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Legacy of Sacrifice: Missionaries to Scandinavia, 1872–94
By Susan Easton Black, Shauna C. Anderson, and Ruth Ellen Maness

It takes courage to accept a religion that requires sacrifices of the heart. The nineteenth-century Scandinavian converts are a commendable example of this courage. They gave up worldly goods, standing in the community, and sometimes their life for their newfound beliefs. As a family history resource, this compilation contains vital information, scrupulously researched, about each of these valiant missionaries. Other features include explanations of surnames in Scandinavian countries, a pronunciation guide and photos.

$39.95, 978-0-8425-2668-5

Celebrating Easter: The 2006 BYU Easter Conference
Edited by Thomas A. Wayment and Keith J. Wilson

Some of the most recognized verses in all of scripture reflect the triumph of Easter: “And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him” (Mark 16:6). This volume is a collection of essays from the 2006 BYU Easter Conference and reflects some of the ways in which we think about Easter. Topics ranged from direct studies about how Latter-day Saint celebrate and teach Easter to technical aspects of the Savior’s trial and His Jewish antagonists’ approach to His miracles.

Regional Studies in Latter-day Saint Church History: Ohio and Upper Canada
Edited by Guy L. Dorius, Craig K. Manscill, and Craig James Ostler

Ohio became the first gathering place for the Saints in this dispensation when the Lord declared, “A commandment I give unto the church, that it is expedient in me that they should assemble together at the Ohio” (D&C 37:3). Almost half of the revelations in the Doctrine and Covenants were received in Ohio. Soon, stretching northward into Canada, the message of the restored gospel reached the homes of John Taylor, Mary Fielding, and other early converts. Contributors include Richard E. Bennett, David F. Boone, Richard O. Cowan, and Kip Sperry.

$19.95, ISBN 978-0-8425-2653-1

How the New Testament Came to Be: The 35th Annual Sidney B. Sperry Symposium
Edited by Kent P. Jackson and Frank F. Judd Jr.

Who wrote the New Testament? Did Matthew really write Matthew? Who decided which ancient Gospels to include and which to reject? How were the New Testament’s books written, and how did they make their way into the Bible? Who decided which ancient books were scripture, and who decided the sequence that we have today? How the New Testament Came to Be, the papers of the 2006 Sperry Symposium, explores these questions and others in the light of ancient history, the earliest New Testament texts, and modern revelation.

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Nineteenth-Century Saints at War
Edited by Robert C. Freeman

Nineteenth-Century Saints at War starts where other books on the topic end, with insights on the experiences of men and women who participated in the American wars of the nineteenth century. The authors highlight the various responses of individual Latter-day Saints and the Church itself to the national conflicts that engulfed America during a turbulent
century. These men and women were both citizens of the United States and also citizens of the kingdom of God.


Edited by Frank F. Judd Jr. and Gaye Strathearn

“The challenge of Jesus was to replace the rigid, technical ‘thou shalt not’ of the law of Moses that the spiritually immature children of Israel needed with the spirit of the ‘better testament,’” writes President James E. Faust in his chapter “A Surety of a Better Testament.” This volume brings together some of the most instructive and inspirational articles ever written on the New Testament. Topics include the life of Jesus Christ, the culture in which He lived, and the obstacles He and His Apostles confronted in trying to teach the higher law. Featured authors include President James E. Faust; Elders John K. Carmack, Jay E. Jensen, L. Aldin Porter, and Gerald N. Lund; and many religious educators at Brigham Young University.

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Mormon Thoroughfare: A History of the Church in Illinois, 1830–1839
By Marlene C. Kettley, Arnold K. Garr, and Craig K. Manscill

Latter-day Saints may think Church history in Illinois began in 1839 with the establishment of the city of Nauvoo. However, Illinois became the Mormon thoroughfare of the 1830s when the missionaries to the Lamanites unexpectedly had to cross the state on their trip from Ohio to Missouri. This occurrence made Illinois one of only four states to receive missionaries in the year 1830. The Church grew rapidly, and by 1835 it was likely the fourth largest religious body in the state. The book tells of the conversion of future Apostle Charles C. Rich in the 1830s. It also talks about the Latter-day Saint involvement in a “Mormon War” that occurred during this time. In addition, it discusses the events of Zion’s Camp, the Kirtland Camp, and the Saints’ exodus from Missouri to Quincy, Illinois.

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