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Prophecy and Apocalyptic - D. Brent Sandy 2007-11
A current and accessible guide to the literature on Old Testament prophecy.

Queer Theory and the Prophetic Marriage Metaphor in the Hebrew Bible - Stuart Macwilliam 2016-04-08

The Hebrew Bible offers a metaphor of marriage that portrays men and women as complementary, each with their distinct and 'natural' roles. Queer Theory and the Prophetic Marriage Metaphor in the Hebrew Bible draws on contemporary scholarship to critique this heteronormativity. The book examines the methodological issues involved in the application of queer theory to

biblical texts and draws on the concept of gender performativity - the construction of gender through action and behaviour - to argue for the potential of queer theory in political readings of the Bible. The central role of metaphor in reinforcing gender performativity is examined in relation to the books of Jeremiah, Hosea and Ezekiel. The book offers a radical reassessment of the relationship between biblical language and gender identity. **The Hebrew Bible** - Gale A. Yee 2018-04-01

This volume provides an introduction and essays on the four key sections of the Hebrew Scriptures from the perspective of top female biblical scholars: Part One:

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Torah/Pentateuch Part Two: Deuteronomistic History (Joshua-2 Kings) Part Three: Prophets and Prophecy Part Four: Writings and the Book of Daniel This volume highlights key issues in the Hebrew Scriptures from the perspective of top female biblical scholars. This includes historical critical and literary textual analysis and exegesis, particularly as viewed through feminist and intersectional interpretive lenses. Intersectional lenses include the racial/ethnic, class, Global South, postcolonial, and so forth, and their interconnections with gender. The introduction to the volume by the editor introduces feminist intersectional biblical scholarship, making the case that this scholarship addresses perspectives that are often missing from even very thorough survey texts: feminist and intersectional issues regarding the women characters, sexual assumptions, sexual and domestic violence, symbolization of women, class

and race relations, and so forth. The essays have been created for students who may be encountering feminist biblical and intersectional scholarship for the first time. Other contributors to this volume include Carolyn J. Sharp, Vanessa Lynn Lovelace, Corrine L. Carvalho, Melody Knowles, and Judy Fentriss-Williams.

The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Books of the Bible - Michael D. Coogan 2011-12-08

This is the first in this series of specialised reference works, each addressing a specific subfield within biblical studies. Books of the Bible is in depth, with articles on all of the canonical books, major apocryphal books of the New and Old Testaments, important noncanonical texts and some thematic essays.

Battered Love - Renita J. Weems 1995

Weems's pioneering study explores the puzzling ways in which the Hebrew prophets' portrayals of divine love, compassion, and conventional commitment often became

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associated with battery, infidelity, and the rape and mutilation of women. She wrestles with the prophets' rhetoric and sexual metaphors to uncover Israelite social structures, asking, "What is implied about women, men, and God by the language that the prophets use to describe the covenant between Yahweh and Israel?" This provocative work by a leading African American biblical scholar delves deeply into issues of intimacy and power, violence and control, seduction and betrayal, and is a searing indictment of the axial points of Israelite religion-its covenantal and prophetic traditions-and their authority today.

Women in Scripture - Carol Meyers 2000-03-30

"This splendid reference describes every woman in Jewish and Christian scripture . . . monumental" (Library Journal). In recent decades, many biblical scholars have studied the holy text with a new focus on gender. *Women in Scripture* is a groundbreaking work that

provides Jews, Christians, or anyone fascinated by a body of literature that has exerted a singular influence on Western civilization a thorough look at every woman and group of women mentioned in the Bible, whether named or unnamed, well known or heretofore not known at all. They are remarkably varied—from prophets to prostitutes, military heroines to musicians, deacons to dancers, widows to wet nurses, rulers to slaves. There are familiar faces, such as Eve, Judith, and Mary, seen anew with the full benefit of the most up-to-date results of biblical scholarship. But the most innovative aspect of this book is the section devoted to the many females who in the scriptures do not even have names. Combining rigorous research with engaging prose, these articles on women in the Hebrew Bible, the Apocryphal/Deuterocanonical Books, and the New Testament will inform, delight, and challenge readers interested in the Bible, scholars and laypeople alike. Together,

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these collected histories create a volume that takes the study of women in the Bible to a new level.

The Prophets - Matthew J. M. Coomber 2016-10-10

This concise commentary on the Prophets, excerpted from the Fortress Commentary on the Bible: The Old Testament and Apocrypha, engages readers in the work of biblical interpretation. Contributors from a rich diversity of perspectives connect historical-critical analysis with sensitivity to current theological, cultural, and interpretive issues. Each chapter (Isaiah through Malachi) includes an introduction and commentary based on three lenses: ancient context, the interpretative tradition, and contemporary questions and challenges. The Prophets introduces fresh perspectives and draws students, preachers, and interested readers into the challenging work of interpretation.

[A Feminist Companion to Prophets and Daniel](#) - Athalya Brenner-Idan 2002-04-01

This final volume in the Feminist Companion to the Bible Second series is a sparkling collection. These essays revisit the figure of the Goddess, redefine female prophet-(esse)s, consider Yahweh as a violent husband, explore various aspects or eroticism in prophetic literature and discuss how to say no to a prophet. In the section on Daniel the Obtuse Foreign Ruler is viewed from the perspective of both feminism and humor, while Belshazzar's mother is proposed as another wise queen. Contributors include Judith Hadley, Esther Fuchs, Renate Jost, Rainer Kessler, Gerlinde Baumann, Mary Shields, Erin Runions, Tamar Kamlonkowski, Ulrike Sals, Julia M. O'Brien, Mayer Gruber, H. von Deventer, and Emily Sampson.

Prophetic Rivalry, Gender, and Economics - Olivia Stewart Lester 2018-07-16
Olivia Stewart Lester examines true and false prophecy at the intersections of interpretation, gender, and economics in

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Revelation, Sibylline Oracles 4-5, and contemporary ancient Mediterranean texts. With respect to gender, these texts construct a discourse of divine violence against prophets, in which masculine divine domination of both male and female prophets reinforces the authenticity of the prophetic message. Regarding economics, John and the Jewish sibyllists resist the economic actions of political groups around them, especially Rome, by imagining an alternate universe with a new prophetic economy. In this economy, God requires restitution from human beings, whose evil behavior incurs debt. The ongoing appeal of prophecy as a rhetorical strategy in Revelation and Sibylline Oracles 4-5, and the ongoing rivalries in which these texts engage, argue for prophecy's continuing significance in a larger ancient Mediterranean religious context.

The Ethics of Tainted Legacies

- Karen V. Guth 2022-07-28

Diagnoses "tainted legacies" as a moral problem, constructing

a typology of responses to compromised thinkers, traditions, and institutions.

The New Economy of Nature

- Gretchen Cara Daily 2002

Earth's ecosystems - forests, wetlands, coral reefs, and the like - are among humanity's most precious assets, offering such vital services as climate control and water purification. So why are they being rapidly destroyed? A major reason is that protecting them has been seen as largely a charitable venture, and philanthropy isn't up to the job. Increasing numbers of environmentally minded people are therefore trying to harness a more potent force - self-interest - to preserve our environmental endowment. Theirs is the quest portrayed in *The New Economy of Nature*. In this timely and provocative book, Gretchen Daily, one of the world's leading ecologists, and Katherine Ellison, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, give us an informative look at a new "new economy" that recognizes the full value of natural systems and the potential

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profits in protecting them."--
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A Chorus of Prophetic Voices -
Mark McEntire 2015-08-24

While there are many textbooks about the prophetic literature, most have taken either a historical or literary approach to studying the prophets. *A Chorus of Prophetic Voices*, by contrast, draws on both historical and literary approaches by paying careful attention to the prophets as narrative characters. It considers each unique prophetic voice in the canon, in its fully developed literary form, while also listening to what these voices say together about a particular experience in Israel's story. It presents these four scrolls--Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and the Book of the Twelve--as works produced in the aftermath of destruction, works that employ prophetic characters, and as the words uttered during the crises. The prophetic literature became for Israel, living in a context of dispersion and imperial domination, a portable and

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both challenging and comforting. This book provides the fullest picture available for introducing students to the prophetic literature by valuing the role of the original prophetic characters, the finished state of the books that bear their names, the separate historical crises in the life of Israel they address, and the "chorus of prophetic voices" one hears when reading them as part of a coherent literary corpus.

Reading the Bible as a Feminist
- Jennifer L. Koosed 2017-06-12

This work provides a brief introduction to feminist interpretation of scripture. It situates feminist biblical scholarship within the broader feminist movement, recounts its origins in the academy, and then examines the ways it has influenced almost every type of biblical scholarship, whether historical, literary, or poststructural.

Family in the Bible - Richard S. Hess 2003-10-01

What does the Bible say about the importance of the family?

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How can we apply these ancient perspectives to modern Christian life? The essays gathered in this volume provide reflections from leading biblical scholars. The authors focus on reading the Scriptures from the perspective of the authors in ancient Israelite society and the surrounding cultures. They find there an overarching sense of the central role the family played in the larger social structure. However different our contemporary culture might be, these reflections can form the basis of an evangelical vision of the family informed by a biblical worldview.

On the Cutting Edge: The Study of Women in the Biblical World - Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza 2004-01-01

These essays in honor of Professor Elisabeth Schussler Fiorenza come from international feminist scholars indebted to her ground-breaking achievements in the areas of biblical studies, feminist thought and social justice. The contributors represent a wide variety of

backgrounds, commitments, methodologies, talents and interests. They are united here by their appreciation for Schussler Fiorenza as a scholar, teacher, mentor, colleague and friend. The spectrum is full of vitality, with important convergences and intersections. It exemplifies what Schussler Fiorenza has called 'critical collaboration': women thinking together and creating together. This Festschrift is unique in that it celebrates the work of women in the field. On the Cutting Edge is indexed in H.W. Wilson's Essay and General Literature Index.

Love and Violence - Gerlinde Baumann 2003

Review: "Love and Violence is a detailed study of the marriage metaphor in the prophetic books of the Hebrew Bible and a challenge to the use of that metaphor for depicting the relationship between God and Israel. It examines the ways in which the metaphor is rooted in gender assumptions of the ancient world and the inherent tension in the usage of the

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marriage metaphor in ancient Israel, as well as in today's church and society."--BOOK JACKET

Challenging Prophetic Metaphor - Julia M. O'Brien
2008-10-03

The prophets of the Old Testament use a wide variety of metaphors to describe God and to portray people in relation to God. Some of these metaphors are familiar and soothing; others are unfamiliar and confusing. Still others portray God in ways that are difficult and uncomfortable--God as abusive husband, for instance, or as neglectful father. Julia O'Brien searches the prophetic books for these metaphors, looking for ways in which the different images intersect and build off each other. When confronted with disturbing metaphors, she deals with them unflinchingly, providing a sharp critique and evaluation of the interpretations of these metaphors for God. Giving particular attention to the possible uses of these metaphors in the church today--for good or ill--O'Brien listens

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to the fullness of the prophetic messages and points us toward new ways to read these theological metaphors for a just faith today.

Engaging the Bible in a Gendered World - Linda Day
2006-01-01

In highly accessible essays, the book covers the history, achievements, and cutting-edge questions in the area of gender and biblical scholarship, including violence and the Bible, female biblical God imagery, and sexuality."--Jacket.

Old Testament Prophets for Today - Carolyn J. Sharp
2009-03-13

The prophets of the Old Testament include such well-known characters as Isaiah, Jeremiah, Amos, and Hosea. There are, however, many other prophets, both in the biblical books that bear their names and in the other histories and stories of ancient Israel. Carolyn Sharp offers a brief introduction to each of the Bible's prophets and their prophetic books, developing the theological themes present

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in each with an eye toward how the prophetic message is relevant today. The For Today series was designed to provide reliable and accessible resources for the study and real life application of important biblical texts, theological documents, and Christian practices. The emphasis of the series is not only on the realization and appreciation of what these subjects have meant in the past, but also on their value in the present--"for today." Thought-provoking questions are included at the end of each chapter, making the books ideal for personal study and group use.

An Introduction to Womanist Biblical Interpretation - Nyasha Junior 2015-01-01

An Introduction to Womanist Biblical Interpretation provides a much-needed introduction to womanist approaches to biblical interpretation. It argues that womanist biblical interpretation is not simply a byproduct of feminist biblical interpretation but part of a

distinctive tradition of African American women's engagement with biblical texts. While womanist biblical interpretation is relatively new in the development of academic biblical studies, African American women are not newcomers to biblical interpretation. Written in an accessible style, this volume highlights the importance of both the Bible and race in the development of feminism and the emergence of womanism. It provides a history of feminist biblical interpretation and discusses the current state of womanist biblical interpretation as well as critical issues related to its development and future. Although some African American women identify themselves as "womanists," the term, its usage, its features, and its connection to feminism remain widely misunderstood. This excellent textbook is perfect for helping to introduce readers to the development and applications of womanist biblical interpretation.

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