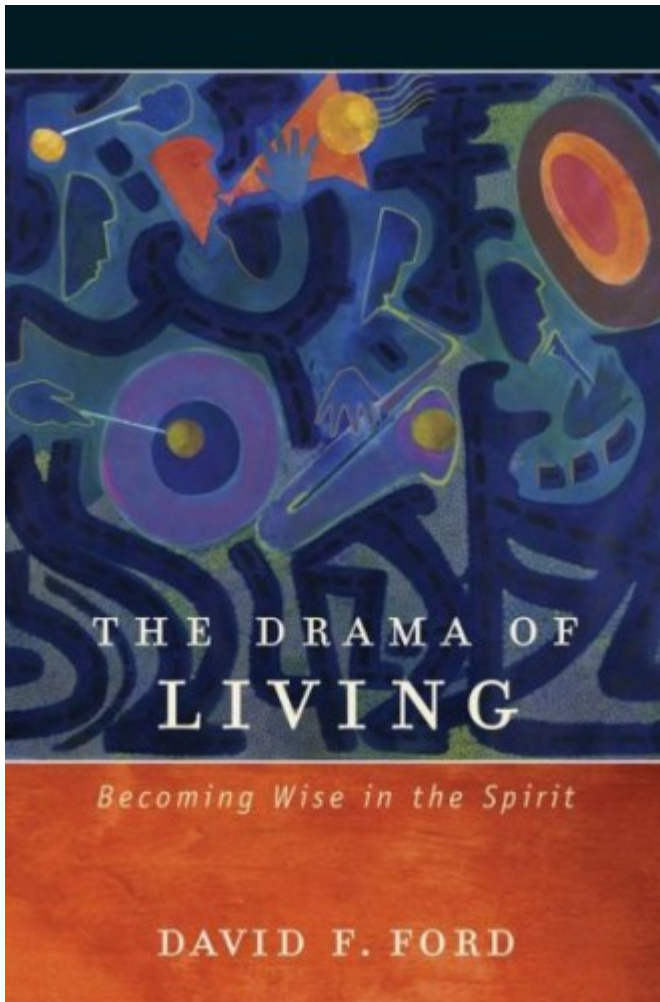


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In Review



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A sequel to Ford's *The Shape of Living*, *The Drama of Living* could be characterized as sapiential theology—reflection on theology that draws out its wisdom for daily living. Ford weaves together a *mélange* of sources, especially the Gospel of John and

the poetry of his friend Michael O'Siadhail. A corollary to the theme of Jesus coming into the world is John's theology of the Spirit who comes and invites us into the ongoing, improvisational drama of following Jesus and living out the love of Jesus in our lives. A familiar theme for Ford is sounded in this book: the urgent need and opportunities for interreligious understanding and cooperation. Religious traditions at their best are about the pursuit and application of wisdom.