

# Jesus For President Politics Ordinary Radicals

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**Executing Grace Shane Claiborne 2016-06-07** In this reasoned exploration of justice, retribution, and redemption, the champion of the new monastic movement, popular speaker, and author of the bestselling *The Irresistible Revolution* offers a powerful and persuasive appeal for the abolition of the death penalty. The Bible says an eye for an eye. But is the state's taking of a life true—or even practical—punishment for convicted prisoners? In this thought-provoking work, Shane Claiborne explores the issue of the death penalty and the contrast between punitive justice and restorative justice, questioning our notions of fairness, revenge, and absolution. Using an historical lens to frame his argument, Claiborne draws on testimonials and examples from Scripture to show how the death penalty is not the ideal of justice that many believe. Not only is a life lost, so too, is the possibility of mercy and grace. In *Executing Grace*, he reminds us of the divine power of forgiveness, and evokes the fundamental truth of the Gospel—that no one, even a criminal, is beyond redemption.

**From Willow Creek to Sacred Heart Chris Haw 2012** The bestselling coauthor of "Jesus for President" chronicles his fascinating spiritual journey to evangelical Christianity and then his return to Catholicism. A respectful and engaging look at the megachurch movement and a heartfelt expression of love for the Catholic Church's liturgy and its commitment to the poor.

**Christology and Whiteness George Yancy 2012** This book explores Christology through the lens of whiteness, addressing whiteness as a site of privilege and power within the specific context of Christology. It asks whether or not Jesus' life and work offers theological, religious and ethical resources that can address the question of contemporary forms of white privilege. The text seeks to encourage ways of thinking about whiteness theologically through the mission of Jesus. In this sense, white Christians are encouraged to reflect on how their whiteness is a site of tension in relation to their theological and religious framework. A distinguished team of contributors explore key topics including the Christology of domination, different images of Jesus and the question of identification with Jesus, and the Black Jesus in the inner city.

**Christian Thought Chad Meister 2016-11-10** The story of Christian thought is essential to understanding Christian faith today and the last two millennia of world history. This fresh and lively introduction explores the central ideas, persons, events, and movements that gave rise to Christian thought, from early beginnings to its present forms. By highlighting the important but often neglected role of women and the influence of non-Christian ideas and movements, this book provides a broader context for understanding the history of Christian ideas and their role in shaping our world. *Christian Thought*: provides an overview of the context of Christianity's origin, including discussion of the influence of Hebrews, Greeks, and Romans explores the major events and figures of the history of Christian thought, while drawing attention to significant voices which have often been suppressed analyses the impact on Christian thought of widely discussed events such as The Great Schism, the Scientific Revolution, and modernism surveys contemporary trends such as fundamentalism, feminism, and postmodernism. This fully revised and updated second edition features a new chapter on liberal theology and reflects recent scholarship in the field. Complete with figures, timelines and maps, this is an ideal resource for anyone wanting to learn more about the development of Christian thought and its influence over the centuries. Further teaching

and learning resources are available on the companion website at [www.routledge.com/cw/meister](http://www.routledge.com/cw/meister).

A More Perfect Union Adam Russell Taylor 2021-09-14 America is at a pivotal crossroads. The soul of our nation is at stake and in peril. A new public narrative is needed to unite Americans around common values and to counter the increasing discord and acrimony in our politics and culture. The process of healing and creating a more perfect union in our nation must start now. The moral vision of Martin Luther King Jr.'s Beloved Community, which animated and galvanized the civil rights movement of the 1950s and 1960s, provides a hopeful way forward. In A More Perfect Union, Adam Russell Taylor, president of Sojourners, reimagines a contemporary version of the Beloved Community that will inspire and unite Americans across generations, geographic and class divides, racial and gender differences, faith traditions, and ideological leanings. In the Beloved Community, neither privilege nor punishment is tied to race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, or economic status, and everyone is able to realize their full potential and thrive. Building the Beloved Community requires living out a series of commitments, such as true equality, radical welcome, transformational interdependence, E Pluribus Unum ("out of many, one"), environmental stewardship, nonviolence, and economic equity. By building the Beloved Community we unify the country around a shared moral vision that transcends ideology and partisanship, tapping into our most sacred civic and religious values, enabling our nation to live up to its best ideals and realize a more perfect union.

Jesus, Bombs, and Ice Cream Shane Claiborne 2013-01-29 In this six-session video series, Jesus, Bombs, and Ice Cream, author and activist Shane Claiborne---alongside Ben Cohen, co-founder of Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream---guides you on the audacious journey of creating a world filled with peace by ending violence wherever we can. Includes one Jesus, Bombs, and Ice Cream DVD and Study Guide."

Letters to a Future Church Chris Lewis 2012-04-07 Exiled on the island of Patmos, the apostle John found himself one day in the presence of the Son of God. As he fell down to worship, the apostle was commanded to write what he saw and heard, and to record and send messages to seven churches, encouraging them and challenging them in the way of the Lord. That was then; this is now. What might the Spirit say to our churches today? What might the Spirit be saying to you? Chris Lewis and the Epiphaneia Network put that question to their friends. This book includes some of the responses they got. With contributions from such significant voices as Andy Crouch Ron Sider Tim Challies Peter Rollins Sarah Lance Makoto Fujimura and others, Letters to a Future Church paints a portrait of the world as we have it and the mission we have in it. You may find your calling in this book; you may even find your own voice.

Jesus for President Pack Shane Claiborne 2012-01-31 Addresses the relationship between faith and allegiance, arguing that the ultimate hope of individuals lies not in partisan political options but in Jesus and the incarnation of the politic of the church as a people "set apart" from this world.

Apprentice Participant's Guide Steve Chalke 2009-08-30 The quest for meaning and purpose dwells within all of us. Jesus insisted that its fulfillment lay in a relationship with him. But what does that relationship look like—really? Apprentice calls spiritual pilgrims, both Christians and non-Christians, to exchange the shallow diversions of secular and religious culture for the pursuit of our true desires. In a book of refreshing honesty, great heart, and rich creativity, Steve Chalke guides us into an apprenticeship with the master teacher, Jesus. Embarking on a relational journey that engages us on every level, we walk with Jesus in an organic, whole-life learning experience, exploring ten areas foundational to the meaning and depth we crave. Apprentice encourages us to ask our most probing questions, embrace our doubts, and learn why we are driven to belong. Combining story and parable with thoughtful commentary, we discover the ancient art and discipline of apprenticeship— living lives stamped with the character, presence, and impact of Jesus.

Red Letter Revolution Shane Claiborne 2012-10-08 For all the Christians facing conflict between Jesus's words and their own lives, for all the non-Christians who feel they rarely see Jesus's commands reflected in the choices of his followers, Red Letter Revolution is a blueprint for a new kind of Christianity, one consciously centered on the words of Jesus, the Bible's red letters. Framed as a captivating dialogue between Shane Claiborne, a progressive young evangelical, and Tony Campolo, a seasoned pastor and professor of sociology, Red Letter Revolution is a life-altering manifesto for skeptics and Christians alike. It is a call to a lifestyle that considers first and foremost Jesus's explicit, liberating message of sacrificial love. Shane and Tony candidly bring the words of Jesus to bear on contemporary issues of violence, community, Islam, hell, sexuality, civil disobedience, and twenty other critical topics for people of faith and conscience today. The resulting conversations reveal the striking truth that Christians guided unequivocally by the words of Jesus will frequently reach conclusions utterly contrary to those of

mainstream evangelical Christianity. If the Jesus who speaks to you through the Gospels is at odds with the Christian culture you know, if you have ever wanted to stand up and say, 'I love Jesus, but that's not me,' the Red Letter Revolution will prove that you are not alone—you may have been a Red Letter Christian all along. Endorsements: "This book, by a young and an elderly Christian, will help you decide how we Christians could change the world if we took the sacred letter-words of Jesus literally and seriously." —President Jimmy Carter "In Red Letter Revolution the uncompromised truth of Jesus' teachings are given voice by two modern-day Christian leaders who do more than preach this Good News. They walk the talk and lead the way." —Archbishop Desmond Tutu "I started reading this book and couldn't stop. . . . Thank you, Tony and Shane. Thank you for this book. May the movement spread around the world." —Abuna Elias Chacour, Melkite Catholic Archbishop of Galilee "Red Letter Revolution is an adrenaline-producing conversation with prophetic bite." —Eugene H. Peterson, author of *The Message Bible* "I cannot over-emphasize or exaggerate the richness of this book." —Phyllis Tickle, author of *Emergence Christianity* "In this courageous and well-crafted book, we have a return to the core message of the Gospel from two Christians who first tried to live it themselves and only then spoke." —Fr. Richard Rohr, O.F.M., Center for Action and Contemplation "Shane Claiborne and Tony Campolo are two of the most significant prophetic voices in the Christian world." —Rabbi Michael Lerner, editor of *Tikkun Magazine* (tikkun.org) "This is a must-read book for anyone who is seeking to take Jesus' call on their lives seriously." —Jim Wallis, founder and editor of *Sojourners* magazine "If you ever wished you could eavesdrop on a conversation with two of the world's most interesting and inspiring Christians, just turn to page one." —Brian D. McLaren, author/speaker (brianmclaren.net)

**Becoming the Answer to Our Prayers** Shane Claiborne 2009-10-16  
**Activists** Shane Claiborne and Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove show how prayer and action must go together. Their exposition of key Bible passages provides concrete examples of how a life of prayer fuels social engagement and the work of justice.

**Jesus Wants to Save Christians** Rob Bell 2009-03-17 There is a church not too far from us that recently added a \$25 million addition to their building. Our local newspaper ran a front-page story not too long ago about a study revealing that one in five people in our city lives in poverty. This is a book about those two numbers. *Jesus Wants to Save Christians* is a book about faith and fear, wealth and war, poverty, power, safety, terror, Bibles, bombs, and homeland insecurity. It's about empty empires and the truth that everybody's a priest. It's about oppression, occupation, and what happens when Christians support, animate and participate in the very things Jesus came to set people free from. It's about what it means to be a part of the church of Jesus in a world where some people fly planes into buildings while others pick up groceries in Hummers.

**Binding the Strong Man** Myers, Ched 2019-02-20 "This is the first commentary on the Gospel of Mark to systematically apply a multidisciplinary approach, called 'socio-literary method.' Myers integrates literary criticism, socio-historical exegesis, and political hermeneutics in his investigation of Mark—the oldest story of Jesus—as 'manifesto of radical discipleship.'" --

**What on Earth?** Barney Wiget 2022-04-28 In his most famous Sermon, Jesus announces a Kingdom so counterintuitive that it appears upside down in contrast to conventional wisdom. By prescribing both a revolutionary personal piety and a radical social possibility he teaches us how to become better people who in turn make the world better. His vision for a countercultural Kingdom challenges our engagement with contemporary culture morally, socially, and even politically. The impact of this Kingdom "on the earth as it is in heaven," with a view to partnering with Jesus in his venture to nudge the world toward its intended design is the focus of this compelling treatment of the Sermon. By a lifestyle of holy nonconformity shaped by the "Blessed Attitudes" (Beatitudes), Jesus commissions his prophetic community to embody a social alternative that the world cannot imagine on its own and to foment a humble and loving cultural shift where the privileged and powerless flourish together in peace and justice. As previews of the coming attractions when Christ will return and reign as King over a new heaven and earth, Kingdom citizens work toward initiating such a world on earth as it is in heaven today.

**The Irresistible Revolution** Shane Claiborne 2010-05 Living as an Ordinary Radical Many of us find ourselves caught somewhere between unbelieving activists and inactive believers. We can write a check to feed starving children or hold signs in the streets and feel like we've made a difference without ever encountering the faces of the suffering masses. In this book, Shane Claiborne describes an au...

**The Theology of Dallas Willard** Gary Black Jr. 2013-08-06 Evangelical Christianity in the United States is currently in a dramatic state of change. Yet amidst this sometimes tumultuous religious environment a rather unique blend of both ancient and contemporary Christian theology has found its way into the

hearts and minds of emerging generations of Christians. The Theology of Dallas Willard both describes and conveys the essence of this increasingly popular and perhaps mediating view of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Blending both a prophetic critique with pastoral encouragement, Willard's unique understanding of the reality present within a life lived as a disciple of Jesus in the kingdom of God is attracting both new and traditional Christians to reconsider their faith.

Follow Me to Freedom Shane Claiborne 2010-10 Followers of Christ yearn to see the world changed in compassionate, positive, effective ways. As prophetic voices, Shane Claiborne and John Perkins lead the way in this move to be the hands, feet and heart of Jesus. One is young; the other is decades older. One is a self-proclaimed reformed redneck who grew up in the hills of Tennessee and now lives in inner-city Philadelphia; the other is an African-American civil rights leader who was almost beaten to death by police in Mississippi, and went on to found a reconciliation movement and counsel three American presidents. Claiborne and Perkins draw on more than a century of combined following and learning, activating and leading. Together they craft a timely message for ordinary people willing to take radical steps to see real change happen. They start with Moses as a model and proceed to re-imagine the roles of leading and following in a world desperate for freedom.

Escaping the Beast Michael Burns 2020-07 The intersection of Christians and Politics.

The Lamb's Agenda Samuel Rodriguez 2013 In The Lamb's Agenda Samuel Rodriguez offers a blueprint for Christian rejuvenation, a prophetic call to orient our lives at the nexus of the cross.

The Irresistible Revolution, Updated and Expanded Shane Claiborne 2016-01-05 In this updated 10th Anniversary Edition of Irresistible Revolution, Shane Claiborne uses unconventional examples from his own life to stir up questions about the church and the world, while challenging readers to truly live out their Christian faith. With new material throughout the book and a full new chapter, Shane brings readers up to date on the "revolution"--adding new stories, sharing what his community looks like now, and bringing fresh inspiration to live out this message in practical ways. In Irresistible Revolution, Shane Claiborne describes an authentic faith rooted in belief, action, and love, inviting us into a movement of the Spirit that begins inside each of us and extends into a broken world. "The irresistible revolution isn't just about going to heaven when you die but bringing heaven down as you live. The love we're talking about is big enough to set both the oppressed and the oppressors free. It's about healing our broken hearts, healing our broken streets, and healing our broken world. The revolution we are talking about begins inside each of us and extends to the ends of the earth." --Shane Claiborne

A False Kind of Christianity Dan Jensen 2017-06-15 In this work, Dan Jensen offers the conservative Evangelical community a no-nonsense assessment of the growing and aggressive progressive Christian movement. Jensen provides two chapters of personal testimony, a short overview of the history behind the progressive Christian movement, a brief summary of the teachings of the movement, and then he clearly elucidates the fact that the progressive Christian possesses absolutely no biblical foundation. Jensen makes it clear why this movement must be countered by conservative Evangelicals.

Iraq Journal 2003 Shane Claiborne 2006-08-01 Letters and e-mails to and from Shane Claiborne of The Simple Way, a member of the Iraq Peace Team which journeyed to Iraq in early 2003 to protest the impending U.S.-led invasion of that country.

The Other Journal: Marxism The Other Journal 2013-10-01 "The literary critic and Marxist philosopher Fredric Jameson has said, "It is easier to imagine the end of the world than to imagine the end of capitalism." The military, social, and political effects of capitalism are felt everywhere across the planet, and even as we acknowledge the negative effects--the imbalances of power, the imperialist exploitations, the social alienation--we are captivated by its message of self-sufficiency and success. In this issue, The Other Journal examines the potentially surprising intersections of Marxism with Christianity, the ways in which this nexus of thinking and faith may help us contend with and recognize the powers of the market. The issue features essays and reviews by Daniel Colucciello Barber, Luke Bretherton, Kevein Hargaden, Paul Dafydd Jones, D. L. Mayfield, W. Travis McMaken, Christina McRorie, Thomas J. Millay, Silas Morgan, and David Schmidt; an interview by Timothy McGee with Joerg Rieger; fiction by Alex McCauley; creative nonfiction by Jonathan Hiskes; poetry by Brett Foster, Elizabeth Myhr, and Hannah Faith Notess; and art by Steve Bakker and Benjamin Violet. "

The Irresistible Revolution Shane Claiborne 2006 A founding member of The Simple Way, a radical faith community in North Philadelphia, describes an authentic faith rooted in belief, action, and love, offering an invitation into the movement that begins inside each individual and extends into a broken world.

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"The Kingdom of God is Within You" graf Leo Tolstoy 1894 The Kingdom of God Is Within You, is a non-

fiction book written by Leo Tolstoy. A philosophical treatise, the book was first published in Germany in 1894 after being banned in his home country of Russia. It is the culmination of thirty years of Tolstoy's thinking, and lays out a new organization for society based on a literal Christian interpretation. *The Kingdom of God is Within You* is a key text for Tolstoyan, nonviolent resistance, and Christian anarchist movements.

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**Still Evangelical?** Mark Labberton 2018-02-01 Evangelicalism in America has cracked. What defines the evangelical social and political vision—is it the gospel or is it culture? Edited by Mark Labberton, this collection of essays offers a diverse and provocative set of reflections from evangelical "insiders" who wrestle with the question of what it means to be evangelical in today's polarized climate.

**The Intentional Christian Community Handbook** David Janzen 2012-11 This book shares the wisdom of many communities in many locales over the last half century.

**Red Letter Christianity** Shane Claiborne 2012 In *RED LETTER CHRISTIANITY* Shane Claiborne and Tony Campolo explore what it means to take seriously the words of Jesus. Both authors are known for their commitment to the lifestyle requisites of the Gospels, and their belief that real Christianity must inform the way we live... every day of our lives. *RED LETTER CHRISTIANITY* deals with the crucial questions facing followers of Jesus today, including global poverty and injustice, the growth of the church, issues of sexuality, the environment... and many more. Readers are invited to sit around the table with Shane and Tony as they discuss these issues together.

**Divine Rebels** Deena Guzder 2011-05-01 In an effort to reclaim the fundamental principles of Christianity, moving it away from religious right-wing politics and towards the teachings of Jesus, the American Christian activists profiled in this book agitate for a society free from racism, patriarchy, bigotry, retribution, ecocide, torture, poverty, and militarism. These activists view their faith as a personal commitment with public implications; their world consists of people of religious faith protecting the weak and safeguarding the sacred. Recounting social justice activists on the frontlines of the Christian Left since the 1950s—including Daniel Berrigan, Roy Bourgeois, and Sue Zann Bosler—this book articulates their faith-based alternative to the mainstream conservative religious agenda and liberal cynicism and describes a long-standing American tradition, which began with the nation's earliest Quaker abolitionists.

**The Awakening of Hope** Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove 2012-08-21 According to Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove, faithful action is always inspired and sustained by common convictions—the basic truths that have sustained God's people throughout every generation. *The Awakening of Hope* re-presents Christian faith by beginning with stories of faithful witness and asking, *Why? Why do Christians eat together? Why do we fast? Why would we rather die than kill?* These are the questions that help us see why creation and the fall, covenant and community, ethics and evangelism matter. This book and its accompanying DVD project is a contemporary catechism, celebrating lives and stories that wouldn't make sense if the gospel were not true. And then going one step further, this project shares the good news of Jesus and the way of life that he makes possible.

**Missional. Monastic. Mainline.** Elaine A. Heath 2014-01-30 Here is the long-awaited volume that provides both the theoretical foundations and practical guidance for developing new monastic and missional communities in contexts that are theologically progressive, racially and economically diverse, and multicultural. This book contains the wisdom and perspectives of people who live and serve in missional,

new monastic communities in United Methodist and other mainline traditions, and it describes new forms of theological education that are emerging to resource a new generation of Christian leaders. Heath and Duggins challenge Methodists, Lutherans, Episcopalians, Presbyterians, and other Christians to reach into their own robust, mainline heritage for resources to develop small, intentional communities that practice a rigorous life of prayer, hospitality, and justice.

**T&T Clark Handbook of Anabaptism** Brian C. Brewer 2021-12-30 By utilizing the contributions of a variety of scholars – theologians, historians, and biblical scholars – this book makes the complex and sometimes disparate Anabaptist movement more easily accessible. It does this by outlining Anabaptism's early history during the Reformation of the sixteenth century, its varied and distinctive theological convictions, and its ongoing challenges to and influence on contemporary Christianity. T&T Clark Handbook of Anabaptism comprises four sections: 1) Origins, 2) Doctrine, 3) Influences on Anabaptism, and 4) Contemporary Anabaptism and Relationship to Others. The volume concludes with a chapter on how contemporary Anabaptists interact with the wider Church in all its variety. While some of the authorities within the volume will disagree even with one another regarding Anabaptist origins, emphases on doctrine, and influence in the contemporary world, such differences represent the diversity that constitutes the history of this movement.

**Christian Origins and Greco-Roman Culture** Stanley E. Porter 2012 In "Christian Origins and Greco-Roman Culture," Stanley Porter and Andrew Pitts assemble an international team of scholars whose work has focused on reconstructing the social matrix for earliest Christianity through the use of Greco-Roman materials and literary forms. Each essay moves forward the current understanding of how primitive Christianity situated itself in relation to evolving Hellenistic culture. Some essays focus on configuring the social context for the origins of the Jesus movement and beyond, while others assess the literary relation between early Christian and Greco-Roman texts.

**Common Prayer** Shane Claiborne 2010-11-23 Common Prayer helps today's diverse church pray together across traditions and denominations. With an ear to the particulars of how various liturgical traditions pray, and using an advisory team of liturgy experts, the authors have created a tapestry of prayer that celebrates the best of each tradition. The book also includes a unique songbook composed of music and classic lyrics to over fifty songs from various traditions, including African spirituals, traditional hymns, Mennonite gathering songs, and Taizé chants. Tools for prayer are scattered throughout to aid those who are unfamiliar with liturgy and to deepen the prayer life of those who are familiar with liturgical prayer. Ultimately, Common Prayer makes liturgy dance, taking the best of the old and bringing new life to it with a fresh fingerprint for the contemporary renewal of the church. Churches and individuals who desire a deeper prayer life and those familiar with Shane Claiborne and New Monasticism will enjoy the tools offered in this book as a fresh take on liturgy.

**Jesus for President** Shane Claiborne 2019-07-30 Jesus for President is a radical manifesto to awaken the Christian political imagination, reminding us that our ultimate hope lies not in partisan political options but in Jesus and the incarnation of the peculiar politic of the church as a people "set apart" from this world. In what can be termed lyrical theology, Jesus for President poetically weaves together words and images to sing (rather than dictate) its message. It is a collaboration of Shane Claiborne's writing and stories, Chris Haw's reflections and research, and Chico Fajardo-Heflin's art and design. Drawing upon the work of biblical theologians, the lessons of church history, and the examples of modern-day saints and ordinary radicals, Jesus for President stirs the imagination of what the Church could look like if it placed its faith in Jesus instead of Caesar. A fresh look at Christianity and empire, Jesus for President transcends questions of "Should I vote or not?" and "Which candidate?" by thinking creatively about the fundamental issues of faith and allegiance. It's written for those who seek to follow Jesus, rediscover the spirit of the early church, and incarnate the kingdom of God.

**Common Prayer Pocket Edition** Shane Claiborne 2012 " ... helps today's diverse church pray together across denominations."--Jacket.

**The New Evangelical Social Engagement** Brian Steensland 2014-01 Evangelicals are increasingly turning their attention toward issues such as the environment, international human rights, economic development, racial reconciliation, and urban renewal. This marks an expansion of the social agenda advanced by the Religious Right over the past few decades. For outsiders to evangelical culture, this trend complicates simplistic stereotypes. For insiders, it brings contention over what true" evangelicalism means today. The New Evangelical Social Engagement brings together an impressive interdisciplinary team of scholars to map this new religious terrain and spell out its significance. The volume's introduction describes the broad outlines of this "new evangelicalism." The editors identify its key elements, trace its

historical lineage, account for the recent changes taking place within evangelicalism, and highlight the implications of these changes for politics, civic engagement, and American religion. Part One of the book discusses important groups and trends: emerging evangelicals, the New Monastics, an emphasis on social justice, Catholic influences, gender dynamics and the desire to rehabilitate the evangelical identity, and evangelical attitudes toward the new social agenda. Part Two focuses on specific issues: the environment, racial reconciliation, abortion, international human rights, and global poverty. Part Three contains reflections on the new evangelical social engagement by three leading scholars in the fields of American religious history, sociology of religion, and Christian ethics."

The Deconstructed Church Gerardo Marti 2018-01-15 The Emerging Church Movement (ECM) is a creative, entrepreneurial religious movement that strives to achieve social legitimacy and spiritual vitality by actively disassociating from its roots in conservative, evangelical Christianity and "deconstructing" contemporary expressions of Christianity. Emerging Christians see themselves as overturning outdated interpretations of the Bible, transforming hierarchical religious institutions, and re-orienting Christianity to step outside the walls of church buildings toward working among and serving others in the "real world."

Beating Guns Shane Claiborne 2019-03-05 Parkland. Las Vegas. Dallas. Orlando. San Bernardino. Paris. Charleston. Sutherland Springs. Newtown. These cities are now known for the people who were shot and killed in them. More Americans have died from guns in the US in the last fifty years than in all the wars in American history. With less than 5% of the world's population, the people of the US own nearly half the world's guns. America also has the most annual gun deaths--homicide, suicide, and accidental gun deaths--at 105 per day, or more than 38,000 per year. Some people say it's a heart problem. Others say it's a gun problem. The authors of Beating Guns believe it's both. This book is for people who believe the world doesn't have to be this way. Inspired by the prophetic image of beating swords into plows, Beating Guns provides a provocative look at gun violence in America and offers a clarion call to change our hearts regarding one of the most significant moral issues of our time. Bestselling author, speaker, and activist Shane Claiborne and Michael Martin show why Christians should be concerned about gun violence and how they can be part of the solution. The authors transcend stale rhetoric and old debates about gun control to offer a creative and productive response. Full-color images show how guns are being turned into tools and musical instruments across the nation. Charts, tables, and facts convey the mind-boggling realities of gun violence in America, but as the authors make clear, there is a story behind every statistic. Beating Guns allows victims and perpetrators of gun violence to tell their own compelling stories, offering hope for change and helping us reimagine the world as one that turns from death to life, where swords become plows and guns are turned into garden tools.