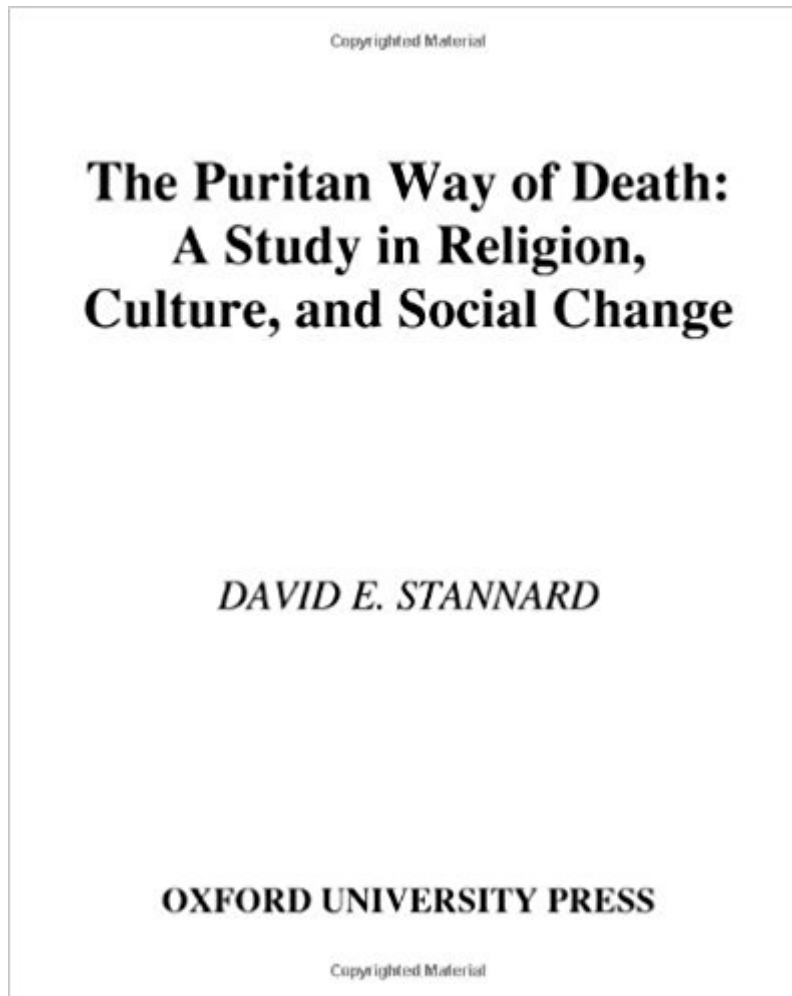


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Puritans are sack yo they be all like "hey we want to practice our s****" but then they go to america and when others want to practice they s*** they be all like "no our s*** is correct and you are are wrong"

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