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The King Follett Discourse 2011-10-01

who was king follett when he was fatally injured digging a well in nauvoo in march 1844 why did joseph smith use his death to deliver the monumental doctrinal sermon now known as the king follett discourse much has been written about the sermon but little about king although king left no personal writings joann follett mortensen king s third great granddaughter draws on more than thirty years of research in civic and church records and in the journals and letters of king s peers to piece together king s story from his birth in new hampshire and moves westward where in ohio he and his wife louisa made the life shifting decision to accept the new mormon religion from that point this humble hospitable and hardworking family followed the church into missouri where their devotion to joseph smith was refined and burnished king was the last mormon prisoner in missouri to be released from jail according to family lore king was one of the prophet s bodyguards he was also a danite a mason and an officer in the nauvoo legion after his death louisa and their children settled in iowa where some associated with the cutlerities and the rlds church others moved on to california one son joined the mormon battalion and helped found mormon communities in utah nevada and arizona while king would have died virtually unknown had his name not been attached to the discourse his life story reflects the reality of all those whose faith became the foundation for a new religion his biography is more than one man s life story it is the history of the early restoration itself

The King Follett Discourse 1926

on april 7 1844 joseph smith gave a sermon in nauvoo illinois at a general conference of the church in attendance were nearly 20 000 church members a few weeks earlier on march 9 a church member and close friend of joseph named king follett was killed in an accident this well known event in nauvoo led joseph smith to comment specifically on follett s death and to address what joseph called the subject of the dead for this reason joseph s sermon has often been referred to as the king follett sermon or discourse the king follett discourse is recorded along with two other sermons given by joseph smith in the journal of discourses each of the three discourses have been compiled together to form the present work and additional commentary and insights have been added so that the modern reader may better understand the principles taught therein and thus feel an increase in their faith

The King Follett Discourse 1963

in this newest addition to the popular 500 little known facts series george givens offers answers to the questions most often asked by visitors to nauvoo such as what is the difference between a blacksmith and a whitesmith did you know that one of the first recorded cases of artificial resuscitation happened in nauvoo and that it saved brigham young s life what are the rules for playing old cat containing everything from trivia about popular songs and games to information about religious practices and architectural symbolism

this is the perfect treasure for anyone who is interested in the early saints and the difficult but spiritually rich time they spent in their beloved city beautiful

The Man Behind the Discourse 2011-12-05

sermons and writings of joseph smith the prophet

Doctrine of the Priesthood Vol 1 No. 2 Re-Examining the Lorin Woolley Story 2018-05-31

some have called it the essence of sin others the depth of salvation regardless of one s evaluation of it however deification throughout western history has been a part of human aspiration from the ancient pharaohs to modern transhumanists people have envisioned their own divinity these visionaries include not only history s greatest megalomaniacs but also mystics sages apostles prophets magicians bishops philosophers atheists and monks some aimed for independent deity others realized their eternal union with god some anticipated godhood in heaven others walked as gods on earth some accepted divinity by grace others achieved it by their own will to power there is no single form of deification indeed deification is as manifold as the human conception of god but the many types are united by a set of interlocking themes achieving immortality wielding superhuman power being filled with supernatural knowledge or love and through these means transcending normal human or at least earthly nature

Sermons of Joseph Smith 2023-02-02

changes to the landscape of higher education in the united states over the past decades have urged scholars grappling with issues of privilege inequality and social immobility to think differently about how we learn and deliberate thinking together is a multidisciplinary conversation about how people approached similar guestions of learning and difference in the nineteenth century in the open air in homes in public halls and even in prisons people pondered recurring issues justice equality careers entertainment war and peace life and death heaven and hell the role of education and the nature of humanity itself paying special attention to the dynamics of race and gender in intellectual settings the contributors to this volume consider how myriad groups and individuals many of whom lived on the margins of society and had limited access to formal education developed and deployed knowledge useful for public participation and public advocacy around these concerns essays examine examples such as the women and men who engaged lecture culture during the civil war irish immigrants who gathered to assess their relationship to the politics and society of the new world african american women and men who used music and theater to challenge the white gaze and settler colonists in liberia who created forums for envisioning a new existence in africa and their relationship to a us homeland taken together this interdisciplinary exploration shows how learning

functioned not only as an instrument for public action but also as a way to forge meaningful ties with others and to affirm the value of an intellectual life by highlighting people places and purposes that diversified public discourse thinking together offers scholars across the humanities new insights and perspectives on how difference enhances the human project of thinking together

500 Little-Known Facts About Nauvoo 2009-03-26

a home reference guide to key terms in mormon culture a one volume compendium of mormon culture this handy reference book covers key doctrinal terms beliefs ordinances church history and growth and more you ll find extensive entries on the prophets and personalities from all four standard works accepted by the church and many interesting anecdotes and facts on a wide array of topics teens and adults will appreciate the fresh innovative approach this encyclopedia takes as it culls the vast sea of lds information available into a manageable book suitable for the whole family

Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith 2013-10-30

in volume 2 of the series exploring mormon thought the problems of theism and the love of god blake ostler explores issues related to soteriology or the theory of salvation he argues that the commitment that god loves us and respects our dignity as persons entails that god must leave us free to choose whether to have a saving relationship with him he explores the logic of love and argues that the lds doctrine of a war in heaven embodies the commitment that god leaves us free to choose whether to enter into relationship with god he explores the nature of inter personal prayer and the contributions of lds beliefs to a robust prayer dialogue he offers a view consistent with lds commitments that makes sense out of asking god to assist others to alter the natural environment and to grow in relationship with god he then turns to the concept of grace and argues that the traditional views lead to insurmountable problems he argues that though god does not owe any obligation to us to give us grace god does so out of love however because divinity arises from loving relationships he argues that god could not fail to give sufficient grace to all persons and remain a loving god

Becoming Divine 2018-05-03

the years from 1852 to 1890 marked a controversial period in mormonism when the church s official embrace of polygamy put it at odds with wider american culture in this study christine talbot explores the controversial era discussing how plural marriage generated decades of cultural and political conflict over competing definitions of legitimate marriage family structure and american identity in particular talbot examines the mormon question with attention to how it constructed ideas about american citizenship around the presumed separation of the public and private spheres contrary to the prevailing notion of man as political actor woman as domestic keeper and religious conscience as entirely private mormons enfranchised women and framed religious practice as a political act the way mormonism undermined the public private divide led white middle class americans to respond by attacking not just mormon sexual and marital norms but also mormons very fitness as american citizens poised at the intersection of the history of the american west mormonism and nineteenth century culture and politics this carefully researched exploration considers the ways in which mormons and anti mormons both questioned and constructed ideas of the national body politic citizenship gender the family and american culture at large

Thinking Together 2019-08-20

who were the nauvoo mormons were they jacksonian americans or did they embody some other weltanschaung why did this tiny illinois town become such a protracted battleground for the mormons and non mormons in the region and what is the larger meaning of the nauvoo experience for the various inheritors of the legacy of joseph smith jr kingdom on the mississippi revisited includes fourteen thoughtful explanations that represent the most insightful and imaginative work on mormon nauvoo published in the last thirty years the range of topics includes the nauvoo legion the mormon press the political kingdom of god the opposition of non mormons the martyrdom of joseph smith and the meaning of nauvoo for mormons the introduction provides a critique of nauvoo scholarship and a closing bibliographical essay analyzes the historical literature on the mormon experience at nauvoo

Latter-day Saint Family Encyclopedia 2006-03-01

while no one thing can entirely explain the rise of the church of jesus christ of latter day saints the historical influence of freemasonry on this religious tradition cannot be refuted those who study mormonism have been aware of the impact that freemasonry had on the founding prophet joseph smith during the nauvoo period but his involvement in freemasonry was arguably earlier and broader than many modern historians have admitted the fact that the most obvious vestiges of freemasonry are evident only in the more esoteric aspects of the mormon faith has made it difficult to recognize let alone fully grasp the relevant issues even those with both mormon and masonic experience may not be versed in the nineteenth century versions of masonry s rituals legends and practices without this specialized background it is easy to miss the masonic significance of numerous early mormon ordinances scripture and doctrines method infinite freemasonry and the mormon restoration offers a fresh perspective on the masonic thread present in mormonism from its earliest days smith s firsthand knowledge of and experience with both masonry and anti masonic currents contributed to the theology structure culture tradition history literature and ritual of the religion he founded

Exploring Mormon Thought 2013-12-30

this is volume 20 of interpreter a journal of mormon scripture published by the interpreter foundation it contains articles on a variety of topics including reflecting on the marks of jesus dating joseph smith s first nauvoo sealings a pilgrim s faith idle and slothful strange stories book of mormon origins and the historical record the scalp of your head polysemy in alma 44 14 18 now that we have the words of joseph smith how shall we begin to understand them illustrations of selected challenges within the 21 may 1843 discourse on 2 peter 1 reading 1 peter intertextually with select passages from the old testament turning to the lord with the whole heart the doctrine of repentance in the bible and the book of mormon many witnesses to a marvelous work nephi s change of heart the ammonites were not pacifists o ye fair ones revisited and beauty way more than skin deep

A Foreign Kingdom 1996

this is the spellbinding chronicle of the church of jesus christ of latter day saints religious dawning and their beginning in the idyllic woods of new york state it then follows their most challenging odyssey as they are driven out of their homes by great cruelty from four different states and then finally completely out of the union itself in the middle of the winter women children and men were forced to cross the frozen mississippi and head for their new home in the rocky mountains of utah after a year and a half of many trials on the trail they finally made it to the great basin and settled alongside the great salt lake to build a city fifty years later utah became a most beautiful state of the union

Kingdom on the Mississippi Revisited 2022-08-09

irenaeus joseph smith and god making heresy seeks both to demonstrate the salience of heresy as a tool for analyzing instances of religious conflict far beyond the borders of traditional historical theology and to illuminate the apparent affinity for deification exhibited by some persecuted religious movements to these ends the book argues for a sociologically informed redefinition of heresy as religiously motivated opposition and applies the resulting concept to the historical cases of second century christians and nineteenth century mormons ultimately irenaeus joseph smith and god making heresy is a careful application of the comparative method to two new religious movements highlighting the social processes at work in their early doctrinal developments

Method Infinite: Freemasonry and the Mormon Restoration 2016-07-31

bible readers are often preoccupied with themselves at times they neglect the original ancient context of the biblical writings the novelty of the modern is leveraged to trump the ancient mormon hermeneutics seems to say more about the modern lds church than any ancient biblical meaning positively the lds is to be applauded for their emphasis on the living out of their faith however through various approaches to the bible the lds church seems to neglect the ancient horizon of the biblical text any interpretation of the bible lds or otherwise should be held accountable this book is an attempt to categorize mormon hermeneutics and utilizes numerous hermeneutical voices from the field of philosophical hermeneutics

Interpreter: A Journal of Mormon Scripture, Volume 20 (2016) 2022-09-06

a deep fascinating dive into a uniquely american brand of religious zealotry that poses a grave threat to our national parks wilderness areas wildlife sanctuaries and other public lands it also happens to be a delight to read jon krakauer american zion is the story of the bundy family famous for their armed conflicts in the west with an antagonism that goes back to the very first mormons who fled the midwest for the great basin they hold a sense of entitlement that confronts both law and democracy today their cowboy confrontations threaten public lands wild species and american heritage betsy gaines quammen is a historian and conservationist she received a doctorate in environmental history from montana state university in 2017 her dissertation focusing on mormon settlement and public land conflicts after college in colorado caretaking for a bed and breakfast in mosier oregon and serving breakfasts at a cafe in kanab utah betsy has settled in bozeman montana where she now lives with her husband writer david quammen three huge

dogs an overweight cat and a pretty big python named boots

That Noble Magnificent Journey 2015-10-30

winner of the special book award from the john whitmer historical association excavating mormon pasts assembles sixteen knowledgeable scholars from both lds and the community of christ traditions who have long participated skillfully in this dialogue it presents their insightful and sometimes incisive surveys of where the new mormon history has come from and which fields remain unexplored it is both a vital reference work and a stimulating picture of the new mormon history in the early twenty first century

Irenaeus, Joseph Smith, and God-Making Heresy 2022-05-13

a collection examining representations of the embodied self in the writings of milton and his contemporaries

Mormon Hermeneutics 2020-03-25

volume two of brother joseph seer of a new dispensation continues the amazing saga of the life of the prophet joseph smith drawn from hundreds of authoritative sources it delivers a fascinating and sweeping

view of the last half of joseph s eventful and inspiring life through the highs and the lows of his many experiences in kirtland zion s camp far west liberty jail and nauvoo joseph was forged into a humble servant of god who led the people by example and whom the saints admired and deeply loved the saints knew that their cherished brother joseph was a man who was full of light who imparted profound doctrines that enriched their lives teachings that caused them to ponder in sincere reflection they treasured the opportunity to associate with joseph and to learn from him written in a very readable style by using joseph s own recorded history and the observations of those knew him this volume offers a clear and vivid portrait of the prophet joseph smith it illustrates the breadth and depth of the dynamic life of this exceptional servant of god in this book is an inspiring and impressive biography of a singular man and prophet of god

American Zion 2004-08-31

what is it like to be a mormon in america today melvyn hammarberg attempts to answer this question in the mormon quest for glory by offering an ethnography of contemporary mormons

Excavating Mormon Pasts 2018-03

have you ever wondered how to respond to mormon missionaries at your door are you curious about the history of mormonism do some of their doctrines sound either offensive or attractive have you asked yourself well now is mormonism christian dr gordon h fraser has compiled significant answers to these questions he discusses what those missionaries at your door mean by the words they use and how to most simply and effectively witness to your own faith is mormonism christian covers much of the doctrine practice and teaching of the church of jesus christ of latter day saints and gives an outline of its history here is a penetrating analysis of a group known by many but understood by few

Immortality and the Body in the Age of Milton 2013-07-18

this book is about how david and his twin brother grew up together and in their late teens embraced mormonism it is about how their lives were shaped by their faith then how twin robert began to get doubts and finally fell away from the church he has gone on to write a book against it the author has this book in defence of his stronger than ever belief still in the church of jesus christ of latter day saints you may be very interested in what the author has written if you re already a member of the mormon church more especially if you have questions or harbour doubts and would like to see why one of the twins feels betrayed and the other doesn t why one of them feels it is a corrupt institution and the other believes it is the true church of christ even if you re not a mormon but a person who is intrigued by philosophy or the religions of christianity you will find this book fascinating for it includes many true experiences from the authors life his upbringing his personal vision on the world in which we live with compelling arguments for trusting in the divine lastly david has been captivated all his life by the woods and fields of england by fox badger deer and bird by music and songs written the legacy of all these things combined shines through in his writings with anecdote and parallels contrasting the physical with the spiritual and vice versa you will find it an open honest and engaging read

Brother Joseph: Seer of a New Dispensation, Volume Two 1977-06-01

both the prophet joseph smith and his book of mormon have been characterized as ardently indeed evangelically anti masonic yet in this sweeping social cultural and religious history of nineteenth century mormonism and its milieu clyde forsberg argues that masonry like evangelical christianity was an essential component of smith s vision smith s ability to imaginatively conjoin the two into a powerful and evocative defense of christian or primitive freemasonry was forsberg shows more than anything else responsible for the meteoric rise of mormonism in the nineteenth century this was to have significant repercussions for the development of mormonism particularly in the articulation of specifically mormon gender roles mormonism s unique contribution to the masonic tradition was its inclusion of women as active and equal participants in masonic rituals early mormon dreams of empire in the book of mormon were motivated by a strong desire to end social and racial discord lest the country fall into the grips of civil war forsberg demonstrates that by seeking to bring women into previously male exclusive ceremonies mormonism offered an alternative to the male dominated sphere of the master mason by taking a median and mediating position between masonry and evangelicism mormonism positioned itself as a religion of the people going on to become a world religion but the original intent of the book of mormon gave way as mormonism moved west and the temple and polygamy indeed the quest for empire became more prevalent the murder of smith by masonic vigilantes and the move to utah coincided with a new imperialism and a new polygamy forsberg argues that masonic artifacts from smith s life reveal important clues to the precise nature of his early masonic thought that include no less than a vision of redemption and racial concord

The Mormon Quest for Glory 2016-08-22

what is mormonism a student s introduction is an easy to read and informative overview of the religion founded by joseph smith in 1830 this short and lively book covers mormonism s history core beliefs rituals and devotional practices as well as the impact on the daily lives of its followers the book focuses on the church of jesus christ of latter day saints the salt lake city based church that is the largest and best known expression of mormonism whilst also exploring lesser known churches that claim descent from smith s original revelations designed for undergraduate religious studies and history students what is mormonism provides a reliable and easily digestible introduction to a steadily growing religion that continues to befuddle even learned observers of american religion and culture

Is Mormonism Christian? 2004-03-10

william placher and derek nelson compile significant passages written by the most important christian thinkers from the reformers of the sixteenth century through the major participants in the contemporary theological conversation illustrating the major theologians controversies and schools of thought readings in the history of christian theology is an essential companion to the study of church history and historical theology excerpts are preceded by the editors introductions allowing the book to stand alone as a coherent history this revised edition expands the work s scope drawing throughout on more female voices and expanding to include the most important twenty first century theological contributions this valuable resource brings together the writings of major theologians from the church s history for a new generation of students

Reasons to Believe 2017-03-27

from the perspective of protestant america nineteenth century mormons were the victims of a peculiar zealotry a population deranged socially sexually even racially by the extravagances of belief they called religion make yourselves gods offers a counter history of early mormon theology and practice tracking the

saints from their emergence as a dissident sect to their renunciation of polygamy at century s end over these turbulent decades mormons would appear by turns as heretics sex radicals refugees anti imperialists colonizers and eventually reluctant monogamists and enfranchised citizens reading mormonism through a synthesis of religious history political theology native studies and queer theory peter coviello deftly crafts a new framework for imagining orthodoxy citizenship and the fate of the flesh in nineteenth century america what emerges is a story about the violence wild beauty and extravagant imaginative power of this era of mormonism an impassioned book with a keen interest in the racial history of sexuality and the unfinished business of american secularism

Equal Rites 2017-02-01

wrestling the angel vol i is the first in a two part study of the foundations of mormon thought and practice situated in the context of an overview of the christian tradition the book traces the essential contours of mormon thought as it developed from joseph smith to the present terryl l givens one of the nation s foremost mormon scholars offers a sweeping account of the history of mormon belief revealing that mormonism is a tradition still very much in the process of formation provided by the publisher

What is Mormonism? 2019-11-14

the earth will eventually be renewed and receive its paradisiacal glory but how will our current world ever become the heaven of our dreams the lord is already on it and as the essays in this book provocatively propose he s following good engineering principles joseph fielding smith said regarding inventions in these latter days the inspiration of the lord has gone out and takes hold of the minds of men though they know it not and they are directed by the lord in this manner he brings them into his service if there is no such thing as immaterial matter and all spirit is matter then what are the implications for such standard theological principles as creation human progression free will transfiguration resurrection and immortality in eleven stimulating essays mormon engineers probe gospel possibilities and future vistas dealing with human nature divine progression and the earth s future richard bushman poses a vision expanding proposal the end point of engineering knowledge may be divine knowledge mormon theology permits us to think of god and humans as collaborators in bringing to pass the immortality and eternal life of man engineers may be preparing the way for humans to act more like gods in managing the world

Readings in the History of Christian Theology, Volume 2, Revised

Edition 2015

in the past scholars and others have asked whether mormons are christian this work reverses the question by asking are christians mormon by identifying mormon doctrines formerly considered heretical and documenting how these doctrines have gained increasing acceptance within mainstream christian theologies the work presents some surprising insights in chapters focusing on subjects such as deification the divine feminine and the reopening of the scriptural canon among others the book sets out joseph smith s teachings on these ideas summarizes the criticisms of those positions and examines trends in contemporary christian theology that significantly converge in joseph s direction exploring the convergence of contemporary christian theology with mormon doctrines this book will appeal to a broad range of students and readers exploring christian theology and the latter day saint tradition

Make Yourselves Gods 2012-02-28

mormon founder joseph smith is one of the most controversial figures of nineteenth century american history and a virtually inexhaustible subject for analysis in this volume fifteen scholars offer essays on how to interpret and understand smith and his legacy including essays by both mormons and non mormons this wide ranging collection is the only available survey of contemporary scholarly opinion on the extraordinary man who started one of the fastest growing religious traditions in the modern world

Wrestling the Angel 2017-05-08

predestination the idea that god foreordains one s eternal destiny is one of the most fascinating and controversial doctrines in christianity in this groundbreaking history the first of its kind peter thuesen shows that the debate over predestination is inseparable from other central christian beliefs and practices the efficacy of the sacraments the existence of purgatory and hell the extent of god s providential involvement in human affairs and has fueled theological conflicts across denominations for centuries the book ranges from new england puritans to today s megachurches

Parallels and Convergences 2008-12-02

this book explores mormon theology in new ways from a scholarly non mormon perspective bringing jesus and satan into relationship with joseph smith the founding prophet douglas davies shows how the mormon plan of salvation can be equated with mainstream christianity s doctrine of the trinity as a driving force of the faith exploring how jesus has been understood by mormons his many mormon identities are described in this book he is the jehovah of the bible our elder brother and father probably also a husband he visited the dead and is also the antagonist of satan lucifer this book offers a way into the mormon problem of evil understood as apostasy from pre mortal times to today three images reveal the wider problem of evil in mormonism jesus pre mortal encounter with lucifer in a heavenly council deciding on the plan of salvation jesus christ s great suffering engagement with evil in gethsemane and joseph smith s first vision of the divine when he was almost destroyed by an evil force douglas davies well known for his previous accounts of mormon life and thought shows how renewed mormon interest in theological questions of belief can be understood against the background of mormon church organization and its growing presence on the world stage of christianity

Are Christians Mormon? 2009-07-06

based on nearly a decade of scholarship this is a highly focused book on the implications of postmodernism for the construction and assessment of theory and practice in educational administration current ideas of practice are deconstructed from the notions of sound research to the use of national standards in the preparation of educational leaders along with ways of examining and resolving the theory practice gap part one of the book contains chapters dealing with the rise of postmodernism and describes its broad based dissent from a century of thought in the field including a penetrating examination of whether the concept of a field itself is viable part two of the book explores the many ramifications of postmodernism to practice beginning with ideas concerning educational research these chapters tackle the tough issues of the efficacy of the interstate leaders licensure standards isllc and the national exam as examples of job deskilling and deprofessionalization in the guise of raising standards of preparation of future educational leaders other chapters deal with deconstructing the popular managerial ideas contained in stephen covey s works and dispute joe murphy s call for a new center of gravity in the field as reinforcing the status quo finally the book tackles the issue of the theory practice gap and indicates that new and progressive theories which anticipate problems of practice are what is required to deal with this persistent issue the book contains many helpful exhibits in understanding the issues concerning theory and practice as well as a glossary of terms most commonly found in postmodern discourse this book is designed for college and university programs engaged in the preparation of educational leaders for ele mentary secondary schools and college administrative positions

Joseph Smith, Jr. 2013-06-28

americans of joseph smith s day steeped in the stories and prophecies of the king james bible certainly knew about plural marriage but it was a curiosity relegated to the misty past of patriarchs abraham and jacob who never gave reasons for their polygamy it was long abandoned christians understood by the time jesus set forth the dominating law of the new testament but how did joseph smith understand it where did it fit in the restitution of all things acts 3 21 predicted in the new testament what part did it play in the global ideology declared by this modern prophet who produced new scripture new revelation and new theology during joseph smith s lifetime polygamy was taught and practiced in intense secrecy with the result that he never fully explained its doctrinal underpinnings or systematized its practice as a result reconstructing joseph smith s theology of plurality is a task that has seldom been undertaken most theological examinations have either focused on its development during brigham young s utah period with its need to resist increasing federal legislative and judicial pressures or the efforts of twentieth century and contemporary fundamentalists who continue to marry a plurality of wives volume 3 of this three volume work builds on the carefully reconstructed history of the development of mormon polygamy during joseph smith s lifetime then assembles the doctrinal principles from his recorded addresses the diary entries of those closely associated with him and his broader teachings on the related topics of obedience to god s will marriage and family relations and the mechanics of eternal progression salvation and exaltation the revelation he dictated in july 1843 that authorized the practice of eternal and plural marriage receives unprecedented examination and careful interpretation that illuminate this significant document and its underlying doctrines attempts to explain the history of joseph smith s polygamy without comprehending the theological principles undergirding its practice will always be incomplete and skewed this volume which takes those principles and evidences with the utmost seriousness has produced the most important explanation of why this ancient practice reemerged among the latter day saints on the shores of the mississippi in the early 1840s

Predestination 2006

with a revolution behind them a continent before them and the first amendment protecting them religio sexual pioneers in antebellum america were free to strike out on their own breaking with the orthodoxies of the past shakers followed the ascetic path oneida perfectionists accepted sex as a gift from god and mormons redefined marriage in light of new religious revelations that also redefined god humankind spirit and matter sex became a powerful way for each group to reinforce their sectarian identity as strangers in a strange land sex and sects tells the story of these three religiously inspired sexual innovations in america the celibate lifestyle of the shakers the oneida community s system of controlled polyamory and plural marriage as practiced by the mormons stewart davenport analyzes why these bold experiments rose and largely fell over the course of the nineteenth century within the confines of the new american republic moving beyond a social scientific lens davenport traces for the first time their fascinating shared trajectory as they emerged struggled institutionalized and declined in tandem and sheds historical light on the way in which americans have discussed contested and redefined the institutions of marriage and family both in our private lives and in the public realm

Joseph Smith, Jesus, and Satanic Opposition 2003

Brigham Young University Studies 2013-02-26

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Joseph Smith's Polygamy, Volume 3: Theology

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