

BOOKS IN REVIEW

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The major religions are: Baha'i, Buddhism, Christianity, Confucianism, Taoism, Hinduism, Islam, Jainism, Judaism, Zoroastrianism, Shinto, Sikhism, and tribal religions.

There are thumbnail sketches of Aleph, Ahmahdiyya Islam, Cao Dai, Christian Science, Falun Gong, ISKCON (Hare Krishna), Jehovah's Witnesses, Juce, Mormonism, Nation of Islam, Rastafarianism, Scientology, Soka Gakkai, Tenrikyo, Unification Church, Wahhabite Islam, and Wicca.

If you have ever wondered what the red dot on an Indian woman's forehead means, or whether all Buddhist monks practice martial arts, or if all Jews want to rebuild the temple in Jerusalem, this is the book for you.

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SEARCHING FOR THE ARK OF THE COVENANT

by Randall Price

Harvest House Publishers, 226 pages, \$11.99

This is a great book. The author, Randall Price, is a Middle East expert (Th.M. Old Testament and Semitic Languages and Ph.D. Middle Eastern Studies) and has lived in Jerusalem doing graduate studies at the Hebrew University. He is president of World of the Bible

Ministries and author of numerous books including, *The Stones Cry Out*, *Secrets of the Dead Sea Scrolls*, and *The Battle For The Last Day's Temple*.

Price answers all the questions one might think to ask about the Ark of the Covenant and many that one might never know to ask. The book covers all of the Old Testament materials on the Ark in detail — following all its biblical journeys — and looks into archaeological studies as well. Price delves into Intertestamental history, Josephus, the Talmud, Jewish legends, and mythology. He crisscrossed several continents and interviewed Israel's leading archaeologists and rabbis in research for the book.

Price takes on the eccentrics such as Ron Wyatt, Graham Hancock, David Lewis, and the wild claims made by others. Some have wondered if the Ark was taken to heaven. Price deals with that issue. This book is an antidote to cults and cultic claims bolstered by Ark legends.

The joy of this book is its accessibility. The writing style is reader-friendly. Detailed, technical, and even heavy material is written so that any reader can grasp it. It is a page-turner and a pleasure to read. With its pictures, footnotes, and detailed index, it is the definitive work on the Ark of the Covenant. It could be used in a homeschool curriculum.

Get this book. You will not be sorry you did. It needs to be in the library of every Bible student and could even be grist for a group or church study.

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PERSONAL FREEDOM OUTREACH — STATEMENT OF BELIEF

- I. THE BIBLE AS THE DIVINELY INSPIRED, INERRANT WORD OF GOD: IT IS IN ITS ENTIRETY THE SOLE AUTHORITY FOR ALL MATTERS OF CHRISTIAN BELIEF AND PRACTICE.
- II. THE ONE TRUE GOD. IN THE ONE TRUE GOD THERE EXIST THREE PERSONS, BEING: THE FATHER, THE SON JESUS CHRIST, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT.
- III. JESUS CHRIST: HIS DEITY, HUMANITY, VIRGIN BIRTH, SINLESSNESS, DEATH AND BODILY RESURRECTION; WHO WILL PERSONALLY AND VISIBLY RETURN AGAIN TO EARTH.
- IV. THE PERSONALITY AND DEITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.
- V. THE EXISTENCE AND PERSONALITY OF SATAN, HIS TOTAL OPPOSITION TO GOD, AND HIS POWER OVER THE UNREGENERATE.
- VI. THE COMPLETE AND TOTAL DEPRAVITY OF ALL MEN WHICH MAKES THEM HOPELESSLY LOST WITHOUT THE NEW BIRTH OBTAINABLE THROUGH FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST.
- VII. THE FINAL STATE OF MAN: FOR THE SAVED, EVERLASTING LIFE IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD AND FOR THE UNSAVED, EVERLASTING PUNISHMENT BECAUSE OF THEIR UNBELIEF.
- VIII. THE GOSPEL, BY WHICH WE ARE SAVED BEING SUMMED IN THE DEATH, BURIAL AND RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.
- IX. THE CHURCH BEING THE BODY OF CHRIST, UNITED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, CONSISTING OF THOSE WHO HAVE RECEIVED JESUS CHRIST AS SAVIOR. A LOCAL CHURCH IS AN ORGANIZED ASSEMBLY OF BELIEVERS UNITED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT THE GREAT COMMISSION OF CHRIST.
- X. THE GREAT COMMISSION OF CHRIST BEING TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO ALL MEN, BAPTIZING AND DISCIPLING THOSE WHO HAVE BELIEVED.