Creation

Common Awards

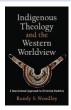


Level 4

Diversifying the Curriculum

Books

Randy S. Woodley, *Indigenous Theology* and the Western Worldview: A Decolonized Approach to Christian Doctrine (Baker, 2022)



Content:

A short, conversational book in which Woodley outlines how the worldviews of indigenous Americans (also known as native Americans) suggest different ways of thinking about God and God's relationship with the world, especially in relation to creation.

Author:

Randy Woodley is a theologian from the United States with Cherokee heritage, who calls himself an 'Indigenous Cosmopolitan; one who can operate in both a Western worldview and an Indigenous worldview'.

Justo L. González, *Creation: The Apple of God's Eye* (Abingdon, 2015)



Content:

This is a short book intended to be accessible to a wide readership, but González covers a lot of ground. The core of the doctrine of creation for him is the idea that creation is sustained, moment by moment, by the love of God. He explores the biblical underpinnings, conceptual shape and practical implications of this idea.

Author:

Justo L. González is a Cuban–American Methodist theologian and a key figure in Latino theology.

Anupama Ranawana, A Liberation for the Earth: Climate, Race and Cross (SCM, 2022)



Content:

This book uses rage as a theological concept to explore ecological and racial injustice, which the author sees as intertwined. Anupama Ranawana not only provides historical context for the present ecological situation, but also draws on stories and case studies from ecological contexts, Christian traditions and disciplines.

Author:

Anupama Ranawana is a Sri Lankan theologian and Postdoctoral Research Associate at Durham University

Journal Article

Aruna Gnanadason, 'Yes, Creator God, Transform the Earth! The Earth as God's Body in an Age of Environmental Violence', *Ecumenical Review*, 57.2 (2005), pp. 159–170



Content:

Gnanadason argues that God's relation to creation should not be seen as that of a king relating to his realm, but more that of a mother relating to her child. The whole of creation 'lives and moves and has its being' in God. She argues that this can transform the ways Christians relate to the environmental crisis.

Author:

Aruna Gnanadason is an Indian theologian who previously worked at the World Council of Churches