

## IF YOU LIKED THE DA VINCI CODE...

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If you are intrigued by the ideas in Dan Brown's The Da Vinci Code, here are some other books you might want to read (call numbers after titles indicate books available at the MVCC Library). Any books not owned by MVCC may be obtained via interlibrary loan (ask at the information desk).

**Allen, John L.** *Opus Dei: an Objective Look Behind the Myths and Reality of the Most Controversial Force in the Catholic Church.* (BX 819.3 .O63 A55 2005)

**Ashcroft, Mary Ellen.** *The Magdalene Gospel: the Secret Tradition of Mary Magdalene.*

**Baigent, Michael, et. al.** *The Dead Sea Scrolls Deception.* (BM 487 .B26 1993)  
*Holy Blood, Holy Grail.* (DC 40 .B33 1983)  
*The Messianic Legacy.* (BL 475 .B3 1989)  
*The Temple and the Lodge.* (HS 595 .A5 B35 1993)

**Barber, Malcolm.** *The Cathars: Dualist Heretics in Languedoc in the High Middle Ages.*

**Barnstone, Willis, ed.** *The Gnostic Bible.* (BT 1390 .G4937 2003)

**Berry, Steve.** *The Templar Legacy.* (PS 3602 .E764 T46 2006) (fiction)

**Brown, Dan.** *Angels & Demons.* (fiction—prequel to *The Da Vinci Code*)  
(PS 3552 .R68543 A82 2003)  
*Deception Point* (PS 3552 .R68543 D4 2002)  
*Digital Fortress.* (PS 3552 .R68543 D54 2004)

**Burl, Aubrey.** *God's Heretics: the Albigensian Crusade.* (BX 4891.3 .B876 2005)

**Burnham, Sophy.** *The Treasure of Montsegur: a Novel.* (PS 3552 .U73242 T74 2003)

**Burstein, Dan, ed.** *Secrets of Mary Magdalene: the Untold Story of History's Most Misunderstood Woman.*  
*Secrets of the Code: the Unauthorized Guide to the Mysteries Behind the Da Vinci Code.* (PS 3552 .R685434 D32 2004)

**Byrne, Patrick.** *Templar Gold: Discovering the Ark of the Covenant.*

**Chilton, Bruce.** *Mary Magdalene: a Biography.* (BS 2485 .C45 2005)

**Eco, Umberto.** *Foucault's Pendulum.* (novel about the modern-day discovery of a secret of the Knights Templar) (PQ 4865 .C6 P4613 1989)

**Ehrman, Bart D., ed.** *Lost Christianities: the Battle for Scripture and the Faiths We Never Knew.* (BS 2840 .E4 2003)  
*Lost Scriptures: Books That Did Not Make It Into the New Testament.*  
(BS 2832 .L899 2003)  
*Misquoting Jesus: the Story Behind Who Changed the Bible and Why.*  
(BS 2325 .E45 2005)  
*Peter, Paul, and Mary Magdalene: the Followers of Jesus in History and in Legend.*  
*Truth and Fiction in The Da Vinci Code: a Historian Reveals What We Really Know About Jesus, Mary Magdalene, and Constantine.*  
(PS 3552 .R68543 D3335 2004)

**Fanthorpe, Lionel & Patricia.** *Secrets of Rennes-le-Chateau.*

**Follain, John.** *City of Secrets: the Truth Behind the Murders at the Vatican.*  
(HV 6535 .V13 F65 2003)

**Gardner, Laurence.** *Bloodline of the Holy Grail : the Hidden Lineage of Jesus Revealed.*  
(BT 314 .G37 1999)

**Gardner, Robert.** *Da Vinci and the Code He Lived By: the Unique Vision and Determination of the Renaissance Master.* (N 6923 .L33 D28 2006)

**Gelb, Michael J.** *Da Vinci Decoded: Discovering the Spiritual Secrets of Leonardo's Seven Principles.* (BF 408 .G364 2004)  
*How to Think Like Leonardo da Vinci: Seven Steps to Genius Every Day.*  
(BF 408 .G37 2004)

**Guirdham, Arthur.**

Guirdham is a British physician who believes that he is the reincarnation of someone who was killed during the Albigensian Crusade at the massacre at Montsegur. He has also found a number of other people in Britain and France who also claim to be reincarnations of people who were killed at Montsegur.

*The Cathars and Reincarnation.*

*The Great Heresy.*

*We Are One Another: a Record of Group Reincarnation.*

**Hancock, Graham.** *The Sign and the Seal: the Quest for the Lost Ark of the Covenant.*  
(BM 657 .A8 H36 1993) (He has interesting evidence that it's in a particular temple in Ethiopia. Reads like a mystery!)

**Hopkins, Marilyn, et. al.** *Rex Deus: the True Mystery of Rennes-le-Chateau and the Dynasty of Jesus.*

- Kersten, Holger.** *Jesus Lived in India: His Unknown Life Before and After the Crucifixion.*
- Khoury, Raymond.** *The Last Templar.* (PR 6111 .H68 L25 2006) (fiction)
- King, Karen L.** *The Gospel of Mary of Magdala: Jesus and the First Woman Apostle.*  
(BT 1392 .G652 K56 2003)
- Knight, Christopher.** *The Hiram Key: Pharaohs, Freemasons, and the Discovery of the Secret Scrolls of Jesus.*
- Kurtz, Katherine.** *The Templar Treasure.* (fiction)
- Layton, Bentley, tr.** *The Gnostic Scriptures.* (BT 1390 .G494 1995)
- Lincoln, Henry.** *The Holy Place: Sauniere and the Decoding of the Mystery of Rennes-le-Chateau. Key to the Sacred Pattern: the Untold Story of Rennes-le-Chateau.*
- Lofgren, Jerome V.** *Montsegur: Love in the Time of the Inquisition.*
- The Lost Books of the Bible and the Forgotten Books of Eden.*  
Contains the texts of many books excluded from the Bible. (BS 1692 .L899 1974)
- Mann, William F.** *The Knights Templar in the New World: How Henry Sinclair Brought the Grail to Acadia.* (E 103 .M35 2004)
- Markale, Jean.** *The Church of Mary Magdalene: the Sacred Feminine and the Treasure of Rennes-le-Chateau.* (BF 1434 .F8 M3713 2004)  
*Montsegur and the Mystery of the Cathars.*  
*The Templar Treasure at Gisors.* (CR 4755 .F8 G576 2003)
- Meurois-Givaudan, Anne.** *The Way of the Essenes: Christ's Hidden Life Remembered.*
- Meyer, Marvin W., tr.** *The Gnostic Discoveries: the Impact of the Nag Hammadi Library.*  
(BT 1391 .M49 2005)  
*The Gospel of Thomas: the Hidden Sayings of Jesus.*  
(gospel by Jesus' "twin", Judas)  
*The Gospels of Mary: the Secret Tradition of Mary Magdalene, the Companion of Jesus.* (BT 1392 .G65 M49 2004)  
*The Secret Teachings of Jesus: Four Gnostic Gospels.*
- Nahmad, Claire.** *The Secret Teachings of Mary Magdalene.*
- Newman, Sharan.** *The Real History Behind the Da Vinci Code.* (PS 3552 .R685434 D336 2005)

- Oldenbourg, Zoe.** *Massacre at Montsegur: a History of the Albigensian Crusade.*  
(BX 4891.2 .O4313 2000)
- O'Shea, Stephen.** *The Perfect Heresy: the Revolutionary Life and Death of the Medieval Cathars.* (BX 4891.2 .O84 2000)
- Ovason, David.** *The Secret Architecture of Our Nation's Capital: the Masons and the Building of Washington DC.* (NK 1950 .Z63 O94 2002)  
*The Secret Symbols of the Dollar Bill.* (HG 591 .O953 2004)
- Pagels, Elaine.** *Beyond Belief: the Secret Gospel of Thomas.* (BS 2680 .T52 P34 2003)  
*The Gnostic Gospels.* (BT 1390 .P3 1979)
- Pappas, Paul C.** *Jesus' Tomb in India: the Debate on His Death and Resurrection.*
- Picknett, Lynn.** *Mary Magdalene.*  
*The Templar Revelation: Secret Guardians of the True Identity of Christ.*
- Purdue, Lewis.** *The Da Vinci Legacy.* (fiction—Dan Brown is accused of plagiarizing this work)  
(PS 3566 .E69122 D39 2004)
- Rahn, Otto.** *Crusade Against the Grail: the Struggle Between the Cathars, the Templars, and the Church of Rome.* (originally published in 1933; first to popularize the legend of the Cathars and the Holy Grail)
- Ralls, Karen.** *The Templars and the Grail: Knights of the Quest.* (CR 4743 .R35 2003)
- Read, Piers Paul.** *The Templars : the Dramatic History of the Knights Templar.*  
(CR 4743 .R4 2000)
- Robinson, James M.** *The Nag Hammadi Library in English.* Rev. ed. (BT 1391 .A3 1990)
- Rowe, Joseph, tr.** *The Gospel of Mary Magdalene.* (BT 1392 .G65 A3 2002)
- Schonfield, Hugh J.** *The Passover Plot: New Light on the History of Jesus.* (BT 301.2 .S3 1965)  
(Originally written in the 60's, claims Jesus did not die on the cross)  
*The Essene Odyssey: the Mystery of the True Teacher and the Essene Impact on the Shaping of Human Destiny.*
- Sierra, Javier.** *The Secret Supper.* (PQ 6719 .I54 C4613 2006)  
(Novel about Leonardo's painting secrets into the Last Supper)
- Smoley, Richard.** *Forbidden Faith: the Gnostic Legacy From the Gospels to the Da Vinci Code.*  
(BT 1390 .S555 2006)

**Starbird, Margaret.** *Mary Magdalene, Bride in Exile.*  
*The Woman With the Alabaster Jar: Mary Magdalen and the Holy Grail.*  
(BS 2485 .S69 1993)

**Strayer, Joseph Reese.** *The Albigensian Crusades.* (DC 83.3 .S87 1971)

**Sumption, Jonathan.** *The Albigensian Crusade.* (DC 83.3 .S93 1999)

**Valantasis, Richard.** *The Beliefnet Guide to Gnosticism and Other Vanished Christianities.*  
(BT 1390 .V35 2006)

**Weis, Rene.** *The Yellow Cross: the Story of the Last Cathars' Rebellion Against the Inquisition, 1290-1329.* (BX 4891.2 .W45 2001)

**Young, John K.** *Sacred Sites of the Knights Templar.*

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## **Videos**

Code of the Templars. (Feature DVDs PN 1997 .C649 2006)

The Da Vinci Code. (Feature DVDs PN 1997 .D289 2006)

The Knights Templar. (Educational videos CR 4743 .K55 2001)

Opus Dei and the Da Vinci Code. (Educational DVDs BX 819.3 .O68 C687 2006)

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