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By Bread Alone: The Bible Through the Eyes of the Hungry

edited by Sheila E. McGinn, Lai Ling Elizabeth Ngan, and Ahida Calderón Pilarski

Minneapolis: Fortress, 2014. 224 pp. \$29.00. ISBN 978-1-4514-6550-1.

Important ecclesiastical documents have stressed the urgency of addressing world hunger and foregrounded its natural and historical causes, from famine to global austerity measures and welfare. In this volume, biblical scholars examine passages from the Old and New Testaments, exploring the dynamics of hunger and its causation in ancient Israel and the Greco-Roman world and revealing the centrality of hunger concerns to the Bible. Kathleen O'Connor, Mary Ann Beavis, Carol Dempsey, and Sheila McGinn are among the fourteen contributors.

Sanctified by Grace: A Theology of the Christian Life

edited by Kent Eilers and Kyle C. Strobel

New York: Bloomsbury, 2014. 288 pp. \$39.95. ISBN 978-0-567-38343-3.

Books on the Christian life abound. Some focus on spirituality, others on practices, and still others on doctrines such as justification

or forgiveness. Few offer an account of the Christian life that portrays redeemed Christian existence within the multifaceted whole of the Christian confession. This book attempts to fill that gap by providing a constructive, specifically theological interpretation of the Christian life according to the nature of God's grace. This means coordinating the Triune God's reconciling, justifying, redemptive, restorative, and otherwise transformative action with those practices of the Christian life emerging from God's grace. The doctrine of the Christian life developed here unifies doctrine and life, confession and practice within the divine economy of grace. John Burgess, Ellen Charry, Stephen Long, Ian McFarland, and John Webster are among the fifteen contributors.

Galatians and Christian Theology: Justification, the Gospel, and Ethics in Paul's Letter

edited by Mark W. Elliott, Scott J. Hafemann, N. T. Wright, and John Frederick

Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2014. 384 pp. \$40.00. ISBN 978-0-8010-4951-4.

The letter to the Galatians, a key source for Pauline theology, presents Paul's understanding of justification, the gospel, and many topics of keen contemporary interest. In this volume, twenty-three distinguished scholars offer cutting-edge scholarship on how Galatians