

In summary, Steve and Ying have done the missions community a great service in writing this book with its countless practical insights drawn from several of the most explosive CPMs in recent history. Anyone who teaches or implements missions or church planting should read this book. Veteran workers will undoubtedly be sharpened by the focus on vision casting and the practical vignettes sprinkled throughout its pages. Newer personnel, struggling to find a clear strategy and wondering how to make national partners, will likely find this book to be a trusty guide. Only our great God can accomplish a church planting movement, but insofar as he chooses to work through his bride to accomplish that purpose, *T4T: A Discipleship Re-Revolution* helps us get our sails up and correctly positioned so that we are ready for when God's Spirit blows.

Reviewed by Matt Blake

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Engaging Islam

by Georges Houssney

Port Angeles, WA: Treeline Publishing, 2010, 208 pages

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Georges' heart for Muslims shines through on every page of this compelling book. It is not surprising to find so much wisdom packed into such a small and readable book, given that it is written by someone with so much experience sharing Christ with Muslims and training others to do the same. The richness of Georges' diverse experience, and his years spent training people how to engage with Muslims all shine through beautifully here.

Last year I took a dozen students through a four month course entitled 'Engaging the World of Islam.' It was a struggle to choose what texts to have as required reading. Now that I have read *Engaging Islam*, it is a natural choice as one of the core texts for this course the next time I teach it.

In my own accumulated experience of 30 years spent living in the Arab world, leading in ministry to Muslims, mentoring and teaching colleagues across the Arab world and now also teaching college students, I resonate with everything that Georges shares in his book and find it to be right on. I was particularly struck by two things that come through so well in this book: (1) Georges' love for God and for Muslims and his desire to see them come to know and love Christ, and (2) his holy boldness to witness fearlessly as the Apostle Paul modelled so well for us.

For years I have felt that one of the big weaknesses in the ‘tent-making’ model of church-planting, which I practiced and still strongly advocate, is that the part of Paul’s model that we overlook and seem to ignore, is that Paul preached with stunning boldness—and paid the consequences—in persecution, suffering and in fruit! Georges is an exemplary 21st century model of an Apostle to Islam after the pattern given to us by the great church-planting apostle Paul himself.

I cannot think of a book that I can recommend more highly to everyone, from beginners through to seasoned practitioners. It will inform and transform your understanding of Muslims and compel you to get involved and love Muslims for Christ’s sake.

Reviewed by Don Little

A Muslim’s Mind: What Every Christian Needs to Know about the Islamic Traditions

By Edward J. Hoskins

Colorado Springs: Dawson Media, 2011, 173 pages

The subtitle of the book is quite accurate. Every Christian who wants to understand Muslims *from the inside* would do well to read this book. Dr. Ed Hoskins suggests that relying only on the Qur’an to understand Muslims is like playing cards with only half a deck. In this succinct, easy-to-read book, that is based on *years* of study of the Islamic Traditions (Hadith), Hoskins shows us how much we have been missing without the other half of the deck!

This semester, for the first time in my life, I am reading through, along with my Houghton students, a large percentage of the Hadith and am finding them to be *disturbingly* helpful in giving me insight into the way Muslims think. As an aside, if you would like a copy of a concise 95-page document that gathers significant Hadith from all 93 Books in Bukari’s authoritative collection, and adds some helpful questions about each one, send me an email and ask for it.

Hoskins’ goal is to give serious Christians tools to use in building rapport with Muslims. ‘My desire is that after reading this book, you will understand Muslims better and see how easy it is to speak truth to them, starting with their own words and ideas’ (p. 22). He points out how much the Islamic traditions (the Hadith, for example) influence and shape the thinking of Muslims, most of whom desire to perfectly follow them in every aspect of their lives. In just the first few readings of the Hadiths that I have done this semester, it is fascinating to discover the kinds of things that have interested Muslims as they sought to make Muhammad a model