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## **Salem Press Announces a Revised Edition of *Milestone Documents of World Religions***

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- **Time Line** chronicles key events surrounding the writing of the document.
- **About the Author** presents a brief biographical profile of the person or persons who wrote the document.
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- **Questions for Further Study** proposes study questions for students.
- **Essential Quotes** offers a selection of key quotes from the document and, in some cases, about the document.
- **Further Reading** lists articles, books, and Web sites for further research.
- **Document Text** gives the actual text of the primary document.
- **Glossary** defines important, difficult, or unusual terms in the document text.

Each entry features the byline of the scholar who wrote the analysis. Readers should note that for most entries, key portions of the Document Text have been excerpted for analysis. In a few cases, the entry includes the full text of the primary source document.

In addition to the text of the 112 entries, the set includes over one hundred photographs and illustrations. The front matter of Volume 1 comprises an “Introduction” to the set, written by Editor-in-Chief David M. Fahey and Aaron Gulyas. At the end of Volume 3, readers will find an Index of Documents by Religious Tradition and a cumulative Subject Index.

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