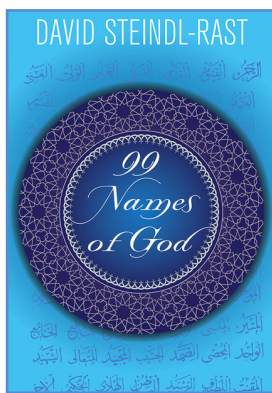
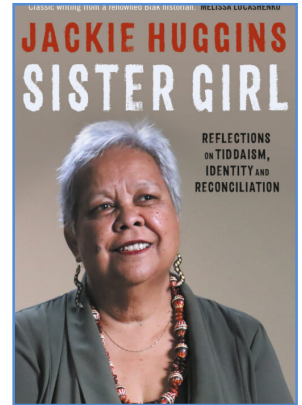


RESOURCE SUGGESTIONS FROM THE ONGOING FORMATION COMMITTEE

August 2022

Sister Girl: Reflections on Tiddaism, Identity and Reconciliation - Jackie Huggins

The University of Queensland Press is proud to be releasing the updated edition of this book, written by UQ graduate Dr Jackie Huggins AM FAHA (Bachelor of Art (Hons) '87, Doctor of the University of Queensland honoris causa '06), who also served as the deputy director of the Aboriginal and Torres Straight Island Unit at UQ until 2010. The book reflects on many important and timely topics, including identity, activism, leadership and reconciliation. It challenges accepted notions of the appropriateness of mainstream feminism in Aboriginal society and of white historians writing Indigenous history.



99 Names of God

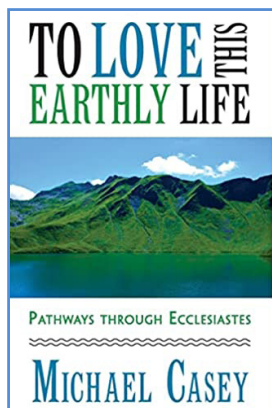
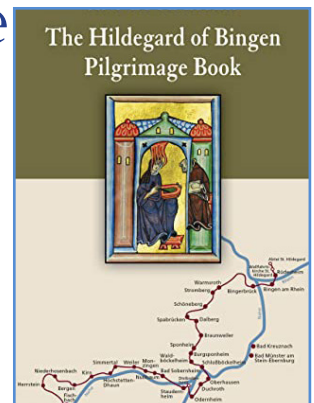
David Steindl-Rast (Kindle & Paperback)

Brother David Steindl-Rast offers a meditation on each of the 99 names of God found in the Islamic creed. It speaks to people of any religious belief who, through the many names of God, enter the gate of the one nameless God that unites us.

“David Steindl-Rast’s marvelous *99 Names of God* is a rich dialogue and a deeply grounded mystical commitment that is aware that all air is connected, all waters mingle and all spirits arise from the One Spirit. Beautiful illustrated with the calligraphy of Shams Anwari-Alhosseyn, this rich mystical whispering is recommended for Christians, Muslims and all seekers of the shared life of the Spirit” - Omid Safe, Duke University.

The Hildegard of Bingen Pilgrimage Book - Annette Esser (Kindle & Paperback)

The Hildegard of Bingen Pilgrimage Way is a new path that invites pilgrims from all over the world to walk along the historic sites where the saint lived in the twelfth century. *The Hildegard of Bingen Pilgrimage Book* directs you along the way, offering short descriptions of each of the ten stages. It also provides profound information about Hildegard’s life and her theological, musical, medical and botanical works. Biblical texts and meditative poems are included to offer additional inspiration, furthering the potential for your own spiritual discoveries in the company of Hildegard.



To Love This Earthly Life: Pathways Through Ecclesiastes - Michael Casey

To Love This Earthly Life is a series of honest but upbeat reflections on themes in Ecclesiastes designed to make lectio divina on the book more fruitful. Seven chapters reflect on a swirl of themes: vanity, God, wisdom, time, hard times, good times and “carpe diem”. The aim is not to arrive at a concise analytic conclusion but to explore how these themes keep arising everywhere, how they are intertwined and how they build up a constant message of hope by living in the present.

The Nightingale

Directed and written by: Jennifer Kent

Stars: Aisling Franciosi, Sam Claflin, Baykali Ganambarr

Genre: Drama, Thriller, Adventure

Released: 29 August 2019

Rating: **R** Strong violence, disturbing content, language, brief sexuality

The Nightingale is set in 1825 in the penal colony of Van Diemen's Land (present-day Tasmania) and follows a young female convict seeking revenge for terrible acts of violence committed against her and her family. Clare enlists the services of an Aboriginal tracker who is also marked by trauma from his own violence-filled past. The film was selected to compete for the Golden Lion at the 75th Venice International Film Festival where it won the Special Jury Prize. The film received positive review for its performances, atmosphere, cinematography, screenplay, scope and acknowledgement of racial violence in Australia. However, the film received controversy for its extreme and graphic depictions of violence and rape. Official trailer:

WARNING STRONG VIOLENT CONTENT https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YuP8g_GQIgl

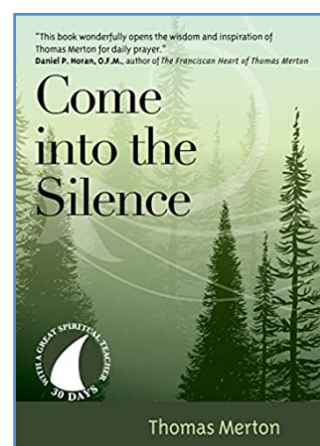
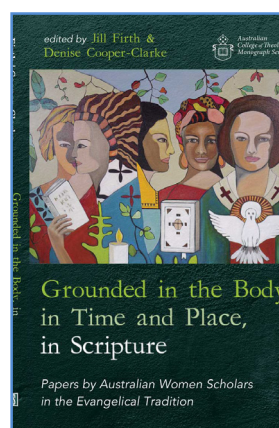


What Can the Birds of the Land Tell Us?

Brooke Prentis

Brooke Prentis' paper "What Can the Birds of the Land Tell Us?" is now published and available to purchase as one of the chapters in the book "Grounded in the Body, in Time and Place, in Scripture: Papers by Australian Women Scholars in the Evangelical Tradition". Brooke Prentis' chapter in this book explores God in these lands now called Australia, Indigenous theology, environmental stewardship and sustainability, creation, Job 12:7-10, the three cousins - Emu, Cassowary and Osrich and so much more.

The book can be purchased in paperback or Kindle: www.groundedbook.com.au



Come to the Silence (30 Days with a Great Spiritual Teacher) - Thomas Merton

Part of the bestselling 30 Days with a Great Spiritual Teacher series, this book invites you into the contemplative life through the words of Thomas Merton, one of the most popular spiritual masters of the twentieth century. Merton, a Trappist monk at the Abbey of Gethsemani, offers a model of contemplative life that allows him to be deeply engaged with pressing issues of the time, including the non-violent civil rights movement. Requiring only a few minutes each day, *Come into the Silence* helps you realise how God sees you and to embrace his divine vision of you and each person you encounter. This devotional also allows you to reflect deeply on the fundamental longings for meaning, belonging and intimacy as well as

the call to service and social justice in your life.

A Friendly Guide to the Book of Psalms

Mary Reburn

The Book of Psalms is one of the longest books in the Bible and it contains a variety of prayers, reflections and invitations. All are in poetic form and are filled with images and sayings which inspire us and allow us to touch a range of emotions. In *A Friendly Guide to the Book of Psalms*, Mary Reburn (a Sister of Our Lady of Sion), offers a way into this extraordinary text, seeing it as ancient yet ever new, reflecting the highs and lows of life and seeing these as intimately related to God. This latest Friendly Guide invites the reader to engage with the text and ultimately enter into a dialogue with God, the creator, the refuge, the absent-one, the King and the confidant.

