

OTHER BOOKS OF INTEREST

For the Least of These: A Biblical Answer to Poverty

Anne R. Bradley and Arthur W. Lindsley (Editors)

Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan, 2015

Glenn Sunshine, Fr. Robert Sirico, Lawrence Reed, Marvin Olasky, and Jay Richards are among the contributors to this collection, which is edited by the academic vice presidents at the Institute for Faith, Work, and Economics. The essays offer both theoretical and practical guidance on poverty and poverty alleviation from a perspective that is both market-oriented and explicitly Christian.

Jesus Christ: The New Face of Social Progress

Peter J. Casarella (Editor)

Grand Rapids, Michigan: Eerdmans, 2015

The editor gathered scholars from a variety of disciplines to reflect on the implications of Pope Benedict XVI's social encyclical, *Caritas in Veritate*. Contributors include theologians J. Brian Benestad and D. Stephen Long and economists Simona Beretta and Daniel Finn, as well as Archbishop Celestino Migliore and Cardinal Peter Turkson.

Business Ethics in Biblical Perspective: A Comprehensive Introduction

Michael E. Cafferky

Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic, 2015

This weighty text for Christian business courses includes a discussion of the foundations of business ethics in Scripture, a survey of the most common contemporary approaches to business ethics, and discussions of the ethical issues that are pertinent to each of several fields such as marketing and finance.

From Dependence to Dignity: How to Alleviate Poverty Through Church-Centered Microfinance

Brian Fikkert and Russell Mask

Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan, 2015

An entry into the large and growing literature on micro-lending as a means of poverty alleviation, this book explores the track record of church involvement in microfinance. Drawing lessons from that experience, it encourages religious institutions to continue to participate in such projects but to do so in ways that ensure the long-term success of both the poor and the church.

Taking a Stand: Reflections on Life, Liberty, and the Economy

Robert Higgs

Oakland, California: Independent Institute, 2015

The book consists of ninety-nine brief essays by the prolific author, a libertarian economist. The topics covered are extremely wide-ranging, from the welfare state to monetary policy; from libertarianism to memorial tributes to Anna Schwartz, Milton Friedman, Murray Rothbard, and others. “Creative Destruction—The Best Game in Town,” and “Will the Real Rate of Unemployment Please Stand Up?” are two of the titles.

The Economics of Immigration: Market-Based Approaches, Social Science, and Public Policy

Benjamin Powell (Editor)

New York: Oxford University Press, 2015

In part 1, economists examine empirical questions related to immigration such as “the economic effects of international labor mobility.” The authors in part 2 offer various ideas for reforming current public policy on immigration.

Choice: Cooperation, Enterprise, and Human Action

Robert P. Murphy

Oakland, California: Independent Institute, 2015

This is an attempt to render the principles contained in the classic Austrian economics text, Ludwig von Mises’ *Human Action*, more accessible to contemporary, nonspecialist readers. Like Mises, Murphy sees voluntary human cooperation as the key to prosperity and human flourishing.

Markets without Limits: Moral Virtues and Commercial Interests
Jason F. Brennan and Peter Jaworski
New York: Routledge, 2016

The authors examine markets in controversial areas such as voting, human organs, surrogacy, and sex. They argue that, “contrary to the conservative consensus ... there are no inherent limits to what can be bought and sold, but only restrictions on how we buy and sell.”

Culture and Economic Action
Laura E. Grube and Virgil Henry Storr (Editors)
Cheltenham, United Kingdom: Edward Elgar, 2015

From the shared perspective of Austrian economics, the authors of this book’s twenty essays explore such topics as “markets as an extension of culture,” “culture and the Kirznerian entrepreneur,” and “the culture and political economy of drug prohibition.”

Philosophy, Politics, and Economics: An Anthology
Jonathan Anomaly, Geoffrey Brennan, Michael C. Munger,
and Geoffrey Sayre-McCord
New York: Oxford University Press, 2015

Designed as a college textbook, this collection includes selections from thinkers spanning twenty-five centuries of Western thought on the title’s subject, from Plato to Martha Nussbaum. (Twentieth-century authors predominate.) Each chapter is comprised of a piece from each of three to five important figures on a given topic, ranging from political authority to market fairness to public choice. The final chapter delves more deeply into specific contemporary issues under the title “markets on the margin”; these include drugs, human organs, and sweatshops.