

# **SALVATION ON SAND MOUNTAIN SNAKE HANDLING AND REDEMPTION IN SOUTHERN APPALACHIA PAPERBACK 2009 AUTHOR DENNIS COVINGTON PDF FILE**

## **Salvation on Sand Mountain**

A haunting exploration of faith, from a preacher convicted of attempted murder to a first-hand account of holiness serpent handling--\"One of the best books on American religion from the last 25 years\" (Chicago Tribune) For New York Times reporter Dennis Covington, what began as a journalistic assignment-covering the trial of an Alabama pastor convicted of attempting to murder his wife with poisonous snakes-would evolve into a headlong plunge into a bizarre, mysterious, and ultimately irresistible world of unshakable faith: the world of holiness snake handling. Set in the heart of Appalachia, Salvation on Sand Mountain is Covington's unsurpassed and chillingly captivating exploration of the nature, power, and extremity of faith-an exploration that gradually turns inward, until Covington finds himself taking up the snakes.

## **Heaven's Crooked Finger**

2018 Next Generation Indie Book Award Winner! Eerie, intense, and masterfully-crafted, Hank Early's gripping series debut Heaven's Crooked Finger transports readers to a secretive community in the Georgia mountains. Earl Marcus thought he had left the mountains of Georgia behind forever, and with them, the painful memories of a childhood spent under the fundamentalist rule of his father RJ's church—a church built on fear, penance, and the twisting, writhing mass of snakes. But then an ominous photo of RJ is delivered to Earl's home. The photograph is dated long after his father's burial, and there's no doubt that the man in the picture is very much alive. As Earl returns to Church of the Holy Flame searching for the truth, faithful followers insist that his father has risen to a holy place high in the mountains. Nobody will talk about the teenage girls who go missing, only to return with strange tattoo-like marks on their skin. Rumors swirl about an old well that sits atop one of the mountains, a place of unimaginable power and secrets. Earl doesn't know what to believe, but he has long been haunted by his father, forever lurking in the shadows of his life. Desperate to leave his sinful Holy Flame childhood in the past, Earl digs up deeply buried secrets to discover the truth before time runs out and he's the one put underground in Heaven's Crooked Finger, Hank Early's thrilling series debut.

## **Redneck Riviera**

The author describes his odyssey to the Gulf Coast of the Florida Panhandle to claim his inheritance, two and a half acres of land purchased by his father, in a study of the clash of values that is tearing apart much of rural America.

## **The Divine Province: Birthing New Earth**

In The Divine Province, Jaemes McBride and Ed Rychkun answer a 26,000 year old question of how we manifest and maintain the Golden Age. They bring into reality the New Earth consciousness unfolding during the End Times. Taking readers on a 6000 year journey of Old Earth, they expose how Earthlings have

been ruled by Elite powers and how their means of conquest has been religion and commerce under a corporate model of PLANET EARTH INC. Learn how the silent dominion has separated the Earthlings from spirit, accepting the physical slavery of the body vessel, disguising the truth of who they are. Now at the end of a 26,000 year cycle, a new consciousness has awakened multitudes of sleeping imprisoned souls to bring a New Earth into awareness, threatening the Rulers dominion and their business plan of the New World Order. It is about an awakening of who we are. Learn how the Divine Province has rapidly evolved as an expression of the new consciousness. See how it is now manifesting the physical birthing of New Earth, bringing the means from above in 5D consciousness to below into 3D reality, embodying the manifestation of peace, love, abundance and prosperity upon Old Earth. Divine Province is rapidly being populated by Divine beings of Light expressing themselves through Divine physical vessels who know who they are. In this book, the authors reveal how through rising above polarity and fear, one can choose the path leading to the alchemical gold of the Golden Age under Divine Province

## **Religions in Practice**

Examines religious practices from an anthropological perspective Religions in Practice, 6/e, offers an issues-oriented perspective on everyday religious behaviors – prayer, sacrifice, initiation, healing, etc. – by focusing on such topics as transnationalism, gender, and religious laws. The text examines a full spectrum of religions, from small-scale societies to major, established religions. The in-depth treatment of Islam, Hinduism, and Christianity is particularly noteworthy and easily supplemented with field projects directly related to the text.

## **Cobras**

What's that hooded snake rising up from the ground? It's the cobra, and you better keep your distance! "Cobra" has become synonymous with "venomous snake." With their super senses and hunting techniques, other animals don't stand a chance. This volume introduces readers to the many species of true cobra, and offers intriguing facts about their diet, anatomy, behavior, and life cycle. Color photographs bring these venomous creatures to life, allowing readers to go along for the hunt of a lifetime.

## **How Prophecy Lives**

Occasioned by reflections on the 50th anniversary of the publication of Festinger et al.'s When Prophecy Fails, this book examines social scientific prophecy research in the second half of the twentieth century, with particular attention to the question of the dynamics that inspired people to engage actively in such end-time activities.

## **The Encyclopedia of Film Composers**

For more than a century, original music has been composed for the cinema. From the early days when live music accompanied silent films to the present in which a composer can draw upon a full orchestra or a lone synthesizer to embody a composition, music has been an integral element of most films. By the late 1930s, movie studios had established music departments, and some of the greatest names in film music emerged during Hollywood's Golden Age, including Alfred Newman, Max Steiner, Dimitri Tiomkin, and Bernard Herrmann. Over the decades, other creators of screen music offered additional memorable scores, and some composers—such as Henry Mancini, Randy Newman, and John Williams—have become household names. The Encyclopedia of Film Composers features entries on more than 250 movie composers from around the world. It not only provides facts about these artists but also explains what makes each composer notable and discusses his or her music in detail. Each entry includes Biographical material Important dates Career highlights Analysis of the composer's musical style Complete list of movie credits This book brings recognition to the many men and women who have written music for movies over the past one hundred years. In addition to composers from the United States and Great Britain, artists from dozens of other countries are also represented. A rich resource of movie music history, The Encyclopedia of Film Composers

will be of interest to fans of cinema in general as well as those who want to learn more about the many talented individuals who have created memorable scores.

## **The Serpent Handlers**

"In [this book], the authors use extensive interviews with [snake handlers] to tell the stories of three of the most prominent snake-handling families."--Back cover

## **When Religion Is an Addiction**

When Religion is an Addiction first asks us to change our understanding of the radical religious right, to consider it in a new light, so that we can do something that will first of all ensure the health of those outside the addiction, and secondly, end our own activities that are part of the dynamics that further the religious right-wing. Chapters two through seven set out the new understanding of many in the religious right-wing and how it explains what we've been seeing in social issues and politics. The ultimate goal is not only to set forth a way to understand the problem but also to point to solutions. Chapter one sets the tone for that by calling us to stop arguing about religion in general. The recent spate of books that defend atheism — what Time magazine has labelled “an atheist literary wave” — are a welcome alternative voice in American religious dialogue. They also encourage such arguments and soothe the atheist choir, while providing further opportunities for the right-wing to use religion for its accompanying feeling of righteousness. Chapter eight discusses practical guidelines for dealing with people who use religion as their addiction. People in Dr. Minor's workshops have already found these guidelines helpful, reassuring, and empowering.

## **Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers**

A look inside the world of forensics examines the use of human cadavers in a wide range of endeavors, including research into new surgical procedures, space exploration, and a Tennessee human decay research facility.

## **Taking Up Serpents**

The Holiness serpent handlers, who originated around 1910, are one of the most controversial religious groups in America. Their practices have brought them into conflict with authorities many times, and the often sensationalized media accounts of their services fascinate and horrify us.

## **Fangs**

Whether you have a keen interest in snakes, just a general curiosity, or fear them, this book is for you. It is a true account of one man's lifetime of collecting snakes, and it chronicles the experiences he had along the way, often humorous and sometimes not so funny. The book is both entertaining and informative, and you will learn things you probably did not know about these creatures.

## **Civic Agriculture**

A engaging analysis of food production in the United States emphasizing that sustainable agricultural development is important to community health.

## **Them That Believe**

Although outlawed in many states, serpent handling remains an active religious practice—and one that is far more stereotyped than understood. Ralph W. Hood, Jr. and W. Paul Williamson have spent fifteen years

touring serpent-handling churches in Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, North Carolina, and West Virginia, conducting scores of interviews with serpent handlers, and witnessing hundreds of serpent-handling services. In this illuminating book they present the most in-depth, comprehensive study of serpent handling to date. *Them That Believe* not only explores facets of this religious practice—including handling, preaching, and the near-death experiences of individuals who were bitten but survived—but also provides a rich analysis of this phenomenon from historical, social, religious, and psychological perspectives.

## **Lissa**

As Anna and Layla reckon with illness, risk, and loss in different ways, they learn the power of friendship and the importance of hope.

## **First the Seed**

This history of the scientific and commercial lines of plant development in the United States traces the transformation of the seed from a public good produced and reproduced by farmers into a commodity controlled by businesses and corporations divorced from the uses of their product.

## **Pathways of Power**

This collection of essays was devised by the author to study how anthropology brought the study of complex societies and world systems in to its purview.

## **Spiritual Boredom**

Break the Surface of Spiritual Boredom to Find the Reservoir of Meaning Within We need to be bored. When we get bored and take responsibility for our boredom, we arrive at a new level of interest, introspection, or action that has been stirred by the very creativity used to keep boredom away. The relationship between boredom and creativity is far from accidental. Creative minds are often stimulated by boredom, regarding it as a brain rest until the next great idea looms on the horizon of the otherwise unoccupied mind. from Chapter 10 Boredom is a crisis of our age. In religious terms, boredom is sapping spirituality of its mystical and wholesome benefits, slowly corroding our ability to recognize blessing and beauty in our lives, to experience wonder and awe. What happens when our need for constant newness minimizes our interest in prayer, learning, and the mysteries of nature? This intriguing look at spiritual boredom helps you understand just what this condition is, particularly as it relates to Judaism, and what the absence of inspiration means to the present and future of the Jewish tradition. Drawing insights from psychology, philosophy, and theology as well as ancient Jewish texts, Dr. Erica Brown explores the many ways boredom manifests itself within Judaism in the community, classroom, and synagogue and shows its potentially powerful cultural impact on a faith structure that advises sanctifying time, not merely passing it.

## **1001 Classical Recordings You Must Hear Before You Die**

A thick and informative guide to the world of classical music and its stunning recordings, complete with images from CD cases, concert halls, and of the musicians themselves.

## **Tongues and Trees**

This book develops a Pentecostal ecological theology (ecothology) by utilizing key pneumatological themes that emerge from the Pentecostal tradition. It examines the salient Pentecostal and Charismatic voices that have stimulated ecotheology in the Pentecostal tradition and situates them within the broader context of Christian ecumenical ecotheologies (Roman Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant, and Ecofeminist). The author

advances a novel approach to Pentecostal ecotheology through a pneumatology of the Spirit-baptized creation, the charismatic creational community, the holistic ecological Spirit, and the eschatological Spirit of ecological mission. Significantly, this book is the first substantive contribution to a Pentecostal pneumatological theology of creation with a particular focus on the Pentecostal community and its significance for the broader ecumenical community. Furthermore, it offers a fresh theological approach to imagining and sustaining earth-friendly practice in the twenty-first century Pentecostal church.

## **Handling Serpents**

Jimmy Morrow, a pastor and serpent handler for over a quarter of a century explores the history of serpent handling from a variety of sources, including his extensive familiarity with families whose roots are deep in Appalachia. As a native Appalachian Jimmy has access to histories unavailable to outsiders. While not formally trained as a historian, Jimmy's own narrative of the Jesus Name tradition is a unique contribution to not only Appalachian studies, but to the history of what many have prematurely thought to be a tradition whose obituary is soon to be written. Jimmy's astounding photographs and his keen insight to the power of this tradition that he proudly upholds suggests that while unlikely ever to be a dominant form of religious expression, it will continue as perhaps Americas most unique form of religion that persists in Appalachia despite laws against the practice of handling serpents. This is an extraordinary personal account of a unique form of religious devotion and dedication. It will be of interest to anyone interested in Appalachian culture or religion in the South.

## **Poetics of Conduct**

Leela Prasad's riveting book presents everyday stories on subjects such as deities, ascetics, cats, and cooking along with stylized, publicly delivered ethical discourse, and shows that the study of oral narrative and performance is essential to ethical inquiry. Prasad builds on more than a decade of her ethnographic research in the famous Hindu pilgrimage town of Sringeri, Karnataka, in southwestern India, where for centuries a vibrant local culture has flourished alongside a tradition of monastic authority. Oral narratives and the seeing-and-doing orientations that are part of everyday life compel the question: How do individuals imagine the normative, and negotiate and express it, when normative sources are many and diverging? Moral persuasiveness, Prasad suggests, is intimately tied to the aesthetics of narration, and imagination plays a vital role in shaping how people create, refute, or relate to "text," "moral authority," and "community." Lived understandings of ethics keep notions of text and practice in flux and raise questions about the constitution of "theory" itself. Prasad's innovative use of ethnography, poetics, philosophy of language, and narrative and performance studies demonstrates how the moral self, with a capacity for artistic expression, is dynamic and gendered, with a historical presence and a political agency.

## **In the House of the Serpent Handler**

Scholars in many fields increasingly find themselves caught between the academy, with its demands for rigor and objectivity, and direct engagement in social activism. Some advocate on behalf of the communities they study; others incorporate the knowledge and leadership of their informants directly into the process of knowledge production. What ethical, political, and practical tensions arise in the course of such work? In this wide-ranging and multidisciplinary volume, leading scholar-activists map the terrain on which political engagement and academic rigor meet. Contributors: Ruth Wilson Gilmore, Edmund T. Gordon, Davydd Greenwood, Joy James, Peter Nien-chu Kiang, George Lipsitz, Samuel Martínez, Jennifer Bickham Mendez, Dani Nabudere, Jessica Gordon Nembhard, Jemima Pierre, Laura Pulido, Shannon Speed, Shirley Suet-ling Tang, João Vargas

## **Engaging Contradictions**

In a world in which many photographers seek to avoid definition, Roger Ballen's photographs define

themselves in their defiance of classification and genre: his world stands out as one of a kind. The black-and-white images featured in *Asylum of the Birds* were created exclusively within the confines of a house in a Johannesburg suburb, the location of which remains a guarded secret. The inhabitants of the house, both human and animal - including, most notably, the ever-present birds - are the cast of Ballen's world, performers amidst the theatrical interiors that they create and he orchestrates. The resulting images exist in a space between painting, drawing, installation and photography. They are timeless, psychologically powerful and masterfully composed.

## **Asylum of the Birds**

What is raw egg nationalism? And how can the massive consumption of raw eggs save us physically and politically from the depredations of globalism? Contained within are some of the secrets of raw egg nationalism, an esoteric movement of self-realisation that has set the anon bodybuilding community ablaze. Forget what you know about nutrition -- the nostrums of a medico-political regime that has done nothing but sicken the world -- and embrace the wisdom and diets of mavericks like Vince Gironda, the Iron Guru. Discard the bland chicken-and-rice diet of the Virgin Meal Prepper and become the Chad Egg Slonker... A new world of raw-egg-based vitality awaits you, anon.

## **Raw Egg Nationalism in Theory and Practice**

Foreword Review's Annual INDIEFAB Book of the Year Finalist Outreach Resource of the Year Christianity Today Award of Merit Leadership Journal Best Books for Church Leaders Book of the Year from Byron Borger, Hearts and Minds Bookstore Is it possible to know the world and still love the world? Of all the questions we ask about our calling, this is the most difficult. From marriages to international relations, the more we know, the harder it is to love. We become cynics or stoics, protecting our hearts from the implications of what we know. But what if the vision of vocation can be recovered—allowing us to step into the wounds of the world and for love's sake take up our responsibility for the way the world turns out? For decades Steve Garber has come alongside a wide range of people as they seek to make sense of the world and their lives. With him we meet leaders from the Tiananmen Square protest who want a good reason to still care about China. We also meet with many ordinary people in ordinary places who long for their lives to matter: Jonathan who learned he would rather build houses than study history Todd and Maria who adopted creative schedules so they could parent better and practice medicine D.J. who helped Congress move into the Internet Age Robin who spends her life on behalf of urban justice Hans who makes hamburgers the way they are meant to be made Susan who built a home business of hand-printing stationary using a letterpress Santiago who works with majority-world nations in need of capital George who has given years to teaching students to learn things that matter most Claudius and Deirdre whose openhearted home has always been a place for people Dan who loves Wyoming, the place, its people and its cows Vocation is when we come to know the world in all its joy and pain and still love it. Vocation is following our calling to seek the welfare of the world we live in. And in helping the world to flourish, strangely, mysteriously, we find that we flourish too. Garber offers a book for everyone everywhere—for students, for parents, for those in the arts, in the academy, in public service, in the trades and in commerce—for all who want to discover the virtue of vocation.

## **Visions of Vocation**

On any Sunday afternoon a traveler through the Deep South might chance upon the rich, full sound of Sacred Harp singing. Aided with nothing but their own voices and the traditional shape-note songbook, Sacred Harp singers produce a sound that is unmistakable--clear and full-voiced. Passed down from early settlers in the backwoods of the Southern Uplands, this religious folk tradition hearkens back to a simpler age when Sundays were a time for the Lord and the "singings." Illustrated with forty-one songs from the original songbook, *The Sacred Harp* is a comprehensive account of a unique form of folk music. Buell Cobb's study encompasses the history of the songbook itself, an analysis of the music, and an intimate portrait of the

singers who have kept alive a truly American tradition.

## **The Sacred Harp**

After examining origins, Flynt (Southern history, Auburn U.) studies farmers, textile workers, coal miners, and timber workers in depth and discusses family structure, folk culture, the politics of poor whites, and their attempts to resolve problems through labor unions and political movements. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

## **Poor But Proud**

Appalachia has long been stereotyped as a region of feuds, moonshine stills, mine wars, environmental destruction, joblessness, and hopelessness. Robert Schenkkan's 1992 Pulitzer-Prize winning play *The Kentucky Cycle* once again adopted these stereotypes, recasting the American myth as a story of repeated failure and poverty--the failure of the American spirit and the poverty of the American soul. Dismayed by national critics' lack of attention to the negative depictions of mountain people in the play, a group of Appalachian scholars rallied against the stereotypical representations of the region's people. In *Back Talk from Appalachia*, these writers talk back to the American mainstream, confronting head-on those who view their home region one-dimensionally. The essays, written by historians, literary scholars, sociologists, creative writers, and activists, provide a variety of responses. Some examine the sources of Appalachian mythology in nineteenth- and early twentieth-century literature. Others reveal personal experiences and examples of grassroots activism that confound and contradict accepted images of "\"hillbillies.\"\" The volume ends with a series of critiques aimed directly at *The Kentucky Cycle* and similar contemporary works that highlight the sociological, political, and cultural assumptions about Appalachia fueling today's false stereotypes.

## **Back Talk from Appalachia**

Adam Martin is not your classic small town physician. He has been involved in research with Nobel Prize winning laboratories and has a PhD in genetics. The small town of Wilford Fork has given him more than a practice in obstetrics and gynecology. It has produced an experience in genetics beyond his wildest imagination. The genetics of the Bible from Noah to the 21st Century, take him on a journey from ancient Babylon to the New Babel. His journey is not without the love of his life, who becomes more than a nurse, as he experiences life in a small Southern town. Her influence, intelligence and beauty take him into the new age commune and to the edge of idolatry. Even his partners move him toward the destiny of Bible genetics that have influenced everyone from the Church to the evil of Adolph Hitler. New Babel is the modern commune in the Southern town that is patterned after ancient Babylon. It is here that the young obstetrician learns about the delivery of infants that were never encountered in the Ivory Tower medical school. The Sons of God, in this powerful new community can change both mankind, and the young physician, showing him the dark side of research. Babylon throughout history has been the site of wild creation and will lead to the end times mentioned in Biblical Revelation with the prostitute of Babylon riding on a dragon. The Sons of God of New Babel, just like their predecessors in the Old Testament who led the world to the flood, will lead the world toward the final apocalypse.

## **The Sons of God**

In this title contemporary black American culture is chronicled through essays on music, film, sports, publishing, politics and city life. This edition includes essays on the Hughes brothers, the business of hip-hop and Latrell Sprewell.

## **Buppies, B-boys, Baps, And Bohos**

John Hood's new novel *Mountain Folk* uses elements of folklore and epic fantasy to tell the story of America's founding in a fresh and exciting way. Goran is one of the rare fairies who can live without magical protection in the Blur, the human world where the days pass twenty times faster than in fairy realms. Goran's secret missions for the Rangers Guild take him across the British colonies of North America - from far-flung mountains and rushing rivers to frontier farms and bustling towns. Along the way, Goran encounters Daniel Boone, George Washington, an improbably tall dwarf, a mysterious water maiden, and a series of terrifying monsters from European and Native American legend. But when Goran is ordered to help the other fairy nations of the New World crush the American Revolution, he must choose between a solemn duty to his own people and fierce loyalty to his human friends and the principles they hold dear.

## **Mountain Folk**

David Bret describes Joan Crawford's rise from a Kansas City laundry to collecting an Oscar for her role in 'Mildred Pierce'. He discusses her love affairs, marriages and her turbulent relationship with her children and her mother.

## **Joan Crawford**

"This book will not only inspire you as you prepare with the Bride for the big day, but it will also save you time and spare you anxiety by spelling out exactly what your obligations are and how to fulfill them with flair, style and grace."

## **The Complete Wedding Planner**

Somewhere between global and local, the nation still lingers as a concept. National art histories continue to be written – some for the first time – while innovative methods and practices redraw the boundaries of these imagined communities. *Narratives Unfolding* considers the mobility of ideas, transnationalism, and entangled histories in essays that define new ways to see national art in ever-changing nations. Examining works that were designed to reclaim or rethink issues of territory and dispossession, home and exile, contributors to this volume demonstrate that the writing of national art histories is a vital project for intergenerational exchange of knowledge and its visual formations. Essays showcase revealing moments of modern and contemporary art history in Canada, Egypt, Iceland, India, Ireland, Israel/Palestine, Romania, Scotland, Turkey, and the United Arab Emirates, paying particular attention to the agency of institutions such as archives, art galleries, milestone exhibitions, and artist retreats. Old and emergent art cities, including Cairo, Dubai, New York, and Vancouver, are also examined in light of avant-gardism, cosmopolitanism, and migration. *Narratives Unfolding* is both a survey of current art historical approaches and their connection to the source: art-making and art experience happening somewhere.

## **Narratives Unfolding**

Father Leo Booth, nationally renowned spokesperson on recovery issues, reveals a startling picture of millions of people living dysfunctional lives through their religious addiction. Father Booth offers a clear-cut program, giving readers practical ways to overcome excessive devotion and attain healthy spirituality.

## **When God Becomes a Drug**

God only knows what possessed Bill Bryson, a reluctant adventurer if ever there was one, to undertake a gruelling hike along the world's longest continuous footpath—The Appalachian Trail. The 2,000-plus-mile trail winds through 14 states, stretching along the east coast of the United States, from Georgia to Maine. It snakes through some of the wildest and most spectacular landscapes in North America, as well as through



some of its most poverty-stricken and primitive backwoods areas. With his offbeat sensibility, his eye for the absurd, and his laugh-out-loud sense of humour, Bryson recounts his confrontations with nature at its most uncompromising over his five-month journey. An instant classic, riotously funny, *A Walk in the Woods* will add a whole new audience to the legions of Bill Bryson fans.

## **Destiny in Rome**

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