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AAR EXERCISE DUE: December 6, 2012 (turned in during class only, no turnitin.com)

NOTE: you can turn this in at any point before 12/6 as well!

AAR Exercise (up to 20 pts)

In order for you to get a better sense of the very broad scope of current studies on women, gender, & sexuality in religion, and to see how far this academic discipline has come (and how extensively feminist critiques have influenced the academy), I want you to look at the Online Program Book for the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion.

Directions:

- First, go to: http://papers.aarweb.org/program_book
- Then search for key terms, such as: women, gender, feminism, feminist, sexuality (you can also combine search terms like, "women islam" or "gender christianity" etc.)
- Pick one paper &/or one session that is interesting to you.
- Cut & paste the name of the: author, paper title, & abstract, and save these into a new document. (single space for this portion, please.)
- Then, in your own words, briefly state why you picked this paper and, as best as you can, summarize what you understand this paper to be about in your own words. (2-3 sentences, please double space this part, and be prepared to look up unfamiliar terms.)