# Orbis Theological Studies-

#### Leonardo Boff PASSION OF CHRIST, PASSION OF THE WORLD The Facts, Their Interpretation, and Their Meaning Yesterday and Today

Boff shows the relationship between the cross and suffering today. "A courageous attempt to let Jesus appear in all the power and weakness of his humanity."—SEBASTIAN KAPPEN, SJ \$9.95 paper, \$19.95 cloth

### Clodovis Boff THEOLOGY AND PRAXIS Epistemological Foundations

Foreword by Adolphe Gesche "The soundest effort so far to build a solid epistemological foundation for Latin American liberation theology." —OTTO MADURO \$19.95 paper

#### Walbert Bühlmann THE CHURCH OF THE FUTURE A Model for the Year 2001 Epilogue by Karl Rahner

A fascinating review of the changes taking place in the church. "Provocative and stimulating mission theory." —International Christian Digest

"An Outstanding Book of 1986" —International Bulletin of Missionary Research \$10.95 paper

### Richard J. Cassidy SOCIETY AND POLITICS IN THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Cassidy reveals the startling social and political content of Luke's Acts. "...a timely contribution to one of the burning issues of Lukan research." —JOHN H. ELLIOTT, University of San Francisco \$9.95 paper, \$19.95 cloth

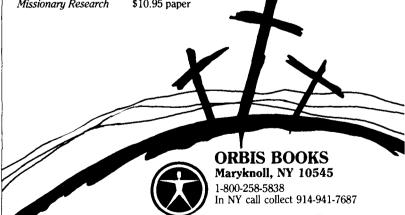
### J. Severino Croatto BIBLICAL HERMENEUTICS Toward a Theory of Reading as the Production of Meaning

Clearly and concisely Croatto summarizes differing methods of biblical interpretation. "A classic in the modern history of hermeneutics." -B. DAVIE NAPIER, Pacific School of Religion \$9.95 paper, \$19.95 cloth

### Rebecca S. Chopp THE PRAXIS OF SUFFERING An Interpretation of Liberation and Political Theologies

"Skillfully interprets what is going on at this time in European political theologies and Latin American liberation theologies."

-FREDERICK HERZOG, Duke University \$12.95 paper



## Toward the Ultimate Meaning of God

### Gustavo Gutiérrez ON IOR God-Talk and the Suffering of the Innocent

A profound reflection connecting the Old Testament story of Job to the lives of the poor today. "Inquisitive, brilliant. penetrating: this study brings us closer to Job and to ourselves." -ELIE WIESEL

\$8.95 paper. \$19.95 cloth

### Pablo Richard DEATH OF CHRISTENDOMS. **BIRTH OF THE CHURCH**

An economic, sociological, and political analysis of the history of the church in Latin America that contrasts the new church of the poor with the ecclesiastical system transplanted from Europe.

\$10.95 paper, \$21.95 cloth

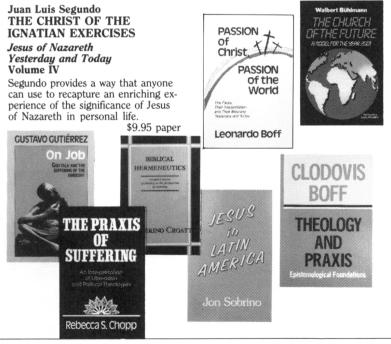
### NEW — Faith Meets Faith Series on Interreligious Dialogue **TOWARD A UNIVERSAL** THEOLOGY OF RELIGION Leonard Swidler, editor

Hans Kung, Wilfred Cantwell Smith, John Cobb. and Raimundo Pannikar address the idea of a universal theology and elicit responses from theologians of major world religions. \$9.95 paper, \$19.95 cloth

### Jon Sobrino JESUS IN LATIN AMERICA

"...rooted in the experience of El Salvador and Latin America... Sobrino presses questions toward the ultimate mystery of God. This book is a major contribution." -PHILIP BERRYMAN

\$11.95 paper



## NOW IN PAPERBACK

Introduction to the New Testament Helmut Koester

Volume I History, Culture, and Religion of the Hellenistic Age 1982 (paperback 1987). xxvii + 430 pages. Illustrations, maps, charts, glossary, bibliographies, indices. 0-89925-198-6. Cloth \$32.95 0-89925-351-2. Paper \$16.95

Volume II History and Literature of Early Christianity

1982 (paperback 1987). xxx + 365 pages. Illustrations, maps, charts, glossary, bibliographies, indices. 0-89925-199-4. Cloth \$32.95 0-89925-352-0. Paper \$16.95

"... a remarkably rich and learned work .... sets an extraordinarily high standard for this genre of works about the New Testament and will no doubt be widely used as a basic text in the years ahead."

Harold W. Attridge Biblical Archaeology Review

"Koester's scholarly acumen is evident on every page of this wellwritten and carefully structured handbook . . . . The book is truly a magnificent achievement."

> David E. Aune The Catholic Biblical Quarterly

"Koester has given us precisely the kind of textbook many of us have been wanting for many years."

Victor Paul Furnish The Second Century

"Despite its breadth, the exposition is rich in concrete detail . . . . there is hardly a sentence that is not plump with facts."

Wayne A. Mecks Journal of Biblical Literature

Wa

Walter de Gruyter, Inc.

200 Saw Mill River Road • Hawthorne, NY 10532 • (914) 747-0110