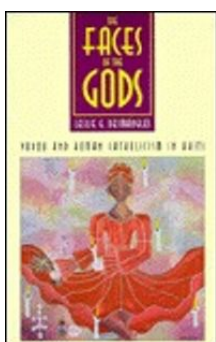


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Good book that is refreshingly respectful of Vodou. There are some biases in which Desmangles refuses to be critical of either the US or the Catholic Church, both of whom established clearly racist policies against Haiti in her early independence. There is also a base assumption that Catholicism is a true, universal, humanist religion...

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