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**Issues in Contemporary Islamic Thought** - Taha Jabir Al Alwani  
2005-01-01

This collection of papers presents a reformist project calling upon Muslim intellectuals and scholars everywhere to comprehend the vast breadth and depth of the crisis engulfing Muslim thought today and the necessity of solving this crisis to enable the Ummah to experience a revival and fulfill its role among the nations of the world. The reader will find a variety of articles dealing with this intellectual crises, these include a chapter on ijihad's role and history, important since our intellectual problems cannot be solved without the scholars' use of independent reasoning and creativity. Another discusses imitation (taqlid)

calling upon Muslim scholars and intellectuals to abandon imitation and to stop favoring the past over the present when trying to solve modern problems. Another looks at human rights.

**Revelation** - Ingolf U. Dalferth 2014  
Revelation is a central category in many religions. Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Mormonism or Unificationists are difficult if not impossible to imagine without it. For some, revelation signifies a decisive event in the past, for others it is a present reality. It plays a central role in shaping religious identities, and it is the reason for much criticism. Some follow a religion only because of its claim to divine revelation, whereas others criticize it as "hearsay upon hearsay" (Paine)

on which they would never rest their belief. Some religions have built elaborate institutions of priests and privileged interpreters to safeguard their revelation, control access to it and to protect the right way of interpreting and communicating it. But claims to revelation have also been criticized as strategies of self-immunization, which allow religions to avoid critical public debate of their views and teachings, or legitimize the position of those in power. The 33rd Conference of Philosophy of Religion at Claremont Graduate University in 2012 addressed these complex issues by concentrating on three areas of debate: I. Revelation and Reason, II. Hermeneutics of Revelation, III. Phenomenology of Revelation.

**Islamic Political Thought** - Gerhard Bowering 2015-03-29

A concise and authoritative introduction to Islamic political ideas In sixteen concise chapters on key topics, this book provides a rich, authoritative, and up-to-date introduction to Islamic political thought from the birth of Islam to today, presenting essential background and context for understanding contemporary politics in the Islamic world and beyond. Selected from the acclaimed Princeton Encyclopedia of Islamic Political Thought, and focusing on the origins, development, and contemporary importance of Islamic political ideas and related subjects, each chapter offers a sophisticated yet accessible introduction to its topic. Written by leading specialists and incorporating the latest scholarship, the alphabetically arranged chapters cover the topics of authority, the caliphate, fundamentalism, government, jihad, knowledge, minorities, modernity, Muhammad, pluralism and tolerance, the Qur'an, revival and reform, shari'a (sacred

law), traditional political thought, 'ulama' (religious scholars), and women. Read separately or together, these chapters provide an indispensable resource for students, journalists, policymakers, and anyone else seeking an informed perspective on the complex intersection of Islam and politics. The contributors are Gerhard Bowering, Ayesha S. Chaudhry, Patricia Crone, Roxanne Euben, Yohanan Friedmann, Paul L. Heck, Roy Jackson, Wadad Kadi, John Kelsay, Gudrun Krämer, Ebrahim Moosa, Armando Salvatore, Aram A. Shahin, Emad El-Din Shahin, Devin J. Stewart, SherAli Tareen, and Muhammad Qasim Zaman. A new afterword discusses the essays in relation to contemporary political developments.

Knowledge in Later Islamic Philosophy - Ibrahim Kalin 2010-04-01

This study looks at how the seventeenth-century philosopher Sadr al-Din al-Shirazi, known as Mulla Sadra, attempted to reconcile the three major forms of knowledge in Islamic philosophical discourses: revelation (Qur'an), demonstration (burhan), and gnosis or intuitive knowledge ('irfan). In his grand synthesis, which he calls the 'Transcendent Wisdom', Mulla Sadra bases his epistemological considerations on a robust analysis of existence and its modalities. His key claim that knowledge is a mode of existence rejects and revises the Kalam definitions of knowledge as relation and as a property of the knower on the one hand, and the Avicennan notions of knowledge as abstraction and representation on the other. For Sadra, all these theories land us in a subjectivist theory of knowledge where the knowing subject is defined as the primary locus of all epistemic claims. To explore the possibilities of a 'non-subjectivist' epistemology, Sadra seeks to shift the focus from knowledge as a mental

act of representation to knowledge as presence and unveiling. The concept of knowledge has occupied a central place in the Islamic intellectual tradition. While Muslim philosophers have adopted the Greek ideas of knowledge, they have also developed new approaches and broadened the study of knowledge. The challenge of reconciling revealed knowledge with unaided reason and intuitive knowledge has led to an extremely productive debate among Muslims intellectuals in the classical period. In a culture where knowledge has provided both spiritual perfection and social status, Muslim scholars have created a remarkable discourse of knowledge and vastly widened the scope of what it means to know. For Sadra, in knowing things, we unveil an aspect of existence and thus engage with the countless modalities and colours of the all-inclusive reality of existence. In such a framework, we give up the subjectivist claims of ownership of meaning. The intrinsic intelligibility of existence, an argument Sadra establishes through his elaborate ontology, strips the knowing subject of its privileged position of being the sole creator of meaning. Instead, meaning and intelligibility are defined as functions of existence to be deciphered and unveiled by the knowing subject. This leads to a redefinition of the relationship between subject and object or what Muslim philosophers call the knower and the known.

**Islamic Spirituality** - Seyyed Hossein Nasr 2013-11-05

Originally published 1987. The first part of the volume is concerned with "The Roots of the Islamic Tradition and Spirituality". These are seen to include the Qu'ran as the central theophany of Islam, the Prophet who received the word of God and made it

known to mankind and the rites of Islam. The second part examines the divisions of the Islamic community with their distinctive pieties and emphases: Sunnism and Shi'ism and female spirituality. Part III is devoted to Sufism – its nature and origin, its early development, its various spiritual practices and its science of the soul.

*Merriam-Webster's Rhyming Dictionary* - Merriam-Webster, Inc 2002

New edition! Convenient listing of words arranged alphabetically by rhyming sounds. More than 55,000 entries. Includes one-, two-, and three-syllable rhymes. Fully cross-referenced for ease of use. Based on best-selling Merriam-Webster's Collegiate® Dictionary, Eleventh Edition.

*Religion, Revelation & Reason* - Eric Charles Rust 1981

This book begins with a general consideration of religious experience and moves to a defense of the Christian revelation as the normative one for all other divine disclosures. This means that increasingly the book moves towards a defense of theistic thought as contrasted with other religious systems. This emphasis on the approach to the understanding of God typical of the Judaeo-Christian and Islamic traditions has meant a preoccupation with issues particularly significant for this way of thinking- the nature of man, the understanding of the creative process, the problem of human survival beyond death, and the mystery of evil. I have, however, brought in the views of other religious systems and offered a critique of their relationship to the theistic position. Wherever thought has moved to the specific content of the Christian disclosure in Jesus Christ, I have stopped short. Philosophy of religion, and theistic philosophy in particular, are only

prolegomena to the task of the Christian theologian.

Philosophy and Revelation - Vittorio Possenti 2018-09-30

This title was first published in 2001. The encyclical "Fidel et Ratio", dealing with faith and reason and their specific catholicity, may well turn out to be the most important document of the modern Catholic Church on the subject announced in its title and on philosophy understood as a mirror of peoples' cultures. "Fidel et Ratio" wants to put in motion again faith that thinks (a different thing from the believer that thinks) and the issue of truth, thus opening up a higher dialogue with late modernity and postmodernity. Among the various stimuli proposed by the encyclical to start up again this belief that thinks, a significant one is the methodology of collaboration and circularity between reason and faith, and philosophy and theology, to their mutual advantage. The intention of Vittorio Possenti is a questioning and reflecting on the nexus between philosophy and revelation without excluding a priori the insights of the above-mentioned encyclical.

**Unboundedly Rational Religion** -

Stephen Theron 2008-08-12

Scientific Study from the year 2007 in the subject Philosophy - Miscellaneous, grade: "-", , 110 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: An introductory chapter loads the scales in favour of an idealist approach in quasi-Quinean sense, in that being is called in question, as it is throughout the book. After a chapter revising the best expositions of faith as a possibly rational attitude the Christian discovery or intuition of intra-divine events or processes, held compatible with divine infinity and immutability, is treated under the rubric of a Trinitarian

philosophy. This leads to analysis of notions of being (identity in difference) and, above all, of creation, viewing this as freed from the historic dualism which has contradicted the necessary infinity of the first principle. Creation is not thereby denied but seen as truly a constituent of the divine life. The picture is thus monistic, which is to say scientific as presenting a holistic system or way of seeing things absolutely or beyond appearance merely. The consequences for human metaphysical and moral nature are rigorously drawn, freed from all anthropomorphisms so as better to illuminate the insights of religion and philosophy. The relevance for contemporary movements from palaeontology to Church ecumenism is brought out, while a concluding epilogue attempts to shed light on the vexed debate on Europe in relation to the Christian inheritance. Other concluding chapters treat of both sacramental religion and of dialectic as the method of reason, whether in theology or in the world. For the world without the reason is not an object of thought, any more than you can wash the fur without wetting it, in G. Frege's words. [...]

**The Dialectic of Revelation and**

**Autonomous Reason** - Rudolf J. Siebert 1994

**Man and Universe** - Ayatullah Murtadha Mutahhari 2018-02-16

Man and faith, man and animals, knowledge and thought, monotheistic conception of the world, revelation and prophethood, man and the Holy Qur'an, society and history, Imamate and khilafat, and eternal life.

**The different aspects of islamic culture** - UNESCO 1998-12-31

This volume, the first of six to be published, studies fundamental values of Islam, along with the nature of

rights and the responsibilities in a general context. The authors analyse the development of social thought and morality in Islam, and ways in which they are enforced through the family and education. Particular attention is paid to the status of women, children, youth and the socially excluded. Several chapters broach specially Islamic approaches to economics, government and justice. A world religion since its inception in the seventh century A.D., Islam is today seeking vigorous answers to contemporary problems through its multi-faceted history. Issues of poverty and wealth, inequality and demands for political expression, and respect for diversity in a difficult world of conformity are dealt with in this series. The study is organized along thematic rather than chronological lines and thus it is not necessary to read the volumes in order. Volume II is in fact the first to have been published. Volume IV is forthcoming end 2002, volume V mid 2003 and volumes III and VI in 2004. This volume, the first of six to be published, studies fundamental values of Islam, along with the nature of rights and the responsibilities in a general context. The authors analyse the development of social thought and morality in Islam, and ways in which they are enforced through the family and education. Particular attention is paid to the status of women, children, youth and the socially excluded. Several chapters broach specially Islamic approaches to economics, government and justice.

**Reason, the Only Oracle of Man** -  
Ethan Allen 2017-02-17

Reason, the Only Oracle of Man is Colonel Ethan Allen's polemical treatise wherein he argues for the power of reason, and reason's nature as a God-given attribute of man. Received to a negative reception during its original publication in

1785, Reason, the Only Oracle of Man divided opinion on the grounds of its rejection of traditional, Christian religious beliefs. At the time, the fledgling nation of the United States was deeply devoted to the traditional Christian establishment, with many suspicious of the recent progress of science in many fields. Ethan Allen rejected many traditional beliefs of the Christian church. He considered much of the Bible to be mythical superstition, and held great contempt for organised religion which he viewed as corrupt and sinful, with the priesthood in particular targeted for its inadequacies. While not an atheist, Allen believed strongly in the power and capacity of reason, and considered its use to be virtuous. Although sales were poor and condemnation for the book was near-universal, it would receive some positive regard in scholarly circles. In absorbing the financial loss the book incurred, Allen wryly observed that most critics of the book were clergymen who depended on established Christianity for their livelihoods. Despite its failure, Reason would eventually return to print and enjoy modest sales many years after Allen's death. As one of the few public figures at the time of the American Revolutionary War to lambaste religion, Allen remains a figure of some interest to historians for his iconoclasm and convictions of belief. [The Cambridge Companion to Classical Islamic Theology](#) - Tim Winter 2008-05-22

This series of critical reflections on the evolution and major themes of pre-modern Muslim theology begins with the revelation of the Koran, and extends to the beginnings of modernity in the eighteenth century. The significance of Islamic theology reflects the immense importance of Islam in the history of monotheism, to which it has brought a unique

approach and style, and a range of solutions which are of abiding interest. Devoting especial attention to questions of rationality, scriptural fidelity, and the construction of 'orthodoxy', this volume introduces key Muslim theories of revelation, creation, ethics, scriptural interpretation, law, mysticism, and eschatology.

Throughout the treatment is firmly set in the historical, social and political context in which Islam's distinctive understanding of God evolved. Despite its importance, Islamic theology has been neglected in recent scholarship, and this book provides a unique, scholarly but accessible introduction.

**Vicegerency in Islamic Thought and Scripture** - Chauki Lazhar 2023-04-28

This book explores the reasons for the creation of humanity on Earth from the perspective of ancient and contemporary Muslim thinkers, aiming to lay the outlines of a Qur'anic theory of human existential function. The author proceeds from the assumption that, until now, contemporary Islamic scholarship has suffered from the absence of theorisation about a Qur'anic conception of human existential function (vicegerency), lacking a unified philosophical and epistemological frame of reference. Challenging common perceptions among contemporary Muslim reformists regarding the human existential function, the author examines both classical and contemporary thought as well as conducting a thorough and comprehensive analysis of Qur'anic passages that ground the theory of vicegerency within a cosmic scheme. Ultimately, a new approach for understanding the human existential function from within the Qur'anic worldview is proposed. For the first time then, this book offers an integral induction and categorisation

of Qur'anic teleological concepts, combining them within a coherent framework that reveals the outlines of a vicegerency theory and a Qur'anic worldview. Suitable for both scholars and laypersons, the book serves as a landmark textbook in the fields of Islamic Philosophy, Theological Anthropology and Qur'anic Studies.

*The Qur'an, Morality and Critical Reason* - Muhammad Shahrur 2009-03-15

This is the first book-length presentation of Muhammad Shahrur's ideas in English, explaining his ideas on the need for a contemporary re-reading of the Qur'an, a reform of Islamic law and the necessity of freedom of belief in Islam, and other vital issues of Islamic thought and practice.

Revelations of Humanity - Richard Schenk 2022

"Revelations of Humanity brings together essays into the history and actuality of how our searches for God and for our own humanity are interwoven. They argue that the revelation of God is possible only when accompanied by a revelation of what it means to be a human being. Many of the essays involve a recollection of the thought of Thomas Aquinas. The book is divided into three sections. The first asks about the reality and limits of the human capacity for truth. The second cluster is structured around the four involvements that the Second Vatican Council identified as the human face of genuine Christian existence: participation in the legitimate joys, hopes, sorrows and fears of the contemporary world. The final cluster brings together anthropological dimensions of current ecumenical and interreligious disputes"--

**Mapping Intellectual Building and the Construction of Thought and Reason** - Fathi Hasan Malkawi 2020-09-01

The subject of this work is thought,

a distinguishing characteristic of human beings that the Creator has dignified humankind with. The book attempts to provide an in-depth conceptualization of intellectual building. Man's intellect is awoken by his/her surroundings, by his need to make sense of reality, his own existence, and a desire to know. How he articulates this reality to himself, interprets, and organizes information as it presents itself to his conscience, makes decisions, takes action, and draws conclusions based on whatever framework he gives value to, whether spiritual or other, is the subject of this book. The work reflects on many interesting aspects of human inner communication, including the workings of logic, and in today's information age, the control and manipulation of information by others for personal gain. What is meant by the concept of 'thought'? What place does it hold, and in what relation does it stand to the concepts of knowledge, culture, philosophy, literature, and fiqh (deep understanding, jurisprudence)? These are some of the issues addressed.

Spinoza's Revelation - Nancy K. Levene 2004-08-12

Nancy Levene reinterprets a major early modern philosopher, Benedict de Spinoza - a Jew who was rejected by the Jewish community of his day but whose thought contains, and critiques, both Jewish and Christian ideas. It foregrounds the connection of religion, democracy, and reason, showing that Spinoza's theories of the Bible, the theologico-political, and the philosophical all involve the concepts of equality and sovereignty. Professor Levene argues that Spinoza's concept of revelation is the key to this connection, and above all to Spinoza's view of human power. This is to shift the emphasis in Spinoza's thought from the language

of amor Dei (love of God) to the language of libertas humana (human freedom) without losing either the dialectic of his most striking claim - that man is God to man - or the Jewish and Christian elements in his thought. Original and thoughtfully argued, this book offers fresh insights into Spinoza's thought. *Reason Fulfilled by Revelation* - Gregory B. Sadler 2011-03-16  
This selection of previously untranslated documents from the French debates about Christian philosophy provides a long-needed complement to available English-language literature on the subject. **Islāmization of Knowledge** - 1987

**Reason and Revelation in the Middle Ages** - Etienne Gilson 1938

Etienne Gilson, French historian and philosopher, was born in 1884. Member of the French Academy and Director of the Institute of Medieval Studies at Toronto, he is the author of, among many brilliant works, *The Spirit of Medieval Philosophy* and *The Unity of Philosophical Experience*.

The Reconstruction of Religious Thought in Islam - M. Iqbal 2022-04-29

**The Islamic Concept and Its Characteristics** - Sayyid Quṭb 1991-01-01

**Islamic Philosophy from Its Origin to the Present** - Seyyed Hossein Nasr 2006-05-11

A comprehensive overview of the Islamic philosophical tradition. *Islamic Philosophy from Its Origin to the Present* offers a comprehensive overview of Islamic philosophy from the ninth century to the present day. As Seyyed Hossein Nasr attests, within this tradition, philosophizing is done in a world in which prophecy is the central reality of life—a reality related not only to the

realms of action and ethics but also to the realm of knowledge. Comparisons with Jewish and Christian philosophies highlight the relation between reason and revelation, that is, philosophy and religion. Nasr presents Islamic philosophy in relation to the Islamic tradition as a whole, but always treats this philosophy as philosophy, not simply as intellectual history. In addition to chapters dealing with the general historical development of Islamic philosophy, several chapters are devoted to later and mostly unknown philosophers. The work also pays particular attention to the Persian tradition. Nasr stresses that the Islamic tradition is a living tradition with significance for the contemporary Islamic world and its relationship with the West. In providing this seminal introduction to a tradition little-understood in the West, Nasr also shows readers that Islamic philosophy has much to offer the contemporary world as a whole. Seyyed Hossein Nasr is University Professor of Islamic Studies at The George Washington University. He is the author and editor of many books, including *Islam: Religion, History, and Civilization*.

**Reason** - Ethan Allen 2013-06-27  
Ethan Allen's *Reason: The Only Oracle of Man* is a hard hitting attack on superstition and "revealed" religion while encouraging the replacement of superstition in our lives and in our ideas concerning God with innate God-given reason. Ethan Allen was an American Revolutionary War hero. He and his "Green Mountain Boys" captured Fort Ticonderoga from the British, thus securing much needed supplies and weapons for General George Washington and his rebels. Unfortunately, Allen was captured in his next engagement with British forces and spent years anguishing in

British prison ships and in a British prison. After suffering greatly at the hands of his captors, he was freed through a prisoner exchange effort. When Allen was a young man he became friends with Thomas Young, a freethinking medical doctor who was a Deist (that is, he believed in God/The Supreme Intelligence based on the application of his reason on the designs and laws of Nature). Together they worked on *Reason: The Only Oracle of Man*. However, when the American Revolution started they went their separate ways to take part in and to support this world changing event. It wasn't until after the war and after Thomas Young died that Ethan Allen secured their manuscript for this book from Young's wife. Allen worked on it some more and finally had it printed in 1785. The logic based arguments Ethan Allen and Thomas Young put forward for the belief in God as well as against belief in the "revealed"/hearsay religions such as Judaism, Christianity and Islam, are very sound and life improving! They greatly help the reader to realize that God is NOT the same as religion. This realization itself is priceless. Yet, this book contains countless examples of sound and strong reasoning which strengthens our belief in, as described in the Deistic document the Declaration of Independence, "Nature's God." It also contains many ideas which protect us from potentially dangerous unreasonable beliefs and ideas. All these years after the American Revolution, Ethan Allen and Thomas Young are still helping to make the world a better place via their book, *Reason: The Only Oracle of Man!*  
Never Wholly Other - Jerusha Tanner Lamptey 2016-01-15  
How does the Qur'an depict the religious Other? Historically, this question has provoked extensive



debate among Islamic scholars about the identity, nature, and status of such religious Others. Today, this debate assumes great importance because of the widening experience of religious plurality, which prompts inquiry into convergences and divergences in belief and practice as well as controversy over the appropriate forms of interaction among different religions. The persistence of religious violence also gives rise to difficult questions about the relationship between the depiction of religious Others, and intolerance and oppression. Scholars have traditionally accounted for the coexistence of religious similarity and difference by resorting either to models that depict religions as isolated entities or models that arrange religions in a static, evaluative hierarchy. In response to the limitations of this discourse, Jerusha Tanner Lamptey constructs an alternative conceptual and hermeneutical approach that draws insights from the work of Muslim women interpreters of the Qur'an, feminist theology, and semantic analysis. She employs this approach to reevaluate, reinterpret, and reenvision the Qur'anic discourse on religious difference. Through a close reading of the Qur'anic text, she distinguishes between two forms of religious difference: hierarchical and lateral. She goes on to explore the complex relationality that exists among Qur'anic concepts of hierarchical religious difference and to articulate a new, integrated model of religious pluralism. Using an interdisciplinary approach to confront existing Islamic scholarship, Lamptey's *Never Wholly Other* offers a new genre of theology. *Reason, the Only Oracle of Man* - Ethan Allen 1854

*The Vicegerency of Man* - Abd al Majid al Najjar 2000-01-01

The Vicegerency of man is a timely contribution to the debate on Revelation and reason that has always been a central issue in Islamic thought. The book aims to clarify the relationship between reason and Revelation, and to show that far from being mutually exclusive, they both contribute to a correct portrayal of reality. Rooting his study firmly within the Islamic framework, Dr. al Najjar expounds on the role of reason and the intellect in helping humankind to accomplish the role of vicegerency of man on earth on two levels. Firstly, on the level of understanding the Revealed Text, and secondly, on the level of the application of the divine principles and their adaptation to the realities of human existence through time and space. In so doing, he shows the limits of using solely Revelation or reason in the search for truth, and demonstrates that a reconciliation of the two is necessary to serve the interests and well-being of humankind- which is the ultimate goal of Revelation.

**Unfinished Man and the Imagination** - Ray L. Hart 1985

"Unfinished Man and the Imagination" is a ground-breaking foundational work in theological anthropology that was first published in 1968. Ray Hart is a highly original thinker who, using theological and philosophical categories in imaginative ways, provides a theological account of human being that may serve as the basis for an ontology of revelation. *Beyond Shariati* - Siavash Saffari 2017-02-16

A new reading of Ali Shariati's intellectual legacy on Iranian political discourse and concepts of Islam and modernity.

Revelation, Reason and Reality - Joris Geldhof 2007

This study provides an in-depth analysis of the relationship between modernity and Christianity. The author argues that the notion of revelation is eminently reasonable and indissolubly connected with being and reality. He takes Jaspers' philosophy of religion as representative of the 'classical' modern critique and gives it its due. He then takes a step backward, so to speak, and by means of a consideration of the history of ideas, seeks to rehabilitate the Christian understanding of revelation. To do this, he draws upon Schelling's remarkable philosophy of revelation and Baader's much less familiar speculative dogmatics. However, this study is much more than a profound philosophical and theological account of the thought of Jaspers, Schelling and Baader. It is above all an eloquent defence of the plausibility and intelligibility of what Christians have always believed. In fact, the author makes a compelling case for the claim that revelation is 'that without which Christianity cannot be thought'.  
*Philosophy in Pakistan* - Naeem Ahmad 1998

**Maqasid al-Shari'a and Contemporary Reformist Muslim Thought** - A.

Duderija 2014-09-04

It is the first study which comprehensively, systematically and critically examines the role and usefulness of the concept of Maqasid al-Shari'a (higher Objectives of Islamic Law) in contemporary Muslim reformist thought in relation to number of specific issues pertaining to Islamic legal philosophy, law, ethics and the socio-political sphere.

*The Consistency of the Whole Scheme of Revelation With Itself and With Human Reason (Classic Reprint)* - Philip Nicholas Shuttleworth Dj

2015-08-08

Excerpt from *The Consistency of the Whole Scheme of Revelation With Itself and With Human Reason About the Publisher Forgotten Books* publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at [www.forgottenbooks.com](http://www.forgottenbooks.com) This book is a reproduction of an important historical work. Forgotten Books uses state-of-the-art technology to digitally reconstruct the work, preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy. In rare cases, an imperfection in the original, such as a blemish or missing page, may be replicated in our edition. We do, however, repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully; any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works.

*A Commentary on the Creed of Islam* -

Earl Edgar Elder 2018-11-10

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## **Foundations of Islamic Governance -**

Maszlee Malik 2016-12-19

The aim of this book is to explore and analyze the Islamic axioms, foundation principles and values underpinning the field of governance in an attempt to construct the architectonics of a new systemic and dynamic theory and formulate the articulation of 'Islamic governance'. This discursive and abstract, rather than being an empirical exercise, assumes to produce a 'good governance' framework within its own formulation through a value-shaped dynamic model according to maqasid al-Shari'ah (higher objective of Shari'ah) by going beyond the narrow remit of classical and contemporary discussions produced on the topic, which propose a certain institutional model of governance based on the classical juristic (fiqh) method. Through an exclusive analytical discursive approach in this book, readers will find that Islam as one of the major religions in the contemporary world with the claim of promising the underpinning principles and philosophical foundations of worldly affairs and institutions through a micro method of producing homoIslamicus could contribute towards development of societies by establishing a unique model of governance from its explicit ontological worldview through a directed descriptive epistemology. American Book Publishing Record - 2000

*Living Presence* - Kabir Edmund Helmski 1992-06-01

"This is an excellent book that explains spiritual principles and how to carry them into everyday life . . . Highly recommended."—Library Journal  
Sufism is a centuries-old spiritual psychology leading to presence in life. Presence is our

capacity to be whole in the moment, in alignment with our deepest wisdom. With unusual clarity, this book describes how presence is different from ordinary habits of mind, and how it can be developed. Drawing on the words of the great Sufi, Rumi, as well as traditional material and personal experience, this book integrates the wisdom of Sufism with the needs of contemporary life. *Living Presence* offers a wisdom that is both universal and practical. It shows how we can bring spirituality and psychology into a balanced system that honors and awakens the soul. "I am pleased to give *Living Presence* a high recommendation: It is sober, thoughtful, and well worth deep reflection. Helmski is concerned with out interactions with each other, with cultivating love and a desire to serve the Highest through serving each other . . . a valuable emphasis in a culture like ours that tends to think of spiritual development as special and solitary experiences."—Noetic Sciences Review by Charles Tart, Ph.D.

## **Reason and Revelation in the Middle Ages -**

Etienne Gilson 2020-09-21  
Etienne Gilson *Reason and Revelation in the Middle Ages*, first delivered as the Richard Lectures in 1937, was published in 1938 and became an immediate success. Not only does it contribute to a major question of debate in Christian, Jewish, and Islamic philosophy and religion in the medieval period but it also insists on the validity of truth obtainable through reason as well as revelation, on rational argument alongside religious faith. This message is as important in the twenty-first century as it was in the fourth century of the young Augustine, the thirteenth of St Thomas Aquinas, and the twentieth of the mature Gilson.--