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News and Alerts

There are several changes to library hours coming up.

Extended weekend hours are:

Dec. 4, 5, 12: 10am - 7pm

Dec. 11: 8am - 7pm

Reduced hours are:

Dec. 17: 7:45am - 4:30pm

Closed Dec. 18 - 19

Dec. 20 - 21: 7:45am - 4pm

We are closed for Christmas break from Dec. 22 - Jan. 4.

Jan. 5 hours: 7:45am - 4:30pm

Many celebrations and observances take place in December. Chanukah is the 2nd to 9th this year. International Children's Day is the 12th. The Winter Solstice is on the 21st. Kwanzaa is on the 26th.

From all of us in the library to all of you, Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!



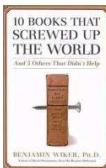
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WHAT WOULD JESUS READ?



10 books that screwed up the world : and 5 others that didn't help by Benjamin Wiker
CB 245 W527 2008

"From Machiavelli to Marx, Nietzsche to Hitler, this volume offers a provocative look at some of Western civilization's most infamous authors and their literary works and shows how these works have inflicted great evil in the world—and still cause suffering." – Summary from NEOS catalogue.

Some of the books covered are:

- Machiavelli's *The Prince*
- Descartes' *Discourse on Method*
- Hobbes' *Leviathan*
- Marx and Engels's *Communist Manifesto*
- Darwin's *The Descent of Man*

- Nietzsche's *Beyond Good and Evil*
- Hitler's *Mein Kampf*
- Margaret Mead's *Coming of Age in Samoa*
- Alfred Kinsey's *Sexual Behavior in the Human Male*

As a Christian, Wiker looks at each of the books with a Christian perspective and how the ideals and influences of each author affected humanity. Could he have provided more research and information for each title? Yes, he could have. But he writes to the lay person, the non-philosopher. He does not condone censorship but rather encourages the reader to read the books and understand them and form his/her own opinion. It is only then that the reader can debate on whether Wiker's selections are worthy of being labeled as having screwed up the world or not.

It is important to realize that ideas have consequences, and the bad consequences of these fifteen books have clearly affected us all. Worldviews matter and we need to be aware of how faulty worldviews result in much damage, confusion and injury. Perhaps Wiker deserves praise for alerting us to the world of bad ideas and their consequences.

Would Jesus have read this book? I think so. He would also have read all the books Wiker suggests in order to debate how they influenced society at that time and speak against the negative effects they had on humanity.

Submitted by Karen Hildebrandt
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FOOD FOR FINES



Food for Fines is back and once again all donated items will go to the Concordia Student Food Bank. You can reduce your fines and help your fellow students with the same donation.

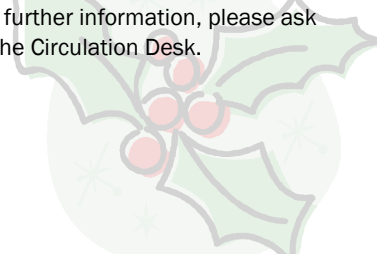
The campaign runs December

1st - 17th. Fines on Concordia library items can be forgiven for a donation of 1 food bank item for each \$5.00 of fines, up to a maximum of \$20.00 forgiven (4 donated items). Fines on items from other libraries cannot be forgiven at Concordia.

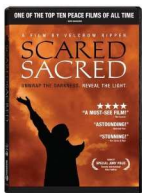
Preferred non-perishable items include canned meats and fish, peanut butter, canned fruit or

vegetables, juices, dry pasta, pickles, soy products, as well as vegan alternatives. We also accept cash donations to the Food Bank.

For further information, please ask at the Circulation Desk.



WHAT WOULD JESUS WATCH?



Scared Sacred, a film by
Velcrow Ripper
HV 6431 S33 2006

James 1:2 (NIV) "Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds."

Even though I live in a peaceful country, with a secure home, many loved ones, and enough to eat I have a hard time being joyful when facing troubles. So how do people who suffer the worst of the worst manage to survive and find purpose in their pain?

Canadian filmmaker Velcrow Ripper (yup, that's his name!) seeks the answer to this question by embarking on a five year pilgrimage around the world. Each of the places he visits is a "ground zero" for some form of catastrophe. He speaks first hand to the people living out the legacy of

human conflict, filming these conversations amidst beautiful, damaged places like Hiroshima, Phnomh Penh, and Bhopal.

It is here, amongst the worst of tragedies, that the strongest hope grows. Where survivors build anew on the ruins of the old and reclaim the joy and thankfulness that I hear in the quote from James. I expected this film to be bleak and depressing, and it certainly didn't pull any punches, but by the end I began to see how I could begin my own journey out of the scared and into the sacred.

Would Jesus watch this DVD? Yes, I believe he would.

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Weekly New Books List: <http://www.library.ualberta.ca/newbooks/library/index.cfm?Libraryfilter=21>

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Concordia Library on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/home.php#/group.php?gid=13518893391>

COOL WEB STUFF

☞ See the cartoon above? Pretty cute, eh? I created that from a photo of my grandkids at **Cartoonize.net** www.converttocartoon.com/index.php. It's free to use and you can upload pictures from a disc, your computer or a website. It cartoonizes automatically and you can then download it to use as you wish. What would you look like as a cartoon? It's easy to find out!

☞ Some of you will be lucky enough to travel this holiday season. If you're going to another country it's important to know something about customs and etiquette. For instance, did you know that it's bad manners to point your chopsticks in South Korea? Or that it's considered inappropriate to arrive early or on time for an occasion in Mexico? **Kwintessential** www.kwintessential.co.uk/resources/country-profiles.html can help. There are country etiquette guides, useful phrases and other helpful resources on this site.

☞ There are many awesome websites to view great photography. We all know how great **National Geographic** photos are - check them out here www.nationalgeographic.com. Panoramas are fun - check out **360 Cities** www.360cities.net or 1001 Wonders www.world-heritage-tour.org. Photomicrography has made significant contributions to life sciences, bio-research and materials science. Check out **Nikon Small World** <http://www.nikonsmallworld.com/> for some beautiful examples of the colourful world that can't be seen with the naked eye.

☞ How observant are you? Remember those pictures on the puzzle pages of the newspaper where you have to spot the differences? The web version is **Difference Games** <http://differencegames.com>. Choose from 4 categories - Graphic Novels and Comics, Play with Mum, Mystery and Adventure, and Difference Xtreme. There's something for everyone!

Any feedback or suggestions would be *mutch* [sic] appreciated. Contact me at 479-9335 or jan.mutch@concordia.ab.ca.

FEATURED E-RESOURCES

Old Testament Abstracts is a wealth of information about antiquities, archaeology, biblical theology, philology and much more. It has indexing and abstracts for journal articles, monographs, multi-author works, and software related to Old Testament studies.

New Testament Abstracts is indispensable for anyone doing research on the New Testament. The database contains more

than 44,000 article abstracts, over 1,600 review abstracts, 17,000 book abstracts, and 61 software abstracts. While the numbers are impressive, it is the content that is really important. Both of these resources will come in handy for anyone taking religious studies, history and even sociology courses.

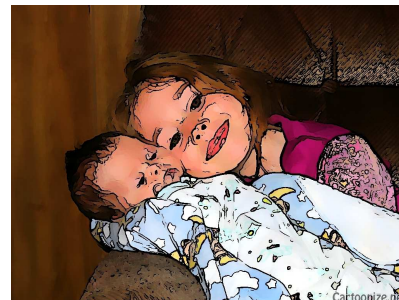
Both resources are available on the **EBSCO** platform, which is great for those of you who have a "My EBSCOhost" account. You can

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday	7:45 am - 9 pm
Friday	7:45 am - 5 pm
Saturday	10 am - 5 pm
Sunday	12 Noon - 7 pm

Closed Statutory Holidays

****Check the website for details****



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save articles, create folders for different assignments, save search histories, and create email alerts and RSS feeds when new material is available on your topics. You can find these resources on the Library website under E-Resources!

<http://library.concordia.ab.ca/>

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