

Love in Religion: An Annotated Bibliography

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Introduction

This bibliography is organized by decade, and alphabetically by author surname within decades. Items that have already been read and annotated appear in bold and the annotations appear in square brackets below the bibliography entry.

In 2003, an extensively annotated bibliography by Thomas Jay Oord of works pertaining to the interface between love and science appeared in a volume edited by Stephen G. Post, Bryon Johnson, Michael E. McCullough, and Jeffrey P. Schloss.¹ In order to avoid duplication, where works listed in our bibliography are also presented in Oord's survey, this has been noted and reference given of where a précis of the work in question can be found.

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[Joseph N. Bell's daring endeavour succeeded in showing that the concept of love played a significant role among leading later Hanbali theologians, that is, in the works of Ibn al-Jawzi (d. 1200), Ibn Taymiyya (d. 1328) and his erudite disciple Ibn Qayyim al-Jawziyya (d. 1350), and finally Mar'i ibn Yusuf (d. 1624). The author skilfully navigates his way through a labyrinth of often complex arguments concerning the theory of love, but keeps his eye focused on the conceptual unity underlying the statements on love scattered throughout these leading later Hanbalite authors. This book requires a careful study due to its density, and provides a remarkable amount of information. Finally, the book is not restricted to the Hanbalite position towards sacred and profane love but extends into the fields of philosophy, theology and Sufism.]

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[Levinas discusses the text *Yossel, son of Yossel Rakover from Tarnopol, speaks to God*. He states that in Judaism the link between God and humanity is different to that in Christianity: it is not an emotional communion that relies on God's incarnate love, but it is a spiritual or intellectual relationship. This relationship is possible through an education in the Torah. 'It is precisely a word, not incarnate, from God that ensures a living God among us.' (144) To love the Torah more than God is to avoid direct contact with God, unmediated by reason. For Levinas, it also gives the loving agent access to a personal God who is real through the Law. Levinas sets up a dialectic between the hidden God and the human being who has recognised God and who can therefore demand that God show Godself, which puts God and the human on an equal footing within their disproportion.]

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