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contains nearly 600 brief entries on the world's religious traditions a new edition of a beautifully produced popular book with an up to date approach gives an account of the history the theological basis the practice and the current state of the study of religion and religions throughout the world combines a clear and non technical style of presentation with a structure and range of contributions which reflect the richness and complexity of religion itself of the religions of the world and the study of religions comprehensive index bibliographies and suggestions for further reading intriguing philosophical questions are raised about the nature of religion and the qualities needed for studying it times higher education supplement excellent book remarkably successful impressive as much for the sheer scale of the undertaking as for its consistent standard of analysis it is a fine achievement which will serve both as a very suitable textbook for students and a reliable guide to the state of scholarship in the history and study of religions heythrop journal a new and expanded edition of a highly successful textbook on world religions with a comparative approach which explores how six major religions are lived and expressed through their customs rituals and everyday practices a new edition of this major textbook exploring the world's great religions through their customs rituals and everyday practices by focusing on the lived experience this comparative study is enriched and broadened with the inclusion of a sixth religion daoism takes a thematic comparative and practical approach each chapter explores a series of key themes including birth death ethics and worship across all six religions at each time broadens students understanding by offering an impartial discussion of the similarities and differences between each religion includes an increased range of student friendly features designed to allow students to engage with each religion and extend their understanding providing a comprehensive exploration of the teachings and beliefs of the world's living faiths the third edition of this popular book has been revised and updated to reflect the vibrant role religion plays in the twenty first century the world religions reader explores the unique nature of various faiths by introducing their traditions and rituals ethical dimensions and modern expressions combines excerpts from sacred texts with reflections from a range of classic and contemporary thinkers from the bhagavad gita and the qur'an to maimonides and martin luther king jr significantly expands material on christianity with a greater emphasis on the diversity of the tradition as expressed in orthodoxy catholicism and protestantism broadens its coverage with new chapters on emerging religions jainism zoroastrianism and indigenous religions considers the profound impact of 9 11 on the major religions and the effect it has had on our perceptions of others and on interfaith communication includes numerous reader friendly features such as key terms sections summary reviews of major beliefs and significant events a glossary and revision and comparative questions contains 3 500 alphabetically arranged entries that provide information about various

aspects of the world's religions features thirty in depth discussions of major religions and includes illustrations and maps keys to understanding our shrinking world a generation ago almost everyone a christian encountered went to church or at least knew he or she should today with the world at america's doorstep evangelical christians more than ever need to understand their neighbors and their changing beliefs the compact guide to world religions is a complete easy to use handbook of the origins basic beliefs and evangelistic challenges and opportunities of the world's major religions in clear easy to use chapters and charts a christian's guide to the world's most prominent religions meeting people from other religions is an incredible blessing and a unique challenge as christians what do we need to know about their beliefs to effectively interact with them and how can we share about jesus with sensitivity for someone's relationship to their current faith a compilation from some of today's top religion scholars the popular handbook of world religions is a clear and insightful guide to understanding and conversing with followers of the world's major belief systems you will gain a balanced nuanced comprehension of what followers of other religions believe and see how those beliefs compare with those of christianity develop deeper respect for different cultures and appreciate their unique traditions and ideas learn how to share about christ with true compassion and a recognition of other people's individuality and heritage featuring the writings of dr douglas groothuis dr paul copan dr winfried corduan and more the popular handbook of world religions is designed to help you gain the wisdom you need to interact with people of other faiths from atheism to judaism buddhism to islam jainism to sikhism and more a guide to the religions of the world and to the concepts movements people and events that have shaped them it includes features such as entries on religious movements and concepts historical and legendary figures divinities religious sites and ceremonies images that show sacred places vestments rituals objects and texts and more this text enables introductory level readers to gain an understanding of the world's religions by discussing their history stances on contemporary issues and how they compare and contrast to each other this leading textbook for world religion is designed to help students in their study and research of the world's religious traditions known and valued for its balanced approach and its respected board of consulting editors this text addresses ways to study religion provides broad coverage of diverse religions and offers an arresting layout with rich illustrations introductory sections on understanding religion and the religions of antiquity lay the foundation for the study of the numerous religious traditions highlighted in the volume including indigenous religions hinduism buddhism jainism judaism christianity islam sikhism and chinese korean and japanese religions the user friendly content is enhanced by charts of religious festivals historic timelines updated maps of the world's religions and a useful glossary both historical overviews and modern perspectives for each religion are included this third edition has several updates including a new design a new section on women and religion and a newly revised section on religions in today's world a history of the world's religions bridges the interval between the founding of religions and their present state and gives students an accurate look at the religions of the world

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social and political order as well as offering an overview of the religious situation in important geographical areas secularization and the world religions analyzes the legal organization of the relationship between state and religion as well as the role of the natural sciences in a global perspective contributors include such internationally renowned scholars as winfried brugger José casanova hans joas and hans kippenberg a fully comprehensive and new approach to the study of the world's religions which uses a dramatic metaphor to bring the subject alive and to explore players key figures the script foundational texts and performance religious practice an introduction to all of the world's religions including judaism christianity islam zoroastrianism hinduism jainism buddhism sikhism china's tradition and shinto also issued in two separate volumes under titles scriptures of the east and scriptures of the west many peoples many faiths places the world's religions in historical context illustrating the complex dynamic of each religion over time while also presenting current beliefs practices and group formations this unique textbook includes engaging sections on women in religion religion and governance and religion in america throughout thoroughly revised and updated for its eleventh edition many peoples many faiths covers the following topics understanding the world's religious heritage indigenous peoples and religion the spiritual paths of india the journey of buddhism religions of east asia the family of the three great monotheistic religions and zoroastrianism the unique perspective of judaism the growth of christianity building the house of islam new religious movements religion and violence non violence and peacemaking this edition reflects new scholarship and general interest and where appropriate addresses rapidly developing and shifting areas taking account of the dynamic changing quality of religion new and expanded material on indigenous peoples and religions discussions of colonization and the new chapter on religion and violence non violence and peacemaking also distinguish this edition images maps and timelines add to the sense of the richness of the world religions this is an ideal resource for anyone wanting an accessible and yet comprehensive introduction to the world religions uses narrative maps and photographs to provide a view of the world's religions in their geographical and historical contexts the world's religions by beloved author and pioneering professor huston smith tales of wonder is the definitive classic for introducing the essential elements and teachings of the world's predominant faiths including hinduism buddhism confucianism taoism judaism christianity islam as well as regional native traditions this revised and updated edition provides sympathetic descriptions of the various traditions explaining how they work from the inside which is a big reason why this cherished classic has sold more than two million copies since it first appeared in 1958 all religions make statements about god or the absolute and about the beginning about the beginning of the world and the beginning and nature of the human person propositions about god the human person and the world statements about god's eternity or process of becoming about the status and nature of the human person as the image of god and about the beginning of the world are woven into religious speculations about the beginning the theology anthropology and cosmology of the world religions determine the image of the human person and the image of the world in the

world cultures shaped by the different religions they stand in a tense relationship with the anthropologies and cosmologies of modern science which in turn challenge the religions to deepen their image of the human person with this volume leading thinkers of hinduism buddhism judaism christianity and islam provide the reader with a first hand source for understanding the five world religions and their teaching about god the human person and the origin of the world this volume brings together some of the most distinguished thinkers in the field of theology to consider the question of the meaning of life in the various global religions from the native american tribal faiths and the judeo christian traditions to scientology and other nascent religions man s search for god takes many fascinating forms in this easy to use and comprehensive guide you ll explore the intriguing dogma and rituals cultural convictions and often checkered backgrounds and histories of the world s religions this mystical tour of major and minor religions both ancient and contemporary includes how religions deal with the issue of evil which religions believe in an afterlife and what you have to do to get there the history and moral foundations of major religions belief in non belief and the fundamentals of atheism special holidays and festivals central to each religion from hinduism to hare krishna and from evangelicalism to wicca this book includes more than fifty religious perspectives and denominations it s the ultimate guide to exploring the beliefs and traditions of religions around the world in this the third edition of jacob neusner s basic accessible and proven guide to the world s religions as they are practiced in america new chapters explore the church of scientology nature religions and the baha i faith in addition the chapter on islam in america has been expanded each chapter includes study questions essay topics and suggestions for further reading a leading textbook for world religion this new edition is designed to help students in their study and research of the world s religious traditions known and valued for its balanced approach and its respected board of consulting editors this text addresses ways to study religion provides broad coverage of diverse religions and offers an arresting layout with rich illustrations the second edition has new and extended primary source readings a stronger section on the religions of south asia additional maps a new full color student friendly format and more

The Encyclopedia of World Religions

2008

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1998-06-28

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The World's Religions

2004-01-14

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The World's Religions

1890

a new and expanded edition of a highly successful textbook on world religions with a comparative approach which explores how six major religions are lived and expressed through their customs rituals and everyday practices a new edition of this major textbook exploring the world's great religions through their customs rituals and everyday practices by focusing on the lived experience this comparative study is enriched and broadened with the inclusion of a sixth religion daoism takes a thematic comparative and practical approach each chapter explores a series of key themes including birth death ethics and worship across all six religions at each time broadens students understanding by offering an impartial discussion of the similarities and differences between each religion includes an increased range of student friendly features designed to allow students to engage with each religion and extend their understanding

World Religions in Practice

2017-08-07

providing a comprehensive exploration of the teachings and beliefs of the world's living faiths the third edition of this popular book has been revised and updated to reflect the vibrant role religion plays in the twenty first century the world religions reader explores the unique nature of various faiths by introducing their traditions and rituals ethical dimensions and modern expressions combines excerpts from sacred texts with reflections from a range of classic and contemporary thinkers from the bhagavad gita and the qur'an to maimonides and martin luther king jr significantly expands material on christianity with a greater emphasis on the diversity of the tradition as expressed in orthodoxy catholicism and protestantism broadens its coverage with new chapters on emerging religions jainism zoroastrianism and indigenous religions considers the profound impact of 9/11 on the major religions and the effect it has had on our perceptions of others and on interfaith communication includes numerous reader friendly features such as key terms sections summary reviews of major beliefs and significant events a glossary and revision and comparative questions

A World Religions Reader

2009-05-26

contains 3 500 alphabetically arranged entries that provide information about various aspects of the world's religions features thirty in depth discussions of major religions and includes illustrations and maps

Merriam-Webster's Encyclopedia of World Religions

1999

keys to understanding our shrinking world a generation ago almost everyone a christian encountered went to church or at least knew he or she should today with the world at america's doorstep evangelical christians more than ever need to understand their neighbors and their changing beliefs the compact guide to world religions is a complete easy to use handbook of the origins basic beliefs and evangelistic challenges and opportunities of the world's major religions in clear easy to use chapters and charts

The Compact Guide To World Religions

1996-03-01

a christian s guide to the world s most prominent religions meeting people from other religions is an incredible blessing and a unique challenge as christians what do we need to know about their beliefs to effectively interact with them and how can we share about jesus with sensitivity for someone s relationship to their current faith a compilation from some of today s top religion scholars the popular handbook of world religions is a clear and insightful guide to understanding and conversing with followers of the world s major belief systems you will gain a balanced nuanced comprehension of what followers of other religions believe and see how those beliefs compare with those of christianity develop deeper respect for different cultures and appreciate their unique traditions and ideas learn how to share about christ with true compassion and a recognition of other people s individuality and heritage featuring the writings of dr douglas groothuis dr paul copan dr winfried corduan and more the popular handbook of world religions is designed to help you gain the wisdom you need to interact with people of other faiths from atheism to judaism buddhism to islam jainism to sikhism and more

The Popular Handbook of World Religions

2021-03-23

a guide to the religions of the world and to the concepts movements people and events that have shaped them it includes features such as entries on religious movements and concepts historical and legendary figures divinities religious sites and ceremonies images that show sacred places vestments rituals objects and texts and more

Encyclopedia of World Religions

2008-05-01

this text enables introductory level readers to gain an understanding of the world s religions by discussing their history stances on contemporary issues and how they compare and contrast to each other

The World's Religions

1995

this leading textbook for world religion is designed to help students in their study and research of the world s religious traditions known and valued for its balanced approach and its respected board of consulting editors this text addresses ways to study religion provides broad coverage of diverse religions and offers an arresting layout with rich illustrations introductory sections on understanding religion and the religions of antiquity lay the foundation for the study of the numerous religious traditions highlighted in the volume including indigenous

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Introduction to World Religions

2018-07-01

a history of the world s religions bridges the interval between the founding of religions and their present state and gives students an accurate look at the religions of the world by including descriptive and interpretive details from original source materials refined by over forty years of dialogue and correspondence with religious experts and practitioners around the world a history of the world s religions is widely regarded as the hallmark of scholarship fairness and accuracy in its field it is also the most thorough yet manageable history of world religion available in a single volume a history of the world s religions examines the following topics some primal and bygone religions the religions of south asia the religions of east asia the religions of the middle east this fourteenth edition is fully updated throughout with new images and inset text boxes to help guide students and instructors complete with figures timelines and maps this is an ideal resource for anyone wanting an accessible and comprehensive introduction to the world s religions

A History of the World's Religions

2017-12-22

examines the primitive traditional non mainstream religion and also 20th century sects such as the moonies and scientology looks at the nature of religion the general philosophical issues written by international specialists

The World's Religions: The Study of Religion, Traditional and New Religion

2002-11

for believers and skeptics alike a doubter s guide to world religions introduces the five major world religions so that you can explore their similarities and differences in a fair and engaging way the world is a very religious place wherever you look people are worshipping praying believing following even dying for their faith but what does it mean to be religious are all religions the same do they all call on the same god

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A Doubter's Guide to World Religions

2022-03-15

this leading textbook for world religions is now available in a more concise version many of the features of introduction to world religions are retained in this volume but with focus on the religious traditions themselves the section on religions of antiquity has been removed and key content in each chapter streamlined to increase accessibility for students in their study and research of the world s religious traditions known and valued for its balanced approach this book offers an arresting layout with rich illustrations it continues to provide broad coverage of diverse religions including indigenous religions hinduism buddhism jainism judaism christianity islam sikhism and chinese korean and japanese religions the user friendly content is enhanced by charts of religious festivals historic timelines updated maps of the world s religions and a useful glossary both historical overviews and modern perspectives for each religion are included this edition includes several updates made to the new third edition including a new design a new section on women and religion and a newly revised section on religions in today s world

A Guide to the World's Religions

1963

now in its third edition this is the most comprehensive work available on the rich variety of paths available to today s spiritual seekers more than an academic reference it explores how religions can collaborate to help the world essays exploring the realm of building an interfaith community add to the book s detailed portraits of the major religious traditions the sourcebook also contains essays on spiritual practices as diverse as theosophy wicca and indigenous religions this revised edition of the sourcebook offers an unparalleled look at where spirituality is

headed in the coming millennium

A Short Introduction to World Religions

2018-07-01

this masterful survey of world religions presents a clear and concise portrait of the history beliefs and practices of eastern and western religions the new edition contains added material and has been revised throughout the authors both respected scholars of world religions have over fifty years of combined teaching experience their book is accessibly written for introductory classes can be easily adapted for one or two semester courses and presents a neutral approach for broad classroom use pedagogical aids include further reading suggestions photographs sidebars and pronunciation guides an 800 question bank of multiple choice test questions is available to professors through baker academic s textbook esources

Sourcebook of the World's Religions

2011-02-08

world religions today is the only book to examine the effects of modernity and globalization on the daily practice by believers of the world s major religions it is designed as the core textbook for university survey courses on world religions usually offered in the first or second year this particularly lively and thoughtful survey is now updated to cover more aspects of the current international situation and developments in religious life around the world dt new tales of spiritual transformation boxes in each chapter tell a story of someone whose life was changed through religious faith helps to personalize the religions being discussed dt new teachings of religious wisdom boxes also in each chapter allow each religion to speak for itself through primary source material students will find assistance in putting a vast array of data in context through timelines of each religion and full color maps as well as a comprehensive glossary discussion questions and suggestions for further reading will help students examine what they have learned then researchfurther

World Religions

2014-11-11

this comprehensive volume focuses on the world s religions and the changes they have undergone as they become more global and diverse in form it explores the religions of the world not only in the regions with which they have been historically associated but also looks at the new cultural and religious contexts in which they are developing it considers the role of migration in the spread of religions by examining the issues

raised for modern societies by the increasing interaction of different religions the volume also addresses such central questions as the dynamics of religious innovation which is evidenced in the rise and impact of new religious and new spirituality movements in every continent

World Religions Today

2009

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The World's Religions

2009-05-07

in cycles of faith noted historian of religion robert ellwood makes the case that the five largest world religions all move through the stages of apostolic imperial devotional reformation and folk religion a completely revised edition of his 1988 book the history and future of faith ellwood s readable text can provide a useful theoretical framework to many classes in religious studies

The World's Religions: The Religions of Asia

2005-08-18

globalization and high speed communication put twenty first century people in contact with adherents to a wide variety of world religions but usually valuable knowledge of these other traditions is limited at best on the one hand religious stereotypes abound hampering a serious exploration of unfamiliar philosophies and practices on the other hand the popular idea that all religions lead to the same god or the same moral life fails to account for the distinctive origins and radically different teachings found across the world s many religions understanding world religions presents religion as a complex and intriguing matrix of history philosophy culture beliefs and practices hexham believes that a certain degree of objectivity and critique is inherent in the study of religion and he guides readers in responsible ways of carrying this out of particular importance is hexham s decision to explore african religions which have frequently been absent from major religion texts he surveys these in addition to varieties of hinduism buddhism judaism christianity and islam

Cycles of Faith

2003

the times world religions presents a fully comprehensive survey of the

origins developments beliefs and distribution of the world's religions full colour maps pictures and a comprehensive and accessible text combine to form a unique global overview of human faith and a key to understanding its role in the modern world in the 21st century religion retains its power to move from the astonishing devotion felt for religious leaders such as the pope and the dalai lama to the more sinister role faith plays at the heart of many of today's conflicts in the middle east to india in kosovo and chechnia yet the evolution and history the beliefs and practices of today's world faiths are often poorly understood the books coverage ranges from faiths such as christianity judaism islam hinduism and buddhism to cover issues such as secularism less well known belief systems such as pacific cargo cults and includes a section on religion in the ancient world

Understanding World Religions

2011-03-22

philosophically thinking about world religions is different from other works in the discipline today it deviates from the typical approaches used for the study of world religions its goal is to engage readers in thinking hard about world religions not about the data surrounding those traditions by focusing on philosophical questions each reader should be challenged to do their own investigations that may reveal the heart of these traditions another stance that this project takes that distinguishes it from other texts in the discipline is that it advocates an inclusivist perspective regarding the world religions pluralism which is the predominate assumption today ends either in contradiction or in the development of a metatheory that dismisses crucial distinctions between the various traditions or eliminates some ancient religions because they do not fit the metatheory by taking an open inclusivist approach all religious traditions may engage at the table of dialogue the final essay is about justice and social affairs while that discussion is couched within the context of a particular tradition each religious tradition must have the discussion but it must be more than an intrareligious dialogue it must become an interreligious dialogue

The World Religions Speak on "The Relevance of Religion in the Modern World"

2013-12-14

this volume concerns itself with the connections between religions and the social world and with the extent limits and future of secularization dealing with the major religious traditions and their explicit or implicit ideas about the individual social and political order as well as offering an overview of the religious situation in important geographical areas secularization and the world religions analyzes the legal organization of the relationship between state and religion as well as

the role of the natural sciences in a global perspective contributors include such internationally renowned scholars as winfried brugger José casanova hans joas and hans kippenberg

World Religions

2004

a fully comprehensive and new approach to the study of the world's religions which uses a dramatic metaphor to bring the subject alive and to explore players key figures the script foundational texts and performance religious practice

Approaching the World's Religions, Volume 1

2017-05-04

an introduction to all of the world's religions including judaism christianity islam zoroastrianism hinduism jainism buddhism sikhism china's tradition and shinto

Secularization and the World Religions

2009-01-01

also issued in two separate volumes under titles scriptures of the east and scriptures of the west

THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS

1954

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