

Recommended Bibliography

- Greg Bahnsen, *Theonomy in Christian Ethics* (Phillipsburg: Presbyterian and Reformed, 1984). The standard statement and defense of theonomy.
- D. A. Carson, *Christ & Culture Revisited* (Eerdmans 2008). A fresh and helpful look at the ground covered in H. Richard Niebuhr's *Christ and Culture*.
- John Fea, *Was America Founded as a Christian Nation? An Historical Introduction* (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2011). A helpful survey of the role of Christian thinking in the founding of the Republic—more complex than often understood.
- Greg Foster, *The Contest Public Square: The Crisis of Christianity and Politics* (Downers Grove: InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, 2008). A plea for a more constructive approach to evangelical engagement in the public square.
- Gregg L. Frazer, *The Religious Beliefs of America's Founders: Reason, Revelation, and Revolution* (Lawrence: University of Kansas Press, 2012). Another careful look at the complexity of the answer to the question as to whether or not America was founded as a “Christian” nation.
- Richard M. Gamble, *In Search of the City on a Hill: The Making and Unmaking of an American Myth* (Continuum, 2012). A new look at Winthrop's famous sermon explaining how his use of a biblical metaphor has been secularized in contemporary American politics.
- Richard M. Gamble, *The War for Righteousness* (Wilmington: ISI Books, 2003). Gamble deals with the progressive (liberal) attempt to define America in a messianic nation which will save the world.
- Philip Hamburger, *Separation of Church and State* (Harvard University Press, 2002). The definitive study of Jefferson's “wall of separation.”
- Nathan O. Hatch, *The Democratization of American Christianity* (Yale: 1989). Important study of the corrosive effects of American individualism upon historic Protestant Christianity.
- Darryl Hart, *A Secular Faith: Why Christianity Favors the Separation of Church and State* (Chicago: Ivan R. Dee, 2006). A provocative defense of the Reformed doctrine of the two kingdoms.
- James Davison Hunter, *To Change the World: The Irony, Tragedy, & Possibility of Christianity in the Late Modern World* (Oxford University Press, 2010). This is a ground-breaking work and a cup of cold water in the face of those who seek to change culture through political involvement.
- Thomas S. Kidd, *God of Liberty: A Religious History of the American Revolution* (New York: Basic Books, 2010). Another important look at the role of Christianity in the founding of the Republic.
- Abraham Kuyper, *Lectures on Calvinism* (Eerdmans, 1931). The classic statement of what has come to be known as “sphere-sovereignty” (Kuyperianism).
- H. Richard Niebuhr, *Christ and Culture* (Harper, 1951). Influential volume categorizing the different Christian approaches to interaction with culture.

- Oliver O'Donovan, *The Desire of the Nations: Rediscovering the Roots of Political Theology* (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1996). O'Donovan's work attempts to establish a basis for a contemporary Christian political theology.
- Oliver O'Donovan, *The Resurrection and Moral Order: An Outline for Evangelical Ethics* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1986). O'Donovan grounds Christian ethics in the new creation brought about by Christ's resurrection.
- Oliver O'Donovan and Joan Lockwood O'Donovan, *From Irenaeus to Grotius: A Sourcebook in Christian Political Thought* (Eerdmans, 1999). Superb anthology of primary source readings on this topic across the centuries.
- Alan Ryan, *On Politics: A History of Political Thought in Two Volumes* (New York: Norton, 2012). An engaging and well-written history of political theory from Athens to the modern world.
- Quentin Skinner, *The Foundations of Modern Political Thought, Volume One, The Renaissance* (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1978).
- Quentin Skinner, *The Foundations of Modern Political Thought, Volume Two, The Age of Reformation* (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1978). Skinner's two volumes are the standard university-level survey of political theory through the era of the Reformation and its antecedents.
- David VanDrunen, *Divine Covenants and Moral Order: A Biblical Theology of Natural Law* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2014). An important book which establishes the biblical foundation for a doctrine of natural law.
- David VanDrunen, *Living in God's Two Kingdoms* (Wheaton: Crossway 2010). The best contemporary statement of Reformed two kingdom thinking.
- David VanDrunen, *Natural Law and the Two Kingdoms* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2010). Magisterial study of the development of two kingdoms in Reformed thought.
- Albert M. Wolters, *Creation Regained: The Biblical Basics for a Reformational Worldview* (Eerdmans, 2005). The definitive statement and defense of "neo-Calvinism."
- John Howard Yoder, *The Politics of Jesus* (Eerdmans, 2004). Influential contemporary statement of the Anabaptist approach to political engagement.