

ANDREI A. ORLOV AND TOMÁS GARCÍA-HUIDOBRO, *Del séptimo cielo al corazón del hombre: Internalización de la experiencia religiosa en el cristianismo primitivo*, Asociación Bíblica Española Monografías Bíblicas 74 (Estella [Navarra]: Verbo Divino, 2020, paper €29) 333 pp. Bibliography. ISBN: 978-84-9073-556-5.

In this volume Orlov, professor of Judaism and Christianity in antiquity at Marquette University, and García-Huidobro, lecturer in theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University, present six essays that explore various aspects of the internalization of visionary experiences of mystical ascents that occur within the religious experience of the Judeo-Christian world of the 1st century. After their ten-page introduction, the authors first present two jointly authored essays: Adamic identity and the vision of God—from the fall to redemption; and the transformation of the believer—from the apocalyptic paradigm of Paul to the internalization of Christian experience. These are followed by four individually authored essays: paradigms of transformed vision in the homilies of Macarius (Orlov); the imaginary of the Temple in the process of the internalization of religious experience in early Christianity (García-Huidobro); the celestial counterpart—from the cosmic context to the process of divinization (García-Huidobro); and dualism, inclination to evil, and the transformation of the believer (García-Huidobro). The authors conclude that to speak of the internalization of religious experience is to refer to the shift from the apocalyptic paradigm (revelations, dreams) to a spiritual world dominated by the mind, the control of the passions, the virtuous life, and the contemplation of the divine light.