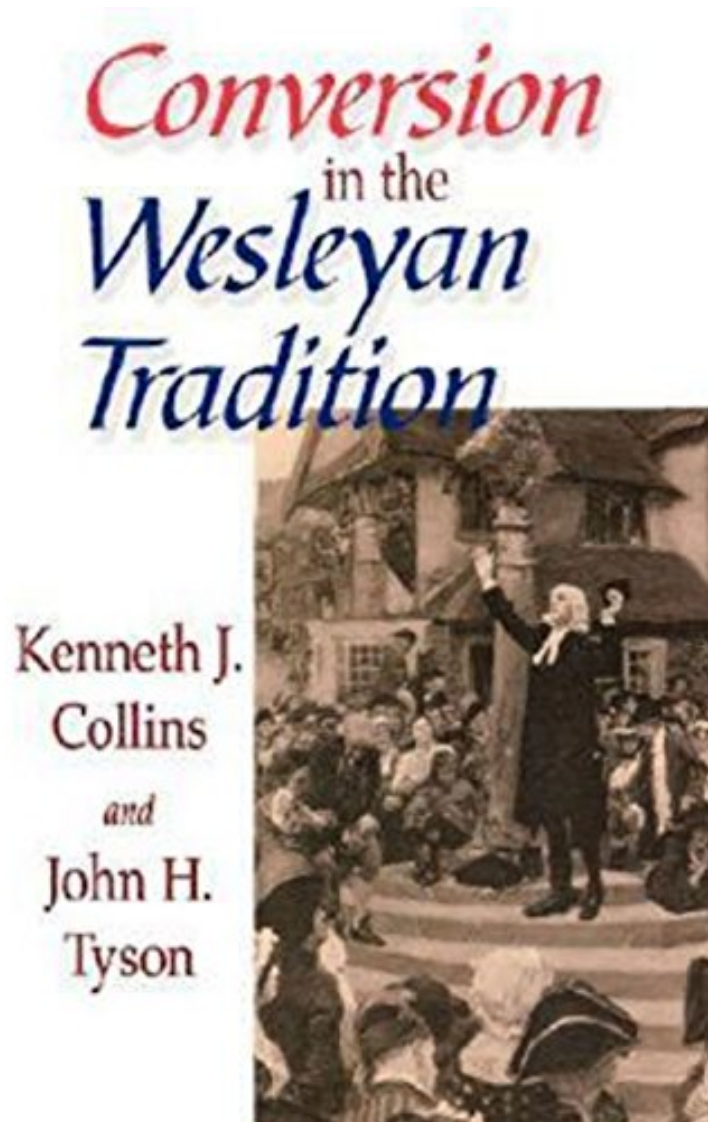


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compilation of essays written to understand the experience of conversion in the Christian life. Such an experience has had and continues to hold an important place within the Wesleyan tradition. The compilation within the book strives to provide a picture of conversion from a number of perspectives, including: biblical, historical, theological, and practical. Out of these various perspectives one is able to not only understand the importance of conversion within the Wesleyan tradition, but also to strive and continue to proclaim the saving truth of the Gospel.

This new collection of essays explores the subject of conversion in the Wesleyan tradition from biblical, historical, theological, and practical points of view. Written by leading Wesleyan scholars, the essays reinvolve the notion of conversion as an identifiable experience in the Christian's life. The contributors, drawn from a diversity of backgrounds, rightly call for a much needed, and inclusive, balance: process and instantaneousness, nurture and regeneration, holy living and vibrant faith. The recovery of conversion as an illuminating paradigm of saving grace promises both renewal and revitalization in the Wesleyan tradition.

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