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that simply functions like an extended spiritual family. And it will equip them with the language to finally articulate that vision to others. Here's what others are saying about Unchurching: "Lots of books that invite Christians to follow lesus outside of the four walls of churchianity are filled with harsh judgment and criticism of how others 'do church.' But not this book! Unchurching by Richard Jacobson is full of love and grace. There is no judgment, condemnation, or guiltcasting of any kind. Beginning with the Trinity of God, Jacobson presents a grand vision of what the church can be and how we can truly have community as followers of Jesus. Read this book and be encouraged to take the next step of your journey!" Jeremy Myers, author and blogger at RedeemingGod.com "Unchurching: Christianity without Churchianity validates and empowers the rapidly growing number of people who are in the transition between traditional church and an informal community of disciples meeting outside the four walls of the church building, Richard lacobson has been on both sides of this shift and is uniquely qualified to write about it-which he does well. with insight, humility, and scholarship. I especially valued his comments on the freedom that women have to do and be everything God is

calling them to. Highly recommended." Felicity Dale: author, An Army of Ordinary People; co-author, Small is Big "Unchurching presents us with a picture of a church that is all about one person-lesus. As I read this book I felt my pulse quicken and my heart leap for joy because everything Richard writes about is centered on, around, and in relation to the One who would rather die than live without us. Anyone who loves Jesus and who longs to take hold of Him in a gathering where He is the focal point will delight in this book. It's truly amazing what happens when we get out of the way and allow Jesus to take center stage. This book shows us what that can look like, if we are

willing to let go of our traditions and embrace the living, breathing Christ who longs to share His life with us throughout eternity, starting right now!" Keith Giles, author of This Is My Body: Ekklesia As God Intended: author of Jesus Untangled **Expository Notes on** The Prophet Isaiah Augsburg Fortress Pub Based on a decade of field research, this work is the first booklength, scholarly examination in English of the role of Catholicism in Mexican society since the 1970s through 1995, and the increasing political activism of the Catholic church and clergy. It is also the first analysis of church-state relations in Latin America that

incorporates detailed

interviews of numerous bishops and clergy and leading politicians about how they see each other and how religion influences their values. It is also the first analysis of the Mexican Catholic Church which uses national survey research to examine Mexican attitudes toward religion, Christianity, and Catholicism, and provides the first inside look at the decisionmaking process of bishops at the diocesan level. The Life-Giving Church Zondervan In the Because of Bethlehem video Bible study (DVD/digital video sold separately), bestselling author and pastor Max Lucado guides you through the Advent season to its source at an

unassuming stable in Bethlehem... No one expected the Messiah to come the way he did. Yet the way he came was every bit as important as the coming itself. The manger is the message. Because of Bethlehem, God knows what it's like to be human. Because of Bethlehem, when we talk to him about tough times, he understands. He's been there. He's been here. Because of Bethlehem, we no longer have marks on our record...just grace. In the midst of your hectic Christmas season, this 4-session Bible study with Max will: Revive your wonder that the One who made everything chose to make himself nothing for us. Rekindle your connection to the

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Pentecostal groups had some form of pacifist statement against war. This antiwar collection gives us an almost uniform picture of the early Pentecostal movement as largely pacifist in orientation. The commonality of these statements across both Holiness and Pentecostal movements is evidence they are a continuous group and not two separate movements. While their early doctrines opposed killing, many named in this book are now widely considered to be stalwarts of the Religious Right, or at least staunch supporters of Christian participation in war. Our hope is that this book will frame the official position of early Pentecostals on war and peace, and

encourage Pentecostals today to reflect on their antiwar heritage. Southern Presbyterian **Review** Wipf and Stock **Publishers** Nearly two decades ago Hank Hanegraaff's award-winning Christianity in Crisis alerted the world to the dangers of a cultic movement within Christianity that threatened to undermine the very foundation of biblical faith. But in the 21st century, there are new dangers—new teachers who threaten to do more damage than the last. These are not obscure teachers that Hanegraaff unmasks. We know their names. We have seen their faces, sat in their churches, and heard them shamelessly preach and promote

the false pretexts of a give-to-get gospel. They are virtual rock stars who command the attention of presidential candidates and media moguls. Through make-believe miracles, urban legends, counterfeit Christs, and twisted theological reasoning, they peddle an occult brand of metaphysics that continues to shipwreck the faith of millions around the globe: "God cannot do anything in this earthly realm unless we give Him permission." "Keep saying it—'I have equality with God'—talk yourself into it." "Being poor is a sin." "The Jews were not rejecting Jesus as Messiah; it was Jesus who was refusing to be the Messiah to the Jews!" "You create your own world the

same way God creates His. He speaks, and things happen; you speak, and they happen." Christianity in Crisis: 21st Century exposes darkness to light, pointing us back to a Christianity centered in Christ. From the Preface: "Having lost the ability to think biblically, postmodern Christians are being transformed from cultural change agents and initiators into cultural conformists and imitators. Pop culture beckons, and postmodern Christians have taken the bait. As a result, the biblical model of faith has given way to an increasingly bizarre array of fads and formulas." Rich Wounds Thomas Nelson Christians are the

world's most widely persecuted religious group, according to studies by the Pew Research Center. Newsweek, and the Economist, among others. A woman is caught with a Bible and publicly shot to death. An elderly priest is abducted and never seen again. Three buses full of students and teachers are struck by roadside bombs. These are not casualties of a war. These are Christian believers being persecuted for their faith in the twenty-first century. Many Americans do not understand that Christians today are victims in many parts of the world. Even many Western Christians, who worship and pray without fear of violent

repercussions, are unaware that so many followers of Christ live under governments and among people who are often openly hostile to their faith. They think martyrdom became a rarity long ago. Persecuted soundly refutes these assumptions. This book offers a glimpse at the modern-day life of Christians worldwide. recounting the ongoing attacks that rarely make international headlines. As Western Christians pray for the future of Christ's church, it is vital that they understand a large part of the world's Christian believers live in danger. Persecuted gives documented accounts of the persecution of Christians in Africa. Asia, the Middle East,

and former Soviet nations. It contains vivid stories of men and women who suffer abuse because of their faith in Jesus Christ, and tells of their perseverance and courage.. Persecuted is far more than a thorough and moving study of this global pattern of violence—it is a cry for freedom and a call to action. Persecuted HarperChristian + ORM Comparing church laws within ten Christian traditions worldwide. Christianity emerges as a religion of law as well as of faith. The Book of Church Order Crossway This is the first extensive examination of the life of Ken Sumrall and his firm belief in the modernday apostolic restoration movement.

It presents Sumrall's journey from his Baptist beginnings, through his experience of the baptism of the Holy Spirit, through his learning struggles with Liberty Fellowship of Churches and Ministers, and into his birthing of Church Foundational Network. It represents Sumrall in his own light, while dealing with his paradigm changes concerning church government the heart of which revolved around the restoration of modern-day apostles. Godly government was grounded in godly relationships with one's apostle, whom Sumrall understood as a "spiritual father." For Sumrall, the best biblical government for the New Testament church today is a

theocracy. Instead of a centralized. hierarchical church government, Sumrall advanced a decentralized network of churches connected relationally. This volume contains the major influences upon Sumrall's thinking and the progress of his comprehension of the life of the church as "family." Moreover, it engages some of the apprehensions that have surfaced over the present-day apostolic movement and provides insights of the direction and survivability of the movement.

Crossing Swords

HarperChristian Resources The widespread persecution of the Christian Assyrians by neighboring populations in the Ottoman Empire led to their immigration to the United States. Beginning at the end of the 19th century, with an influx during the Great War, Assyrians settled mostly in eastern Massachusetts. finding an abundance of work along its ports and among its large factory base. Concerned with the welfare of their community, these immigrants established a multitude of cultural. social, and political institutions to help promote awareness of Assyria. The establishment of St. Mary's Assyrian Apostolic Church, the first of its kind outside of the Middle East. prompted the solidarity of Assyrians in Massachusetts and became a model for later settlements of

Assyrians in the United States. Through family portraits and documents from both religious and secular institutions, Assyrians of Eastern Massachusetts addresses the adjustment of this community in the United States. The Code of Canon Law The Good Book Company "Greg has been led of the Holy Spirit to capture what the Lord is doing in this new apostolic age" says Che Ahn. Apostolic Governance provides insight into the spiritual, leadership, administrative, and legal dynamics of governing a ministry apostolically. It is a how-to guide of building healthy ministries that advance the Kingdom of God.

Apostolic Governance takes us beyond pastoring local congregations to creating communities of expanding influence with social and economic impact. It's a blueprint for building powerful and healthy apostolic ministries that enlarge our perception regarding what is possible. God has called us to bring heaven to earth. With an apostolic mindset, our Kingdom communities can shape cultures, transform cities, and disciple nations. <u>Assyrians of Eastern</u> Massachusetts Arcadia **Publishing** Profound reflections on the cross that help you to meditate on and marvel at the sacrificial love of Jesus. This book can be used as a devotional, especially

during Lent and Easter. These profound reflections on the cross from David Mathis. author of The Christmas We Didn't Expect, will help you to meditate on and marvel at lesus' life. sacrificial death, and spectacular resurrection-enabling you to treasure anew who Jesus is and what he has done. Many of us are so familiar with the Easter story that it becomes easy to miss subtle details and difficult to really enjoy its meaning. This book will help you to pause and marvel at Jesus, whose now-glorified wounds are a sign of his unfailing love and the decisive victory that he has won: "He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the

punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed." (Isaiah 53:5) This book can be used as a devotional. The chapters on Holy Week make it especially helpful during the Lent season and at Easter.

The Subtle Power of Spiritual Abuse

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