

# 2017 Book of the Year Announcement



The Academy of Parish Clergy, Inc. proudly announces that the 2017 Book of the Year Award is awarded to *Reviving Old Scratch: Demons and the Devil for Doubters and the Disenchanted*, written by **Richard Beck** and published by Fortress Press (2016). Beck is Professor of Psychology at Abilene Christian University. The Book of the Year Award is given to the best book published for parish ministry in the previous year. In addition, the Reference Book of the Year Award is awarded to *1 Samuel as Christian Scripture: A Theological Commentary*, written by **Stephen B. Chapman** and published by William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co. (2016). Chapman is Associate Professor of Old Testament at Duke Divinity School and Director of Graduate Studies in Religion at Duke University.

In addition to the Book of the Year and Reference Book of the Year awards, the Academy has selected the following books as the Top Ten Books for Parish Ministry published in 2016. They display an excellence and helpfulness that clergy are invited to incorporate into their libraries to benefit their ministries.



- *Money and Possessions: Interpretation: Resources for the Use of Scripture in the Church*—Walter Brueggemann (Westminster John Knox Press)
- *The Music Architect: Blueprints for Engaging Worshipers in Song* by Constance M. Cherry (Baker Academic)
- *Reading the Bible Missionally (The Gospel and Our Culture Series (GOCS))*—Edited by Michael W. Goheen (William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co.)
- *You Are What You Love: The Spiritual Power of Habit*—James K. A. Smith (Brazos Press)
- *Eucharistic Prayers*—Samuel Wells and Abigail Kocher (William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co.)
- *Aging Matters: Finding Your Calling for the Rest of Your Life*—R. Paul Stevens (Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co.)
- *More than Enough: Living Abundantly in a Culture of Excess*—Lee Hull Moses (Westminster John Knox Press)
- *A Preacher's Guide to Lectionary Sermon Series: Thematic Plans for Years A, B, and C*—Foreword by Amy K. Butler (Westminster John Knox Press)
- *The Beatitudes*—George Hunsinger (Paulist Press)
- *When in Romans: (Theological Explorations for the Church Catholic): An Invitation to Linger with the Gospel according to Paul*—Beverly Gaventa (Baker Academic)

