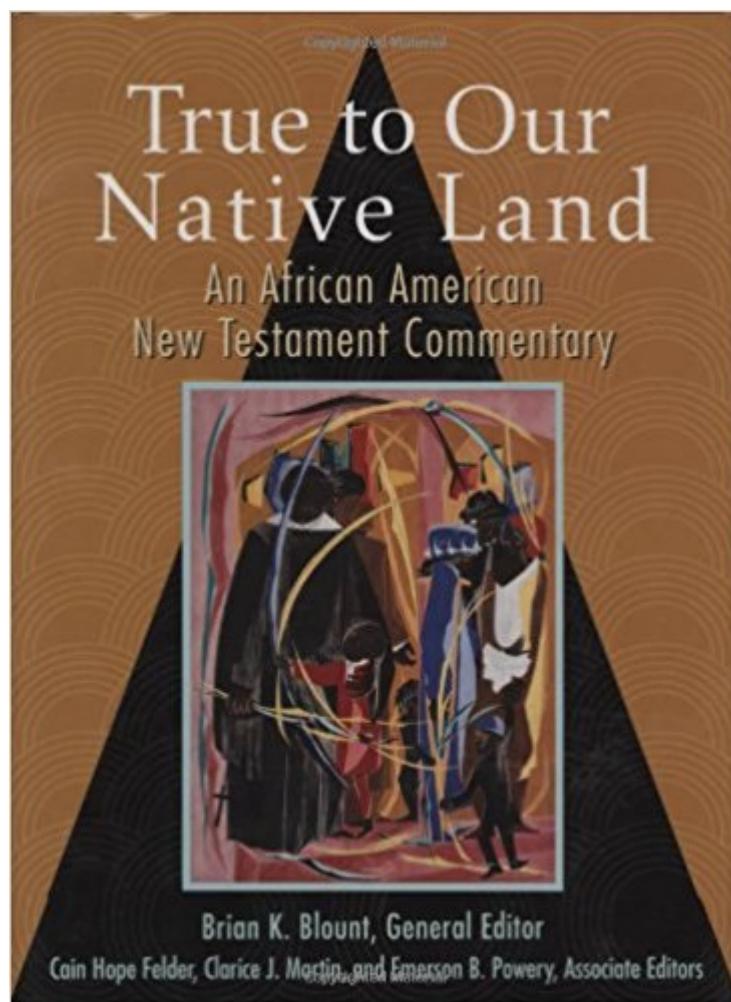


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# True To Our Native Land: An African American New Testament Commentary



## **Synopsis**

This pioneering commentary sets biblical interpretation firmly in the context of African American experience and concern. Cutting-edge scholarship that is in tune with African American churches calls into question many of the canons of traditional biblical research and highlights the role of the Bible in African American history, accenting themes of ethnicity, class, slavery, and African heritage as these play a role in Christian scripture and the Christian odyssey of an emancipated people. Contributors include the volume editors, Thomas Hoyt, Ann Holmes Redding, Vincent Wimbush, and sixteen other notable scholars.

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## **Customer Reviews**

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I am glad for the publication and the availability of this book, as a one-volume resource on New Testament Interpretation through African-American eyes (but also executed in close dialogue with biblical scholarship) was sorely needed prior to its appearance. This has certainly helped to fill that gap. I have used it several times as a required textbook in my class on New Testament Introduction. What keeps me looking for alternative ways to bring in diverse voices rather than settle happily on this volume as a constant textbook choice, however, is the fact that there is less here specifically on African-American perspectives than I would have wished. There is also a certain unevenness in the

degree to which individual authors accomplish this (some of the contributions much more, some surprisingly little). A great deal of space covers that which is also available in any standard introductory textbook or one-volume commentary, such that it is redundant alongside an Introduction to the New Testament. On the other hand, this volume does not work for me as a primary textbook as it doesn't cover so much of what one finds in such an Introduction. This is not to detract from the quality of this resource AT ALL, merely to say that it is not yet the ideal volume by which I can introduce African-American perspectives on the NT into the required readings (the perspectives are indeed already present in every classroom, but not the critical resources). For my purposes I wish it had focused more on African-American interpretation and applications and less on the general -- but for other readers' purposes this blend will rather be a great strength of the volume.

Excellent Bible Commentary.

Exceeded expectations

in this multi-ethnic, multi-generational world community, its important to understand how the scriptures are viewed and interpreted from a variety of perspectives. scholarly works like this help facilitate dialogue with God's people everywhere. i am using this work as a resource for the new testament course that i'm teaching this fall (2010).

Very Easy book to read and understand. Book used for a Master's in Theology progam. Very informativea and very useful for comparison between works,

I love the breakdown of scripture

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