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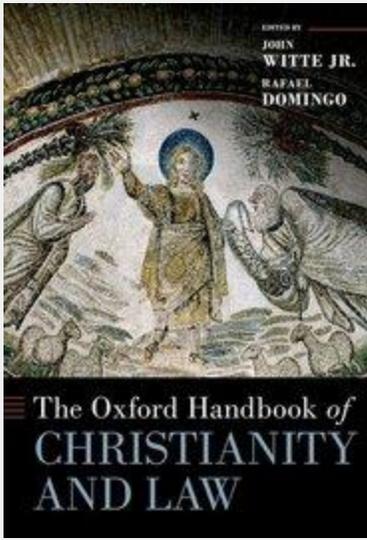
John Witte Newsletter

News and information on John Witte Jr.

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Recent Books



The Oxford Handbook of Christianity and Law (2023)



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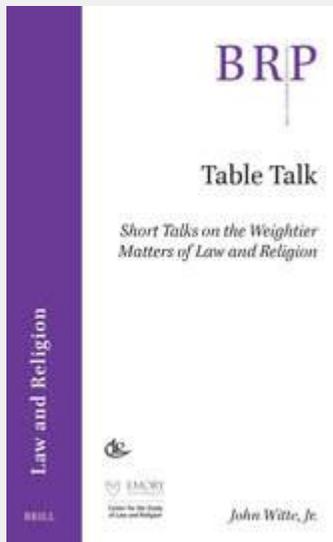
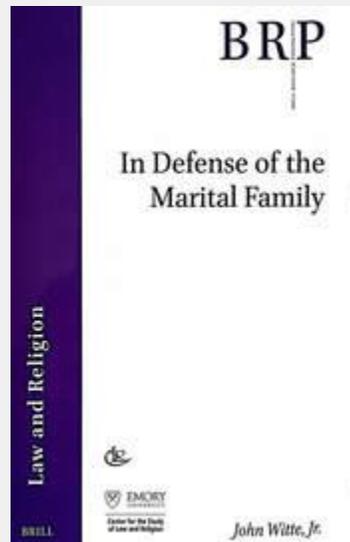
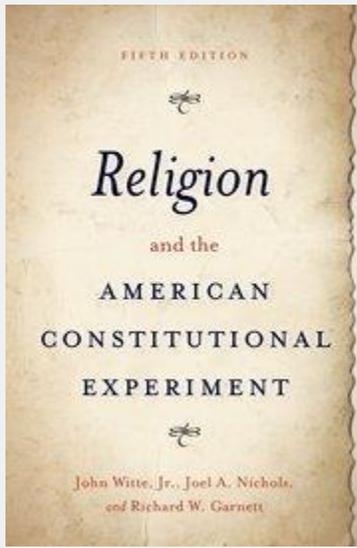


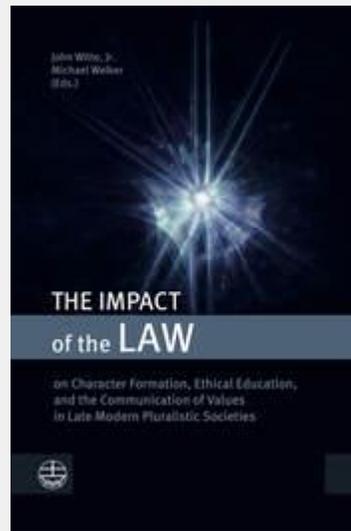
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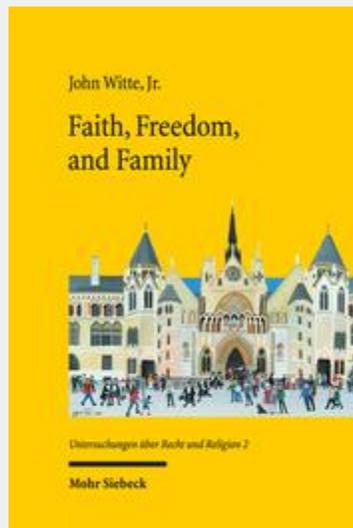
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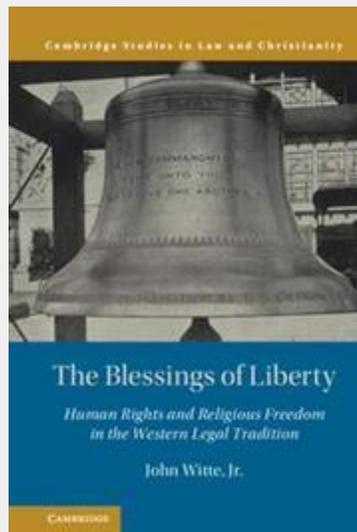
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The Impact Series on Character Formation, Ethical Education, and the Communication of Values in Late Modern Pluralistic Societies, 10 vols. (2020-2023)



Faith, Freedom, and Family (2021)



The Blessings of Liberty (2021)

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- [“Natural Law and Natural Rights in the Early Protestant Tradition,” in Tom Angier and Iain Benson, eds., Cambridge Handbook on Natural Law and Natural Rights \(Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2022\), 233-246](#)
- [“Law and Theology in the Western Legal Tradition,” St. Andrews On-Line Encyclopaedia of Theology \(2022\)](#)
- [“Religious Freedom in Religious Education,” Advance \(Fall, 2022\), 1-10](#)
- [“Back to the Sources! What’s Clear and Not so Clear about the Original Intent of the First Amendment,” BYU Law Review 47 \(2022\): 1303-1383](#)
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- [“Law at the Backbone: The Christian Legal Ecumenism of Norman Doe,” Ecclesiastical Law Journal 24 \(2022\): 192-208](#)
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- “Between Martin Luther and Martin Luther King: James Pennington and the Struggle for ‘Sacred Human Rights’ Against Slavery,” [Yale Journal of Law and Humanities](#) 31 (2020): 205-271 (with Justin Latterell) <https://digitalcommons.law.yale.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1473&context=yjlh>

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