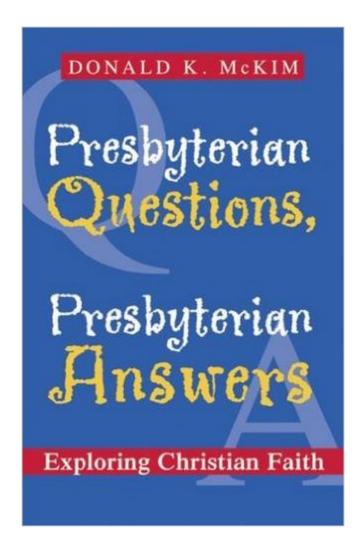
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Presbyterian Questions, Presbyterian Answers: Exploring Christian Faith





Synopsis

Presbyterians often have questions about Presbyterian theology and beliefs that are basic to Christian faith itself. Featuring a unique question-and-answer format, Presbyterian Questions, Presbyterian Answers is an accessible and concise treatment that provides a sampling of these questions on important topics and brief but complete answers from a distinguished Presbyterian theologians. Arranged according to doctrinal topics, the book is ideal for individual and group study, church officer training, new member and confirmation classes, and all those who are interested in Presbyterian theology.

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Customer Reviews

The title I gave this review says it all. I found this book very pleasurable to read. The question / answer format of this book provides the reader brief but concise information about the Presbyterian Church (USA) beliefs and practices. I would recommend this book to any inquirer or a lifetime PCUSA member who would like a refresher course in their faith.

I was interested in learning more about the Presbyterian Church (USA). This book is good for a quick overview on all things, but it does not go into great detail on any subject. Nevertheless, it has proven to be a very useful book. I do recommend it especially for people who do not really know what the Presbyterian Church teaches and are interested.

Donald McKim's book is a marvelous introductory work for inquirers and many who have been

Presbyterian for a long time. The questions are those that are REALLY asked by people, and the answers are cogent and short. (Something we pastors might learn!) This book can be used in New Members Classes or Inquirers classes, as well as being read privately by other interested people. Young people and young adults will value this, also. Keep a few copies on hand....they'll come in handy!

This "beginner's" approach to Presbyterianism disappointed me in its lack of better organization and its description of certain aspects of the faith. At some points an answer would seem to contradict another answer, elsewhere in the book. I think, also, that the author assumes the reader already has some knowledge about Christianity in general and about Presbyterianism in particular. This makes for leaps and gaps in the discussion of various ideas. I believe any introductory book to a Christian religion is well served by the inclusion of the basics of Christian belief before elaborating on the Presbyterian take (or perhaps during that basic discussion). (An example of what I think of as a good model for an introductory book is "Lutheranism 101", also sold by . Among other things, that book cites the Bible for various beliefs and rituals , e.g., baptism, communion, in a brief, orderly way; offers suggested daily prayers; and keeps one focused on how to develop a relationship with God through Lutheran practices and beliefs.) I shall have to keep looking for a more foundational introduction to Presbyterianism.

I have enjoyed skimming through this when I have a chance. My family and I have recently switched from attending our local Catholic Church to our local Presbyterian church and the book has been great for getting some ideas on how the churches differ and how they are set up. I have even started taking it along to our adult Sunday school that we attend while the kids are in class....

Presbyterian Questions, Presbyterian Answers: AfA Exploring Christian FaithThe kindle edition is an embarrassment! I have the print book (thank goodness), and it is fine. The kindle edition has SCORES of mistakes, misspellings, words left out, etc!! Obviously no one proof-read this edition and it is so sub standard as to be shameful. DO NOT BUY IT TIL THEY FIX THE TONS OF ERRORS!!! I am only through the second chapter and have found 20+ TERRIBLE mistakes. Shame on you KINDLE! I expect a refund or corrected replacement..... If anyone responds to this from corporate.Don Presson

When I joined my Presbyterian church one of the pastors asked if I joined because I was

Presbyterian or if I joined because I liked the congregation. It was the second. We are doing a book study on this and many questions have been answered. I can now say that while I still love my congregation, I love the Presbyterian church and am honored to call myself a member.

Only problem is in inaccuracy when marking contrasts. For example, Baptists do not require that one be an adult to be baptized--only old enough to understand the act. And Methodists do not believe a Christian can become wholly perfect in love in this life--it's a relative perfection since complete perfection is not possible in this life. But at least he got the love part right. Most reformed Christians, even theologians, misunderstand the doctrine entirely. In fact, it is not even accurate to say that Methodists hold this doctrine since it is mostly limited to Nazarenes and other evangelical Wesleyans.

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