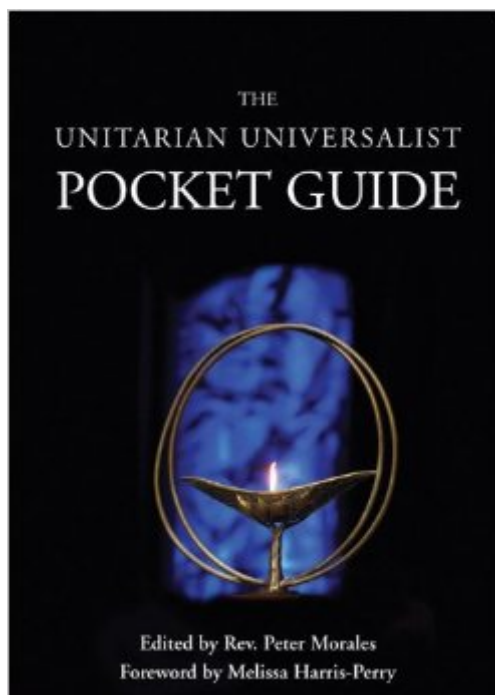


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heretics. Yet they teach a core belief that you're worthless if you reject the bible. Hmmmm. Anyway, the writing is friendly enough, accessible, and I wish the youth of today especially would read this. Along with Buddhism, Unitarianism is the way of the future as long as honesty remains a pillar. It ought to have been America's default "church setting" but alas, no. I'm sorry it shares one or two mainstream Christian bad ideas, but the UUA is the one best suited to break with all that. The question is whether they'll simply break into pieces.

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