facts, analysis, perspective, new ideas, and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable.

The Thinker's Guide to the Nature and Functions of Critical & Creative Thinking

This book answers some of the questions like, How do we recognize evil today?

Praying to a French God

What God Said

This introduction to critical thinking focuses on an integrated, universal concept of critical thinking that is both substantive and practical. It provides students with the basic intellectual skills they need to think through content in any class, subject, or discipline, and through any problems or issues they face. Now available from Rowman & Littlefield, Richard Paul and Linda Elder's *Critical Thinking: Learn the Tools the Best Thinkers Use* focuses on the most basic critical thinking concepts. It includes activities that allow readers to apply these concepts within disciplines and to life. An added feature to this brief book is a focus on close reading and substantive writing. Content highlights include: Think for Yourself activities Discovering the parts of thinking and the standards for thinking Learning to formulate clear and substantive questions Making the design of a course work for you Close reading and substantive writing Becoming a fairminded thinker

Ethics Matters

The Book of Job, perhaps one of the greatest pieces of poetic wisdom in both ancient and modern literature, has had countless commentators. One wonders whether there is anything left to say, or whether any new theme of the book could be offered. Winson Elgersma, in this, *A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON THE BOOK OF JOB*, has a surprising new take on the theme of Job, one that many Christians will find both enlightening and joyful. In a book with such depth of wisdom and complexity as the Book of Job, Elgersma, with his trained legal mind, brings out its beauty and insight, long obscured in its complicated presentation, and makes its thoughts more fully knowable. The complicated constructs and poetic language, of the arguments between Job and his three friends, are now presented simply, clearly and concisely. Many of us miss the subtle point that Job's friends slandered God. With a lawyer's understanding of the legal term of slander, Elgersma argues that God does not make faulty products, and that His Creation, including people, have the capacity to unfold in accordance with the creative potential, beauty and good with which it was initially imbued. Most important, this book will be a revelation for many Christians, and will bring hope and joy to their lives. John William Zylstra Retired Journalist, Publisher and Assistant Deputy Minister for Tourism

How to Become a Really Good Pain in the Ass

An excellent overview of Christianity, suitable for students (and teachers!) embarking on the new GCSE and 'A'-Level Religious Studies specifications.

An Introduction to Kierkegaard

This volume of the Thinker's Guide Library offers a framework for ethical reasoning, illuminating powerful, universal tools for thinking through ethical questions. Linda Elder and Richard Paul discuss the main impediments to ethics and present ethical concepts and principles as guides for people of different backgrounds to find common ground.

The Thinker's Guide to Ethical Reasoning

Rev. ed. of: How to see. Boston: Little, Brown, 1977.

Critical Thinking Skills For Dummies

In this book, Amazon bestselling author of "Life After Death, Powerful Evidence You Will Never Die" uses five scientific points to refute popular arguments put forth by atheists and adherents to Scientific Materialism that God does not exist: 1. Evidence showing that the material universe had a beginning. 2. Evidence showing that, from its beginning, the universe was "finely tuned" to allow for the possibility of life. 3. Evidence from biology showing that after the universe came into being, large amounts of genetic information similar to computer code came about in DNA that made, and continue to make, life possible. 4. Evidence from research conducted at the University of Virginia School of Medicine showing that the brain does not create consciousness, but rather, that the brain can be compared to a cell phone or a radio that receives consciousness that originates somewhere else, and then integrates it with the body. 5. Evidence from quantum mechanics and a number of other sources that consciousness or mind-the medium of thought-is nonlocal and appears to be present everywhere. In the aggregate, what Martin will show is that high school and college textbooks produced and studied over the past hundred or so years are woefully incorrect that propagate Scientific Materialist dogma stating that: 1. Nothing in the universe exists except material substance. 2. The universe and life came about by chance. 3. Evolution came about solely through random mutations and the mechanism of "survival of the fittest" or "natural selection." 4. Consciousness and intelligence did not exist until evolution produced a brain. In the final chapter, Martin draws two conclusions that he writes are clearly supported by the evidence. They are that God-or "Infinite Mind," which is the other term he uses-not only was the "First Cause" but also continues to be involved in our universe today. He then presents his thoughts about the nature of

God and the meaning and purpose of life based on information that comes from what appears to be a legitimate and credible modern psychic source. Martin believes the time has come to recall and recycle the millions of textbooks still in circulation that spread the erroneous tenets of Scientific Materialism. His hope and intention is that science and spirituality will bury the hatchet and become supportive of one another and that this book will play a significant role in bringing that about. In making his case, Martin references the works of the following scientists, researchers, and authors: Drew Westen, Jonathan Haidt, Rupert Sheldrake, Stephen Meyer, James Watson, Francis Crick, Stanley Miller, Harold Urey, (Miller-Urey experiment), Claude Elwood Shannon, Charles Darwin, Ben Stein, Ernest Lester Smith, Cotton Mather, Thomas Hobbes, Albert Einstein, Raymond Chiao, Henry P. Stapp, Richard Feynman, William of Ockham, Robert Lanza, Gary Zukav, Thomas Campbell, Brian Greene, Stephen Braude, Bruce Greyson, Bruce Leininger, James Huston, Jim B. Tucker, Ian Stevenson, Harold S. Burr, Menna Jones, Stephen Jay Gould, J. B. Rhine, William McDougall, Stacy Horn, John Thomas, Carl Jung, Edgar Cayce, Fritz-Albert Popp, Cleve Backster, Lynne McTaggart, Edmund R. Thompson, F. Holmes ("Skip") Atwater, Russell Targ, Harold E. Puthoff, Robert Monroe, Joe McMoneagle, Ingo Swann, Rogerio Lobo, Randolph Byrd, Doug Oman, Napoleon Hill, Betty Eadie, Karen Armstrong, Christopher Columbus, Nicolaus Copernicus, Galileo Galilei, Antoni van Leeuwenhoek, Isaac Newton, Niels Henrik David Bohr, Eugen Herrigel, Alan Watts, Raymond Moody, M. Scott Peck, James Lovelock, Joseph Campbell, and Julie Beischel.

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