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Exploring New Religions (Paperback)

By George Chryssides

Bloomsbury Publishing PLC, United Kingdom, 2001. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.New religious movements - popularly know as cults - arouse strong public opinion and most books on the subject are polemical, giving hostile reaction rather than informed exploration. Exploring New Religions provides an account of a wide variety of new religions, focusing on their origins, beliefs and practices, which are set out in a compelling but dispassionate way, leaving readers to form their own judgements. Chryssides provides important analysis of the killer cults - the Jonestown Peoples Temple, Waco, the Solar Temple and Heaven s Gate - and examines the factors that made their followers willing to die for their cause. Older groups like Jehovah s Witnesses and the Latter-Day Saints (Mormons) are discussed, and the author traces the development of a variety of strands of spirituality, ranging from New Thought to Transcendentalism and Theosophy. Subsequent chapters include: the Baha i, The Family (formerly Children of God), the Hare Krishna Movement (ISKCON), The Jesus Army, the Rastafarians, the Church of Scientology , Transcendental Meditation (TM) and the Unification Church (the Moonies).Some less well-known groups are also featured: est (Erhard...



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