



In Search of Origins: The Beginnings of Religions in Western Theory and Archaeological Practice (2nd Revised edition)

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New Dawn Press. Hardback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, In Search of Origins: The Beginnings of Religions in Western Theory and Archaeological Practice (2nd Revised edition), Garry Trompf, Religion is an integral part of our life. The answer to the question what is religion is subjective. Since the word 'religion' and its cognates are common coinage across the literate world, most of us will have a fair appreciation of the term's connotations. Considering students and scholars alike are lacking an introductory textbook on the origins of religion in modern Western theory and archaeological practice, this work is designed to fill the lacuna. Historians of ideas and social science are often not clear as to how any given theory of religion might pertain to the known archaeological record, while exponents of prehistoric religion have worked with surprisingly narrow definitions of religious life. Many will locate the kernel of the matter in practice' or in an active spirituality. Today the pressures of the global village have forced many of us to take off our blinkers and do some cross cultural homework. Religious Studies has emerged as an academic discipline (or intellectual pursuit) with one of its functions being to facilitate mutual understanding...



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