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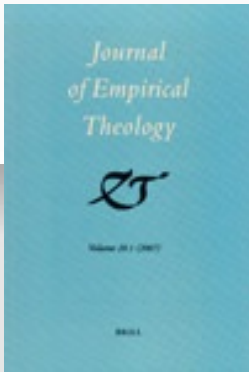
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This qualitative research sets out to investigate firstly, if dual religious belonging exists, and, secondly, if it does, what it is. The article defines dual religious belonging using a conceptual framework of human beings as functioning on three cognitive levels which allows for degrees of belonging. A battery of questions built into a structured interview was administered to a total of thirty-three adults taken from the greater Sydney area in Australia. While many issues came to the fore in the research, the primary issue was that dual religious belonging did in fact exist; that a number of interviewees did in fact "walk two paths", or "l

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