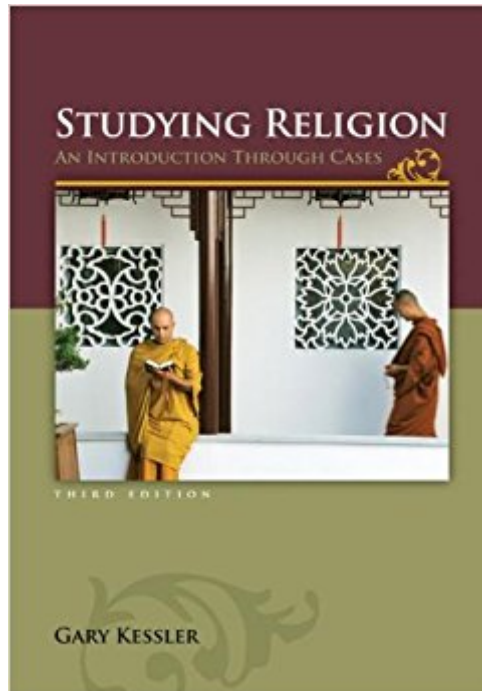




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Really enjoyed reading this book for my class, has a large amount of helpful information. The only major issue is the Internet Resource links were out dated or they no longer exist. The Kindle edition was spot on with the pages numbers too!

I am in love with Gary Kessler. This was the most AMAZING BOOK ON STUDYING RELIGION/RELIGIOUS COMPARISONS! Kessler maintains such a perfect neutrality for all religions and always gives you a good argument supporting his points. (Except extreme Evangelical Christians... he kind of shows a sway in neutrality. He's not too fond of those guys). He also gives you examples of why certain aspects in different are both beneficial while still showing some of the dangers these beliefs might lead to. His writing style is just.... a work of art.

Love this! I had to purchase this book for my religious studies class, and it was an excellent read. Content is organized nicely so things are easy to find!

This book is interesting and easy to follow. I read it because I had to for a class but I would've read it a lot sooner had I known it existed. It's a good read.

Still good enough to read and take notes with.

interesting, insightful

A little battered but readable

Yes, it has helped me with my religion course.

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