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"Jonah Lynch addresses one of the most fundamental contradictions of mankind's searching: that our capacity to build new worlds is not always matched by our ability to understand how much they enrich our lives and our knowledge of reality." -John Waters, Journalist, Magazine Editor and Columnist

"This book is brimming with insights that show how technology shapes our concrete, everyday patterns of being and consciousness. A fascinating study."

-David Schindler, editor of Communio: International Catholic Review



"This book offers an excellent way...to start...discussions about the challenges of technology and how we can ensure that technology remains a tool and does not determine the way we think and govern our lives." -REtoday

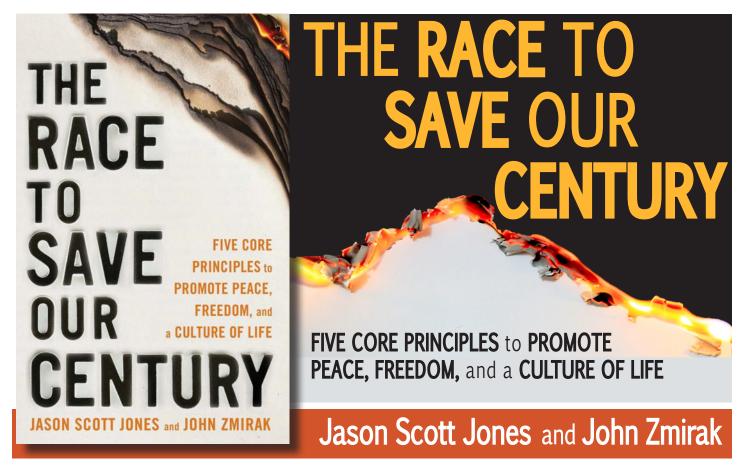
In The Scent of Lemons Jonah Lynch considers if technology is stealing something essential from us in return for all it's marvellous gifts. He writes: "I feel the urgent need to clarify my relationship with the technologies which in ever more elegant and hidden ways accompany our lives." He wants to understand, starting from his own experiences, how the exercise of attention, the way we see the world and construct relationships, uses or is used by technology.

Today many say: "see you on Facebook", instead of "see you at the usual bar", what the American writer Wendell Berry calls "our lazy willingness to let machines, and the idea of the machine, prescribe the terms and conditions of the life of creatures". "Every place is singular, and every person is unique," Lynch writes, and to re-learn this truth it might be necessary to do a little "technological fasting". Not to eliminate our freedom, but to joyfully rediscover it.



Jonah Lynch was born in the United States and now lives in Rome. He is a seminarian and an avid technophile. This is his sixth book.

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"Jason Jones defends human life and freedom powerfully in this insightful book, and I encourage people from every part of the world to read it and take it seriously."

-Zhenming Zhai, Professor of Philosophy at Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China

John Zmirak is one of the most insightful writers in this still young century. He sees the ongoing perils of the decaying Republic, yet offers hopeful remedies for its ills."

-Fr. C.J. McCloskey, Research Fellow, Faith and Reason Institute

People of good will from all points on the ideological spectrum will appreciate and profit from The Race to Save Our Century."

-O. Carter Snead, Director, Center for Ethics and Culture and Professor of Law, University of Notre Dame

"As a victim of the Chinese Cultural Revolution, I found hope for human dignity after reading this book. It is a must-read for college students."

-Dr. Kate Xiao Zhou, Professor of Political Science, University of Hawaii

"Jason Jones and John Zmirak break down some clear solutions to help us make the most of our generation. This book could not come at a better time."

-Josh Duggar, Exec. Director of Family Research Council Action and star on TLC's 19 Kids & Counting

The Race to Save Our Century should be taught in every college in America. Do yourself a huge favor: chuck the newspapers for a while and read this book! You'll learn infinitely more about what is happening in the world today." -Eric Metaxas, New York Times Bestselling author of Bonhoeffer

THE RACE TO SAVE OUR CENTURY

All the wars and cruelties of the twentieth century could happen again in the twenty-first, unless we wake up and recommit to fundamental moral truths that safeguard human rights and the common good - "whole life" principles for liberty, justice and peace.

What would you think if we told you that: All the horrors that marked the twentieth century were going to happen all over again . This time the cruelties and casualties will be even greater, thanks to more advanced technologies . The next mass atrocities will face less resistance, and generate fewer "rescuers," because the West is even less hobbled by religious scruples about killing the innocent than it was in 1939 . The twenty-first century will be remembered not for Twitter, iTunes, expanding democracy, and the final dismantling of prejudice - but for total warfare, biological weapons, and the virtual disappearance of human rights as a concept.

That might be the ugly future, warn the authors of *The Race to Save Our Century*, unless modern man wakes up and recommits to fundamental moral truths that safeguard human rights and the common good.

In *The Race to Save Our Century*, human rights activist Jason Jones and political/economic scholar John Zmirak, combine to issue a stark warning to the West, and to call on readers to embrace and promote five core principles of a Culture of Life: The innate dignity of every human person, regardless of race, age, or handicap . . The existence of a transcendent moral order, by which we judge the justice of all laws and policies . . The need for a humane economy that embraces freedom in a context of social responsibility . . The crucial importance of decentralized, responsive government that preserves civil society and freedom . . The need for solidarity, for a sense of fellow feeling and common obligation toward each and every member of the human race.

Jason Scott Jones is a filmmaker and human rights activist. His film projects include The Stoning of Soraya M., Bella, and Crescendo. He works directly to aid the homeless, peoples facing genocide, and women with crisis pregnancies. He is president of Movie to Movement and the Human Rights Education Organization (H.E.R.O.). He lives in Hawaii. This is his first book.



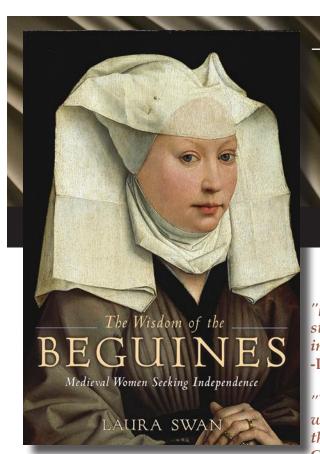


John Zmirak is an editor, college teacher, screenwriter, and political columnist. He is author of the popular Bad Catholic's Guides, Wilhelm Röpke, and The Grand Inquisitor (graphic novel). He is a former editor at Investor's Business Daily. His work has appeared in Aleteia.org, The Blaze, National Review, The Weekly Standard, First Things, The American Spectator, USA Today, Commonweal, The American Conservative, and The National Catholic Register; and he has contributed to The Encyclopedia of Catholic Social Thought and American Conservatism: An Encyclopedia. He has been a commentator on Fox News and the Christian Broadcasting Network. He edited a number of popular guides to higher education, and served as press secretary to Louisiana Governor Mike Foster.

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— The Wisdom of the ——

Medieval Women Seeking Independence

LAURA SWAN

Praise for Laura Swan:

"[A] fine accessible and scholarly work ... An excellent starting-place for the study of women in religion, women in the Church, and asceticism, this is highly recommended." -Library Journal

"We've needed a compilation like this for a long, long time. It will make a real contribution to monastic literature, in which these women and their wisdom have been largely lost." -Joan Chittister, author of The Gift of Years

"Written in clear, heartfelt language, this book does two things beautifully. It revives lost memories of women leaders in the early evolution of Christian spirituality...And it calls the reader to a path of spirituality sorely needed in today's clamorous world..." -Elizabeth A. Johnson, author of She Who Is

The beguines were a phenomenal movement that swept across Europe beginning around the year 1200. They were lay-women who shared a common way of life, unusual business acumen, and a commitment to the poor and marginalized. Essentially self-defined, they lived by themselves or together in so-called beguinages. Some communities, including those in Brugge and Amsterdam, contained walled-in rows of houses enclosing a central court with a chapel where over a thousand beguines might live, forming a village of women within a medieval town or city. And each region of Europe has its own beguine stories to tell.

Among the beguines were celebrated spiritual writers and mystics, including Mechthild of Magdeburg, Beatrijs of Nazareth, Hadewijch of Brabant, and Marguerite Porete, who was condemned as a heretic and burned at the stake. Amazingly, many beguine communities survived for a long time despite oppression, wars, politics, and the plague.

Beguines lived through--and helped propel--times of great transition and reform. They courageously stood up to power and corruption, never despairing of God's compassion for humanity. They used their business acumen to establish and support ministries that extended education, health care, and other social services to the vulnerable. And they preached and taught of a loving God.

The beguines have much to say to our world today. This book invites us to listen to their voices, and discover them anew.

Laura Swan has for many years studied and written about the history of women's spirituality and the monastic life. She is the associate editor of Magistra: A Journal of Women's Spirituality in History and adjunct professor of religious studies at Saint Martin's University in Washington State. A member and former prioress of St. Placid Priory, a community of Benedictine women in the Pacific Northwest, her books include The Forgotten Desert Mothers and Engaging Benedict.



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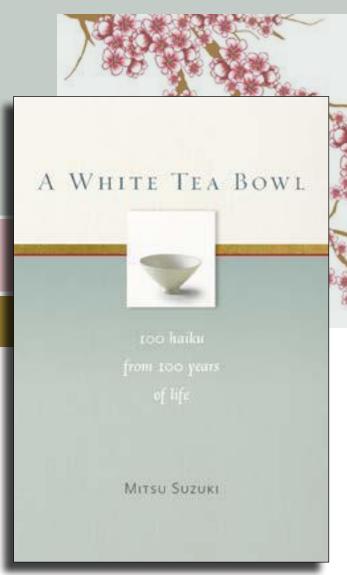
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A WHITE TEA BOWL

100 haiku from 100 years of life

MITSU SUZUKI

A White Tea Bowl is a selection of Miytsu Suzuki's poems, written after her return to Japan in 1993. These 100 haiku were chosen by editor Kazuaki Tanahashi and translated by Zen teacher Kate McCandless to celebrate Mitsu's 100th birthday on April 27, 2014. The introduction by Zen poet and priest Norman Fischer describes with loving detail a meeting with Mitsu at Rinso-in temple in 2010, considers the formative impact of war in Japan and social upheaval in America on her life, and places her poetry in the evolution of haiku as an international form.





Mitsu Suzuki is the widow of Shunryu Suzuki Roshi, founder of San Francisco Zen Center. After he passed away in 1971, she remained at Zen Center where she taught tea ceremony and began writing poetry. Her first collection of haiku, Temple Dust, was published in 1992. The 100 haiku selected for A White Tea Bowl were written after her return to Japan in 1993. She will be 100 years old on April 27, 2014.

Kate McCandless is a Zen teacher at Mountain Rain Zen Community, Vancouver, Canada. She studied Japanese language and poetry at the University of British Columbia and Tsukuba University, Japan. Based in Vancouver, Kate works as a counselor in hospice and bereavement care.

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Jeff Alt takes you vicariously along the John Muir Trail, on an entertaining adventure, with his new wife, Beth. Jeff convinces Beth, a woman who prefers hotels, hot showers and warm beds to chuck her

domesticated ways and hike over 218-rniles which leads to lots of humorous moments . Together, they traverse three national parks, including the highest mountain in the contiguous United States, Mt. Whitney.

Jeff is compelled to take Beth on a hike after her brother tragically dies by suicide. Jeff thinks the hike will do Beth some good. They walk in her brother's memory as a depression awareness campaign.

The Alt's journey is full of inspiration and adventure; from menacing bears, to lightning bolts, mountain lions, food shortages, and altitude sickness.

Beth discovers the trials and joy of backpacking and they emerge from the trail rejuvenated.

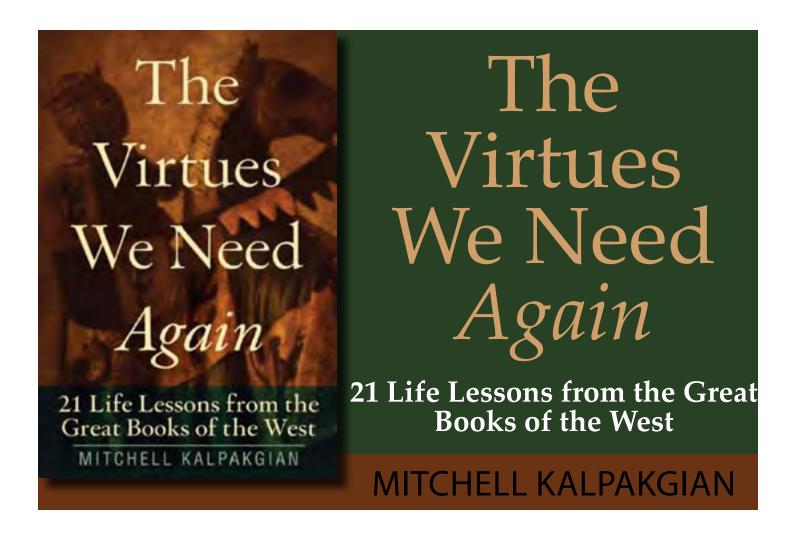


Jeff Alt's adventures have been featured on ESPN, Hallmark Channel, in the AP and more. Alt is a celebrated author and a talented speaker. Alt's book, A Walk for Sunshine, won the Gold in the 2009 'Book of the Year" awards sponsored by Fore Word Reviews, it took fast place winner in the 2009 National Best Books Awards Sponsored by USA Book News and won a Bronze in the 2010 'Living Now Book Awards" sponsored by Jenkins Group. Alt is a member of the Outdoor Writers Association of America (OWAA). Alt has

walked the Appalachian Trail, the John Muir Trail with his wife, and he carried his 21-month old daughter across a path of Ireland.

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"[Mitchell Kalpakgian] always delights the reader with a luminous wisdom and a literary flourish that enlightens even as it entertains." —Joseph Pearce, author, Tolkien: Man, Myth and Literary Life

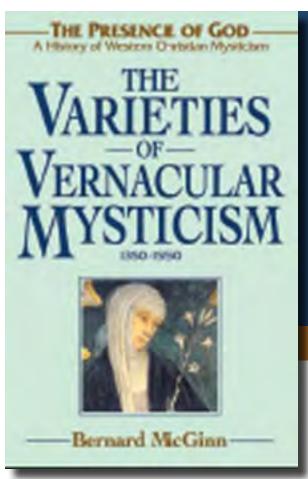
"Mitchell Kalpakgian has a unique knack for drawing out that kernel of eternal truth that gives meaning and purpose to the human experience." —Pieter Vree, editor, New Oxford Review

From immortal characters such as Don Quixote and Huckleberry Finn to revered writers who include Robert Frost and William Shakespeare, ethical qualities are lauded for their contemporary relevance and importance in today's world. With eloquent prose, the virtuous aspects of popular, fictitious characters are discovered - creating an excitement for wholesome traits and a joy of literature. Readers of faith will especially delight in the spiritual affirmations resonating within beloved masterworks from history's great minds.

Mitchell Kalpakgian is a writer, a tutor, and a professor of humanities. He is the author of An American Family Reunion, The Lost Arts of Modern Civilization, and Mysteries of Life in Children's Literature. He is a contributor for Catholic Faith, Culture Wars magazine, Homiletic and Pastoral Review, and the New Oxford Review. He lives in Warner, New Hampshire.

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VARIETIES

VERNACULAR MYSTICISM 1350-1550

Bernard McGinn

Praise for Bernard McGinn:

"No-one is better equipped than Professor McGinn to provide a thorough and balanced guide to this vast literature. A first-class selection, by a first-class scholar." - Rowan Williams, Archbishop of Canterbury

"An unusually clear and insightful exposition of major texts selected by one of the greatest scholars in the field of Christian mysticism, based on his vast erudition and uniquely sensitive interpretation. Like his other books, this one too is destined to become a classic."

- Professor Moshe Idel, Hebrew University, Jerusalem

More than 25 years in the making, this magisterial volume uncovers the riches of one of the greatest periods of mystical wisdom in Christian history: the "vernacular" spirituality of the late medieval period in Europe. The compilation incorporates more than a century of new research from around the globe, demonstrating how this period gave rise to many mystical writers who remain influential today, including Julian of Norwich, Eckhart's follower Jan van Ruusbroec, and Catherine of Siena. With unmatched knowledge of the primary works and scholarship, this study illustrates the unique genius of each mystical teacher as well as how they build on one another's insights. Specific types of mysticism covered include Trinitarian, late medieval Italian, renaissance, and the golden age of English mysticism.

Bernard McGinn is the Naomi Shenstone Donnelley Professor Emeritus in the Divinity School of the University of Chicago. He is the author of Anti-Christ, Early Christian Mystics, The Essential Writings of Christian Mysticism, and The Mystical Thought of Meister Eckhart. He lives in Chicago.

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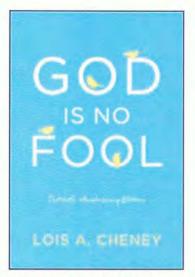


God is No Fool

In 1969, [i]God Is No Fool[/i] delighted readers, consoled them, provoked them and inspired them to consider God and life in new ways. The short musings in the book are funny, earnest, loving, probing and full of joy. Reading this book, you will embark on a journey whose ultimate destination is a better understanding of faith, people and the world around you. On the 40th anniversary of the original publication, Lois Cheney's reflections are as powerful and necessary as ever.

Lois A. Cheney Ph.D.

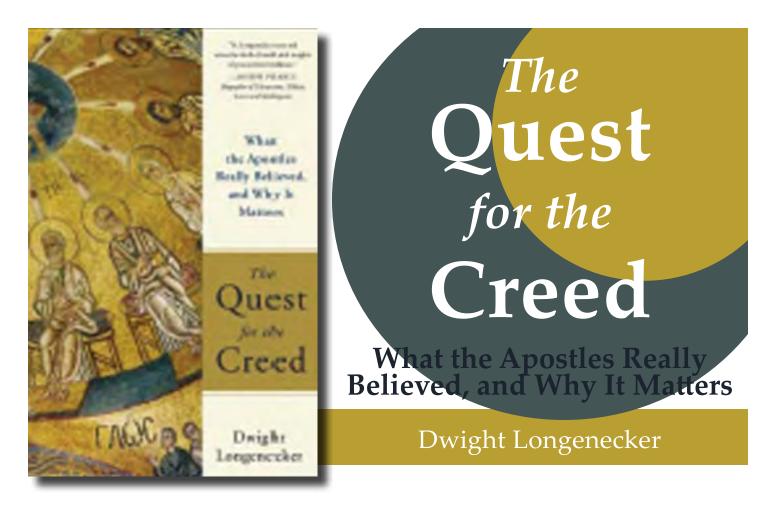
Lois A. Cheney, Ph.D. is a professor emeritus at Bowling Green State University. In addition to her teaching responsibilities, Dr. Cheney has led numerous religious and educational retreats and has conducted communications workshops for business professionals. She attended Muskingum College and received her master's and doctoral degrees from Kent State University and Michigan State University, respectively. An active member of the Presbyterian Women of America, she lives in Ohio with her feline muse, Kate.



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"In this exciting book, Longenecker follows in the imaginative footsteps of Chesterton and Lewis. He sees and seizes the thrill of truth with insights of pyrotechnic brilliance."

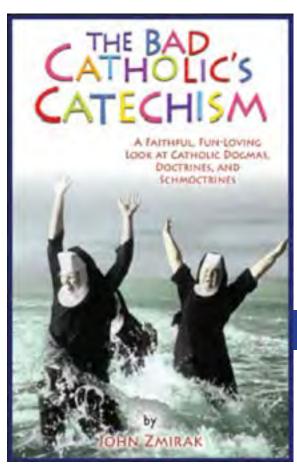
—Joseph Pearce, author, Through Shakespeare's Eyes

Demonstrating a deep understanding of scripture, church history, doctrine, and pastoral work, this exploration takes a fresh look at a prayer many Catholics commonly zip past while saying the Rosary: the Apostle's Creed. The study brushes the centuries of dust off each of the elements in which churchgoers intone "we believe" without pausing to reflect on the prayer's meaning, confronting this overlooked component of mass in a zingy, Chestertonian style that will appeal to discerning readers of popular theology and apologetics. Delving into the startling statements that this creed makes about the nature of God, man, and the universe, this guide once again reminds Catholics how to be surprised and challenged by the paradoxical beauty that the Christian faith finds in everyday life.

Dwight Longenecker is the author of Christianity, Pure and Simple; More Christianity: Finding the Fullness of the Faith; and St. Benedict and St. Therese. He is an ordained Anglican priest as well as a former curate, school chaplain, and country parson. He has written articles on theology, apologetics, biblical commentary, and Catholic culture. He lives in Greenville, South Carolina.

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THE BAD CATHOLIC'S CATECHISM

A FAITHFUL, FUN-LOVING LOOK AT CATHOLIC DOGMAS, DOCTRINES, AND SCHMOCTRINES

JOHN ZMIRAK

"Wickedly funny and a sound guide to living a life that won't end in misery but in joy. One of our best writers produces another classic."—Mark P. Shea, author, Mary, Mother of the Son

"... gloriously funny and massively serious . . . thoroughly orthodox and sane. The reader will be instructed, blessed, and exhilarated."

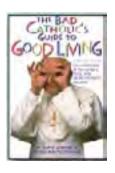
—Thomas Howard, author, Evangelical Is Not Enough

"John Zmirak is easily one of the funniest writers alive . . . He attacks the subject matter with the best of his doctrinally sound depth of knowledge and relays it with maximum humor."

—Thomas McArdle, formerWhite House communications director, Catholic League for Civil and Religious Rights

Masquerading behind the guise of the old-fashioned Catechism that generations of Catholic school kids in plaid skirts or clip-on ties had to memorize, this candid handbook provides a witty take on the teachings of the Catholic faith. Objections from relativist, New Atheist, dissenting Catholic, and other points of view are featured, with intellectually sound questions and bracingly funny answers. Penned by a Yale-educated author who worked both in the mainstream, secular media as well as for Catholic outlets, the study reveals the whole range of contemporary criticisms aimed at the Church—and how to answer them in kind. Using both a rapier wit and the strong left hook of a blue-collar kid from Queens, this guide defends its faith with good humor and sincere respect at every turn while illustrating the difficulties modern believers face.

John Zmirak is an editor, a journalist, a screenwriter, a political commentator, and a writer-in-residence at Thomas More College of the Liberal Arts. He is the author of The Bad Catholic's Guide to the Seven Deadly Sins and the coauthor of The Bad Catholic's Guide to Good Living; The Bad Catholic's Guide toWine, Whiskey, and Song; and The Grand Inquisitor. He has contributed to Investor's Business Daily and the National Catholic Register. He lives in New York City.

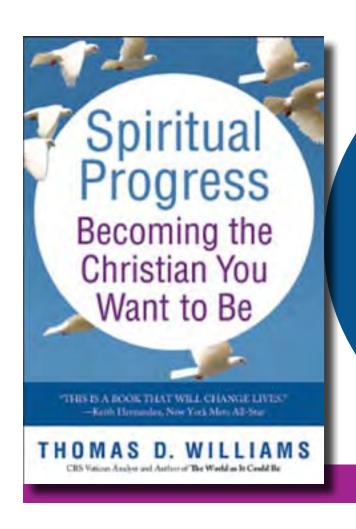






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Spiritual Progress Becoming the Christian You Want to Be

THOMAS D. WILLIAMS

"Solid, spiritual wisdom pervades this book."—Brennan Pursell, author, Benedict of Bavaria

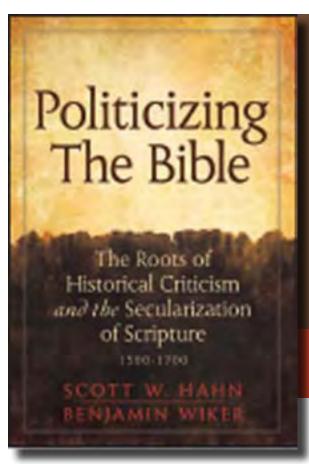
"[Thomas D.William's] invitation to life abundant is winsome, lucid, informed, wise, and utterly persuasive." —Richard John Neuhaus, author, Catholic Matters

"What a wonderful book for Christians of all denominations! It offers a simple, direct way to live daily life in the company of Christ with a greater understanding of HisWord. . . . This is a book that will change lives." —Keith Hernandez, former New York Mets player

Outlining the essential elements of Christian faith, this practical book offers deeper wisdom for those who long for a closer connection with Christ. Recognizing the differences between a spiritual journey and the daily paths of life, advice is offered for discovering what God is doing, what hurdles are overcome through belief, and how spiritual lessons can be shared with others. Practical and compassionate, this remarkable guide introduces the building blocks of success—grace, the Holy Spirit, and Mother Mary—and reveals how they can be used for seeking direction, building a spiritual program, and broadening the quest beyond the self. Presented in sympathetic and accessible language, classic Catholic disciplines are made relevant for contemporary readers that are seeking self-improvement and a deeper spiritual life.

Thomas D.Williams is a Catholic priest and ethicist who teaches at the Regina Apostolorum Pontifical Athenaeum and is the Vatican analyst for CBS News. He is the author of numerous books including Can God Be Trusted?, Greater Than You Think, Knowing Right from Wrong, and The World as It Could Be.

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Politicizing The Bible

The Roots of Historical Criticism and the Secularization of Scripture

SCOTT W. HAHN Benjamin Wiker

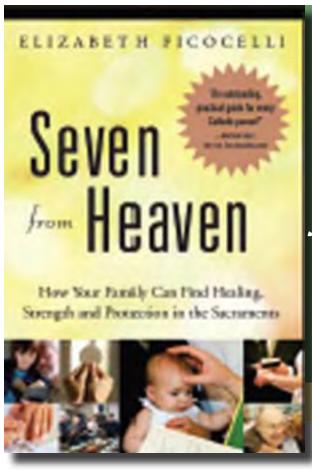
Resisting the typical, dry methods of contemporary scholarship, this powerful examination revisits the biblical days of life- and death conflict, struggles for

power between popes and kings, and secret alliances of intellectuals united by a desire to pit worldly goals against the spiritual priorities of the church. This account looks beyond the pretense of neutrality and objectivity often found in secular study, and brings to light the appropriation of scripture by politically motivated interpreters. Questioning the techniques taken for granted at divinity schools worldwide, their origins are traced to the writings of Machiavelli and Marsilio of Padua, the political projects of Henry VIII, Thomas Hobbes, and John Locke, and the quest for an empire of science on the part of Descartes and Spinoza. Intellectual and inspiring, an argument is made for bringing Christianity back to biblical literacy.

Scott W. Hahn is a professor of theology and scripture at Franciscan University of Steubenvillem, the founder and director of the Saint Paul Center for Biblical Theology, and the author of numerous books. He lives in Steubenville, Ohio.

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Seven from Heaven

How Your Family Can Find Healing, Strength and Protection in the Sacraments

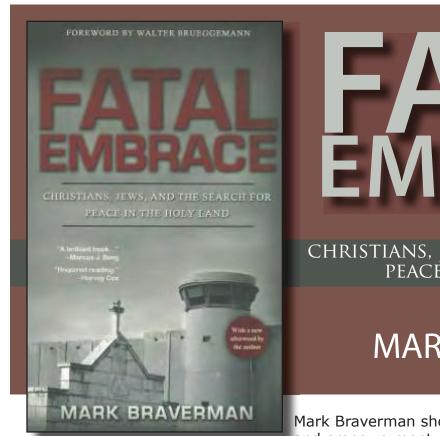
ELIZABETH FICOCELLI

"An outstanding, practical guide for every Catholic parent! Use Seven from Heaven to give your children the greatest gift of all—joyful participation in Christ's presence every day."
—Matthew Kelly, New York Times bestselling author, The Rhythm of Life

Demonstrating how the seven sacraments are both powerful encounters with the Living Christ and a marvelous blueprint for rich and joyous living—from birth through confirmation, marriage, and the end of life—this guidebook provides Catholic parents fun and dynamic ways in which to learn and experience each core value. By providing instructive ways for strengthening the family unit through Christ, Elizabeth Ficocelli shares a refreshing look into the power and purpose of each sacrament. Flavored throughout with touching, and at times humorous, personal accounts of her experience with the sacraments, Ficocelli accomplishes a difficult task—providing a book that is not only enjoyable to read, but also deepens the Catholic experience and the strength of faith in every devout family.

Elizabeth Ficocelli is a popular speaker and the author of Shower of Heavenly Roses. She lives in Reynoldsburg, Ohio.

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CHRISTIANS, JEWS, AND THE SEARCH FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND

MARK BRAVERMAN

Mark Braverman shows how the Jewish quest for safety and empowerment and the Christian endeavor to atone

for centuries of anti-Semitism have combined to suppress the conversations needed to bring about a just and lasting peace in the Holy Land. Fatal Embrace charts Braverman's journey as an American Jew struggling with the difficult realities of modern Israel. The book vividly describes the spiritual and psychological forces driving the discourse and is a call to action to Americans of all faiths .

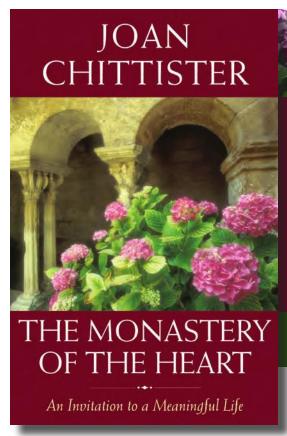
Mark Braverman is a Jewish American with deep family roots in the Holy Land. Trained as a clinical psychologist and a pioneer in developing innovative approaches to crisis intervention and recovery from trauma, Mark now devotes himself full-time to the cause for peace in historic Palestine. In his work he focuses on the role of religious beliefs and theology in the current discourse and the function and future of interfaith relations. Mark is a cofounder of Friends of Tent of Nations North America. He serves on the advisory board of Friends of Sabeel North America and on the Board of the Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions-USA. He is the author of Fatal Embrace: Christians, Jews, and the Search for Peace in the Holy Land.



Mark is the executive director of the Holy Land Education and Peace building Project, a grassroots organization that promotes interfaith dialogue, peace-building, and conflict resolution in the Middle East. Braverman currently lives in Bethesda, Maryland, with his wife, Susan.

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An Invitation to a Meaningful Life

BY JOAN CHITTISTER

"This marvel of a book sings in the heart and makes the mind quiet with reverence, even as it instructs both of them with a holy gladness. The Monastery of the Heart is a gift to all seekers everywhere."

-PHYLLIS TICKLE, compiler of The Divine Hours

Lyrical in its prose, The Monastery of the Heart reads like a holy distillation of all that Joan Chittister has written to date."-Ephram Hollermann, author of The Reshaping of a Tradition

Every century, every culture has sought the spiritual dimensions of life in particular ways, in language and symbols and lifestyles it could embrace. Across the ages, countless women and men in East and West chose the path of monastic life, either in solitude or in community. One of them was Benedict of Nursia, the sixth-century founder of communal monasticism in the Western world. For Benedict, the spiritual life lay in simply living this life, our daily life, well. He turned the ordinary into an experience of the extraordinary, a union with the sacred in the here and now. His enduring legacy—Benedictine spirituality based on the Rule of Benedict—exists to this day, around the world.

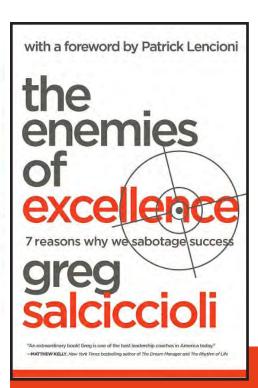
The Monastery of the Heart is Joan Chittister's powerful spiritual guide for all of us who are seeking a more purposeful life today, in this time of social upheavals and global transformations. It is written for seekers of any faith or none—individuals, couples, families, and small groups—who are looking for true meaning while facing seemingly countless options, both spiritual and secular, and are feeling overwhelmed by choices. It builds on the ancient Rule of Benedict to show us new ways of meaningful living in the very center of our own world—without ever withdrawing from it. The Monastery of the Heart is anchored in the Rule, rooted in its values, but attempts to redefine it for seekers today. Fresh in its form and focus, it invites us to become within ourselves monastics of the heart.

JOAN CHITTISTER is an internationally known author and lecturer, and the executive director of Benetvision, a resource and research center for contemporary spirituality. She is past president of the Conference of American Benedictine Prioresses and the Leadership Conference of Women Religious. She currently serves as co-chair of the Global Peace Initiative of Women. Her many books include the recent bestseller The Gift of Years. She lives in Erie, Pennsylvania.





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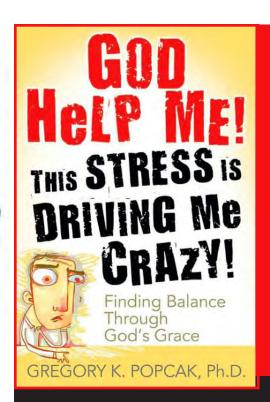
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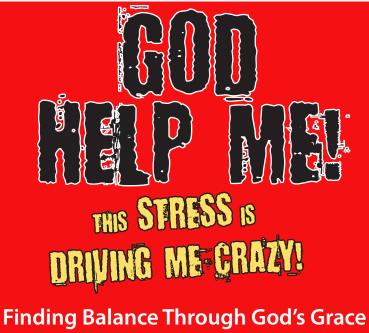
"An extraordinary book! Greg is one of the best leadership coaches in America today."

—Matthew Kelly, New York Times bestselling author, The Dream Manager and The Rhythm of Life

A handbook that addresses the moral failures and corruption of political and corporate officials, this reference suggests that, regardless of how morally strong a leader, all face seven core risks, but by identifying and learning to recognize each risk, leaders can stop creating misery for themselves and the people who rely on them emotionally and financially and deliver the sustainable success people count on them for. Following the story of "Rob," this story begins with the demise of a fallen hero—revisiting the choices Rob made as he first took a leadership role and began growing in stature and power. At every step in Rob's ascent, the author demonstrates how each of the seven fatal risk factors build upon one another, creating an inevitable downward spiral. The author then offers practical ways to avoid Rob's fate with the marshalling of diagnostic tools, questions, and quizzes as well as bigpicture solutions and practical tasks that aim to reinforce leadership abilities, retain confidence, and earn and keep the trust of others.

Greg Salciccioli is a founder and team coach for Ministry Coaching International. He lives in Bend, Oregon. Patrick Lencioni is the bestselling author of The Five Dysfunctions of a Team, The Five Temptations of a CEO, and The Four Obsessions of an Extraordinary Executive. He lives in Lafayette, California.





GREGORY K. POPCAK, Ph.D.

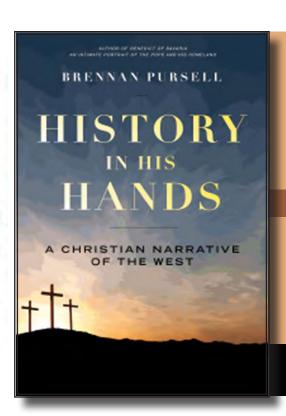
"Overcoming anxiety is more than a possible dream; it is a central tenet of Christian spirituality," writes Gregory Popcak, a professional counselor. In God Help Me! This Stress Is Driving Me Crazy: Finding Balance Through God's Grace, Popcak draws on psychology and Roman Catholic tradition to help readers who are struggling with worry and pain. Popcak writes well and clearly, weaving his counselees' composite stories in with his own experiences (particularly gripping is the story of one annus horribilis when his family faced grave illness and terrible financial trouble). He provides concrete spiritual tools (e.g., using icons and medallions, or partaking of the sacraments of Eucharist, confession and anointing the sick) to remind readers of

A Christian approach to lessening stress and managing it more effectively is delivered with good humor and compassion in this supportive guide. Distilling years of counseling experience and a wealth of stress management training, it offers easily understood and implemented techniques that will work wonders for Catholics and other Christians who struggle with tension and frustration in their daily lives. Methods for using the sacraments, prayer, scripture, and medallions or icons to center the mind and focus intention are offered to those seeking relief from anxiety and despair—whether due to the many little stressors of daily life or more extreme tests of faith. Checklists, quizzes, and questionnaires serve as reality checks and reminders of God's love and point the way to putting things in perspective.

Gregory K. Popcak, PhD, is a leading author of Christian counseling books, including Holy Sex! and How to Find True Love. He is the cohost of Fully Alive!, a daily call-in radio show on the Catholic Network; the host of Heart, Mind, and Strength on the Ave Maria Radio Network; and the founder of Pastoral Solutions Institute, a provider of Catholic counseling services worldwide. He lives in Steubenville, Ohio.

God's love for them and His power over their troubles. –Publishers Weekly





HISTORY IN HIS HANDS

BY BRENNAN PURSELL

Opposing the common exclusion of God from an active role in human history, this work explains how His role exists and can be witnessed in humanity's complicated dualities—in time and space, war and peace, wealth and poverty, and love and hatred.

Arguing that history is a master plan—that God, who is reason and love, wills human existence—Dr. Pursell weaves his thesis through both divine revelation and specific historical events. He explains in accessible terms that God's plan for human history is that of unity in opposing forces; that historical periods are secular constructs—despite human ingenuity and industrialization, all humankind is part of one historical period under God, defined not by machines but by morals.

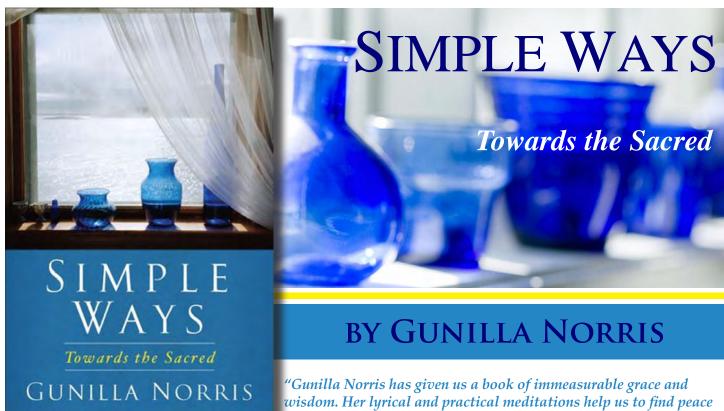
In a style that is both fluid and engrossing, Dr. Pursell offers Christians and historians alike a new vision of human history that is sure to inspire as much as it educates.

Brennan Pursell is a professor of history at DeSales University and is the author of Benedict of Bavaria, An Intimate Portrait of the Pope and His Homeland, and The Winter King. He has been interviewed for stories in the New York Times and the Philadelphia Inquirer and has appeared on CNN, BBC, EWTN, and other television and radio outlets in the United States and abroad. He lives in Allentown, Pennsylvania.





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wisdom. Her lyrical and practical meditations help us to find peace of mind, sustained awareness, and the capacity to care about what

really matters, both for ourselves and for our world." —Gail Straub, author, The Rhythm of Compassion

"This beautiful and prayerful book offers us a key to unlock the door to that sacred ever-presence within and around us. It will be an invaluable day-by-day companion along the road to wholeness and to peace."

—Margaret Silf, author, The Gift of Prayer

"A book to live rather than read. Gunilla Norris doesn't tell you what to see, but how to see. She doesn't tell you where to go, but how to know when you have arrived. This is a book to treasure."

—Rabbi Rami Shapiro, author, The Sacred Art of Lovingkindness

"A gentle call to live our lives fully and in cooperation with a transcendent, loving presence. The idea of mindfulness... is described serenely and lyrically and in a way that encourages a personal journey, not blind adherence to another's map." —New Age Retailer

While the demands and pace of modern living often prevent many from seeing the transcendent and extraordinary elements in the simple activities and events in life, this beautifully written, lucid, and practical primer for prayer, meditation, and mindful living focuses on seeking and appreciating the sacred in everyday life. Divided into four sections concentrating on our bodies, our dwellings, everyday things, and gratitude, Norris illuminates ways to see and embrace the sacred each day. The guidance and advice offered present a very practical and accessible way to appreciate and celebrate holiness in daily life.

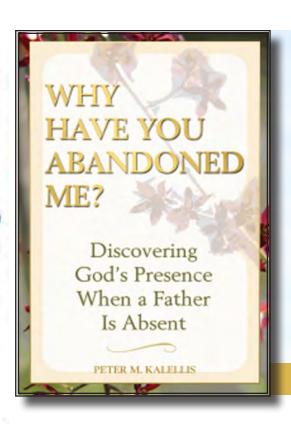
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HAVE YOU ABANDONED ME?

Discovering God's Presence When a Father Is Absent

PETER M. KALELLIS

Responding to the many adults who struggle with the wounds of absent parents, bestselling author Peter M. Kalellis offers an intimate, meditative look at what it means to lose a parent—particularly a father—and offers therapeutic solutions for healing and returning to a full life.

Drawing on various personal accounts—such as case studies, his work as a Greek Orthodox priest, and his own experiences as a son and father—Kalellis's examples range from physical distance and emotional separation to total abandonment and untimely death, pursuing a healthy resolution in each case.

Informing the psychology with his signature compassion and forgiveness—of both self and family—Kalellis reveals how a strong belief in the Heavenly Father can help sons and daughters understand their earthly ones, while unloading the burden of absence carried from childhood into adulthood.

With each chapter enlivened by inspiring quotes from literature and Scripture, this resource concludes with a series of invitations for personal meditation and further reflection.

Peter M. Kalellis is a psychotherapist; a marriage and family therapist; and the author of Five Steps to Spiritual Growth, Restoring Relationships, and Restoring Yourself. He lives in Mountainside, New Jersey.



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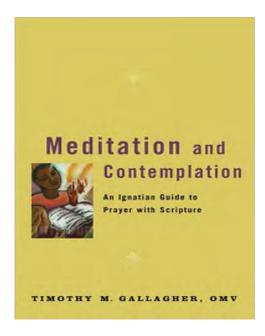


Meditation and Contemplation

An Ignatian Guide to Prayer with Scripture By Timothy M. Gallagher

"Father Tim Gallagher has quickly become one of the leading commentators on Ignatian discernment." —Father George Aschenbrenner, SJ, author, Stretched for Greater Glory

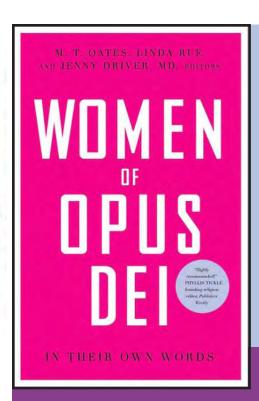
"Father Timothy Gallagher has emerged as one of the foremost commentators on Ignatian spirituality in the United States." —Father Harvey D. Egan, SJ, author, Ignatius Loyola the Mystic



The cornerstones of Ignatius of Loyola's spiritual practice—meditation and contemplation—are clearly explained in this simple guide to the Ignatian method with examples from the experience of practitioners and quotations from Catholic spiritual teachers. In the process, the deeper structure of the spiritual practice is illuminated, and advice about adapting it to individual needs is offered. Topics include methods of praying, struggles and growth, and the importance and role of grace. Individuals who desire to pray with scripture, spiritual directors, and all who teach prayer with scripture will benefit from the counsel in this resource.

Timothy M. Gallagher, OMV, is considered to be one of the greatest interpreters of the spirituality of Ignatius of Loyola. He is a popular retreat leader, an Ignatius scholar, and a lecturer. He is the author of The Discernment of Spirits: The Ignatian Rule for Everyday Life, The Examen Prayer, and An Ignatian Introduction to Prayer. He lives in Boston, Massachusetts.





WOMEN OF OPUS DEI

IN THEIR OWN WORDS

M. T. OATES, LINDA RUF
AND JENNY DRIVER, MD, EDITORS

The Catholic group Opus Dei (Latin for "work of God") emerges in this compact collection of essays and interviews as an entity that gives its female members a deep sense of purpose amid ordinary and extraordinary circumstances. Whether they are stay-at-home mothers or professionals in academia and business, these women tell of lives changed by their faith and what they commonly refer to as "the Work." -Publishers Weekly

A doctor, a professor, a dancer, a stay-at-home mom, and a marketing executive are some of the inspiring women portrayed in this collection that describes the women of Opus Dei, a Roman Catholic organization composed of clergy and lay members dedicated to fostering Christian principles at all levels of society. Each essay, interview, and profile in this compilation explores facets of Opus Dei that are unfamiliar to many. The DaVinci Code and other popular entertainments have whetted the interest in this controversial organization, and promulgated many assumptions that members of the organization contest. The women portrayed in this collection encompass an inspiring—and, for some, surprising—segment of a Catholic institution that encourages women around the globe to develop their skills and talents to the fullest and to be engaged in the world. Single, celibate women and those raising families describe their first encounters with Opus Dei, what made them decide to join, and how it transforms and orders their daily lives. Relevant information on the organization and workings of Opus Dei, its structure, and some of the key practices of the members are also discussed.

M. T. Oates is a writer and communications consultant. Her writings have appeared in numerous publications including The Boston Globe, Chicago Tribune, The New York Times, and The Washington Times. She lives in New York City. Linda Ruf is a certified public accountant and an authority on The Da Vinci Code as it relates to the teachings of the Catholic Church and Opus Dei. She is the mother of six and lives with her husband and family in Chicago, IL. Jenny Driver, MD, is a staff physician at Brigham and Women's Hospital and an instructor of medicine at Harvard Medical School. She lives in Boston, MA.