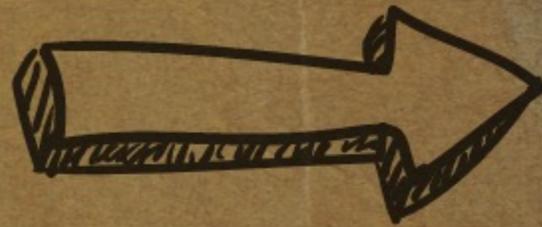


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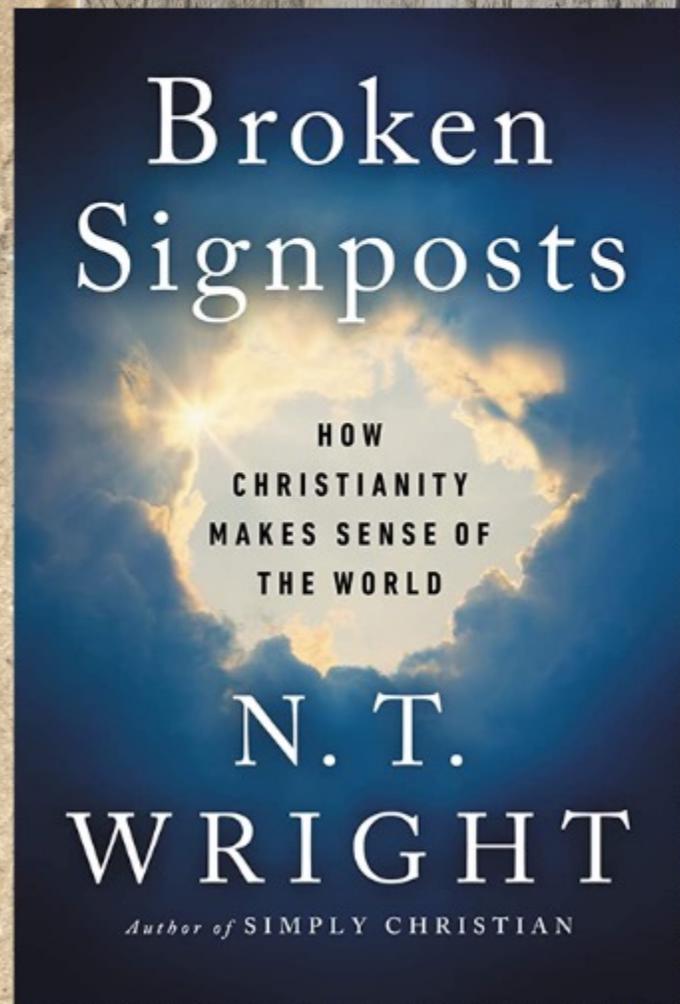


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Biblical scholar and acclaimed author N.T. Wright says that every worldview must explain seven “signposts” that we presently experience as “broken” and unattainable: **justice, love, spirituality, beauty, freedom, truth, and power**. He argues that Christianity presents a compelling and relevant explanation for why these signposts are broken, but also how these markers point to the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus as the start of new creation. Join us on the journey of our Lenten series—*Broken Signposts*—as we explore how the Christian faith is a vibrant and coherent vision that makes sense of the world and provides hope and guidance for our future.



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**The Hidden Spring
of Spirituality**

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"Spirituality is like a hidden spring..."



"This will become a classic."—ANNE RICE, author of *Christ the Lord: Out of Egypt*

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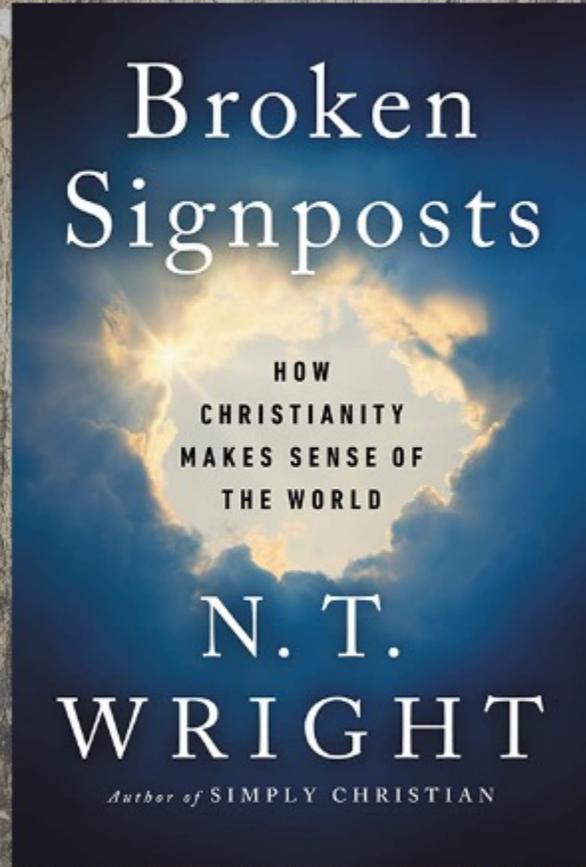


Why Christianity Makes Sense

N. T. WRIGHT

HELLO
MY NAME IS
Tom Wright

“ From the eighteenth century onward popular Western culture has largely relegated "religion" to the private sphere. This has allowed many aspects of social, public, and political life to proceed on the basis of a "functional atheism." God is out of the picture--he seems to have retired to an upstairs attic and hasn't been seen for quite some time--so we can get on with running the world downstairs without him. And we don't need religion to do that" (Wright, pg. 63).





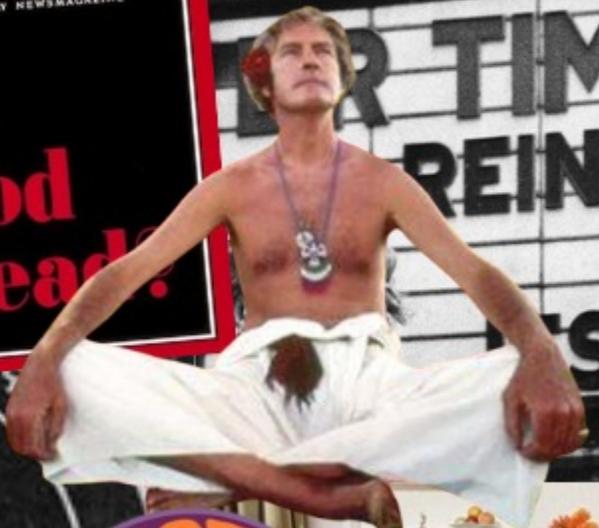
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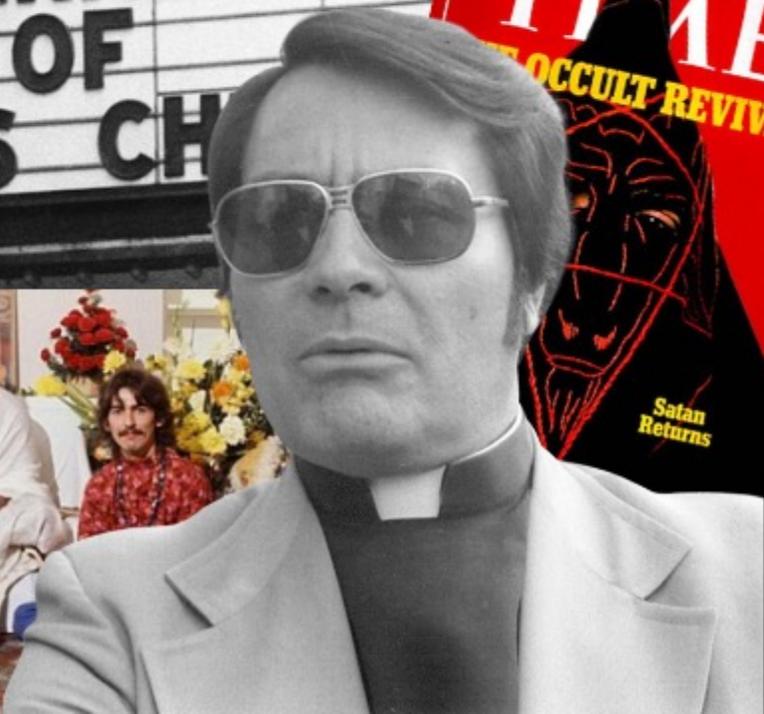
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Satan Returns

SCRIPTURE READING
JOHN 3:1-8 NLT



I'M
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NOT
RELIGIOUS



THE RISE OF THE NONES

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WHAT MAKES
ASTROLOGY
SO POPULAR
AMONG GEN Z?

“I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

Jesus, John 14:6 NIV

NT Gk: ἐγώ εἰμι ἡ ὁδὸς καὶ ἡ ἀλήθεια καὶ ἡ ζωή·

THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE

According to the Gospel of John, the Messiah Jesus is the way to *know, experience, and worship* God in Spirit and in truth.

Those who are "born again" will know Jesus as . . .

1. **Temple** -- 2:18-22

2. **Vine** -- 15:1-8

3. **Living Water** -- 4:13-14



The CHOSEN

A group of men in ancient, rustic clothing are walking through a field of tall grass. In the foreground, a man with long hair and a beard, wearing a white tunic and a purple shawl, is walking towards the right. Behind him, several other men in similar attire are walking in the same direction. The background shows rolling hills under a clear sky.

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John 4:13-14 NIV

¹³ Jesus answered, “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again,¹⁴ but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

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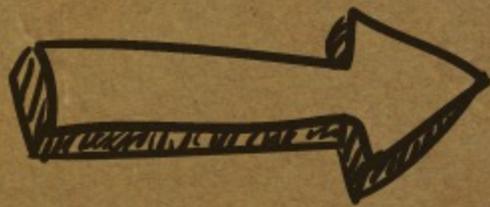


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