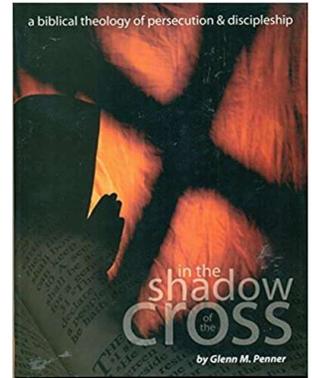


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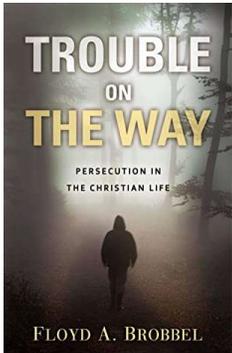
In the Shadow of the Cross – *a Biblical Theology of Persecution of Discipleship* by Glenn Penner (272 PEN). Two brothers present an offering to the Lord. One is a “keeper of sheep,” the other a “worker of the ground.” One of the offerings is acceptable to God; the other is not. This results in one brother rising up against the other and killing him. Within the initial four chapters of the Bible, we witness the first act of martyrdom (or religious persecution)? Cain killing Abel (Genesis 4:2-8).



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The Filmmaker’s Journey: Patterns of Evidence - EXODUS – *You Never Know Where A Crisis of Faith Will Lead You (DVD)*. A debate rages over the credibility of the Bible. Most archaeologists today have concluded that there’s no evidence that the Exodus of Israelite slaves from Egypt ever happened. Filmmaker Timothy Mahoney faces a crisis of faith: “Is this foundational event of the Bible really just a myth?” He embarks on a 12-year journey around the world to search for answers.

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Trouble on the Way – *Persecution in the Christian Life* by Floyd A Brobbel (272 BRO). While most of us have heard about Christians suffering for their faith, we tend to think “persecution” mainly impacts believers in times past or in hostile nations today, far removed from our daily lives. But this eye-opening book describes the various stages of persecution, revealing that persecution is something all followers of the Way can expect to face in this fallen world. Trouble on the Way will not only help readers recognize persecution in all its forms but enable them to stand firm against it. The book does not promote a “doormat” Christianity but rather asserts quite the opposite – a victorious, resilient faith that not only survives but thrives as it encounters the very gates of hell.

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The Beauty & Glory of Christ’s Bride – edited by Joel Beeke (262.77 BEE). . . . unpacks three overarching themes looking at the loveliness of Christ’s bride, walking in the path with Christ’s bride, and sharing in the sorrow and hope of Christ’s bride. Specific topics addressed include the beauty of the church’s essence, communion, holiness, unity, diversity, membership, preaching, worship, sacraments, discipline, mission, persecution, and future glory. Together these chapters form an appreciative and practical book on the doctrine of the church, stirring up believers to have greater devotion to Christ’s bride. Two chapters are written by each author, including Michael Barrett, Joel R. Beeke, Gerald Bilkes, Conrad Mbewe, David Murray, and William VanDoodewaard.

