

This collection of essays seeks to answer the following question: when Christians speak of the death of Christ as a sacrifice what have they meant and does it make sense today? The political and psychological connotations of sacrificial language have in modern times given rise to great unease. The book contains studies of these difficult and controversial matters at the formative moments in history, from Old Testament times to contemporary theology. The variety of points of view expressed reflects the diversity of modern approaches to this topic.



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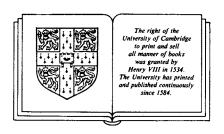


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