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EXPANSION OF DEWEY 200

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INTRODUCTION

Several years ago while I was Librarian of a Theological College and Seminary in New York I discussed, in true library custom, my classification problems with other theological librarians around New York City, and spread letters far and wide along the East Coast. In the end I was convinced that Dewey's 200 section was limited. No money was available to change the system, and although I had been advised to change my system, I firmly believed (and still do) that Dewey was the best and easiest classification system. In desperation I worked out an expansion, using all the suggestions, and trying to correct all the complaints I had gathered from other librarians. I sent copies of the finished expansion to my friends in other theological libraries. The response was warm and gratifying. Soon the expansion was incorporated into the classification schedules of over 15 theological libraries. When I came West it was suggested that I re-write the expansion and publish it in our LIBRARY BULLETIN, as many librarians felt the need of such an expansion. With this in mind letters were sent to all who were using the expansion, and many others, asking for their suggestions, additions, corrections, etc. Several visits and round table chats were held with theological librarians on the West Coast. The following expansion is the result.

As this is an expansion of Dewey, a copyrighted system, I have changed as little as possible; thus you will be able to use the Relativ Index in your Dewey. If you will note in your index the few places where we have made switches or additions, e.g., Prayer is now all in 249, Evangelism is in 253, etc., you will have no difficulty in finding the numbers you wish. This schedule does not "do away with" your Dewey or supercede it; you will still need to use it. This schedule merely makes the religious section more pliable and applicable to a theological collection. We still use the other nine classes, as one does find books on other subjects even in a specialized theological library.

I want to thank Dr. Elgin S. Moyer of Moody Bible Institute, who has given valuable help and suggestions from the very beginning, and also the members of the Christian Librarians Association for their encouragement, constructive criticism and practical help, and the many librarians across the country who have kindly and thoroughly answered questions and letters.

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EXPANSION OF THE RELIGION SECTION
OF THE DEWEY DECIMAL CLASSIFICATION

By CLARA B. ALLEN

200 Religion

201 Philosophy, theories, methods
   .1 Philosophy of Christianity

202 Compends, outlines, systems

203 Dictionaries, cyclopedias

204 Essays, lectures, disputations, addresses
   See also 252 Sermons

General periodicals are filed under the general head 050; those on special subjects are filed with their subject

205 may be used for religious periodicals if desired

206 Societies: transactions, reports, etc.
   General conferences, history and reports
   Missionary societies go in 266
   Church unions go in 261
   Education: theological seminaries, training schools, etc. go in 268.7

208 Collected works, extracts, etc.
   unless they deal with a special subject

209 History of religion in general
   See also 270 for History of the Christian religion

210 Natural theology

Put here the non-Christian view, except in 213, 215. This class is concerned with the evidence in nature, exclusive of revelation, skeptic discussions, etc. For defense of Christian theology see 239

211 Deism
   Atheism
   Theism
   Arguments from nature to support or deny any of these go here
   See also 231 Christian theism, 239 Christian apologetics

212 Pantheism
   Theosophy

213 Creation
   Evolution and religion
   Put all works pro and con here. See also 113 Cosmology, 575 Evolution from scientific view

214 Providence
   Theodicy
   Fatalism
   Put here only the non-Christian view. See also 231.5 Doctrine and 239.7 Apologetics

215 Religion and science

216 Good
   Evil
   Depravity
   See also 233.2 Sin

Put all Prayer in 249
Put Worship in 264
Put Future life, etc., in 236-237

219 Analogies
   Correspondences
   See also 169 Logic
220 Bible: General works  Biblical instruction  Bible as a whole

.1  Canon

.12  Inspiration and authorship

.13  Criticism and defense of the Bible as the Word of God
    For defense of the Faith see 239

.15  Versions and translations of the Bible: discussion and history
    Cutter by version and/or date

.19  History of the Bible as a book

.2  Concordances

.22  Analyses of the Bible

.3  Dictionaries  Cyclopedias
    Lexicons go in 400’s—see Dewey

.4  Original texts and early versions
    Put here the old manuscripts, or copies

.44  Hebrew manuscripts

.48  Greek manuscripts

.5  Versions of the Bible:
    Put here only the actual texts; put discussion and history of versions in 220.15
    Divide by language like 400’s

.6  Hermeneutics  Symbolism  Typology

.61  Mosaic institutions (law, offerings, feasts)
    Put here all material whether doctrinal, descriptive or symbolic

.62  Tabernacle

.63  Temple

.64  Typology and symbolism in language

.65  Numbers and numerology

.7  Commentaries on the whole Bible
    For notes on portions of the Bible see specific heading in 221-229

.8  Special topics—see note in Dewey
    Biblical theology may be put in 220.82
    Put Bible study systems in 268.6

.9  Biblical history and geography

.91  Geography and description of all Bible lands
    Bring 915.6 here too, keeping in 915 only modern secular travel in Palestine

.92  Scriptural biography
    I prefer to put here all Scriptural biography, whether O.T. or N.T., except the life of
    Christ which goes in 232.9. May be divided 221.92—O.T.; 225.92—N.T., or put in 8

.93  Antiquities, archaeology
    Put all archaeology here that has to do with Bible lands. You may put O.T. archaeo-
    ology in 221.93 and N.T. archaeology in 225.93, but I prefer to keep it all together
    in one place

.931  Manners and customs of the Bible and Bible lands and times
    May be put in 220.96, but I think it follows antiquities better than history

.94  Chronology
(220)

.95 Biblical history
Put here all history that has to do with Bible events and Bible times (both testaments). In 933 put history of the Jews since 70 A.D. For O.T. history see 221.95; for N.T. history see 223.93

.97 Bible names—their meanings, etc.
This may be put in a subdivision of 220.8

221 Old Testament: Texts, introductions, etc.
Divide like 220
O.T. Biblical theology may be put in 221.82

222 Historical books
I prefer to keep all literature on a book together, separated by additional number or letter if need be

e.g., 222.11 Genesis Introduction
.111 Genesis Commentaries

or

222.11 Genesis
A

222.11 Genesis Introd.

C

.1 Pentateuch
.11 Genesis
Creation see 213

.12 Exodus
.13 Leviticus
.14 Numbers
.15 Deuteronomy
.16 Decalog

.2 Joshua
.3 Judges and Ruth
.4 Samuel

May be divided with a I or II under class number, if you wish to keep two books separate

.5 Kings
.6 Chronicles
.7 Ezra
.8 Nehemiah
.9 Esther

223 Poetic books
.1 Job
.2 Psalms
.4 Special Psalms
.5 Metrical versions of Psalms
.6 Commentaries on Psalms
.7 Proverbs
.8 Ecclesiastes
.9 Song of Solomon
224 Prophetic books
.1 Isaiah
.2 Jeremiah
.3 Lamentations
.4 Ezekiel
.5 Daniel
.6 Minor prophets
.7 Hosea
.8 Joel
.9 Amos
.91 Obadiah
.92 Jonah
.93 Micah
.94 Nahum
.95 Habakkuk
.96 Zephaniah
.97 Haggai
.98 Zechariah
.99 Malachi

225 New Testament
Follow 220 & 221 for points
.1 N.T. introductions
.13 N.T. criticism
.14 N.T. manuscripts. Papyri
.2 N.T. handbooks, analyses
.3 N.T. dictionaries, concordances
   Lexicons go in 400's
.4 Word studies
   Put here books on how Greek language helps in understanding the text, etc.
.5 N.T. versions
   You may use 225.51 for modern versions. I prefer to have all versions in one place
   Cutter by name and/or date
   May use letter for language
.7 N.T. commentaries
.8 Special topics
   N.T. Biblical theology may be put in 225.82
.93 N.T. archaeology
.94 Outlines and chronology
.95 History of N.T. events

226 Gospels and Acts: general works
.1 Harmonies of the Gospels
.2 Matthew
.21 Sermon on the mount
.22 Beatitudes
.3 Mark
.4 Luke
.5 John
.52 Johannine theology, etc.
.6 Acts
.7 Miracles
.8 Parables

For the Lord's prayer see 249.71
### 227 Epistles

Introduction to Paul's religion and background for epistles

Put in 227.09 Biography and history of Paul if they are treated together and give background of epistles. This overlaps 220.92 some; keep there only pure biography. If in doubt, put it here.

| .02 | Pauline theology |
| .1 | Romans |
| .2 | I Corinthians, or both books if treated together |
| .3 | II Corinthians |
| .4 | Galatians |
| .5 | Ephesians |
| .6 | Philippians |
| .7 | Colossians |
| .8 | Other Pauline Epistles (more than one) |
| .81 | I Thessalonians |
| .82 | II Thessalonians |
| .83 | I Timothy |
| .84 | II Timothy |
| .85 | Titus |
| .86 | Philemon |
| .87 | Hebrews |
| .9 | Catholic epistles |
| .91 | James |
| .92 | I Peter, and all his writings if treated together |
| .922 | Petrine theology |
| .93 | II Peter |
| .94 | I John |
| .95 | II John |
| .96 | III John |
| .97 | Jude |

### 228 Apocalyptic literature

| .1 | Revelation |
| .2 | Seven churches of Asia |

### 229 Apocrypha Deuterocanonical books Pseudepigrapha

See Dewey for points

### 230 Doctrinal Dogmatics Theology

Class here all works when distinctly doctrinal, but class in 270-280 the history of a sect.

Class controversy or discussion of a special doctrine with its subject

| .02 | Systematic treatises |
| .03 | Dictionaries & encyclopedias |
| .04 | Essays, restatements, lectures |

### 231 God Trinity

| .1 | God the Father, Creator |
| .2 | God the Son |

Second person of the trinity, irrespective of His appearance on earth as the historic Christ
(231)

.3 God the Holy Spirit: His person and work
.31 Pentecost
.32 Work of the Holy Spirit in the believer and in the church
.4 Divine attributes
.5 Divine providence and government of God
.51 God in history

See Dewey for rest of 231 points

232 Christology: General works

.1 Deity of Jesus Incarnation Divine humanity
.12 Messianic prophecies
.13 Messiahship
.14 Virgin birth

Smaller libraries may wish to combine 232.2 through .7 with 232.9's

.2 Logos Word of God
.3 Works of Christ
.31 Teachings & teaching methods of Christ
.4 Sacrifice & death
.41 Atonement
.42 Cross
.43 Seven sayings from the cross
.5 Resurrection of Christ
.51 Appearances Christophanies
    See also 232.97
.6 Present work of Christ
    See also 260—the Church

For the Second coming see 236 and 237

.7 Judgment—from the viewpoint of Christ
    See also 237

.9 Life of Christ Biographical studies
.91 Annunciation
.92 Infancy and education
.93 Holy family
.931 Mary
.94 John the Baptist in relationship to Christ
.941 Christ’s baptism
.95 Public life of Christ
.952 Temptation
.956 Transfiguration
.96 Passion of Christ
.961 Betrayal
.962 Trial Condemnation
.963 Crucifixion Death
.964 Burial
.967 Descent into hell
.97 Resurrection & ascension
    Put here biographical accounts only
.98 Agrapha
    Christ’s words not contained in the Gospels

See Dewey for rest of 232 points
233 Man
See Dewey for 233 points

234 Salvation
.1 Grace
.2 Faith
.3 Redemption
.4 Regeneration
.5 Repentance
.6 Obedience
.7 Justification and forgiveness
.8 Santification Perfection, etc.
See also 248
.9 Predestination and freewill

235 Angelology
.1 Satan
.2 Demons
.3 Antichrist: person & work
See also 236.5

236 Prophecy: general works and discussion
.06 Prophetic conferences, etc.
.09 History of prophecy and prophetic movement
.1 Concerning the O.T. period
.11 Concerning the Jews
.2 Concerning the N.T. period
.21 Concerning the church
For Messianic prophecies see 232.12
.3 Concerning the end of this age Signs of the times World wars, etc.
.4 Second coming Rapture
.41 Pre-, Post- and Amillennialism
.45 Marriage feast of the lamb
.46 Bride of Christ
.5 Concerning the tribulation period
.6 Concerning the millennium period Kingdom
.7 Concerning the postmillennium period
.8 Concerning the great white throne and after

237 Future things Eschatology
.1 Death
.11 Intermediate state Sheol Hades
.12 Second chance Annihilation Universal salvation
.2 Immortality
.3 Resurrection
.4 Judgment
.5 Eternity
.6 Heaven
.7 Hell
.8 Retribution Punishment & rewards
238 Creeds  Confessions  Covenants  Catechisms
   Divide like Dewey

239 Apologetics
   Divide like Dewey
   Put here the defense of the Christian faith
   For defense of the Bible as a book and Word of God see 220.13
   Put all Evolution in 213
   Put Science and religion in 215
   Put Archaeology in 220.93

240 Devotional  Practical

241 Christian ethics
   Put here works specifying the Christian's duty to do or not to do
   Rules for Christian conduct
   .1 Will of God
   .2 Amusements
   .3 Dress
   .5 Sex relationships
      Put here the Biblical view only, otherwise put in the regular Dewey sections, e.g., ethics,
      family, etc.

242 Meditative  Contemplative
   Some prefer to put Evangelism in 243 as Dewey has it. However it fits more logically
   in the 250's, thus leaving 243 and 244 for school emphasis or pet
   hobbies
   Church & evangelism see 250.7
   Revivals see 269
   Sunday school and child evangelism see 268
   Sermon illustrations and allegories put in 251.3
   Put Sunday school books in 268's
   Religious fiction may go here in 244, but I prefer a special section for fiction.
   You may use section F for fiction, and FC for Christian fiction, if you wish to
   keep them separate

245 Hymnology  Religious poetry
   If desired, you may put music in 780's—mixing secular and religious, especially trios, duets,
   etc., using Dewey breakdown
   Use date instead of Cutter number on hymn books
   .1 Hymn books with music
   .11 Hymn books without music
   .2 Children's hymns with and without music
      Put Sunday school hymns here too
   .3 Religious poetry
   I prefer to keep all art, secular and Christian, together in 700's

246 Ecclesiology  Symbolism
   Put Gospel in art in 755
   Put Church architecture in 700's
   Follow Dewey if desirable

247 Sacred furniture  Vestments
   Follow Dewey if necessary. Generally just 247 is sufficient as collections are usually small

248 Christian walk
   Victorious life—this is for the spiritual side; see 241 for conduct or practical side of
   Christian life
249 Prayer

   General works and discussion
   .1 Effect
   .2 Hinderances
   .3 Methods
   .4 Public
      When the emphasis is on prayer put here; when the emphasis is on the use of prayer
      in worship put in 264
   .41 Liturgic prayers
   .42 Prayer books
      Put all material on the prayer books here as well as the books themselves
   .5 Family prayers Family altar
   .6 Private prayers and the prayer time
      Quiet time—put here or 248 or 242 depending on viewpoint
   .7 Great prayers
   .71 Lord’s prayer
   .72 Scriptural prayers
   .73 Prayers of saints
   .8 Daily readings
   .9 Prayer and/or heathen
      I prefer to put these in non-Christian religions

250 Pastoral theology and church problems

   .1 Advertising
   .2 Church business
   .3 Church troubles
   .4 Visitations
   .5 Pastor & church organizations
   .6 Pastor and evangelism
      See also 253
   .8 Pastor and missions
   .9 Pastor and Christian education Youth work & the church

For administering services and ordinances see 265
For music see 264.2

251 Homiletics Preaching How to preach

   .1 Preparation of sermon
   .2 Texts, outlines, etc.
   .3 Sermon illustrations, etc.
   .4 Presentation, poise, voice, etc.
   .5 Expository preaching
   .7 Lay preachers Layman and the church
   .8 Gospel broadcasting

252 Sermons

   Sermons on special subjects are classed with that subject
   .08 Collections of sermons
      Sermons by more than one man on more than one subject

253 Evangelism

   .1 Methods and theory in general
   .3 Outdoor evangelism Street work Tract distribution, etc.
   .4 Personal evangelism
   .5 Prison work
   .6 Homes Visitation evangelism
   .9 Testimonies and stories of regenerates
254 Finance
Raising and using money in the church
Cleric support
.1 Personal money Tithing Stewardship

255 Brotherhoods and sisterhoods
255 and 256 may be combined

256 Societies for parish work
Guilds Ladies aids, etc.
Discussion of desirability of such work, etc.

Put all educational work in 268

257 Pastor’s wife
258 Parish welfare work
259 Other ministrations and work
.1 Church and community recreation

260 Church
Theological discussions The church according to Scripture

261 Church and the social questions
.1 Rural churches
.2 City churches
.6 Church and civilization
.7 Church and civil government Religious freedom
. Church and state
.8 Unity Federation, councils, etc.
.81 History and discussion of individual groups
Cutter by group Use C for constitution and rules; R for reports
e.g. 261.81
F293 1948 report of Federal council
R 1948

262 Ecclesiastic polity Church government
.1 Ministry Chaplaincy
See Dewey for rest of points

263 Sabbath Lord’s day Sunday
.1 Hebraic sabbath
.2 Modern sabbath Christian Sunday Seventh day
Keep here all material on 7th day controversy
.4 Sunday observances
.8 Sunday laws

264 Public worship Divine service Ritual Liturgy
See Dewey for Liturgy points
.1 Prayer Extempore Liturgic
.2 Music
.3 Scripture reading
.4 Antiphonal or responsive reading
.5 Confessions of faith Creeds
Discussions of their use in the church. For the texts themselves see 238
.7 Prayer and conference meetings
Mid-week prayer meetings, etc.
.8 Class and covenant meetings Love feasts
.9 Sacramentals
Keep liturgy and sacraments of all denominations here and catch differences in subject headings and analytics. However, if you prefer, you may make a separate subdivision under denomination.

265 Sacraments Ordinances

.1 Baptism
.2 Confirmation Church fellowship
.3 Eucharist Holy communion Sacrifice
.4 Holy orders Ordination
.5 Marriage
.6 Pennance Confession Absolution
.8 Ministry of sick and dead
  Faith cure Healing
.81 Burial and funeral services
.9 Consecration Dedication

266 Missions

Theory and discussion

.01 Biblical teaching: basis
.02 Compends
.03 Dictionaries and encyclopedias
.09 Atlases
.1 Qualifications, call and training of missionaries
.2 Home missions
.21 City missions Rescue missions
.211 Women & girls
.22 American Indians Mexicans Spanish
.23 Immigrants & migrants
.24 Jews
.25 Negroes
.26 Mountains
.27 Industrial
.28 Colportage
.29 Special Classes
  Chinese in U.S., etc.

Children’s missions see 268.54, 267.7, etc.

.3 Foreign
  This class includes all church history, religious history, etc., of mission countries. Subdivide by countries—see 900, but leave off 9, e.g., China—951; Chinese missions 266.351
.4 Y.M.C.A.
.5 Y.W.C.A.
.6 Religious societies for young people
  .61 Junior church
  This could be put into 268’s if you so desired
  613 Christian Endeavor
.7 Religious societies for boys and work with boys
.8 Religious societies for girls and work with girls
268 Religious education

.01 Functions Aims Child evangelism
.03 Encyclopedias and dictionaries
.05 Magazines

.1 Teachers Duties and responsibilities
.11 Qualifications and personality
.12 Training
.125 Training classes
.13 Manuals and handbooks for teacher training
   Put E.T.T.A. materials here
.14 Devotional life

.2 Organization and administration
.21 Constitution and by-laws
.22 Finance
.23 Publicity
.24 Equipment
.25 Personnel—their duties and departments
   Superintendent
.253 Librarian
.254 Musician
.26 School organization
   Grading Attendance Marking system Rewards Promotions
.27 Curriculum
.28 Recreational aspects Social life

.3 Pedagogical principles and methods
   Put here all kinds of pedagogy, religious and secular
   All books on methods and how to teach
.31 Oral instruction
.311 Lecture
.312 Question and answer
.32 Story telling
.321 Children stories
   Put all stories for children here as a theological library will use them in
   connection with story-telling in religious education
.322 Children’s sermons
.33 Visual instruction
.331 Lantern slides
.332 Motion pictures
.333 Pictures Charts Maps
.334 Blackboard, chalk, and pencil talks
   See 792 for drama and pagents
.335 Objects
.336 Flannel board
.34 Manual work Handwork Projects Work books

.35 Services
.351 Order of services
.352 Worship
.354 Rallies
.355 Anniversaries and special services
Special groups  Teaching departments
Discussion of special needs, methods, etc.
You may further subdivide these as follows
1 Methods, organization, etc.
2 Lesson materials  Programs
3 Special needs and problems
I prefer to keep this in Ethics, Psychology, etc., but it may fit very nicely here

Cradle roll
Kindergarten
Beginners
Primaries
Juniors
Intermediates  Junior High's
Seniors  Senior High's
Young people  College age
Adults
Young adults
Specials
Classes for the blind, sick, etc.

Special schools
Discussion and theory
Sunday school
You may put history of Sunday Schools here or in 268.519
However, I prefer to keep all history of religious education in 268.9 using a
subdivision for Sunday schools if necessary
Week day schools  Release time classes
Bible clubs  Child Evangelism Fellowship classes
Daily vacation Bible schools
Camps and conferences
Bible study and study systems
Notes and commentaries on the Sunday school lessons
Outlines
Put here all outlines of the Bible  e.g., Lee's outlined Bible
See also 220.22 Analysis of Bible
Bible schools  Bible colleges  Seminaries
Your own school
Relation of religious education to public schools and the government
History of religious education

Revivals
Follow Dewey

Church history
Follow Dewey except for the following additions
Modern period  1789-1900
Twentieth century
Dialectic movement

Christian churches and sects
History, controversial works, etc.
Primitive and Oriental churches
Follow Dewey
Roman Catholic church
Roman Catholic viewpoint
Anti-Catholic polemic
Divisions within the church  Modernism, etc.
History
283-290 You may find the following subdivisions helpful

1 Constitution, manuals, rules, reports, etc.
2 Doctrinal discussions and distinctions
9 History

283 Anglican Episcopal
284 Protestantism
Follow Dewey
285 Presbyterian
Follow Dewey except for the following additions and changes
.1 In the U.S.A.
.3 Covenanters
.8 Congregational
.9 Puritanism

286 Baptists
.1 Regular
.11 Northern
.12 Southern
.13 General Assoc. of Regular Baptists
.3 Plymouth Brethren
.4 Christian & Missionary Alliance
.5 United Brethren
.7 Adventists Seventh Day
.8 Pentecostal

287 Methodist
Follow Dewey except for the following changes
.78 Holiness group
Nazarenes Pillar of Fire Free Methodists, etc.

288 Unitarian Universalist

289 Other Christian sects
Follow Dewey except for the following additions and changes
.1 Modernism
.2 Russellism
.5 Healing cults
.51 Christian science

290 Non-Christian religions
Follow Dewey

Suggested subdivisions for Biography
B Biography
B.1 Secular
May be further divided as needed
B.2 Preachers, evangelists, pastors
B.3 Missionaries
You may wish to put these in 266.92
B.4 Bible teachers Christian laymen

I use 131 for Pastoral counseling, preferring to keep it with Psychology rather than Pastoral theology, as it is the Psychology department that uses those books
300.1 Christian Sociology