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* An asterisk means that the book is in print; if you wish to purchase it from our friends at Eighth Day Books, call 1.800.841.2541.

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David Koyzis's We Answer to Another* (2014) is published by Pickwick Publications. His earlier book, Political Visions & Illusions: A Survey & Christian Critique of Contemporary Ideologies* (2003) was published by InterVarsity Press. Kovzis maintains a blog at http://byzantinecalvinist.blogspot.com. Yves Simon's A General Theory of Authority* (Notre Dame University Press, 1962) is one of several books discussed at length in Koyzis's book. One of the arguments Simon makes is that institutions of authority are necessary in society if pursuit of the common good and common actions are desired. Other books discussed by Koyzis include Robert T. DeGeorge's *The Nature and Limits of Authority* (University of Kansas Press, 1985); Oliver O'Donovan's The Ways of Judgment* (Eerdmans, 2005), and Resurrection and Moral Order: An Outline for Evangelical Ethics* (Eerdmans, 1988); and Victor Lee Austin's Up with Authority: Why We Need Authority to Flourish as Human Beings* (T & T Clark, 2010). See also Robert A. Nisbet, Twilight of Authority* (Oxford University Press, 1975); Roger Lundin, From Nature to Experience: The American Search for Cultural Authority* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2005); Lesslie Newbigin, Truth and Authority in Modernity (Trinity Press International, 1996); Frank Furedi, Authority: A Sociological History* (Cambridge University Press, 2013); and Alexandre Kojève, The Notion of Authority* (Verso, 1943).

Faith and reason

Faith and Reason: Three Views*, edited by Steve Wilkens, was published by InterVarsity Press in 2014. The three views are: "Faith and Philosophy in Tension," defended by Carl A. Raschke; "Faith Seeking Understanding," discussed by Alan G. Padgett; and "The Synthesis of Reason and Faith," explained by Craig A. Boyd. Wilkens also co-edited (with Alan G. Padgett) Christianity and Western Thought, Volume 2: A History of Philosophers, Ideas and Movements* (InterVarsity Press, 2000). See also Terry Eagleton, Reason, Faith, and Revolution: Reflections on the God Debate* (Yale University Press, 2009); Robert Sokolowski, *The God of* Faith and Reason: Foundations of Christian Theology* (Catholic Univ. of America Press, 1982); Richard Swinburn, Faith and Reason* (Oxford University Press, 2005); David Walsh, The Third Millennium: Reflections on Faith and Reason* (Georgetown University Press, 1999); Alvin Plantinga, God and Other Minds: A Study of the Rational Justification of Belief in God* (Cornell University Press, 1990); Alvin Plantinga and Nicholas Wolterstorff, editors, Faith and Rationality: Reason and Belief in God*

(University of Notre Dame Press, 1995); Joseph Pearce, Beauteous Truth: Faith, Reason, Literature, and Culture* (St. Augustine's Press, 2014); and Benedict XVI, A Reason Open to God: On Universities, Education and Culture* (Catholic Univ. of America Press, 2013).

The gift of language

Roger Lundin's Beginning with the Word: Modern Literature and the Question of Belief* (2014) is published by BakerAcademic. People who share Lundin's fascination with words might also enjoy a volume or two from the following eclectic list: Owen Barfield, History in English Words* (2nd ed., Lindisfarne Books, 2002) and Poetic Diction* (Wesleyan Univ. Press, 1928, 1973); Clive Staples Lewis, Studies in Words* (Cambridge Univ. Press, 1967); Roy Blount, Jr., Alphabet Juice: The Energies, Gists, and Spirits of Letters, Words, and Combinations Thereof... with Examples of Their Usage Foul and Savory* (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2008) and Alphabetter Juice; or, the Joy of Text* (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2011); George Steiner, After Babel: Aspects of Language and Translation* (Oxford University Press, 1975); Wendell Berry, Standing by Words: Essays* (Shoemaker and Hoard, 1983); Josef Pieper, Abuse of Language, Abuse of Power* (Ignatius Press, 1992) and Marilyn Chandler McEntyre, Caring for Words in a Culture of Lies* (Eerdmans, 2009).

Other Works Mentioned

Brent Hull's *Building a Timeless House in an Instant Age** (2014) is published by Brown Books. Craig Bernthal's *Tolkien's Sacramental Vision: Discerning the Holy in Middle Earth** (2014) is published by Second Spring. Kerry McCarthy's *Byrd* (2013) is published by Oxford University Press.

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