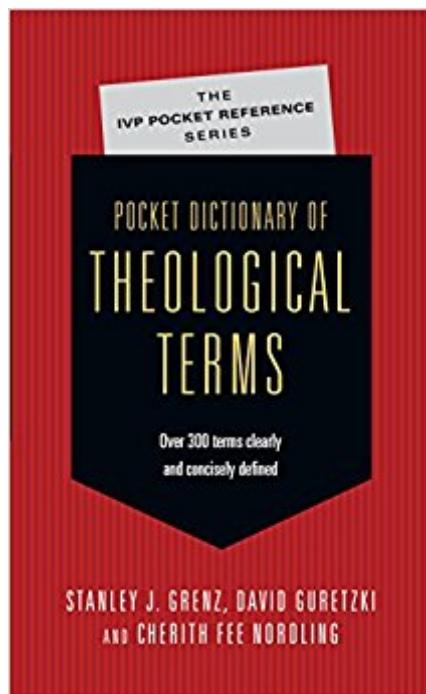


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# Pocket Dictionary Of Theological Terms



## Synopsis

Beginning to study theology is like stepping into a conversation that has been going on for two thousand years. How do you take part in this conversation—or even make sense of it—if you don't understand the vocabulary or know the contributions made by other participants? The Pocket Dictionary of Theological Terms is the perfect companion to your theological studies. Among its three hundred-plus definitions are English terms, from accommodation to wrath of God; foreign terms, from *a posteriori* to *via mediatheological*; movements and traditions, from the Alexandrian School to Wesleyanism; theologians, from Anselm of Canterbury to Ulrich Zwingli. Here is an affordable and easily accessible resource for your theological readings, lectures and writing assignments. It's a must-have for every theological student.

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Stanley J. Grenz (1950-2005) earned a B.A. from the University of Colorado at Boulder in 1973, an M.Div. from Denver Seminary in 1976 and a D.Theol. From the University of Munich (Germany) in 1978, where completed his dissertation under the supervision of Wolfhart Pannenberg. Ordained into the gospel ministry in 1976, Grenz worked within the local church context as a youth director and assistant pastor (Northwest Baptist Church, Denver), pastor (Rowandale Baptist Church, Winnipeg), and interim pastor. In addition he preached and lectured in numerous churches, colleges, universities and seminaries in North America, Europe, Africa, Australia and Asia. Grenz wrote or cowrote twenty-five books, the most recent of which is *Rediscovering the Triune God: The*

Trinity in Contemporary Theology (2004). His other books include The Social God and the Relational Self: A Trinitarian Theology of the Imago Dei (Westminster John Knox), Beyond Foundationalism: Shaping Theology in a Postmodern Context (with John R. Franke; Westminster John Knox), The Moral Quest: Foundations of Christian Ethics (IVP), A Primer on Postmodernism (Eerdmans), Women in the Church: A Biblical Theology of Women in Ministry (with Denise Muir Kjesbo; IVP), Revisioning Evangelical Theology: A Fresh Agenda for the 21st Century (IVP), and The Millennial Maze: Sorting Out Evangelical Options (IVP). He has also coauthored several shorter reference and introductory books for IVP, including Who Needs Theology? An Invitation to the Study of God (with Roger E. Olson), Pocket Dictionary of Ethics (with Jay T. Smith), and Pocket Dictionary of Theological Terms (with David Guretzki and Cherith Fee Nordling). He contributed articles to more than two dozen other volumes, and has had published more than one hundred essays and eighty book reviews. These have appeared in journals such as Christianity Today, The Christian Century, Christian Scholar's Review, Theology Today and the Journal of Ecumenical Studies. For twelve years (1990-2002), Grenz held the position of Pioneer McDonald Professor of Baptist Heritage, Theology and Ethics at Carey Theological College and at Regent College in Vancouver, British Columbia. After a one-year sojourn as Distinguished Professor of Theology at Baylor University and Truett Seminary in Waco, Texas (2002-2003), he returned to Carey and resumed his duties as Pioneer McDonald Professor of Theology. In 2004 he assumed an additional appointment as Professor of Theological Studies at Mars Hill Graduate School in Seattle, Washington. David Guretzki (PhD, McGill University) is professor of theology, church, and public life at Briercrest College and Seminary in Caronport, Saskatchewan, Canada. He is also a coauthor of Pocket Dictionary of Theological Terms. Cherith Fee Nordling (PhD, University of St. Andrews) is associate professor of theology at Northern Seminary in Lombard, Illinois. She has also taught at Regent College, Vancouver, as well as Kuyper College, Cornerstone University and Calvin College and Seminary in Grand Rapids, Michigan. She is the author of Knowing God by Name.

I was hesitant to buy this book because I wasn't sure it would be very useful at first, but I am very glad that I bought it! I am about halfway through my first semester at a private Bible college, and I don't pick up my theology text books without grabbing this to study with. It takes a lot of common theology terms and gives them simple, concise definitions that are easy to understand. Whether you are new to theology or not, I definitely recommend this little dictionary! I do wish it had more terms in it, but it is a worthwhile investment for the small price you pay. It is great if you are looking for a book that simplifies the most common theology terms - whether for your own use or to explain them to

someone else.

With its 300 entries, this pocket companion addresses the most commonly used theological terms. I was hoping to find definitions for some of the more specialized terms used by some sects and denominations, but that is beyond the scope of this dictionary. However, a person looking for "the basics" would find this dictionary both useful and convenient.

I purchased the Kindle version, and ended up returning it. I'm sure the print version is fine, but the Kindle version has no meaningful way to search or navigate. You can do a full text search, but that gives you no idea of what topics are included as a entry, and it will locate the word every place it appears. No effort what so ever was made to make the a useful Kindle reference.

Great when I forget the difference between exegete and eschatological.

Pocket Dictionary of Theological Terms is a thin, portable 7" x 4.3" dictionary that any student or layman of theology would be very lucky and blessed to have. It makes theological terms, from English to foreign, readily accessible and understandable. It also includes brief yet concise definitions of common theological denominations, movements, schools of thought, and theologians known to both scholars, Christian students, and the ordinary church goer. It is indispensable if you are a pastor, ministry leader, Bible study student, or even a theology course major because you can bring it anywhere, although I won't recommend it as a primary or comprehensive resource for any theological papers or major theological homework you might have. Otherwise, you can't go wrong with this portable reference!

I think the content is great and it has been helpful in my theology classes. The only reason I Mark it down is that the kindle version is difficult to use because there is no take of contents. If you are in A and need a word that starts with S then you are going to be flipping through a lot of pages.

Great resource but some definitions are definitely biased. Because it's impossible to stay completely neutral on all stances, still a great book for it's price

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