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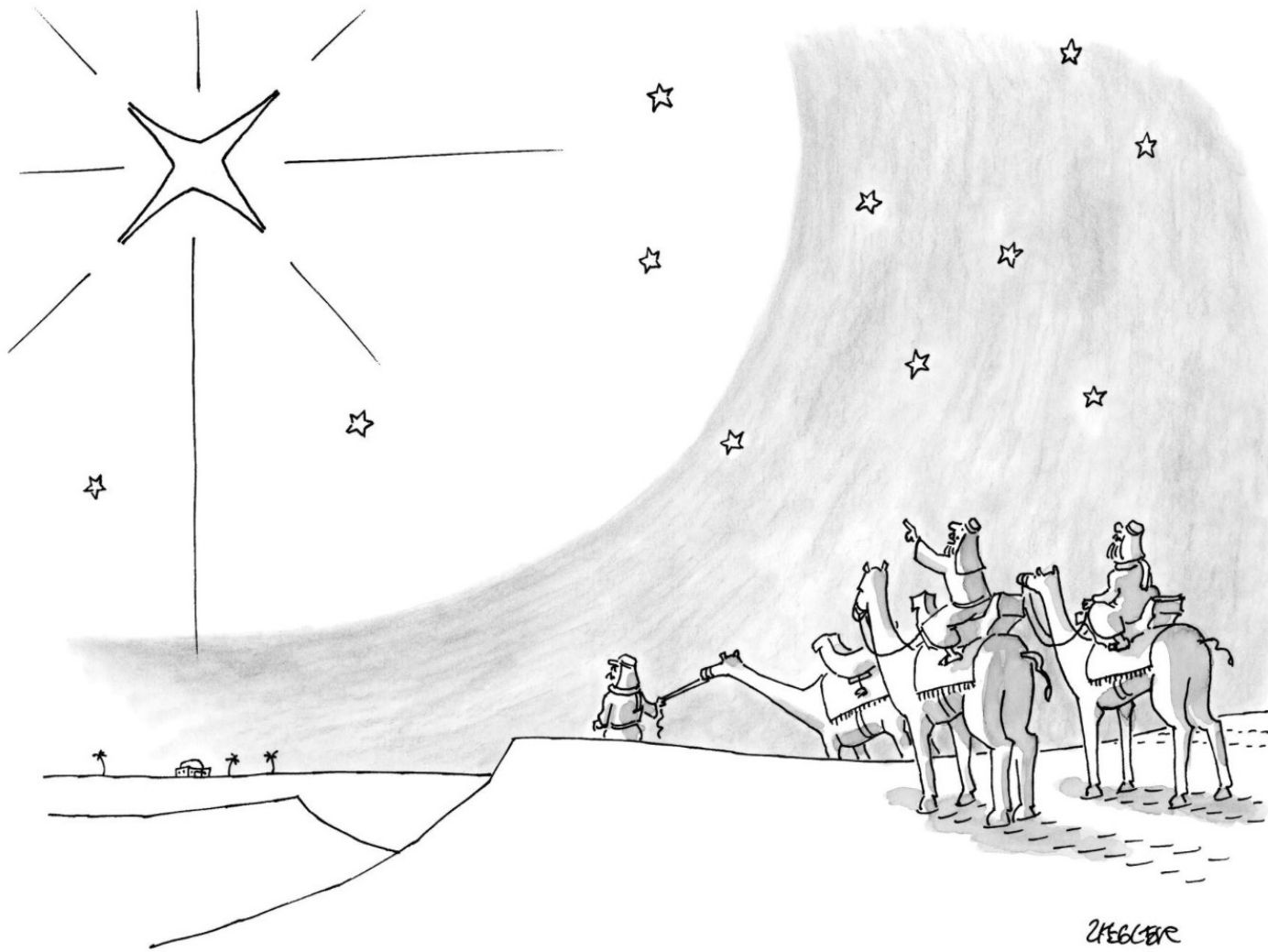
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"Wow! It's beginning to look a lot like Xmas."

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"A blowtorch to the bars of a cage."

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TO SAVE OURSELVES AND THE WORLD**

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We live in a spiritually
impoverished culture.

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■ A Christian church-design company has proposed building McDonald's restaurants inside churches to attract more worshippers. Lux Dei Design says its "McMass Project" will "draw a wider audience to the church" and spread "the message of Christ's love."

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If a religion makes a person
less loving, less inclusive, less
joyful, less confident, it is a
bad religion.

The opposite of faith is
not *doubt*.

The opposite of faith is
certitude.

We must go further -
into the realm of
mysticism.

Mysticism is an awareness of
Sacred Mystery in both the
inner and outer worlds . . .

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... this awareness not only exceeds description but also transforms the person who experiences this awareness.

Simply accept the fact that
you are accepted.

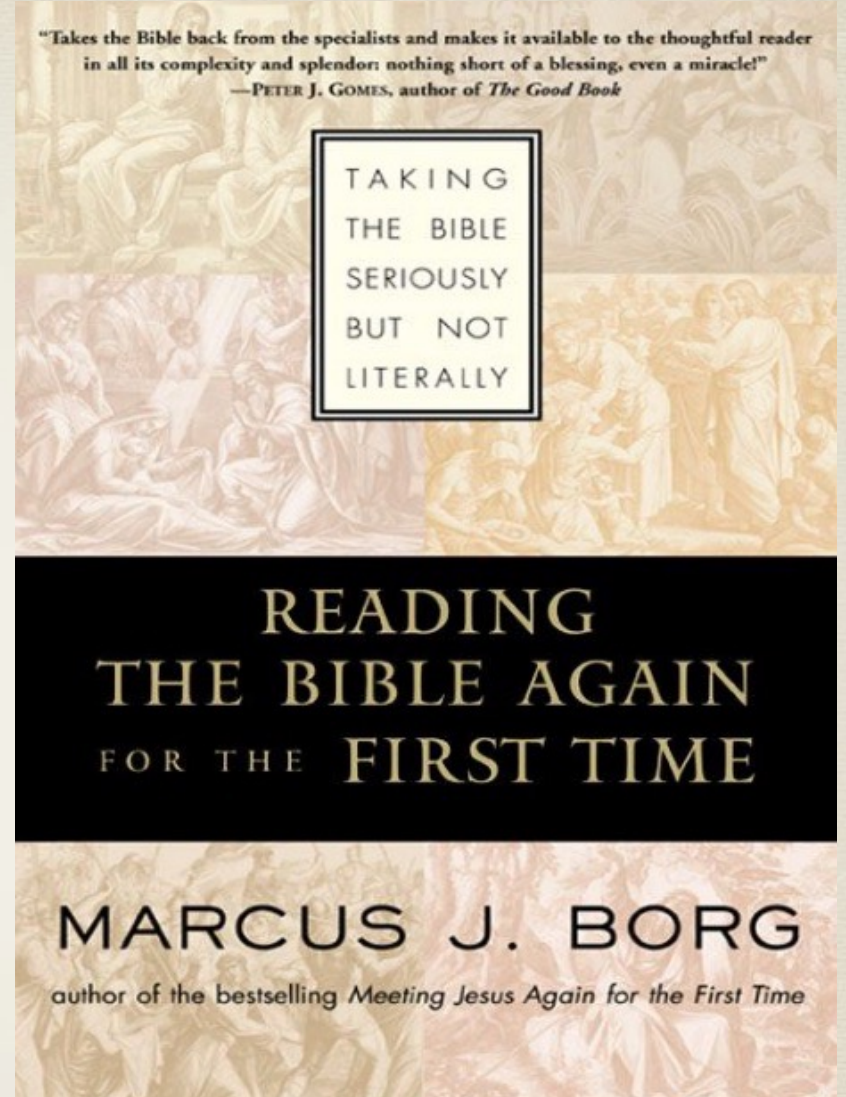
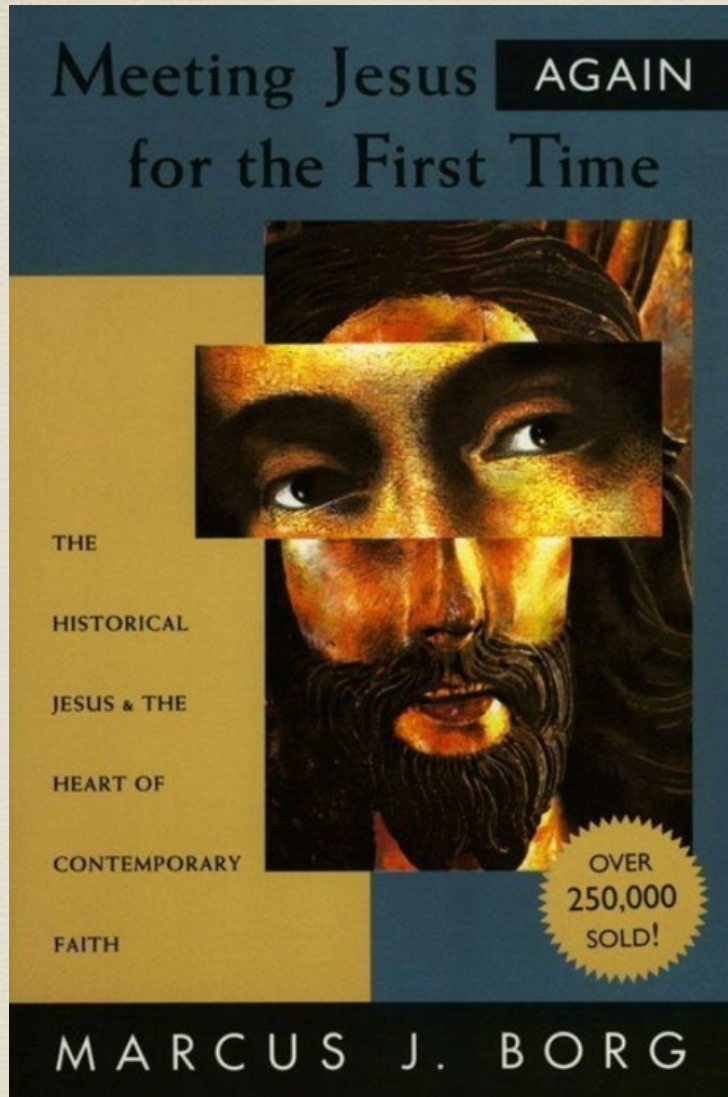
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The "courage" to BE

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"Borg-Again" Christians

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Look, there was a man who came out to sow seed. He filled his hand with seed and threw it about. Some fell onto the road, and the birds ate it. Some fell onto rocks and could not root and produced no grain. Some fell into patches of thorny weeds that kept it from growing, and grubs ate it. Some seed fell upon good soil and grew and produced good grain. It was 60 units per measure and 120 units per measure.

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God speaks to us every day
but we do not hear.

- Gandhi

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What does this teaching
mean?

What is the relevance of
the teaching for us?

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There is not one truth.

There is one TRUTH
and it has nothing to do
with the facts.

What we put at the center of
our lives determines
everything.

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We live and move and have
our being in Sacred Mystery.

We are, with faith and
faithfulness, to live this
identity in the world.

No matter where you go this week, no matter what happens, remember this: you carry precious cargo - so, watch your step.

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