#### Intro

- Reclaiming Christianity, Episode 2.2: Sophia Became Flesh
- The only Christian podcast where we talk about Jesus surrounded by a shrine to Lego.
- I'm John Weldy and I'm just a guy (I am no one of consequence)
- With me is my cohost Jennifer Neyhart. Whatcha reading this week, Jennifer?
- Join our community: FB Reclaiming Christianity, Progressive Theology Book Club; johnweldy@gmail.com

# News

- Reviews since last episode (K'lyn D'Elia)
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- Schedule
  - Next Month: Audience Response Show, The Universal Christ (Richard Rohr)
  - May: The Universal Christ (Richard Rohr)
  - YOU can be on the podcast!
    - Facebook groups: Reclaiming Christianity, Theology Book Club
    - FB Page: https://www.facebook.com/reclaimingchristianityshow/
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#### The Book

- Reading: ch5 Jesus, the Wisdom of God
- Jennifer's Notes
- Key points
  - Jesus as son
  - Sophia, the Wisdom Woman
    - Personification of God
    - Created with God in the beginning
  - Jesus, child of Sophia
  - Paul and the pre/post-Easter Jesus
  - Logos
  - Breaking patriarchal imagery

- What can people find you?
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- Find us on Our Bible App, a Bible study app and community for progressive Christians. Check it out at OurBibleApp.com
- Leave us a review on iTunes!
- Next Episode: Jesus, Compassion & Politics
- The most beautiful thing you can ever be is you.
  - o Do what you love, love what you do.

The Divine Feminine. John & Jennifer continue a 3-episode series based on Marcus Borg's Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time. Topics discussed include:

- Jesus as son
- Sophia, the Wisdom Woman
- Jesus, child of Sophia
- Paul and the pre/post-Easter Jesus
- Logos
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### **Show Notes**

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Tonight about 8:30pm EST I will be recording episode 38 of my podcast Reclaiming Christianity with panelists Nat Fitzgerald and Shan Edgington. Our topic is *encouraging dialogue between those who left religion and those who stayed*. The conversation is shaped by the book "Why I Left, Why I Stayed" by humanist Bart Campolo and his father, evangelist Tony Campolo.

To join the discussion, like this page. When we go live a link will appear that will let you listen in and join in a chat channel.

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Episode 35: Evolution of the Word, part 1 Panelists: Jennifer Neyhart, Jason Armold

- The New Testament in the order it was written
- BOOKS
- other

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- (Hey John, Whatcha Readin'?)

## This Episode

- Premise
  - This episode we are talking about The Shack, but that's just a jumping off point. What we're really talking about is different conceptions of God.
  - o Brief review The Shack different conception of God

#### Guests

- Muzaffar Ahmad, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community
  - Introduce yourself, tell a little about your community
- Tamrha Gatti Richardson, Novices of the Old Ways
  - Introduce yourself, tell a little about your community
- What is your view on Interfaith initiatives? Why do you participate? What have you received from being involved?
  - If you really want to dive deep into your religious tradition, spend time learning and experiencing other traditions.
- What is a common misconception that Christians have about your tradition?
- Who or what is God in your tradition? To you personally?
- What are your thoughts on the typical Christian view of God?
  - What parts resonate with you, what parts do not?

### The Shack

- What did you see in depiction of God in The Shack that was different from what you have understood of the Christian view?
- How does this view relate to the view of God of your tradition? You
  personally? What parts resonate with you, what parts do not?
  - The Divine Feminine

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The lenses through which we see God. John welcomes Muzaffar Ahmad, a Muslim, and Tamrha Gatti Richardson, a Pagan, to discuss different views of God. We talk about our individual and collective views through the lens of The Shack, the 2008 novel by Christian author William Paul Young that has some crying heresy and others connecting with God in new ways.

More information on the Ahmadiyaa Muslim community can be found at www.trueislam.com

More information on the Novices of the Old Ways Indianapolis can be found at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/262760450501221/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/262760450501221/</a>

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# Future episodes

# Universalism, part 2:

- Quaker Universalist Reader #2: Universalism & Religions
  - Pp 9-18: Quaker Universalism in a World Religious Setting
  - Pp 32-33: What Universalism is Not
  - Pp 79-83: Universal Salvation?
    - What is "being saved"?
  - Pp138-141: Universalism and Interfaith

### **Past Notes**

- Nonliteralism in John's Gospel
  - NO PARABLES
  - o 1:1-5 Birth
  - 1:32-33 Baptism
  - o 1:51 Jacob's ladder, melding of heaven and earth
  - 2:13-25 Cleansing of Temple
    - Couldn't have been at START of Jesus' ministry!
  - o 3:3-8 Born again
  - 4:7-14 Living water
    - 4:31-34 Food
  - 6:25-58 Bread of life
    - Disciples 6:60-66
  - 11:11-14 Lazarus
    - Lazarus didn't exist in the other gospels!
    - Parable: Rich man & Lazarus
  - 16:16-19 Disciples still don't understand
    - 16:25 THE KEY!
    - 16:29-30 Response
  - o 20:24-26 Thomas
  - 21:21-23 John's immortality