

APPENDIX

Indicative bibliography of Protestant thought on natural religion

Historians have too often given the impression that those who wrote positively on the subject of natural religion (or the religion of nature) were enemies of the Church. Yet, as this Appendix indicates, the topic of natural religion was one of the most common within Christian literature of this period, and was not a topic reserved only for hostile replies to enemies of Christianity. Of the many English Protestant works relating to the positive importance of natural religion to Christianity, I here list just a few examples indicative of the tenor and variety of support or acceptance of natural religion alongside revealed religion.

- Anon., *A Collection of Hymns for public worship: on the general principles of natural and revealed religion* (Salisbury, 1778).
- Anon., *Protestant System; containing discourses on the principal doctrines of Natural and Revealed Religion* (London, 1758).
- Anon. (Harleian Miscellany), *Natural and Revealed Religion explaining each other, etc.* (1744).
- Blackwell, T. (Principal of the Marischal College), *Schema sacrum, or, a Sacred scheme of natural and revealed religion, etc.* (Edinburgh, 1710).
- Bourn, S., *The Christian Catechism. Wherein the principal truths of natural religion, and the truth and divine authority of the Christian religion, are asserted and proved, etc.* (Birmingham, 1744).
- Burnett, G. (Vicar of Coggeshall), *A Defence of Natural and Revealed Religion: being an abridgment of the sermons preached at the lecture founded by the Honble. Robert Boyle, Esq. [and others]* (London, 1737); another edition by S. Letsome and J. Nicholl (eds) in 1739.
- Burnett, T. (Rector of West Kington, Wilts.), *The Demonstration of True Religion, in a Chain of consequences from certain and undeniable*

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- principles; wherein the necessity and certainty of natural and reveal'd religion, with the nature and reason of both, are proved and explain'd: and in particular, the authority of the Christian revelation is establish'd ... in sixteen sermons* (London, 1726).
- Cheyne, G., *Philosophical Principles of Religion: natural and revealed: in two parts* (London, 1715).
- Clarke, S. (Rector of St James's), *A Discourse concerning the Unchangeable Obligations of Natural Religion, and the Truth and Certainty of the Christian Revelation. Being eight sermons preach'd ... in the year 1705* (London, 1706).
- Emes, T., *The Atheist turn'd Deist, and the Deist turn'd Christian, or, the union and reasonableness of the natural, and the true Christian religion* (London, 1698).
- Foster, J. (Doctor of Divinity), *A Vindication of some Truths of Natural and Revealed Religion ... To which is added, A Dialogue between a Calvinist, a Socinian, an Arminian, a Baxterian, and a Deist, etc.* (London, 1746).
- Heathcote, R., *The Use of Reason asserted in Matters of Religion, or, Natural Religion the Foundation of Revealed, in answer to a sermon preached before the University of Oxford* (London, 1756).
- Hunt, J., *The sources of corrupting both natural and revealed religion exemplified in the Romish Doctrine of Penance and Pilgrimages. A Sermon [on Mark vi. 12] preached ... Feb. 27, 1734–5* (London, 1735).
- Johnston, G., Rev., *The Eternal Obligation of Natural Religion, etc.* (1732).
- Nye, S., *A Discourse concerning Natural and Revealed Religion, evidencing the truth and certainty of both, etc.* (London, 1696).
- Pelletreau (Minister of the French church of St Patrick), *An abridgement of sacred history, from the creation of the world to the establishment of Christianity. Together with a catechetical explanation of the principles of natural and revealed religion* (Dublin, 1760).
- P. L. T., *A Preservative against Atheism and Infidelity; proving the fundamental principles of natural religion, and the necessity and certainty of reveal'd religion* (London, 1706).
- Shaw, F., *A Summary of the Bible: or, the Principal heads of natural, and revealed religion* (London, 1730).
- Squire, S. (Bishop of St David's), *Indifference for Religion inexcusable; or a serious, impartial and practical review of the certainty, importance, and harmony of religion both natural and revealed* (London, 1758).
- Sykes, A., *The principles and connexion of natural and revealed religion distinctly considered* (London, 1740).
- Thomas, J., *Christianity the perfection of all Religion, natural and revealed* (London, 1728).

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- Tuntstall, J. (Vicar of Rochdale), *Academica; Part the first, containing several discourses on the certainty, distinction, and connection of Natural and Revealed Religion* (London, 1759).
- Wilkins, J. (Bishop of Chester), *Of the Principles and Duties of Natural Religion: two books. By ... John, late Lord Bishop of Chester. To which is added, a Sermon preached at his funerals, by William Lloyd, etc.* (London, 1678).