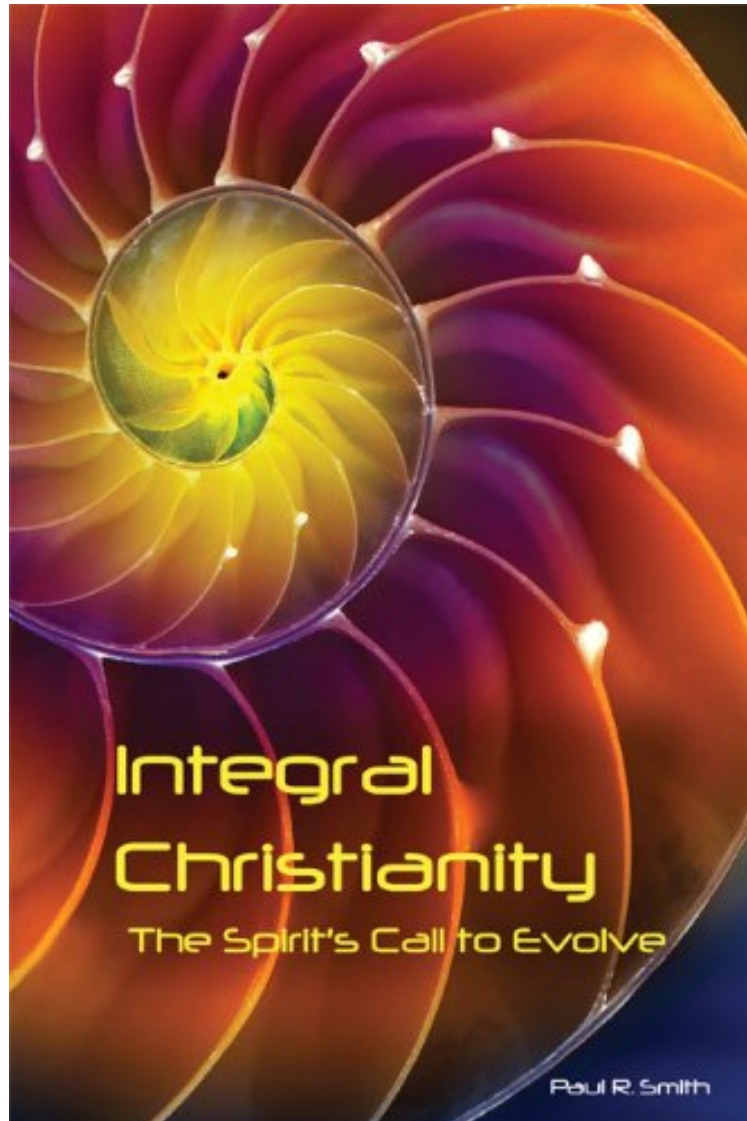


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amerikanischer Spielart). Das typisierte Entwicklungsmodell der verschiedenen Auffassungen von Gott, Jesus und der Kirche (Kapitel 1-6) kann sehr viel zu einem besseren Verständnis und zur Berwindung alter theologischer Streitfragen und Konflikte beitragen, die auch in Europa, ja weltweit akut sind. Kapitel 7 ldt zu einer radikal neuen Lesart der gesamten Bibel ein, und zwar auf eine rein "jesuanische" Art., die manche erschrecken wird. Trotz seines eindeutig kirchlichen und christlichen Standpunkts verweist der Autor auch immer wieder auf die spirituellen Wege und Werte der grossen Weltreligionen und mystischen Traditionen, welche er genau so wertschätzt wie seine eigene. Das Buch wrde eine deutsche bersetzung verdienen. 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Der nchste Schritt Von Frank Puckelwald Es ist wohl ber dreissig Jahre her, dass ich ein englisches Buch zur Hand genommen habe. Dieses hier werde ich noch oft zur Hand nehmen. Theologisch eine hervorragende Interpretation der kirchlichen und theologischen Entwicklungen quer durch Epochen. Der integrale Ansatz ist absolut notwendig, wenn christliche Theologie und Kirchen weiter Menschen erreichen wollen. Bzw: wenn sie lebendig bleiben und sich weiterentwickeln wollen Sehr zu empfehlen! 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Tolles Buch Von Daniel Roth Das Buch bietet einen tollen historischen berblick und beschreibt das Christentum auf den einzelnen Entwicklungsstufen. Das einzige was mir nicht so gut gefiel, ist das Paul R. Smith empfiehlt, sich auf eine bestimmte spirituelle Tradition festzulegen. Das liegt vielleicht an der traditionalistischen Prgung, die er als Pfarrer hat.

Kurzbeschreibung This book presents a model of Christianity that incorporates the insights of a Jesus-centered theology of biblical interpretation, integral philosophy, and over fifty years of pastoral experience in leading evolutionary change in the local church. The perspectives of integral theory and practice, articulated by Ken Wilber, help uncover the integral approach that Jesus advocated and demonstrated in the metaphors of his time and that traditional Christianity has largely been unable to see. Smith incorporates elements of traditional, modern, and postmodern theological viewpoints, including progressive, New Thought, and emerging/emergent ones. However, he goes beyond all of them and moves to a Christianity that is devoted to following both the historical Jesus and the Risen Christ whose Spirit beckons to us from the future. Smith says, The oldest thing you can say about God is that God is always doing something new. Jesus pushed his own religion to newness by including the best of its past, and transcending the worst of its present. He calls us to do the same, whatever our religion is today. Jesus continues to be a prototype for all spiritual paths in their task of keeping up with the Spirit's evolutionary impulse to welcome the next stage. Pressestimmen "Integral Christianity is an absolutely superb application of Integral Theory in all its dimensions to Christianity itself, resulting in a truly Integral Christianity. This book is highly recommended for not only individuals of any major religion, but also for agnostics and atheists looking to make sense of ultimate issues and absolute realities. The answers to many of your questions can be found here!" --Ken Wilber, The Integral Vision "Clarifying, honest, courageous, and genuinely helpful. All sincere believers and seekers should welcome this book." --Fr. Richard Rohr, OFM, founder of the center for Action and Contemplation, author of Things Hidden "Paul Smith gives us a fine book on integral Christianity. It speaks directly to Christians as well as other religious persons everywhere. Highly recommended." --Allan Combs, author of Consciousness Explained Better and Radiance of Being "So far as I am aware, this is the first attempt to systematically apply Wilber's integral paradigm to Christian faith and practice. It works not only because he understands Wilber very well, but because he knows Christianity like the back of his hand...it's triply credible because of the joy and luminosity of his being that shines through on every page." --Rev. Dr. Cynthia Bourgeault, author of The Wisdom of Jesus

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