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Explores the
multifaceted debate on
the interconnection
between conscientious
objections, religious
liberty, and the

equality of women and
sexual minorities.

The Conscience Wars

transcript Verlag
The philosophy of
religion and the quest
for spiritual truth
preoccupied Albert
Einstein--so much that
it has been said "one
might suspect he was a
disguised theologian."

Nevertheless, the literature on the life and work of Einstein, extensive as it is, does not provide an adequate account of his religious conception and sentiments. Only fragmentarily known, Einstein's ideas about religion have been often distorted both by atheists and by religious groups eager to claim him as one of their own. But what exactly was Einstein's religious credo? In this fascinating book, the distinguished physicist and philosopher Max Jammer offers an unbiased and well-documented answer to this question. The book begins with a discussion of Einstein's childhood religious education and the religious atmosphere--or its absence--among his family and friends.

It then reconstructs, step by step, the intellectual development that led Einstein to the conceptions of a cosmic religion and an impersonal God, akin to "the God of Spinoza." Jammer explores Einstein's writings and lectures on religion and its role in society, and how far they have been accepted by the general public and by professional theologians like Paul Tillich or Frederick Ferré. He also analyzes the precise meaning of Einstein's famous dictum "Science without religion is lame, religion without science is blind," and why this statement can serve as an epitome of Einstein's philosophy of religion. The last chapter deals with the

controversial question of whether Einstein's scientific work, and in particular his theory of relativity, has theological implications, a problem important for those who are interested in the relation between science and religion. Both thought-provoking and engaging, this book aims to introduce readers, without proselytizing, to Einstein's religion. *A Festschrift in Honor of Dr. David B. Larson* McGraw-Hill Education *A Critical Introduction to the Study of Religion* introduces the key concepts and theories from religious studies that are necessary for a full understanding of the complex relations between religion and society. The aim is to provide readers with

an arsenal of critical concepts for studying religious ideologies, practices, and communities. This thoroughly revised second edition has been restructured to clearly emphasize key topics including: Essentialism
Functionalism
Authority Domination. All ideas and theories are clearly illustrated, with new and engaging examples and case studies throughout, making this the ideal textbook for students approaching the subject area for the first time. Univ of North Carolina Press
From marriage equality, to gun control, to immigration reform and the threat of war, religion plays a fascinating and crucial part in our nation's

political process and in our culture at large. Now in its seventh edition, *Religion and Politics in the United States* includes analyses of the nation's most pressing political matters regarding religious freedom, and the ways in which that essential constitutional freedom situates itself within modern America.

**A Multicultural
Philosophy Reader**

University of Toronto Press
Chronicling the British pursuit of the legendary El Dorado, *Masters of All They Surveyed* tells the fascinating story of geography, cartography, and scientific exploration in Britain's unique South American colony, Guyana. How did nineteenth-century

Europeans turn areas they called terra incognita into bounded colonial territories? How did a tender-footed gentleman, predisposed to seasickness (and unable to swim), make his way up churning rivers into thick jungle, arid savanna, and forbidding mountain ranges, survive for the better part of a decade, and emerge with a map? What did that map mean? In answering these questions, D. Graham Burnett brings to light the work of several such explorers, particularly Sir Robert H. Schomburgk, the man who claimed to be the first to reach the site of Raleigh's El Dorado. Commissioned by the Royal Geographical Society and later by the British

Crown, Schomburgk explored and mapped regions in modern Brazil, Venezuela, and Guyana, always in close contact with Amerindian communities. Drawing heavily on the maps, reports, and letters that Schomburgk sent back to England, and especially on the luxuriant images of survey landmarks in his *Twelve Views in the Interior of Guiana* (reproduced in color in this book), Burnett shows how a vast network of traverse surveys, illustrations, and travel narratives not only laid out the official boundaries of British Guiana but also marked out a symbolic landscape that fired the British imperial imagination. Engagingly written and beautifully illustrated,

Masters of All They Surveyed will interest anyone who wants to understand the histories of colonialism and science.

Comparing Religions
Oxford University Press, USA

Mystics presents a collection of previously unpublished essays by prominent scholars that consider both the idea of mystics and mysticism. The contributors offer detailed discussions of a variety of mystics from history, and on mysticism in the twenty-first century.

The Soul of Education Studying Religion: An Introduction Through Cases

In modern societies the functional differentiation of medicine and religion is the predominant

paradigm. Contemporary therapeutic practices and concepts in healing systems, such as Transpersonal Psychology, Ayurveda, as well as Buddhist and Anthroposophic medicine, however, are shaped by medical as well as religious or spiritual elements. This book investigates configurations of the entanglement between medicine, religion, and spirituality in Europe, Asia, North America, and Africa. How do political and legal conditions affect these healing systems? How do they relate to religious and scientific discourses? How do therapeutic practitioners position themselves between medicine and religion, and what is their appeal for patients?

Medicine - Religion - Spirituality Prentice Hall

The interest in the topic of spirituality as a more or less independent dimension of quality of life is continuously growing, and research questions are beginning to change as the field of religiosity changes, becoming more diverse and pluralistic.

Addressing new topics in health research also relies on standardized questionnaires. The number of instruments intended to measure specific aspects of spirituality is growing, and it is particularly difficult to evaluate the new instruments. This Special Issue will focus on some of the established instruments (updating them to different languages and

cultures), but will also describe the features and intentions of newly-developed instruments, which may potentially be used in larger studies to develop knowledge relevant to spiritual care and practice. This Special Issue will serve as a resource on the instruments used to study the wide range of organized religiosity, the individual experience of the divine, and an open approach in the search for meaning and purpose in life.

Religion and Politics in the United States

HarperCollins

Offers practical advice on how schools can create a place for spirituality in the classroom.

Correspondence

University of Chicago Press

Drawn from our best-selling anthology, *The Bedford Introduction to Literature, Literature to Go* is a brief and inexpensive collection of stories, poems, and plays supported by the superior instruction you expect from a Michael Meyer anthology. With literature from many periods, cultures, and diverse voices, the book is also a complete guide to close reading, critical thinking, and thoughtful writing about literature. The second edition features a new thematic chapter on our working lives and a new in-depth chapter on the fiction of Dagoberto Gilb, created in collaboration with the author himself—continuing the anthology's mission to present

literature as a living, changing art form.

A Cross-Cultural Perspective Pearson

College Division
Presenting a historically organized collection of scriptural sources and

interpretive essays, this work can be used on its own or as a supplement. It aims to help beginning students read and understand significant source material pertaining to the world's great religions.

Capture Oxford University Press, USA

This is an accessible guide to the most important and widely studied theorists on religion of the last 300 years. Arranged chronologically, the book explores the lives, works and ideas of key writers across a truly interdisciplinary

range, from sociologists to psychologists. Thinkers covered include:

Friedrich Nietzsche, Sigmund Freud, Emile Durkheim, Ludwig Wittgenstein, Mary Douglas, Talal Asad, and Sren Kierkegaard.

World Religions
University of Chicago Press

Contains nearly 600 brief entries on the world's religious traditions.

Eastern Ways of Being Religious Cengage Learning

A perfect introduction to the connection between religious faith and physical and mental health! Faith, Medicine, and Science: A Festschrift in Honor of Dr. David B. Larson is a comprehensive collection of groundbreaking work from one of the

principal figures in the establishment, expansion, and acceptance of scientific research at the interface of religion, spirituality, and health. Dr. Jeff Levin and Dr. Harold G. Koenig honor their late colleague with a retrospective of his writings on the impact of religious faith and identity on physical and mental health and on a variety of social issues, including criminal behavior, substance abuse, mental illness, juvenile delinquency, reproductive decisions, marital satisfaction, family functioning, and the quality of life. The book also features a concise history of the religion and health field, a biography of Dr. Larson, and tributes, essays, and remembrances from

the leading figures in the field. Faith, Medicine, and Science honors Dr. Larson's role in raising awareness of the health effects of religious faith and his vision and efforts in establishing coursework on religion and spirituality within undergraduate and graduate medical education programs. His body of theoretical and empirical writings serves as a permanent record of the powerful role played by religion and spirituality, and his work stands as a lasting contribution to science, medicine, and society. These articles combine with the book's supplemental features to provide social and behavioral scientists, medical researchers, and clinicians with an

essential resource for clinical research and education. Topics examined in Faith, Medicine, and Science include: the religious life of alcoholics religion, spirituality, and mortality the impact of religion on men's blood pressure the systematic analysis of research on religious variables a systematic review of nursing home research religious affiliations in mental health research samples as compared with national samples the associations between dimensions of religious commitment and mental health and much more! Faith, Medicine, and Science: A Festschrift in Honor of Dr. David B. Larson documents the work of one of the most important writers on the interface of the

human spirit and the healing arts. His death in 2002 at the age of 54 remains a profound loss, but through this book, his pioneering research will continue to serve as a thorough and accessible introduction to the religion and health field.

The Encyclopedia of World Religions
Macmillan Higher Education
Shaped by a unique organizational framework, the text's readings on past, present, and emerging forms of religious behavior give meanings to the editors' definition of religion as "a means toward ultimate transmutation."
Promoting Social and Emotional Learning
Princeton University Press

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Rowman & Littlefield Publishers
Comparing Religions is a next-generation textbook which expertly guides, inspires, and challenges those who wish to think seriously about religious pluralism in the

modern world. A unique book teaching the art and practice of comparing religions
Draws on a wide range of religious traditions to demonstrate the complexity and power of comparative practices
Provides both a history and understanding of comparative practice and a series of thematic chapters showing how responsible practice is done
A three part structure provides readers with a map and effective process through which to grasp this challenging but fascinating approach
The author is a leading academic, writer, and exponent of comparative practice
Contains numerous learning features, including chapter outlines, summaries,

toolkits, discussion questions, a glossary, and many images. Supported by a companion website (available on publication) at www.wiley.com/go/kripal, which includes information on individual religious traditions, links of other sites, an interview with the author, learning features, and much more.

Ways of Being Religious Routledge Religion Today introduces students to key concepts in religious studies through a compelling problem-solving framework. Each chapter opens with a contemporary case study that helps students engage in current religious issues, explore

possible solutions to difficult religious problems today, and learn key themes and concepts in religious studies. To enhance student learning, a free Student Study Guide is available for download from Rowman & Littlefield. The Study Guide features chapter summaries, definition quizzes for students to test themselves on key terms, and possible learning activities. A complimentary Instructor's Manual is available for download from Rowman & Littlefield. The Instructor's Manual includes guidelines on how to use the book in the classroom, summaries of each chapter, potential student activities, discussion or essay/short answer questions, and more. In

addition, sample Power Point presentations for each chapter are available for download. To access these instructor materials, email textbooks@rowman.com. A multiple choice Test Bank, prepared by the author, is available in Respondus computerized Test Bank format. Respondus LE is available for free and can be used to automate the process of creating print tests. Respondus 3.5 (available for purchase or via a school site license) can prepare tests to be uploaded to online course management systems like Blackboard. Visit the Respondus Test Bank Network to request a copy of the Religion Today Test Bank. For more

information about the Test Bank, e-mail textbooks@rowman.com.

An Introduction

Routledge

A guide to establishing high-quality social and emotional education programs describes approaches to social and emotional learning for all levels and includes thirty-nine guidelines and field-inspired examples for classrooms, schools, and districts.

Ways of Being

Religious Societies, Networks, and Transitions connects the different regions of the world within and across chapters, and explores broader global themes in part-opening essays. This innovative structure combines the accessibility of a

regional approach with the rigor of comparative scholarship to show students world history in a truly global framework. The “tree, tree, tree, forest” organization assures that students stay engaged and in tune with when and where they are in their study of world history. The text also features a strong focus on culture and religion. Author and veteran teacher Craig Lockard engages students with a unique approach to cultural artifacts, such as music and art. Pedagogical features-including chapter outlines with focus questions, section summaries, pronunciation guides, and marginal key term definitions-support students and

instructors as they explore the interconnectedness of different people, places, and periods in the global past. The Third Edition has been extensively revised to sharpen the narrative and incorporate recent scholarship. Available in the following split options: SOCIETIES, NETWORKS, AND TRANSITIONS, Third Edition (Chapters 1-31), ISBN: 9781285783123; Volume I: To 1500 (Chapters 1-14), ISBN 9781285783086; Volume II: Since 1450 (Chapters 15-31), ISBN 9781285733852. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

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