

Religion And Sexism Images Of Woman In The Jewish And Christian Traditions

Equally in God's Image - Julia Bolton Holloway
1990

"Equally in God's Image: Women in the Middle Ages" is a volume of essays presenting the argument that with the coming of the universities women were excluded, in an apartheid of gender, from education and power. It discusses the resulting paradigm shift from Romanesque to Gothic, describing the images which women had of themselves and which the dominant male society had of them. We meet, in the pages of this book, medieval women in their roles as writers, pilgrims, wives, anchoresses and nuns, at court, on pilgrimage, in households

and convents. The volume, as a -Distant Mirror- for ourselves today, seeks to present ways in which women then fulfilled the roles society expected of them and the ways in which they also subverted - through entering into textuality - the expectations of the dominating culture in order to quest identity and equality."

Is There a Future for Feminist Theology? -
Deborah Sawyer 1999-10-01

This collection was conceived at a time of apparent crisis within the academy of feminist theology. During the last two decades feminist theology has provided a critique of religious-and in particular Christian-institutions, scriptures,

symbols and rituals. But as we reach the new millennium, the question needs to be asked: has this project of analysis and reconstruction based upon feminist principles run its natural course? These contributions answer this question through a reappraisal of feminist theology's achievements and by exploring the diverse possibilities for its future within the broader category of gender and religion.

Religion and Sexism - Rosemary Radford Ruether 2017

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Four Centuries of Jewish Women's

Spirituality - Ellen M. Umansky 2009

The only comprehensive volume of Jewish women's spiritual writing from the sixteenth century to the present

Prayers of Jewish Women - Markus H. McDowell 2006

Markus McDowell examines how the literature of the Second Temple period portrays women at prayer through an examination of the literary context and character of those prayers. The goal of this work is a greater understanding of how women were portrayed in literary sources and an offering of some fresh insights for the study of women's religious and social roles in the ancient world. The texts are analyzed and categorized within five areas: social location, content, form, occasion, and gender perspective. The prayers are also compared and contrasted with men's prayers in the same sources. The analysis includes locating (as much as possible) the historical, literary, and cultic context of each document in which these prayers appear. By

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examining all prayers in these texts uttered by women (not just prayers of named or prominent women), and then comparing them with all the prayers of men in those same texts, certain patterns appear. This study adds to our knowledge of women and religion in Second Temple Judaism by primarily exploring patterns that appear among the prayers in the literature of the Second Temple period. While there are fewer prayers by women than men in this literature, the prayers of women are not portrayed as significantly different from those of men in terms of social location, content, form, or occasion. At the same time, the prayers of women exhibit other patterns of language - and in a minor way, form and occasion - that differ from the prayers of men.

Christian Perspectives on Sexuality and Gender - Elizabeth Stuart 1996

Christian Perspectives on Sexuality and Gender is a collection of important, challenging and creative articles. Originally published separately

in different journals they are offered here for the first time to a wider audience. The writers represent a variety of Christian (and one non-Christian) responses to issues such as: sexuality and the Christian tradition; sexuality and gender; power and relation; marriage; sexuality and spirituality; love; gay and lesbian sexuality; the body; sexuality and love; sexuality and violence; sexuality and singleness and the family. *Christian Perspectives on Sexuality and Gender* will prove a vital and invaluable resource to scholars, students and all those interested in Christianity's attempts to wrestle with issues of sexuality and gender.

Reader's Guide to Women's Studies - Eleanor Amico 1998-03-20

The Reader's Guide to Women's Studies is a searching and analytical description of the most prominent and influential works written in the now universal field of women's studies. Some 200 scholars have contributed to the project which adopts a multi-layered approach allowing

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for comprehensive treatment of its subject matter. Entries range from very broad themes such as "Health: General Works" to entries on specific individuals or more focused topics such as "Doctors."

Women Religious Leaders in Japan's Christian Century, 1549-1650 - Haruko

Nawata Ward 2016-12-05

Meticulously researched and drawing on original source materials written in eight different languages, this study fills a lacuna in the historiography of Christianity in Japan, which up to now has paid little or no attention to the experience of women. Focusing on the century between the introduction of Christianity in Japan by Portuguese Jesuit missionaries in 1549 and the Japanese government's commitment to the eradication of Christianity in the mid-seventeenth century, this book outlines how women provided crucial leadership in the spread, nurture, and maintenance of the faith through various apostolic ministries. The

author's research on the religious backgrounds of women from different schools of late medieval Japanese Shinto-Buddhism sheds light on individual women's choices to embrace or reject the Reformed Catholicism of the Jesuits, and explores the continuity and discontinuity of their religious expressions. The book is divided into four sections devoted to an in-depth study of different types of apostolates: nuns (women who took up monastic vocations), witches (the women leaders of the Shinto-Buddhist tradition who resisted Jesuit teachings), catechists (women who engaged in ministries of persuasion and conversion), and sisters (women devoted to missions of mercy). Analyzing primary sources including Jesuit histories, letters and reports, especially Luís Fróis' *História de Japão*, hagiography and family chronicles, each section provides a broad understanding of how these women, in the context of misogynistic society and theology, utilized resources from their traditional religions to new Christian

adaptations and specific religio-social issues, creating unique hybrids of Catholicism and Buddhism. The inclusion of Portuguese, Spanish, Italian, and Japanese texts, many available for the first time in English, and the dramatic conclusion that women were largely responsible for the trajectory of Christianity in early modern Japan, makes this book an essential reading for scholars of women's history, religious history, history of Christianity, and Asian history.

The Other in Jewish Thought and History -

Laurence J. Silberstein 1994-08

Cultural boundaries and group identity are often forged in relation to the Other. In every society, conceptions of otherness, which often reflect a group's fears and vulnerabilities, result in deep-rooted traditions of inclusion and exclusion that permeate the culture's literature, religion, and politics. This volume explores the ways in which Jews have traditionally defined other groups and, in turn, themselves. The contributors, a distinguished international group of scholars,

explore the discursive processes through which Jewish identity and culture have been constructed, disseminated, and perpetuated. Among the topics addressed are: Others in the biblical world; the construction of gender in Roman-period Judaism; the Other as woman in the Greco-Roman world; the gentile as Other in rabbinic law; the feminine as Other in kabbalah; the reproduction of the Other in the Passover Haggadah; the Palestinian Arab as Other in Israeli politics and literature; the Other in Levinas and Derrida; Blacks as Other in American Jewish literature; the Jewish body image as symbol of Otherness; and women as Other in Israeli cinema. Contributors to this interdisciplinary volume are: Jonathan Boyarin (New School for Social Research), Robert L. Cohn (Lafayette College), Gerald Cromer (Bar-Ilan University), Trude Dothan (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Elizabeth Fifer (Lehigh University), Steven D. Fraade (Yale University), Sander L. Gilman (Cornell University), Hannan

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Feminist Interpretations of Augustine - Judith Chelius Stark 2010-11-01

The Generation of Identity in Late Medieval Hagiography - Gail Ashton 2012-09-10

In this interdisciplinary and boundary-breaking study, Gail Ashton examines the portrayals of women saints in a wide range of medieval texts. She deploys the French feminist critical theory of Cixous and Iriguray to illuminate these depictions of women by men and to further our understanding of both the lives and deeds of

female saints and the contemporary, and almost always male, attitudes to them.

Female Stereotypes in Religious Traditions - Ria Kloppenborg 2018-09-24

This volume contains a collection of studies describing and analyzing stereotypes of women in the religions of Ancient Israel and Mesopotamia, and in Zoroastrianism, Judaism, Medieval Christianity, Islam, Indian Sufism, the Viraśaiva movement in Hinduism, early Buddhism, Tibetan religions, and modern Neopaganism.

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Feminism and Christianity - Caryn D Riswold 2011-05-26

Why should feminists care about Christianity? Why should Christians care about feminism? In *Feminism and Christianity* Riswold presents a

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collection of concise answers to basic questions like these in order to generate discussion about how the two can challenge each other and can even work together in the twenty-first century. Situated firmly in the third wave of feminist activism and scholarship as well as in contemporary Christian theology, Riswold addresses issues such as race, class, gender, and sexuality with an affirmation of tradition alongside a push for change. This book is an opportunity for Christians to gain a fuller understanding of feminism, moving beyond stereotypes and assumptions and into history and contemporary society. Simultaneously this book is an opportunity for feminists to understand the ongoing relevance of a religion whose social power and core commitments can contribute to a vision of a just human community.

Women in Christian Traditions - Rebecca Moore
2015-03-06

Description of the roles women have played in

the construction and practice of Christian traditions, from the earliest disciples to the latest theologians.

Religion and Sexism - Rosemary Radford Ruether 1998-07-09

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Women, Religion, and Social Change - Yvonne Yazbeck Haddad 1985-01-01

Women, Religion and Social Change focuses attention on the way in which women from a number of religious traditions have been able to bring about change and the manner in which religions have either facilitated or inhibited

women's participation in the process of change.

Encyclopedia of American Religion and Politics - Paul A. Djupe 2014-07

Presents an encyclopedia of religion and politics in America including short biographies of important political and religious figures like Ralph Abernathy, civil rights leader, and Ralph Waldo Emerson, writer, and synopses of religious entities like the Branch Davidians and the Episcopal church as well as important court cases of relevancy like *Epperson et al. v. Arkansas* having to do with evolution.

Sexism in Major Religions - Paul Gwynne 2023-10-23

A groundbreaking cross-sectional study of the forms and extent of gender inequality in the "Big Five" religions of the world *Sexism in Major Religions: A Comparative Introduction* provides clear and accessible analyses of the complex forms of androcentrism and patriarchy in five of the world's major religions—Hinduism,

Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. With a unique comparative-thematic methodology, this student-friendly textbook bridges the gap between Religious Studies and courses in Gender and Sexuality Studies, Feminist Studies, Religion and Society, and more. Following a brief introduction to each religious system covered, *Sexism in Major Religions* defines important terms and concepts in modern religious feminism, including sex and gender, androcentrism and patriarchy, and revolutionary and reform feminisms. Each remaining chapter focuses on one of seven themes representing the main sources and manifestations of religious discrimination against women, such as the gender of the deity, the duties of the mother, and the status of the wife within marriage. Throughout the text, author Paul Gwynne discusses the formal gender-biased teachings and practices, distinctive features, intersecting areas, and core arguments of conservative defenders and feminist critics of each religion.

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Provides students with deep comparative insight into the similarities and differences between major religions on issues of gender equality
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Presents a timely and accurate account of the "landscape of sexism" in five of the world's largest religions
Includes a dedicated chapter examining the status of intersex and transgender persons in religious systems
Designed to broaden students' understanding of religions through systematic and impartial discussion,
Sexism in Major Religions: A Comparative Introduction is an ideal textbook for undergraduate courses in Religious Studies and Social Sciences programs, as well as an invaluable resource for general readers interested in understanding and reforming sexist features within religious traditions.

Virtue and Medicine - E.E. Shelp 1985-03-31
Interest in theories of virtue and the place of

virtues in the moral life continues to grow. Nicolai Hartmann [7], George F. Thomas [20], G. E. M. Anscombe [1], and G. H. von Wright [21], for example, called to our attention decades ago that virtue had become a neglected topic in modern ethics. The challenge implicit in these sorts of reminders to rediscover the contribution that the notion of virtue can make to moral reasoning, moral character, and moral judgment has not gone unattended. Arthur Dyck [3], P. T. Geach [5], Josef Pieper [16], David Hamed [6], and, most notably, Stanley Hauerwas [8-11], in the theological community, have analyzed or utilized in their work virtue-based theories of morality. Philosophical probings have come from Lawrence Becker [2], Philippa Foot [4], Edmund Pincoffs [17], James Wallace [22], and most notably, Alasdair MacIntyre [12-14]. Drawing upon and revising mainly ancient and medieval sources, these and other commentators have ignited what appears to be the beginning of a sustained examination of virtue.

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