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The Sacred Quest: An Invitation to the Study of Religion - User Manual

INTRODUCTION

This book, "The Sacred Quest," offers a thematic and comparative approach to the study of religion. It provides a balanced perspective on theoretical issues and practical aspects observed in major world religions.

The text identifies key theoretical issues in the study of religion and focuses on fundamental topics such as ritual and sacred language.

Learning Goals

- Recognize main ideas that characterize all religious thought and practice.
- Identify theoretical issues surrounding the study of religion.
- Recognize fundamental topics of religion: ritual, sacred communication, and morality.

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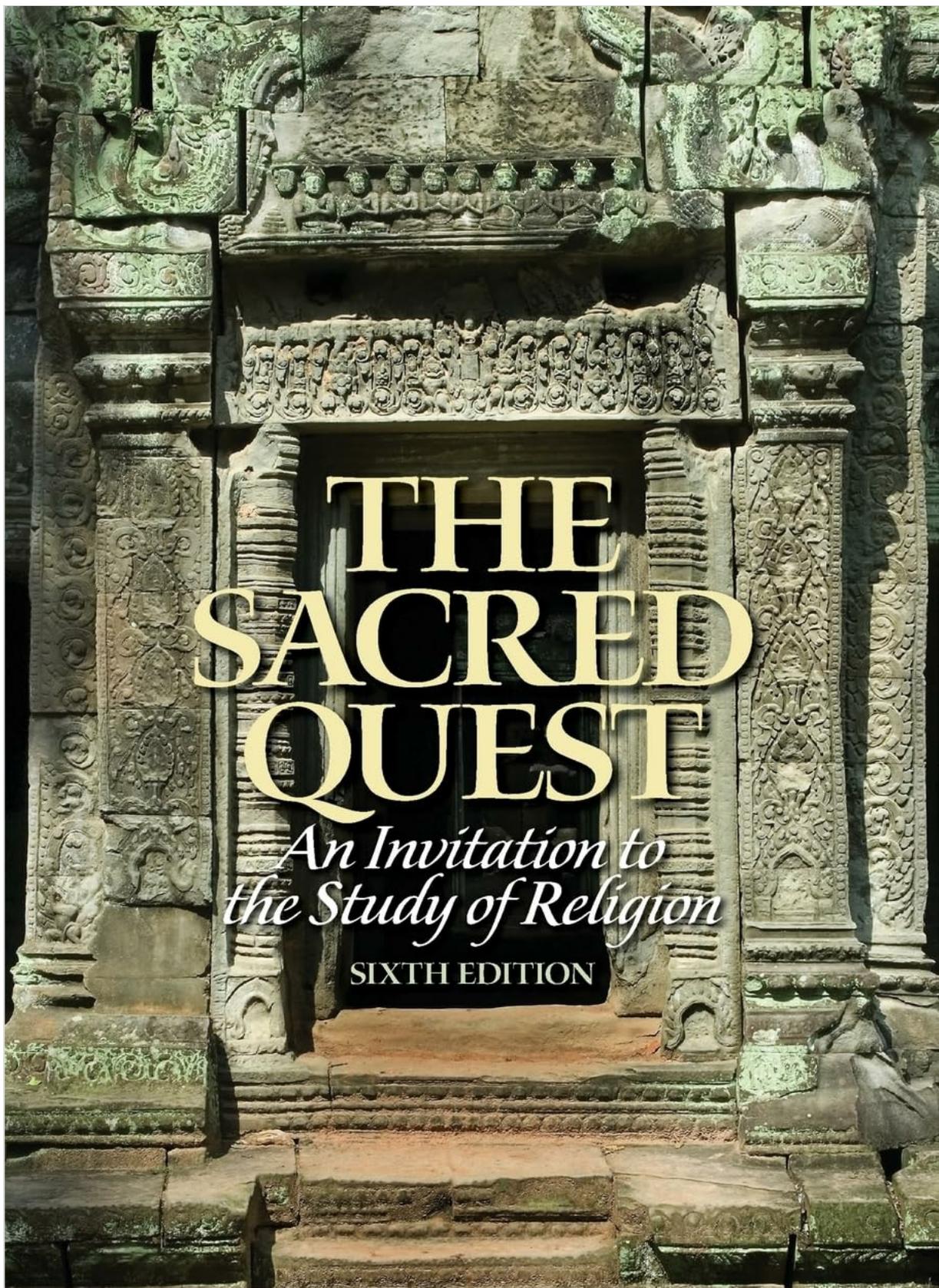
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OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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- **Thematic Approach:** The book employs a thematic and comparative approach. Focus on understanding how different religious traditions address common themes.
- **Key Concepts:** Pay attention to fundamental topics such as ritual, sacred communication, and morality, as these are central to the book's analysis.
- **Learning Goals:** The text is designed to help readers recognize main ideas, identify theoretical issues, and understand fundamental topics of religion.
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