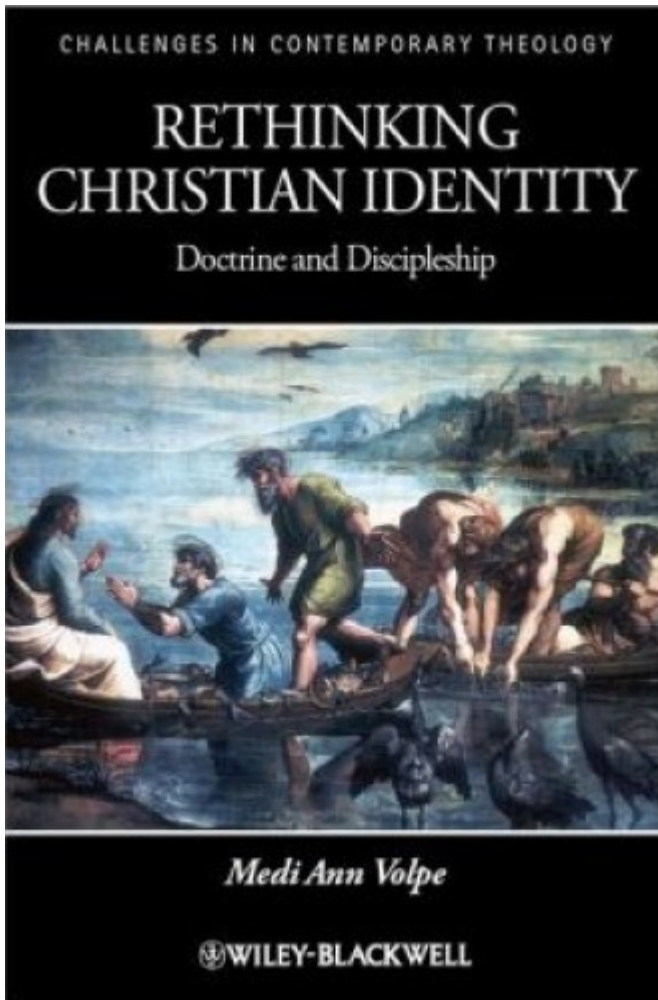


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In what started out as a doctoral dissertation, Volpe explores the implications of George Lindbeck's work on language, skills and doctrine for the task of Christian formation. Christian formation in her terms involves orienting ourselves toward God

and resisting sin. Believing that Christian identity is rooted in the past, she draws heavily upon Gregory of Nyssa. She also interacts with the theologies of Rowan Williams, John Milbank and Kathryn Tanner. While expensive, this book is worthy of consideration by theologians and pastors.