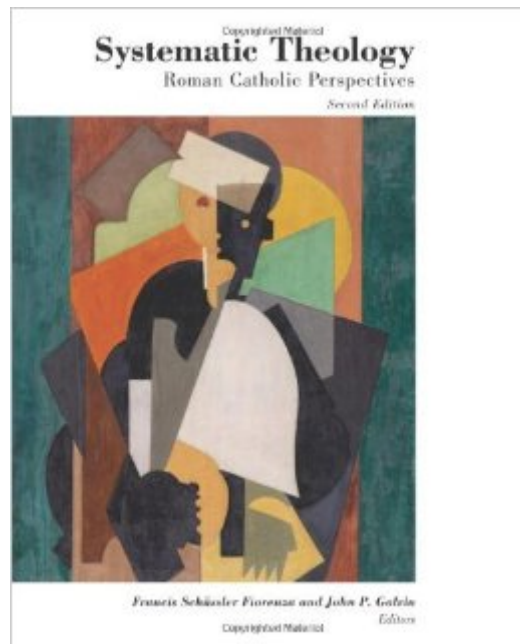


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I purchased this systematic for a theology class that required a systematic that is not of your theological tradition. I am not a Catholic and decided this would be a great way for me to understand how Catholics view systematic theology. After using the book extensively, I can say I was pleasantly surprised. I have many Catholic friends, colleagues, and family members but I have identified with Protestant traditions and theology. That being said, I admire the liturgical and historical nature behind the Catholic tradition, one which I found I can learn from extensively. This systematic is set up more like a history lesson of systematic theology from a Catholic perspective (which may be par for the course for Catholic systematics, but again, I have never used one) than anything else. From each section and subsection, topics are covered by various Catholic scholars who offer historical

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This was as fine a dialogue on systematics that I have read. We used this in our Graduate Masters of Theological Studies program and even Rebecca was able to comment positively on it.

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