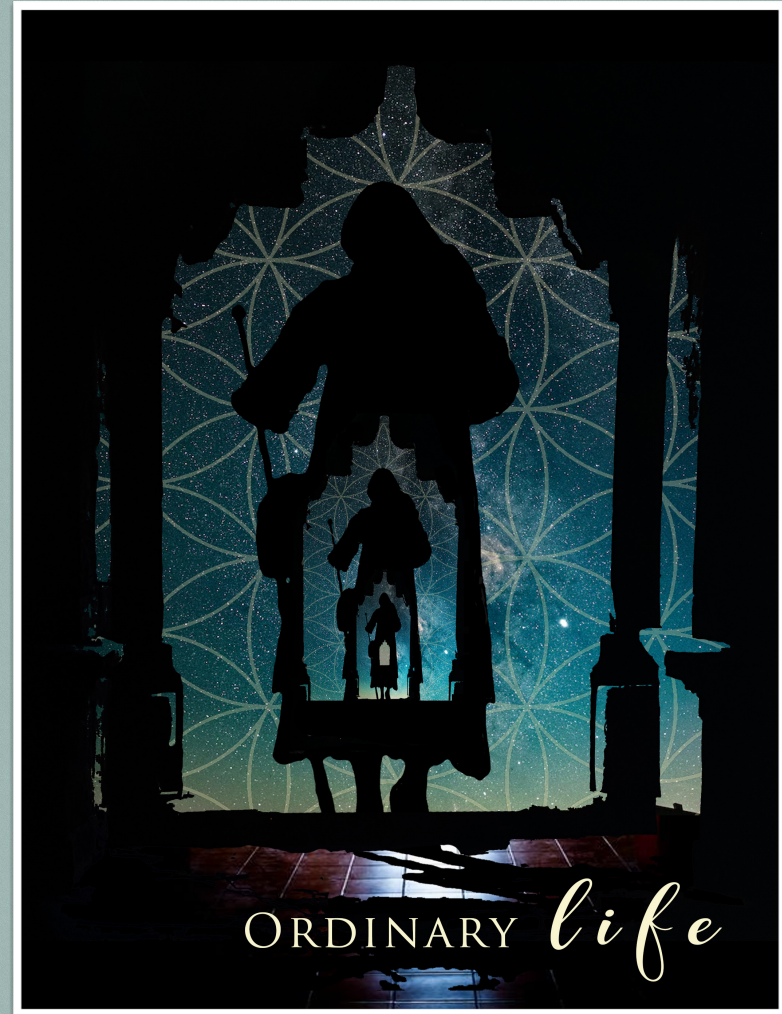


*Living in the  
Sacred Stream*



Ordinary LIFE



*No matter who you are, no  
matter where you are in  
your spiritual journey, you  
are **celebrated** here.*



# SILENCE

*Be Present*

*Be Open*

*Be Awake*



*Grace be in our heads, and in our thinking.  
Grace be in our eyes, and in our seeing.  
Grace be in our ears, and in our hearing.  
Grace be in our mouths, and in our speaking.  
Grace be in our hearts, and in our  
understanding.  
Grace be in our end, and at our departing.*



Being here can feel hazardous  
because what we are seeking to  
accomplish here is not easy, simple,  
or quick.





Ordinary LIFE





*Ordinary* LIFE



"I know the answer is Jesus but it sounds like a squirrel."

An example of the church teaching people what to see and now how to see.



**Being set free to live in the “sacred stream” means -**

gaining clarity about the teachings of  
Jesus

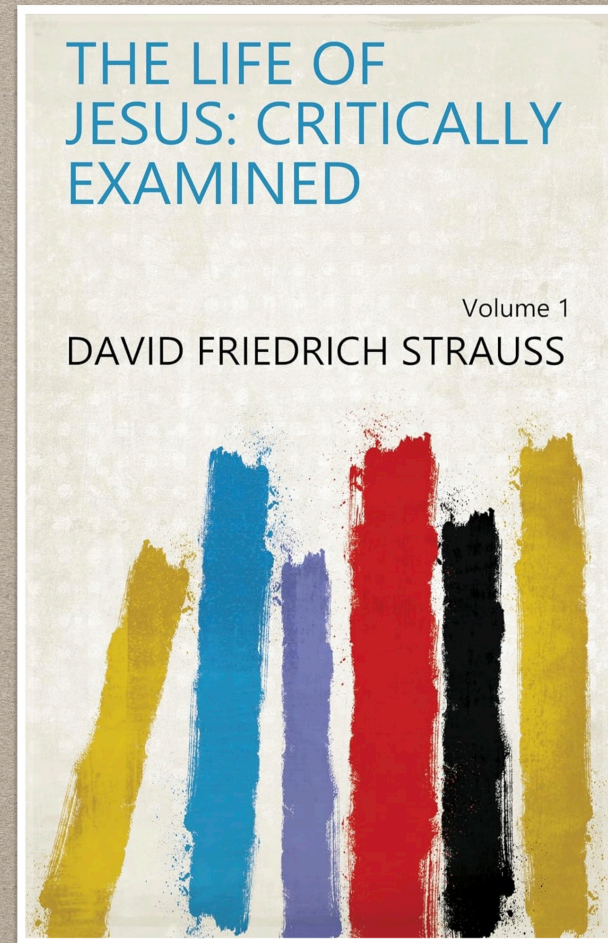
growing in our “self-understanding”  
consciously participating in the  
evolutionary process



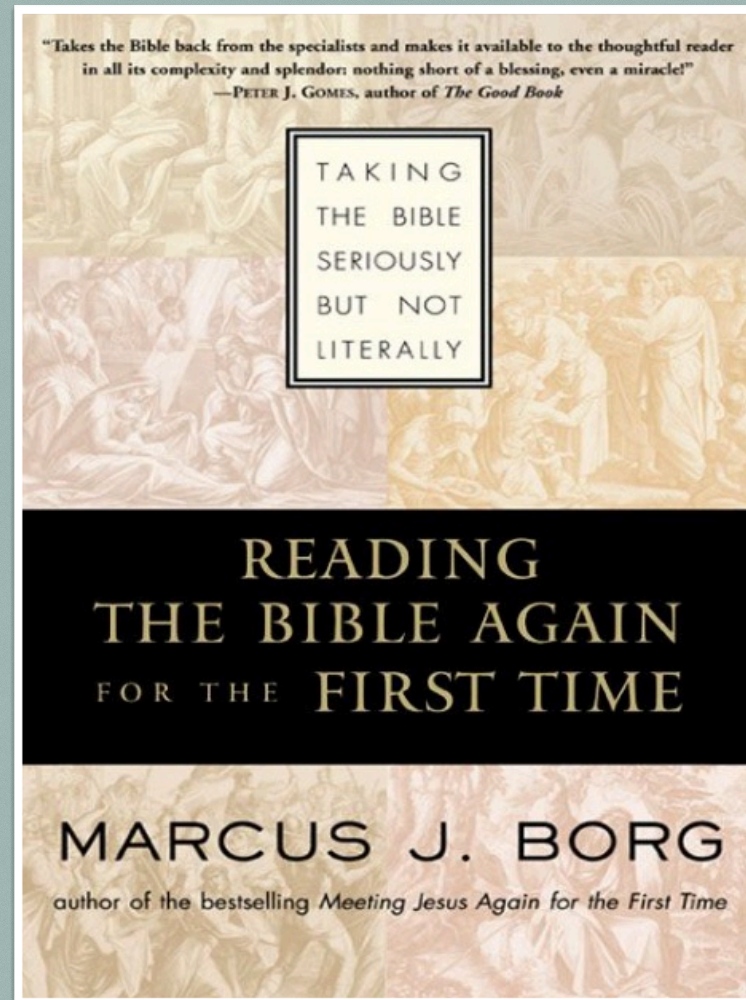
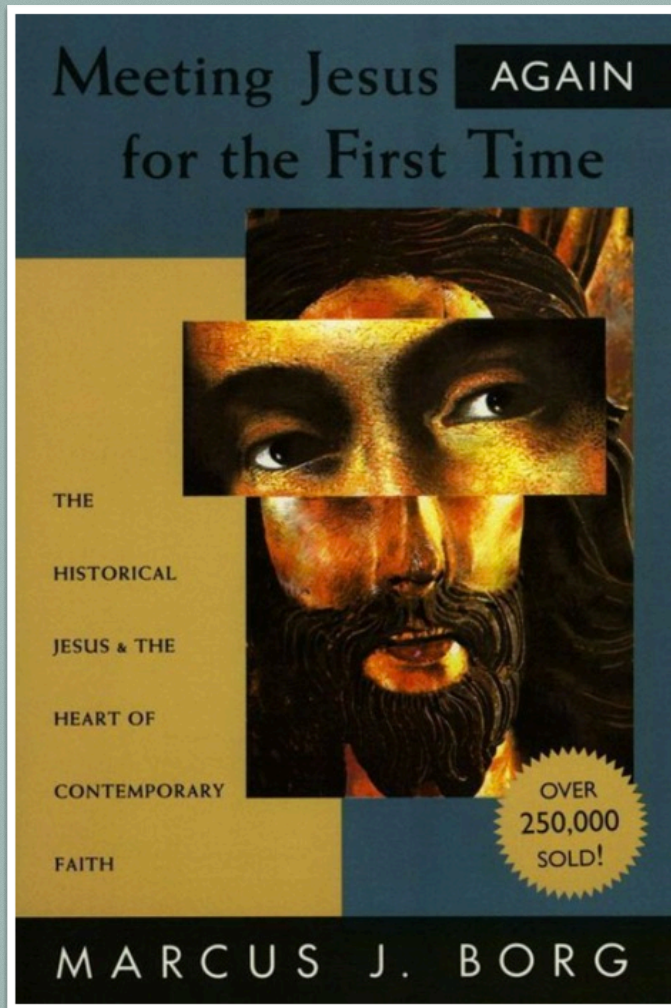


*David Friedrich Strauss*  
1808 - 1870

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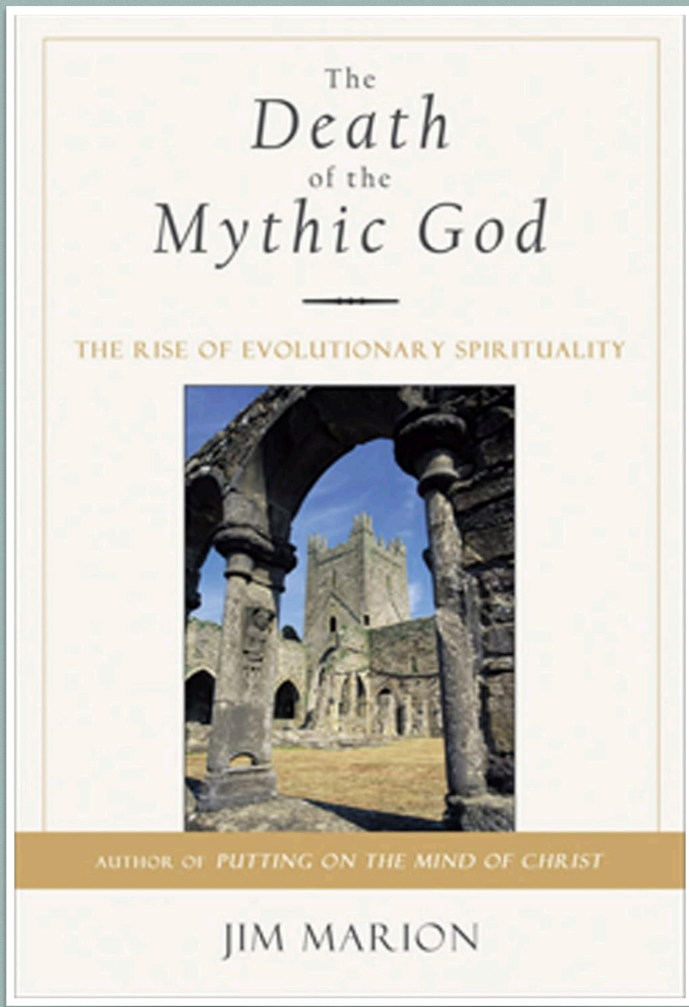






It is only when we transcend the values of tribalism that we ever experience renewal. We have to pick a road to travel and I'm suggesting the one that Jesus traveled.





## **A Model of Conscious Development**

*Archaic Consciousness*

*Magical Consciousness*

*Mythic Consciousness*

*Rational Consciousness*

*Vision-Logic Consciousness*

*Psychic Consciousness*

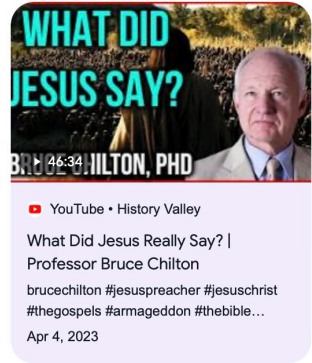
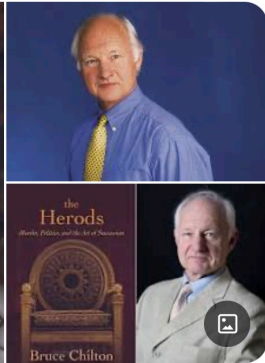
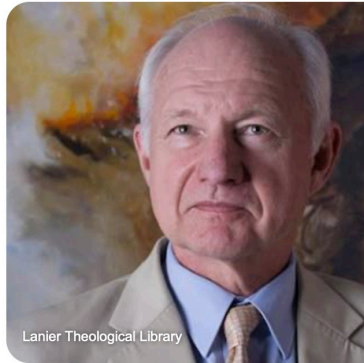
*Christ Consciousness*



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**“Change your  
level of  
consciousness.”**



"Love your neighbor as yourself,"  
isn't a command.

It is a law of life!

We do love others as we love and  
care for ourselves.



We are in a time of deep change.  
We can move through this time with more ease and effectiveness if we are clear about the path we are following.



## **EXCURSION ON THE MORAL OBLIGATION TO BE HAPPY**

The desire to be happy and the feeling of unhappiness are one and the same.

Happiness is not something we seek.

Happiness is something we become.

Happiness is a byproduct of doing things that are challenging, meaningful, beautiful and worthwhile.



There are no indisputable facts of  
history.

Knowing that something happened is not  
the same as knowing what happened.

All history is constructed.

The "real Jesus" is unavailable to us.



## **Things we can affirm about Jesus and what he taught:**

a wisdom teacher

a healer

taught an ethic of trust

taught universal kinship

his teachings are marked by celebration and joy

a person of integrity



*I believe that living by the wisdom teaching of  
Jesus we can be healed.*

*This healing lies in trusting that it is both okay to  
go forward and to live as Jesus did, loving each  
other and all others as the relatives we are and  
to celebrate life to the hilt - to live with joy.*

*Maybe even to know that we have a moral  
obligation not only to do these things -  
but also to be happy.*



No matter where you go this week, no matter what happens, remember this: You carry precious cargo. So, watch your step.