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**Looking for the Ancient Greeks** Cambridge University Press

New paperback edition of an acclaimed Christocentric theology for evangelical intellectual life. Already an acclaimed Christocentric theology for contemporary evangelical intellectual life, Mark Noll's *Jesus Christ and the Life of the Mind* (2011) significantly updates Noll's critical assessment of evangelical Christian scholarship in his landmark *Scandal of the Evangelical Mind* (1994). In this newer book -- now in paperback -- Noll charts a positive way forward for evangelical thinking and learning. Noll's *Jesus Christ and the Life of the Mind* shows how the orthodox Christology confessed in the ancient Christian creeds, far from hindering or discouraging serious scholarship, can supply the motives, guidance, and framework for learning. Christian faith, Noll argues, can richly enhance intellectual engagement in the various academic disciplines -- and he demonstrates how by applying his insights to the fields of history (his own area of expertise), science, and biblical studies in particular. In a substantial postscript Noll candidly addresses the question How fares the "evangelical mind" today? as he highlights "hopeful signs" of intellectual life in a host of evangelical institutions, individuals, and movements.

**Mind and Madness in Ancient Greece** Springer Science & Business Media

This book offers a comprehensive study of the views of ancient philosophers on mental disorders. Relying on the original Greek and Latin textual sources, the author describes and analyses how the ancient philosophers explained mental illness and its symptoms, including hallucinations, delusions, strange fears and inappropriate moods and how they accounted for the respective roles of body and mind in such disorders. Also considered are ethical questions relating to mental illness, approaches to treatment and the position of mentally ill people in societies of the times. The volume opens with a historical overview that examines ancient medical accounts of mental illness, from Hippocrates' famous Sacred Disease to late antiquity medical authors. Separate chapters interpret in detail the writings of Plato, Aristotle, Galen and the Stoics and a final chapter summarises the views of various strains of Scepticism, the Epicurean school and the Middle and Neo-Platonists. Offering an important and useful contribution to the study of ancient philosophy, psychology and medicine. This volume sheds new light on the history of mental illness and presents a new angle on ancient philosophical psychology.

**Mind in the Cave** National Geographic Books

Think about reality in an entirely different way. Think like an Egyptian! Actually, you will discover that humanity hasn't moved on very far from the creation myths of the ancient Egyptians. The modern person is still more or less an Egyptian. That's true even of scientists.

**Masters of the Mind** MIT Press

The compelling story of the quest to understand the human mind -and its diseases This engaging presentation of our evolving understanding of the human mind and the meaning of mental illness asks the question that have fascinated philosophers, researchers, clinicians, and ordinary persons for millennia: What causes human behavior? What processes underlie personal functioning and psychopathology, and what methods work best to alleviate disorders of the mind? Written by Theodore Millon, a leading researcher in personality theory and psychopathology, it features dozens of illuminating profiles of famous clinicians and philosophers.

**Jesus Christ and the Life of the Mind** OUP Oxford

Examines the early development of psychological thought from archaic Greece to the fall of Rome.

**Munitions of the Mind** Citadel Press

A classic work, *Munitions of the mind* traces how propaganda has formed part of the fabric of conflict since the dawn of warfare, and how in its broadest definition it has also been part of a process of

persuasion at the heart of human communication. Stone monuments, coins, broadsheets, paintings and pamphlets, posters, radio, film, television, computers and satellite communications - throughout history, propaganda has had access to ever more complex and versatile media. This third edition has been revised and expanded to include a new preface, new chapters on the 1991 Gulf War, information age conflict in the post-Cold War era, and the world after the terrorist attacks of September 11. It also offers a new epilogue and a comprehensive bibliographical essay. The extraordinary range of this book, as well as the original and cohesive analysis it offers, make it an ideal text for all international courses covering media and communications studies, cultural history, military history and politics. It will also prove fascinating and accessible to the general reader.

**Vedānta Psychology** Guilford Publications

**\*\*Ancient Secrets Of The Mind\*\*** What a fantastic book! It's up there with 'Prometheus Rising', 'Undoing Yourself with Energised Mediation' and 'The Game of Life'. Essential Reading for everyone learning how to manifest and truly put the Law of Attraction to work for them at long last. It's easy to imagine 'The Law of Attraction' as a modern breakthrough in lifestyle creation. We often overlook the fact that this system of belief has been alive and kicking for thousands of years before the movie 'The Secret' pushed it openly into public awareness. But for the past 2000 years this ancient belief system was traditionally kept secret, hidden away in the dusty catacombs of the great temples of spiritual learning. Regarded as forbidden knowledge and taught only to societies most accomplished and deserving members. This eBook series finally cracks open the vault and reveals the full system of psychological alchemy employed by the worlds greatest thinkers and leaders throughout history, from the Egyptian Pharaohs building monuments of wonder, to the more modern Freemasons establishing the Bill of Rights to become the Founding Fathers of America. In 'The Ancient Secrets of The Mind' series, you'll be transported back in time to see how 'The Law of Attraction' was really taught to gain mastery of your Unconscious powers, helping those who learn its secrets become the Men and Women capable of influencing nations and shaping societies. Every great mover and shaker through Earth's history had access to this knowledge and now you'll be able to join their ranks and take your pride of place standing on the shoulders of giants. Topics include: The Origin of the 'All seeing eye' and how it relates to a psychological process for discerning profound universal truths. The difference between the subconscious vs. the unconscious and how it fits into the holy trinity model of consciousness. The real way the law of attraction works. A comparative study of world religion - highlighting the universal psychological system used globally in Earth's past. The 7 creative principles of the unconscious and how they correlate with the chakra system of the human body. Jacobs's ladder, the stairway to heaven and the Unconscious ecology checklist for streamlining productivity. The paradoxical approach to the path of mastery - left brain vs right brain integration. The key of David - the secret code for hacking the creative process and attaining rapid mastery of any discipline. And discover how this ancient psychology was encoded into the Great Seal on the back of the American dollar bill.

**Early Psychological Thought** Cambridge University Press

Excerpt from *The Significance of Ancient Religions: In Relation to Human Evolution and Brain Development* It is especially to be noted that this conception does not imply anything with regard to the exact relation between mind and brain. The reader may have whatever ideas he likes on this subject without prejudice to the postulate which I have advanced. It is admitted by all psychologists at the present day that the brain is the organ of mind, and there is only difference of opinion on the further question as to the exact nature of the relationship. This relationship does not come within the purview of this work; nor, indeed, is there any reason why the obscurity which surrounds it should hinder our efforts to establish a clear understanding of human evolution and psychology. We are as incapable of stating or of conceiving the ultimate relations of force and matter as we are those of mind and brain; but this incapacity has not prevented us from so dealing with forces and

materials as to produce the brilliant achievements of mechanical science. And in the same way we may leave the ultimate relations of mind and brain on one side and pass on to extract, from the sequences of events in human life and human consciousness that history presents to our view, the knowledge of evolution and of psychology that will enable us to deal intelligently with the problems that more immediately confront us in our daily lives. About the Publisher Forgotten Books publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at [www.forgottenbooks.com](http://www.forgottenbooks.com) This book is a reproduction of an important historical work. Forgotten Books uses state-of-the-art technology to digitally reconstruct the work, preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy. In rare cases, an imperfection in the original, such as a blemish or missing page, may be replicated in our edition. We do, however, repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully; any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works.

*Pleasure, Mind, and Soul: Selected Papers in Ancient Philosophy* Forgotten Books

The breathtakingly beautiful art created deep inside the caves of western Europe has the power to dazzle even the most jaded observers. Emerging from the narrow underground passages into the chambers of caves such as Lascaux, Chauvet, and Altamira, visitors are confronted with symbols, patterns, and depictions of bison, woolly mammoths, ibexes, and other animals. Since its discovery, cave art has provoked great curiosity about why it appeared when and where it did, how it was made, and what it meant to the communities that created it. David Lewis-Williams proposes that the explanation for this lies in the evolution of the human mind. Cro-Magnons, unlike the Neanderthals, possessed a more advanced neurological makeup that enabled them to experience shamanistic trances and vivid mental imagery. It became important for people to "fix," or paint, these images on cave walls, which they perceived as the membrane between their world and the spirit world from which the visions came. Over time, new social distinctions developed as individuals exploited their hallucinations for personal advancement, and the first truly modern society emerged. Illuminating glimpses into the ancient mind are skillfully interwoven here with the still-evolving story of modern-day cave discoveries and research. *The Mind in the Cave* is a superb piece of detective work, casting light on the darkest mysteries of our earliest ancestors while strengthening our wonder at their aesthetic achievements.

*Understanding the Ancient Secrets of the Horse's Mind* Rowman Altamira

How consciousness appeared much earlier in evolutionary history than is commonly assumed, and why all vertebrates and perhaps even some invertebrates are conscious. How is consciousness created? When did it first appear on Earth, and how did it evolve? What constitutes consciousness, and which animals can be said to be sentient? In this book, Todd Feinberg and Jon Mallatt draw on recent scientific findings to answer these questions—and to tackle the most fundamental question about the nature of consciousness: how does the material brain create subjective experience? After assembling a list of the biological and neurobiological features that seem responsible for consciousness, and considering the fossil record of evolution, Feinberg and Mallatt argue that consciousness appeared much earlier in evolutionary history than is commonly assumed. About 520 to 560 million years ago, they explain, the great "Cambrian explosion" of animal diversity produced the first complex brains, which were accompanied by the first appearance of consciousness; simple reflexive behaviors evolved into a unified inner world of subjective experiences. From this they deduce that all vertebrates are and have always been conscious—not just humans and other mammals, but also every fish, reptile, amphibian, and bird. Considering invertebrates, they find that arthropods (including insects and probably crustaceans) and cephalopods (including the octopus) meet many of the criteria for consciousness. The obvious and conventional wisdom-shattering implication is that consciousness evolved simultaneously but independently in the first vertebrates and possibly arthropods more than half a billion years ago. Combining evolutionary, neurobiological, and philosophical approaches allows Feinberg and Mallatt to offer an original solution to the "hard problem" of consciousness.

*An Anatomy of the Mind* Princeton University Press

Explores mindfulness from its roots in Buddhist psychology to its role in contemporary psychological science. In-depth case examples illustrate how and why mindfulness training can help people move from distress and suffering to resilience and flourishing

*Mental Disorders in Ancient Philosophy* Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing

How ancient skepticism can help you attain tranquility by learning to suspend judgment Along with Stoicism and Epicureanism, Skepticism is one of the three major schools of ancient Greek philosophy that claim to offer a way of living as well as thinking. How to Keep an Open Mind provides an unmatched introduction to skepticism by presenting a fresh, modern translation of key passages from the writings of Sextus Empiricus, the only Greek skeptic whose works have survived. While content in daily life to go along with things as they appear to be, Sextus advocated—and provided a set of techniques to achieve—a radical suspension of judgment about the way things really are, believing that such nonjudging can be useful for challenging the unfounded dogmatism of others and may help one achieve a state of calm and tranquility. In an introduction, Richard Bett makes the case that the most important lesson we can draw from Sextus's brand of skepticism today may be an ability to see what can be said on the other side of any issue, leading to a greater open-mindedness. Complete with the original Greek on facing pages, *How to Keep an Open Mind* offers a compelling antidote to the closed-minded dogmatism of today's polarized world.

*Shamanism and the Ancient Mind* Manchester University Press

This volume unpacks the psychological insights found in the writings of three early monks—Evagrius Ponticus (fourth century), John Cassian (fifth century), and Gregory the Great (sixth century)—to help us appreciate the relevance of these monastic writers and apply their wisdom to our own spiritual and psychological well-being. The book addresses each of the seven deadly sins, offering practical guidance from the early monastic tradition for overcoming these dangerous passions. As Dennis Okholm introduces key monastic figures, literature, and thought of the early church, he relates early Christian writings to modern studies in psychology. He shows how ancient monks often anticipated the insights of contemporary psychology and sociology, exploring, for example, how their discussions of gluttony compare with current discussions regarding eating disorders. This book will appeal to readers interested in spirituality, early monastic resources, and ancient wisdom for human flourishing, as well as students of spirituality and spiritual formation.

*The discovery of the mind* OUP Oxford

A "brilliant and practical" study of why our brains aren't built for media multitasking—and how we can learn to live with technology in a more balanced way (Jack Kornfield, author of *The Wise Heart*) Most of us will freely admit that we are obsessed with our devices. We pride ourselves on our ability to multitask—read work email, reply to a text, check Facebook, watch a video clip. Talk on the phone, send a text, drive a car. Enjoy family dinner with a glowing smartphone next to our plates. We can do it all, 24/7! Never mind the errors in the email, the near-miss on the road, and the unheard conversation at the table. In *The Distracted Mind*, Adam Gazzaley and Larry Rosen—a neuroscientist and a psychologist—explain why our brains aren't built for multitasking, and suggest better ways to live in a high-tech world without giving up our modern technology. The authors explain that our brains are limited in their ability to pay attention. We don't really multitask but rather switch rapidly between tasks. Distractions and interruptions, often technology-

related—referred to by the authors as "interference"—collide with our goal-setting abilities. We want to finish this paper/spreadsheet/sentence, but our phone signals an incoming message and we drop everything. Even without an alert, we decide that we "must" check in on social media immediately. Gazzaley and Rosen offer practical strategies, backed by science, to fight distraction. We can change our brains with meditation, video games, and physical exercise; we can change our behavior by planning our accessibility and recognizing our anxiety about being out of touch even briefly. They don't suggest that we give up our devices, but that we use them in a more balanced way.

*Ancient Greek Psychology and the Modern Mind-body Debate* Hay House, Inc

A groundbreaking exploration of the "science of enlightenment," told through the lens of the journey of Siddhartha (better known as Buddha), by Guardian science editor James Kingsland. In a lush grove on the banks of the Neranjara in northern India—400 years before the birth of Christ, when the foundations of western science and philosophy were being laid by the great minds of Ancient Greece—a prince turned ascetic wanderer sat beneath a fig tree. His name was Siddhartha Gautama, and he was discovering the astonishing capabilities of the human brain and the secrets of mental wellness and spiritual "enlightenment," the foundation of Buddhism. Framed by the historical journey and teachings of the Buddha, *Siddhartha's Brain* shows how meditative and Buddhist practice anticipated the findings of modern neuroscience. Moving from the evolutionary history of the brain to the disorders and neuroses associated with our technology-driven world, James Kingsland explains why the ancient practice of mindfulness has been so beneficial and so important for human beings across time. Far from a New Age fad, the principles of meditation have deep scientific support and have been proven to be effective in combating many contemporary psychiatric disorders. Siddhartha posited that "Our life is shaped by our mind; we become what we think." As we are increasingly driven to distraction by competing demands, our ability to focus and control our thoughts has never been more challenged—or more vital. *Siddhartha's Brain* offers a cutting-edge, big-picture assessment of meditation and mindfulness: how it works, what it does to our brains, and why meditative practice has never been more important.

*Greek Models of Mind and Self* MIT Press

Demystifying consciousness: how subjective experience can be explained by natural brain and evolutionary processes. Consciousness is often considered a mystery. How can the seemingly immaterial experience of consciousness be explained by the material neurons of the brain? There seems to be an unbridgeable gap between understanding the brain as an objectively observed biological organ and accounting for the subjective experiences that come from the brain (and life processes). In this book, Todd Feinberg and Jon Mallatt attempt to demystify consciousness—to naturalize it, by explaining that the subjective, experiencing aspects of consciousness are created by natural brain processes that evolved in natural ways. Although subjective experience is unique in nature, they argue, it is not necessarily mysterious. We need not invoke the unknown or unknowable to explain its creation. Feinberg and Mallatt flesh out their theory of neurobiological naturalism (after John Searle's biological naturalism) that recognizes the many features that brains share with other living things, lists the neural features unique to conscious brains, and explains the subjective-objective barrier naturally. They investigate common neural features among the diverse groups of animals that have primary consciousness—the type of consciousness that experiences both sensations received from the world and affects such as emotions. They map the evolutionary development of consciousness and find an uninterrupted progression over time, without inserting any mysterious forces or exotic physics. Finally, bridging the previously unbridgeable, they show how subjective experience, although different from objective observation, can be naturally explained.

*Ancient Wisdom and Modern Science* John Wiley & Sons

This book is a response to Antonio Damasio's *Looking for Spinoza: Joy, Sorrow and the Feeling Brain*. Damasio, a prominent neuroscientist, begins by explaining what the latest discoveries in the neurosciences tell us about human psychology. He rejects the two prominent models of human psychology since the Western Enlightenment, the blank slate and dualism. Instead, says Damasio, we now know that the brain and body are completely integrated through a complex system of neural maps. Damasio's recognition of the complete unity of body, brain and mind leads him to the conclusion that we have to develop ideas and ideas of ideas and use them to reform our neural maps. This book presents Damasio's own ideas about the most "serious" questions in life that we ought to use to reform ourselves and our societies, including homeostasis; spirituality; feelings; suffering and death; the value of religious traditions; and the value of the philosophical path to God among others. The book presents additional positions on the same serious questions from perspectives that it is hoped Damasio will consider adding to or, in some cases, replacing, his position. Most of the book is a discussion of many aspects of Ancient Greek culture, showing how it developed into a complex cultural system that aimed to create exactly the kind of integrated system of neural maps that Damasio claims is so important for us today. As such, this book strives to contribute to our collective need to reform our system of education based on our new understanding of the nature of the human psyche.

*The Ancient Origins of Consciousness* SUNY Press

What if you could reverse disease – or learn how to avert it before its onset? What if, instead of aging, you could feel younger, stronger, and happier with each passing year? What if you could maintain your health for your entire life? What if all the secrets to health and longevity were on the soles of your feet? The wisdom in this book has been passed down from master to student for thousands of years, but now you too can benefit from the powerful Eastern practice of Chinese reflexology. This ancient therapeutic art of foot massage offers you a way to harness Universal Qi, a limitless source of healing energy, and restore yourself to balance, harmony, and health. Holistic healer and reflexologist Holly Tse brings new light to this millennia-old practice and reveals the curative power of Chinese reflexology in a friendly and contemporary way. Using clear illustrations and delightful step-by-step instructions, she'll embolden you to use this extraordinary process and take you on a journey through the three catalysts to incredible healing that encompass mind, body, and soul: shifting the mind, healing with energy, and following your heart and soul. *Sole Guidance* is a fun, vibrant, and easy-to-understand guide to complete self-transformation from the inside out. Learn how to hear your inner guidance, connect with your "Dragon Spirit," discover what your body needs to heal and thrive, and revolutionize your life – simply by massaging your feet!

*Siddhartha's Brain* Citadel Press

Caves and the Ancient Greek Mind analyses techniques of searching for ultimate wisdom in ancient Greece. The Greeks perceived mental experiences of exceptional intensity as resulting from divine intervention. They believed that to share in the immortals' knowledge, one had to liberate the soul from the burden of the mortal body by attaining an altered state of consciousness, that is, by merging with a superhuman being or through possession by a deity. These states were often attained by inspired mediums, 'impresarios of the gods' - prophets, poets, and sages - who descended into caves or underground chambers. Yulia Ustinova juxtaposes ancient testimonies with the results of modern neuropsychological research. This novel approach enables an examination of religious phenomena not only from the outside, but also from the inside: it penetrates the consciousness of people who were engaged in the vision quest, and demonstrates that the darkness of the caves provided conditions vital for their activities.

**Sole Guidance Springer**

This book offers new insights into the workings of the human soul and the philosophical conception of the mind in Ancient Greece. It collects essays that deal with different but interconnected aspects of that unified picture of our mental life shared by all Ancient philosophers who thought of the soul as an immaterial substance. The papers present theoretical discussions on moral and psychological issues ranging from Socrates to Aristotle, and beyond, in connection with modern psychology. Coverage includes moral learning and the fruitfulness of punishment, human motivation, emotions

as psychic phenomena, and more. Some of these topics directly stemmed from the Socratic dialectical experience and its tragic outcome, whereas others found their way through a complex history of refinements, disputes, and internal critique. The contributors present the gradual unfolding of these central themes through a close inspection of the relevant Ancient texts. They deliver a wide-ranging survey of some central and mutually related topics. In the process, readers will learn new approaches to Platonic and Aristotelian psychology and action theory. This book will appeal to graduate students and researchers in Ancient philosophy. Any scholar with a general interest in the history of ideas will also find it a valuable resource.