

# Collected Works With New Essays Ashgate Contemporary Thinkers On Religion

This book is a collection of essays by leading scholars in the field of religion. It explores a wide range of topics, including the nature of God, the problem of evil, the relationship between religion and science, and the role of religion in society.



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## The Nature of God

One of the central questions in the study of religion is the nature of God. What is God's essence? What are God's attributes? How does God relate to the world?

In this section, leading scholars explore these questions from a variety of perspectives. Some essays focus on the traditional attributes of God, such as omnipotence, omniscience, and omnibenevolence. Others explore more

contemporary understandings of God, such as God as a personal being, a force of nature, or a symbol of human values.

## **The Problem of Evil**

One of the most challenging problems in the study of religion is the problem of evil. If God is all-powerful, all-knowing, and all-good, then why does evil exist?

In this section, leading scholars explore a variety of responses to the problem of evil. Some essays argue that evil is a necessary part of the world, as it allows for free will and moral growth. Others argue that evil is the result of human sin or ignorance. Still others argue that evil is simply a mystery that cannot be fully understood.

## **The Relationship Between Religion and Science**

Another important topic in the study of religion is the relationship between religion and science. How can we reconcile the claims of religion with the findings of science?

In this section, leading scholars explore this question from a variety of perspectives. Some essays argue that religion and science are fundamentally compatible. Others argue that religion and science are fundamentally incompatible. Still others argue that religion and science are complementary, each providing different ways of understanding the world.

## **The Role of Religion in Society**

Finally, this book explores the role of religion in society. How does religion shape our values, our institutions, and our social interactions?

In this section, leading scholars explore this question from a variety of perspectives. Some essays argue that religion is a positive force in society, providing meaning and purpose to life. Others argue that religion is a negative force in society, leading to conflict and division. Still others argue that the role of religion in society is complex and multifaceted.

This book is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the study of religion. It provides a comprehensive overview of the major issues in the field, and it offers a variety of perspectives on these issues.

Whether you are a scholar, a student, or simply someone who is interested in learning more about religion, this book is sure to provide you with new insights and perspectives.



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