

Christians and Religious Pluralism: Patterns in the Christian Theology of Religions - 1983 - SCM Press, 1983 - 9780334020929 - Hugh Montefiore, Alan Race

A Christian Theology of Religions The Rainbow of Faiths. John Hick. Westminster John Knox Press Louisville, Kentucky. There is a range of understandings of religious pluralism, and in the 1994 Auburn Lectures at Union Theological Seminary, New York, I was asked to respond to criticisms of the version that I have advocated. This sees the great world faiths as very different but (so far as we can tell) equally valid ways of conceiving, experiencing, and responding in life to the ultimate reality that we call God. This book is concerned primarily with the intellectual problem as this is being addressed by theologians and philosophers. We have to begin by recognizing that almost every topic in these two fields, philosophy and theology, is controversial. It is in the area of religious pluralism, however, that Hick will long cite this item. 1 Religious Pluralism and John Hick. Having considered Hick's philosophy of pluralism in the last chapter, I am now ready to examine Hick's theology of pluralism, concentrating especially on his Christology for a pluralistic age. As one of the leading philosophers of religion of our time, Hick has not only been active in the contemporary theological scene, his contributions, particularly in the area of Christology, have been very significant. Specifically, Hick has attempted to advance the limits of the traditional boundaries of Christology beyond the understanding of Christ and Christianity to the world of religions. Tradition "A scintillating examination of the reality of religious pluralism in the world's faiths coupled with nuanced analysis of how the future of theology is interreligious theology developed through interreligious dialogue. Schmidt-Leukel has raised the bar for the next generation of theologians who should strive to be literate in more than two religions." - Peter Adirand, in Reviews in Religion and Theology, "This book is the most significant contribution to date to have emerged out of debates in theology of religions and comparative theology over the last couple of decades. Religious pluralism is an attitude or policy regarding the diversity of religious belief systems co-existing in society. It can indicate one or more of the following: As the name of the worldview according to which one's own religion is not held to be the sole and exclusive source of truth, and thus the acknowledgement that at least some truths and true values exist in other religions.