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## Outcalt's "The Other Jesus: Stories From World Religions" (Book Review)

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issue, as Moore makes clear. The entire American church has to regroup and rethink how and why we do what we do. Any perceived moral majority of the past has changed. Christians are the perceived fringe element and Moore advocates we embrace the strangeness.

*Onward* is packed with pithy sayings that will work well in our media age of tweets and photos with quote graphics. That doesn't mean Moore's book is lightweight or not to be taken seriously. He unpacks everything clearly and points readers to the proper understanding of the problems we face. He reminds us all that we wrestle not against flesh and blood but against principalities. This should cause us to always have compassion and respect toward those with whom we disagree, and it always means we argue differently. We don't argue just to be right. We contend for the culture because of the gospel, but with the full understanding that our work will only ever be partially done. Only Christ can make all things right and all things new. Until then, we march onward.

I whole-heartedly commend this volume.

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**The Other Jesus: Stories From World Religions,**

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Todd Outcalt, United Methodist pastor and author of *Before You Say, "I Do,"* undertakes a daunting task in his most recent publication, *The Other Jesus*. In this work, Outcalt sets out to discover and communicate the presence of Jesus in the sacred texts of several major world religions. Although many scholarly works have examined the presence of Judeo-Christian deities in the other religious traditions, Outcalt writes to laymen, which allows his book to reach a wider audience. Each chapter examines a separate world religion, exploring representations of Jesus and encouraging Christians to allow their faith to grow through new perspectives. The final chapter includes an overview of Christianity's oral and written tradition of Jesus and how it has changed throughout history. Outcalt's text is readable, informative, thoroughly researched and documented. The appendices include a chronological list of "Jesus Traditions and Writings," chapter notes, a glossary, and citations.

Outcalt's text would be an excellent addition to both academic libraries and adult sections of church libraries. It assumes a developed faith, that is able ask questions and consider new perspectives.