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Dynamics of Christian Worship Series *Recapturing an Enchanted World* *Ritual and Sacrament in the Free Church Tradition*

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IVP Academic, with the publication of *Recapturing an Enchanted World* by John Rempel, is pleased to launch the Dynamics of Christian Worship (DCW) series. Enabling Christians to grow in their understanding of the many aspects of Christian worship, this series harvests the fruits of biblical, theological, historical, practical, and liturgical scholarship.

Worship of the triune God stands at the heart of the Christian life, so understanding the many dynamics of Christian worship—including prayer, reading the Bible, preaching, baptism, the Lord's Supper, music, visual art, architecture, and more—is both a perennial and crucial issue for the church. With that in mind, the Dynamics of Christian Worship (DCW) series seeks to enable Christians to grow in their understanding of the many aspects of Christian worship. By harvesting the fruits of biblical, theological, historical, practical, and liturgical scholarship and by drawing from a wide range of worshiping contexts and denominational backgrounds, the DCW series seeks to deepen both the theology and practice of Christian worship for the life of the church.

"The communion of saints in Christ's church is constituted by the exchange of gifts, as we share insights and testimonies with each other about what we are learning as we follow Jesus and seek to worship the triune God," said John Witvliet, professor of worship, theology, and congregational and ministry studies at Calvin College, who also serves as an advisory board member for the series. "IVP Academic's Dynamics of Christian Worship series promises to be a rich exchange of gifts, drawn from many disciplines and many kinds of worshiping communities, with insights that promise to equip and strengthen us for vital and faithful worship."

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- John Rempel, *Recapturing an Enchanted World: Ritual and Sacrament in the Free Church Tradition*,
- Glenn Packiam, *Worship and the World to Come: Exploring Christian Hope in Contemporary Worship*,
- Esther Crookshank, *Christ Our Song: Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs in the History of Worship from the Early Church to Watts*,
- Noel Snyder, *A Musical Homiletic* (title not final).

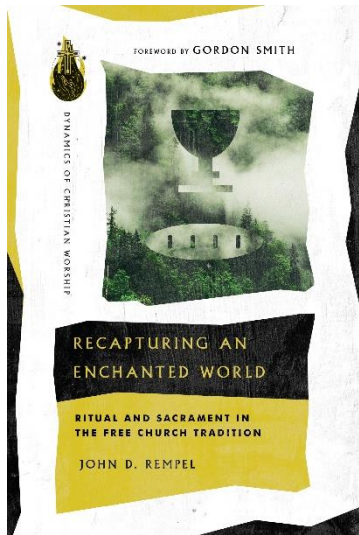
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The advisory board for the series includes the following professors of music, worship, pastoral ministry, liturgical studies, and art as well as administrators at institutions focusing on worship and those who work in the field of worship:

- Constance Cherry, Indiana Wesleyan University
- Carlos Colón, Baylor University
- James Hart, Robert E. Webber Institute for Worship Studies
- Todd Johnson, Fuller Theological Seminary
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- Lester Ruth, Duke Divinity School
- John Witvliet, Calvin Institute of Christian Worship

"Throughout its history, IVP has published and continues to publish books on the theme of Christian worship, so this topic is familiar to our readership," said David McNutt, series editor. "We are thus well positioned to capitalize on the interest in this theme and the academic work being produced in this field by providing these resources to an established audience."



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