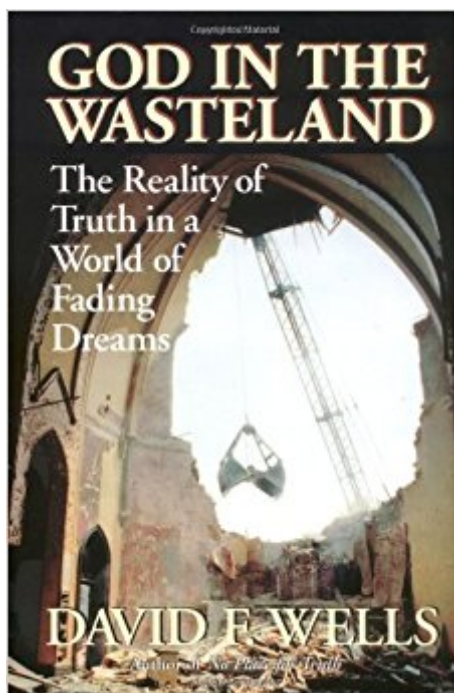


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God In The Wasteland: The Reality Of Truth In A World Of Fading Dreams



Synopsis

In this sequel to the widely praised *No Place for Truth*, David Wells calls for the restoration of the church based on a fresh encounter with the transcendent God. By looking anew at the way God's transcendence and immanence have been taken captive by modern appetites, Wells argues convincingly for a reform of the evangelical world.

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Continuing the examination of evangelical theology he started in *No Place for Truth*; or, *Whatever Happened to Evangelical Theology* (Eerdmans, 1993), Wells expands on the previous work by offering a remedy to the diminished place of theology in the church by suggesting a return to a belief in God and away from culture modernization or worldliness. Wells is convincing in his statements that mass consumerism and self-obsession lead to mega-churches where the "consumer is sovereign, the product (in this God himself) must be subservient." A comparative survey of seminarians conducted during 1988 and 1993 provides support for this religion of civility. An extensive bibliography makes this book a useful addition for more substantial religion collections. L. Kriz, Sioux City P.L., Ia. Copyright 1994 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Digital edition.

David F. Wells's award-winning book *No Place for Truth*--called 'a stinging indictment of evangelicalism's theological corruption' by TIME magazine--woke many evangelicals to the fact that

their tradition has slowly but surely capitulated to the values and structures of the modern world. In *God in the Wasteland* Wells continues his work on a biblical antidote to the modernity that has invaded today's church.

In "God in the Wasteland..." David Wells continues the examination of the decline of evangelicalism he began in "No Place for Truth" taking it to such a depth of content and analysis that there is no doubt in my mind that we are in trouble. Modernity (or Post-modernity depending on your view) has infiltrated the church to such a degree that we are more worldly than not. Dr. Wells calls us to let God "weigh heavily" on us and the Church. He calls us to be turn away from the worldliness that we have adopted and turn toward God. Only then can we truly be the Church, an alternate culture in a decaying world. There is so much to this argument that it would be hard to even scratch the surface in this review. I can only urge you to read and consider Dr. Wells' observations and how you need to respond to the crisis at hand. In addition to his penetrating observations Dr. Wells also includes the raw data from a study of two groups of seminarians eleven years apart and their responses to a battery of questions designed to assess their world-view. This fascinating book is a must read for all those concerned with the state of the Church.

I was amazed at the depth of this book. Chapter after chapter Wells was able to pin point weaknesses and compromises being made daily in our churches. This book is not just a for pastors and clergy, its a laity book that takes the reader into areas of church life that will make or break Christianity.

I was not familiar with David Wells until this year, but having read "No Place for Truth," I could not wait to read this one. I am now on my fourth book by David Wells since May and looking forward to two more this summer. His work is well documented, thought provoking, and well written. If you like to think, then I highly recommend David F. Wells, "God in the Wastelands."

This book is extremely important to read. It's hard- that is, it is to be read slowly and a bit at a time. However, its message is critical to our day. Though it was published almost 20 years ago, its message is even more true and significant today. One of the best books I have ever read.

Very scholarly work that requires considerable thought and concentration

Arrived in the condition as advertised. David Wells is a brilliant writer and thinker.

Great book. The language is a little difficult, however, once the concepts are grasped it give quite an insight into the Church and its ability to thrive in modern society.

Excellent product - Delivered on time and I am very pleased with the item!

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