

Stephen F. Austin State University

SFA ScholarWorks

Faculty Publications

Anthropology, Geography, and Sociology

2007

Christian Identity Theology: Diversity, Dissension, and the Quest for a White Centered Universe [Abstract]

Dianne Dentice

Stephen F Austin State University, denticede@sfasu.cu

Follow this and additional works at: <https://scholarworks.sfasu.edu/sca>



Part of the [Sociology Commons](#)

[Tell us](#) how this article helped you.

Repository Citation

Dentice, Dianne, "Christian Identity Theology: Diversity, Dissension, and the Quest for a White Centered Universe [Abstract]" (2007). *Faculty Publications*. 19.

<https://scholarworks.sfasu.edu/sca/19>

This Abstract is brought to you for free and open access by the Anthropology, Geography, and Sociology at SFA ScholarWorks. It has been accepted for inclusion in Faculty Publications by an authorized administrator of SFA ScholarWorks. For more information, please contact cdsscholarworks@sfasu.edu.

Christian Identity Theology: Diversity, Dissension, and the Quest for a White Centered Universe {Abstract}

This paper addresses the issue of Christian Identity (CI) Theology within the contemporary American separatist movement. There is dissension among certain groups as to the importance of religion to broader movement objectives. Some activists within the separatist movement firmly believe that whites are the chosen people of God and the United States is the Promised Land. There is also disagreement among Christian Identity adherents as to how to best define their belief system. I have done a qualitative analysis of Stormfront, an online discussion forum for white nationalists and I interviewed several white racial activists about religion and their belief system. I also attended two Klan rallies, one of which was a Klan group with strong CI ties. Findings indicate that the contemporary separatist movement lacks central organization and one strong leader to pull the various factions together. However, its publications, online presence, and adherents' belief in white superiority have resulted in a synthesis of racial ideology I term meta-racism which includes Christian Identity, paganism, and eugenics.