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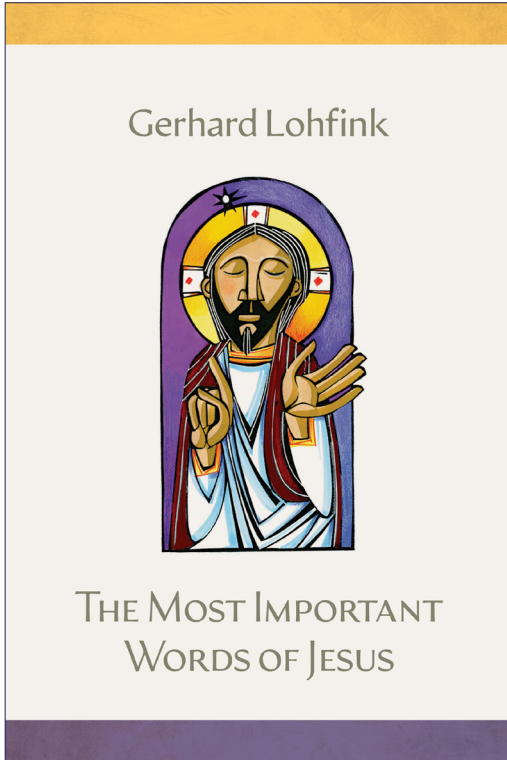
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Award-Winning Author GERHARD LOHFINK

CATHOLIC MEDIA ASSOCIATION'S AUTHOR OF THE YEAR!



The Most Important Words of Jesus

Gerhard Lohfink, Translated by Linda M. Maloney

What Jesus taught through his preaching made an unforgettable impression upon his disciples. But it was the many succinctly formulated sayings of Jesus that stood out from the start because of their clear structure and vividness. In *The Most Important Words of Jesus*, renowned scholar Gerhard Lohfink focuses on the power, beauty, and seriousness of these seventy central sayings of the Lord.

When the Church confesses that Jesus is not only truly human but also truly God, that means he is the perfect image of God, God's definitive word. It rests on the majestic claim that revealed itself, modestly, discreetly, and yet clearly, in every one of the seventy "sayings" or *logia* of Jesus. In this book, Lohfink helps us to understand what Jesus is talking about in these sharply defined words.

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Gerhard Lohfink was professor of New Testament exegesis at the University of Tübingen. His many books include *Between Heaven and Earth*, *The Forty Parables of Jesus*, *No Irrelevant Jesus*, *Jesus of Nazareth, Is This All There Is?*, *The Our Father*, and *Prayer Takes Us Home*, all from Liturgical Press.

"Lohfink always impresses with the detailed care with which he delves into significant biblical texts. This extensive probe into seventy major 'words' of Jesus in the synoptic gospels will keep the reader thinking but also praying for a good long time."

Genevieve Glen, OSB, author of *Sauntering through Scripture and By Lamplight*

"Those familiar with Lohfink's writings will not be disappointed. Those who have not read his works will be amazed. This is a sure resource for those who preach the gospel and for those who seek to be nourished by it."

Frank J. Matera, Professor Emeritus, The Catholic University of America

The Longest Psalm

Day-by-Day Responses to Divine Self-Revelation

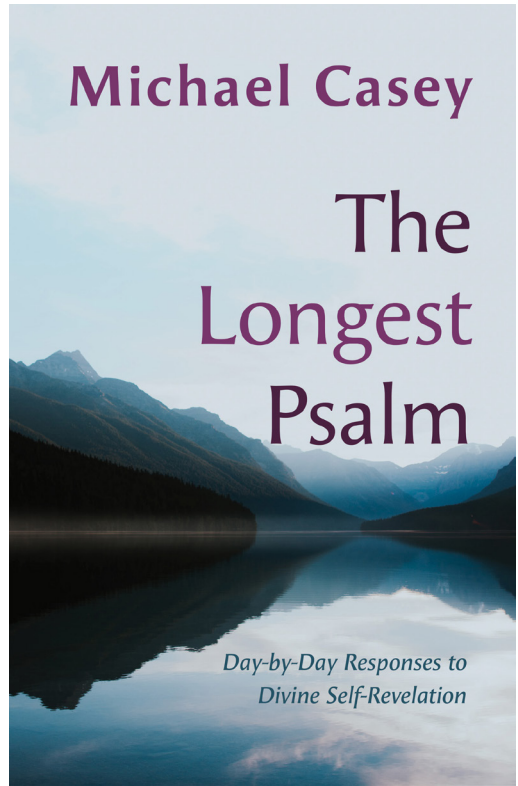
Michael Casey, OCSO

As the longest Psalm in the Bible, Psalm 119 comprises 176 verses. Its message sings the praise of Israel's Law and describes how the faithful should respond to the gift of God's self-revelation. In *The Longest Psalm*, Michael Casey offers a meditative reading of each verse of the psalm, intended to be read one at a time, to facilitate a personal prayer and reflection. Psalm 119 brings together elements found throughout the Psalter and the reflections focus on universal themes as well as specific questions of daily life, such as our experience of yearning, service, affliction, and stumbling. Each verse stands alone, intended to be read slowly, like the litanies familiar to Catholic devotion.

Perfect for a brief meditation before beginning the day, Casey invites us to spend time wandering with the psalmist to allow God's Word to play a significant role in our lives. Through this careful reflection on the longest psalm, readers will discover the text is not merely a psalm to be sung but also a path to be followed.

“Michael Casey executes here a successful rescue mission, showing that the very point of Psalm 119 is that it is staying where it is, celebrating the word of God by turning it over and over like a diamond so that we can appreciate all its facets.”

**Jerome Kodell, OSB
Subiaco Abbey**



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Michael Casey, OCSO, has been a monk of Tarrawarra Abbey (Australia) since 1960. He is the author of many books, including *The Road to Eternal Life: Reflections on the Prologue of Benedict's Rule*; *Seventy-Four Tools for Good Living: Reflections on the Fourth Chapter of Benedict's Rule*; *Balaam's Donkey*; and *Coenobium: Reflections on Monastic Community*.

“In a meditative, practical, and sometimes even playful reading of each of the psalm's 176 verses, Michael Casey shows how the law celebrated in this psalm, far from being something harsh and coercive, is a source of joy and delight, nothing less than the divine self-revelation offering us a pathway to fullness of life.”

**Margaret Daly-Denton, PhD
Trinity College Dublin**

“God's self-revelation in Scripture can be known by us through *lectio*. Fr. Michael Casey has done the homework. All we have to do is turn the page.”

**Sr. Meg Funk, OSB
Our Lady of Grace Monastery**

A Retreat with
**THOMAS
MERTON**

A Seven-Day Spiritual Journey

Esther de Waal

New Foreword by Bonnie B. Thurston



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Esther de Waal is a noted scholar and spiritual writer residing in Oxford. She was propelled to fame by her book *Seeking God*, which was published in numerous languages. She is the author of *The White Stone: The Art of Letting Go*, published by Liturgical Press.

A Retreat with Thomas Merton

A Seven-Day Spiritual Journey

Esther de Waal, New Foreword
by Bonnie B. Thurston

The celebrated spiritual writer Thomas Merton remains one of the most influential voices of our day. His many books are considered modern spiritual classics as he is credited with introducing the riches of the monastic tradition to many. Here, Esther de Waal devises a seven-day personal or group retreat program using excerpts from Thomas Merton's writings and a selection of the photography for which he was also renowned. She creates a retreat that can be made at home, at a retreat center, on vacation, or over a week or longer. The focus of each of the seven days is: The Call, Response, The Solitary Within, Encounter with Christ, The Demands of Love, Ordinary Things, and Integration.

“Esther de Waal gives the coordinates of Merton’s own map for the journey, as well as a personal record of her use of his directions in this engaging summary of Merton’s spirituality.”

From the foreword by Bonnie B. Thurston

Thomas Merton in California

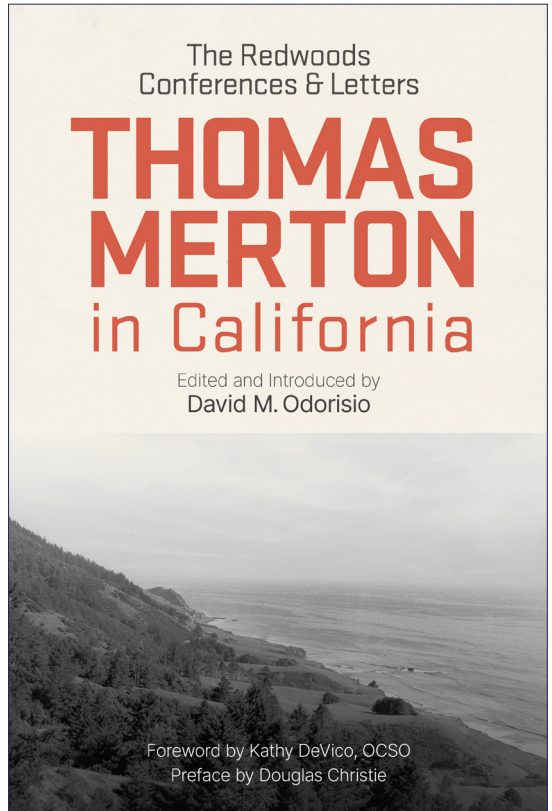
The Redwoods Conferences and Letters

Edited and Introduced by David M. Odorisio; Foreword by Kathy DeVico, OCSO
Preface by Douglas Christie

In May and October of 1968, Thomas Merton offered two extended conferences at Our Lady of the Redwoods Abbey, a Cistercian women's community in Northern California. Comprising over twenty-six hours of previously unpublished material, *Thomas Merton in California* is practical and applicable, as well as searching and inspired. It is essential for Merton readers and scholars, and all those interested in deepening their spiritual lives.

“What a marvelous, unexpected gift! These series of informal talks sparkle and inspire with Thomas Merton’s characteristic insight, humor and wisdom. This volume presents Merton at the top of his form and fills a gap we didn’t even know existed in the literary record of the final months of his life.”

**Patrick F. O’Connell, Editor
*Thomas Merton: Selected Essays***



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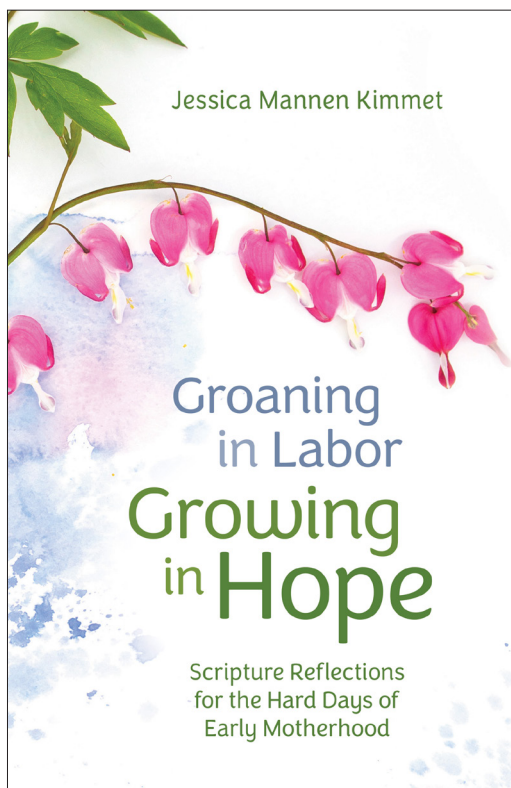
David M. Odorisio, PhD, is Associate Core faculty at Pacifica Graduate Institute, Santa Barbara, CA. David is editor of *Merton and Hinduism: The Yoga of the Heart*, and has published in numerous journals in the areas of psychology and religion, and the life and writings of Thomas Merton.

“*Thomas Merton in California* gives readers the privilege to sense for themselves the formidable creative charge of those encounters as if they were there. What higher praise could there be for this book?”

**Br. David Steindl-Rast, OSB, monk
author, co-founder of grateful.org**

“Merton was at his best in informal settings. Edited with intelligence, warmth, and clear documentation, the book makes some of his last, most important teaching on prayer widely available.”

Bonnie Thurston, author of *Shaped By the End You Live For: Thomas Merton’s Monastic Spirituality*



Groaning in Labor, Growing in Hope

Scripture Reflections for the Hard Days of Early Motherhood

Jessica Mannen Kimmet

In *Groaning in Labor, Growing in Hope*, Jessica Mannen Kimmet, a mom of three, offers a collection of Scripture readings and reflections that speak to the challenges of transitioning to motherhood. Kimmet shares her experience of postpartum depression and raising young children, and how Scripture and prayer helped her to reframe painful experiences and offer companionship in struggle. By taking whatever scraps of time that can be spared, Kimmet hopes readers will find a healing God present in the upheavals of this season of life, and will return to prayer even though that practice will look and feel different. This resource includes *lectio divina* for moms, Scripture references for overwhelming times, a litany of saints for postpartum struggles, and more.

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Jessica Mannen Kimmet is a freelance writer and liturgical musician. Formerly a full-time college campus minister working primarily in music and liturgy, she now spends most of her time raising her three young sons. Her writing has appeared on Grotto Network and in Liturgical Press's popular *Living Liturgy* series.

"I was barely through the introduction and I just kept thinking, I love her voice! Kimmet writes in a deeply authentic and vulnerable way that somehow manages to be simultaneously conversational and not overwhelming. It will definitely be my go-to gift for 'newborn moms.'"

Stacey Noem, University of Notre Dame

"Jessica Mannen Kimmet has written a beautiful book, drawn from her own experience of the difficult days of early motherhood explored through the lens of her deep faith. *Groaning in Labor, Growing in Hope* is a gift to the Church."

Lisa Everett, Director for Marriage & Family Ministry, Diocese of Fort Wayne—SouthBend

"While not shying away from the very brutal moments of challenge, the book extends a vision of hope that any parent would find solace in. I would recommend this book to any new mother, knowing it would speak to her heart."

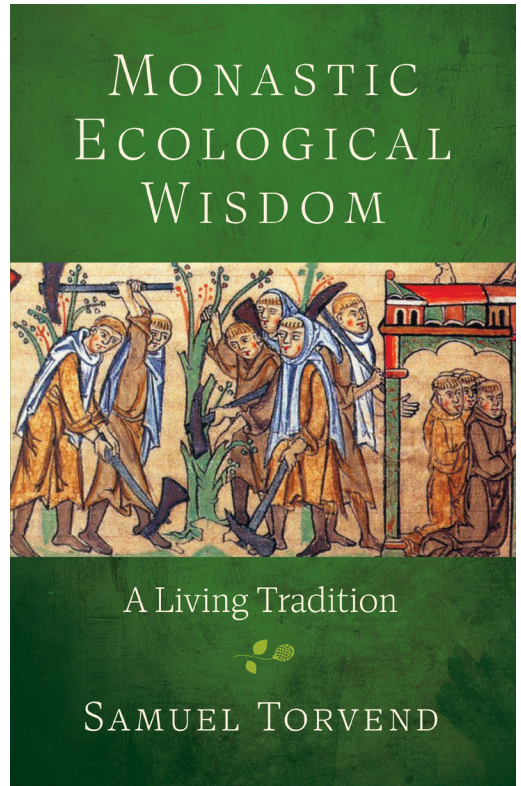
**Chelsea Piper Baldwin MDiv
Archdiocese of Chicago**

Monastic Ecological Wisdom

A Living Tradition

Samuel Torvend

Can early medieval monasteries serve as a model of sustainable development and environmental conservation in today's world? Inspired by Pope Francis's encyclical *Laudato Sí* and Benedictine communities around the world whose shared monastic values inform ecological practice, *Monastic Ecological Wisdom* uncovers the hidden story of early Christian and monastic care for the earth.



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“It can be tempting to think that current experiences of climatic change, environmental degradation, and institutional corruption are so unique that we have nothing to learn from the past. But such thinking is impossible after you read Samuel Torvend’s *Monastic Ecological Wisdom* and immerse yourself into the deep and sustainable wisdom of ancient and medieval Christian communities.”

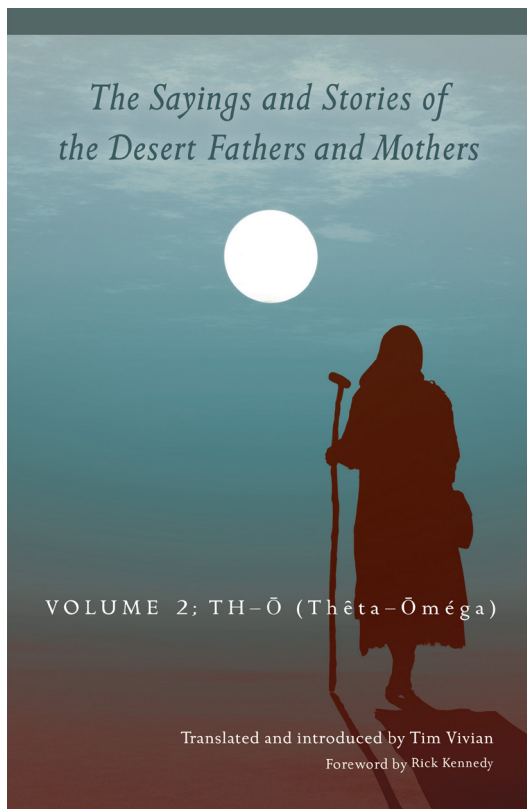
Kevin J. O’Brien, author of
The Violence of Climate Change

“The connections between Saint Benedict’s Rule and *Laudato Sí* inspire a careful reading of both these early and contemporary documents.”

Abbot Primate Gregory Polan, OSB
Badia Sant’Anselmo, Rome, Italy

“This is a book of insights and connections, many of which may surprise you. We need an alternative way of life to confront our sins against creation. Benedict and Torvend show us the way.”

Lawrence E. Mick, priest and author
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The Sayings and Stories of the Desert Fathers and Mothers

Volume 2: Th-Ō (Thêta-Ōméga)

Translated and introduced by Tim Vivian; Foreword by Rick Kennedy

The Sayings and Stories of the Desert Fathers and Mothers offers a new translation of the Greek alphabetical *Apophthegmata Patrum*, *The Sayings of the Desert Fathers*. For the first time in an English translation, this second volume provides information from I-Z (Zêta).

"A great achievement."
V. Revd. Prof. John A McGuckin
 Professor, Oxford University

"Speaking to us over a distance of some 1700 years, Tim Vivian continues to bring to life the profound but truly human stories and personalities of the Desert Fathers and Mothers. This volume, like the first, provides nourishment for the mind and spirit and transports us to an exciting new place that is strangely compelling!"
Lisa Agaiby, St. Athanasius College, University of Divinity

"Scholars of early Christianity can no longer tell the story of the first centuries of the Church without referencing the unique role of the *apophthegmata* and so much of their availability is because of Tim Vivian."

Greg Peters, Biola University and Nashotah House Theological Seminary



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The Very Devout Meditations attributed to Bernard of Clairvaux

A Translation, with Introduction and Notes, of the *Meditationes piissimae de cognitione humanae conditionis*

David N. Bell

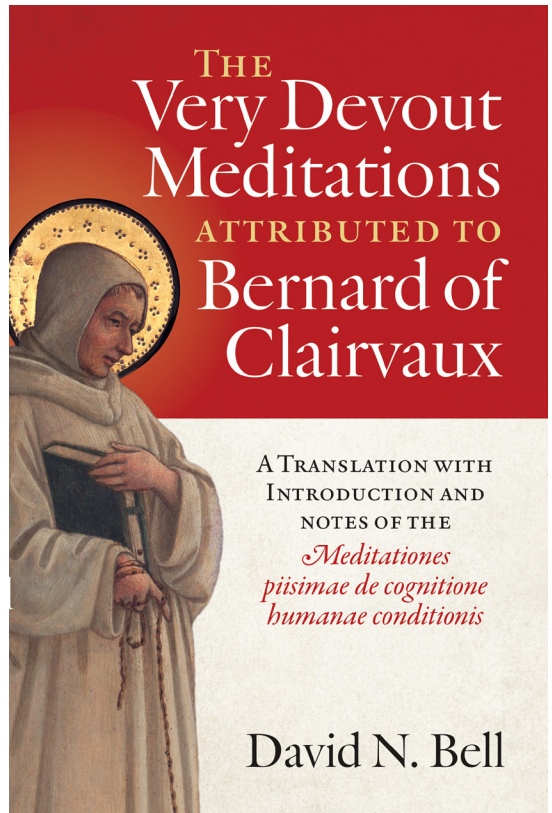
This volume, the first complete translation in more than three-hundred years, presents one of the most important texts in the history of medieval Latin spirituality. Written between 1170 and 1190 by an unidentified Cistercian monk-priest, *Meditationes piissimae*, “Very Devout Meditations,” became one of the most popular and widely distributed pieces of spiritual literature in the whole of the Middle Ages. The work survives in at least 670 manuscripts with the complete English translation of the treatise published in 1701.

“David Bell has brought to life a fascinating chapter in the larger-than-life image of Bernard of Clairvaux created by the misattribution of many works to this revered Cistercian author. The volume is a great introduction to the rich field of Cistercian spirituality beyond the already well-known giants like Bernard.”

Anne L. Clark, Professor Emerita of Religion, University of Vermont

“Who knew that the most popular work by Bernard of Clairvaux in the medieval period was not by Bernard at all? David Bell presents this influential anonymous work to modern English audiences with a thorough introduction. As usual, David Bell is as entertaining as he is effortlessly erudite.”

Fr. Lawrence Morey, Abbey of Gethsemani



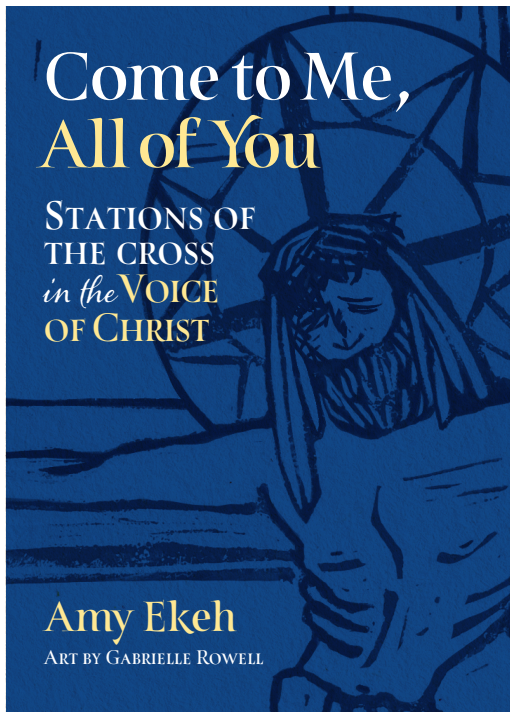
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Come to Me, All of You

Stations of the Cross in the Voice of Christ

Amy Ekeh

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Walk the familiar path of Jesus' passion and death by imagining it in intimate detail. Meditations by Amy Ekeh and original art by Gabrielle Rowell guide us from station to station, helping us to stop and listen, to hear the voice of the suffering Christ and respond to his unceasing invitation: *Come to me, all of you.*

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“Fresh, new, and surprisingly revelatory.”

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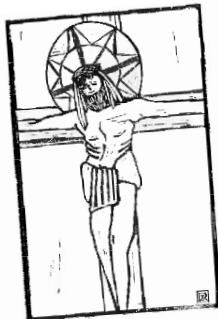


Ninth Station
Jesus Falls the Third Time

We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you.
Because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

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Reading: My heart is in anguish within me,
the terrors of death have fallen upon me.
And I say, “O that I had wings like a dove!
I would fly away and be at rest.” (Ps 55:6, 6)



Twelfth Station
Jesus Dies upon the Cross

We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you.
Because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

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Reading: When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, “Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani!” which means, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. (Mark 15:33-34, 37-38)

(All kneel for a short time.)

Meditation: I began to die in a garden. It was in the dirt of Gethsemane that I died first—died to the desire for mercy then, died to the desire for security, died to the cup of my own cheating. In the garden I died and was set free to do this—to die for the sake of love alone. My heart is like yours in its wretched pain. Every excruciating moment—my final cry, my last breath—is the laying down of my life, a decision I made in a garden.

Come to me, all of you who have decided to love.

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, we come to you, full of love and sorrow. May our own hearts melt like wax, as they may be pliable, so we may choose to love like you, so we may lay down our lives for others.

It is finished.

(John 19:30)

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A Holy Hour Companion

Prayer, Scripture, Reflection, Ritual

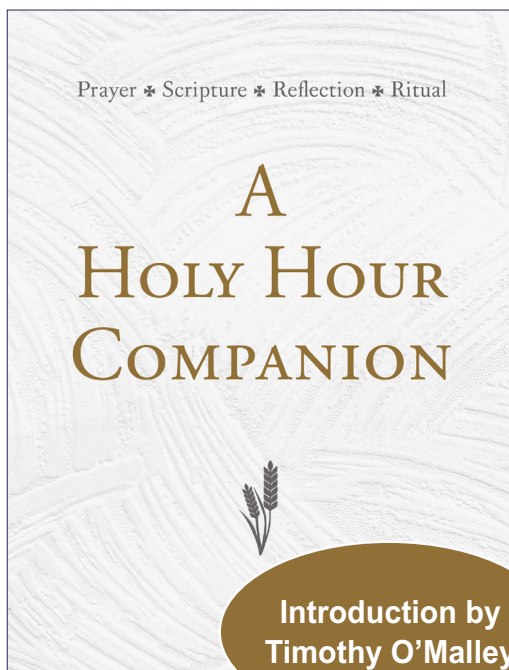
The practice of spending an hour in quiet prayer, in Eucharistic adoration or otherwise, has been part of the Christian tradition for centuries. *A Holy Hour Companion* provides a starting point for this quiet time, offering a selection of prayers, Scripture, and spiritual writings. In addition to traditional prayers of the Church and prayers specifically for use during Eucharistic adoration, *A Holy Hour Companion* contains an assortment of the prayers of holy women and men, both time-honored and contemporary.

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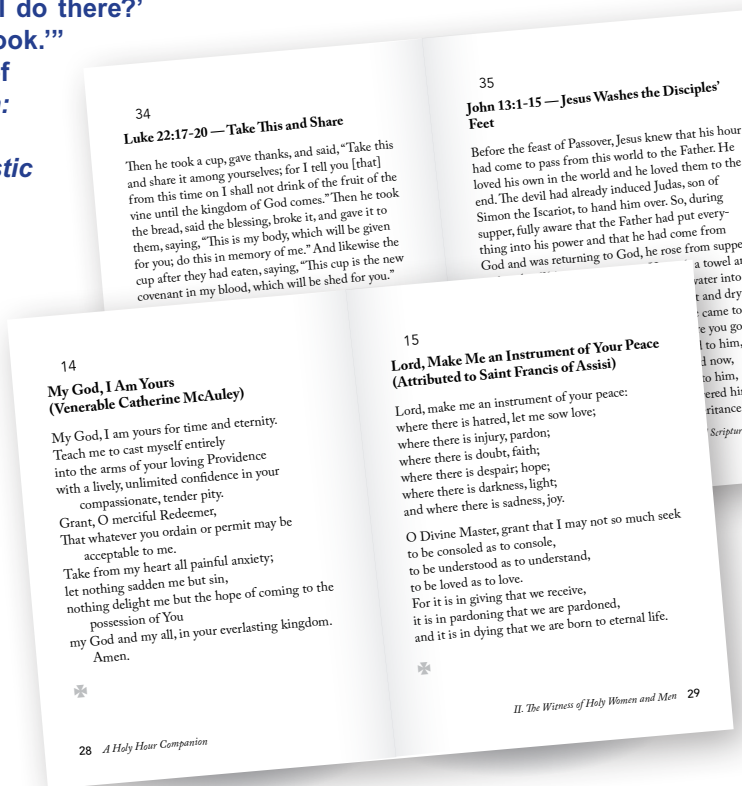
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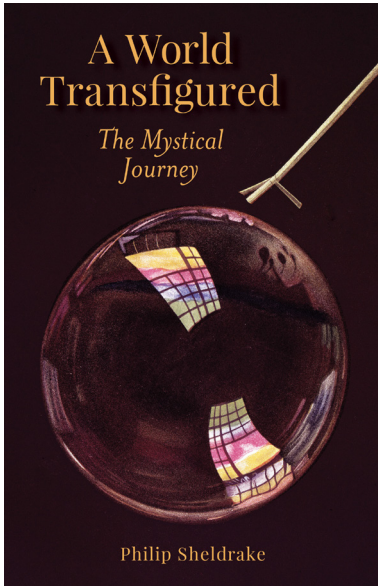
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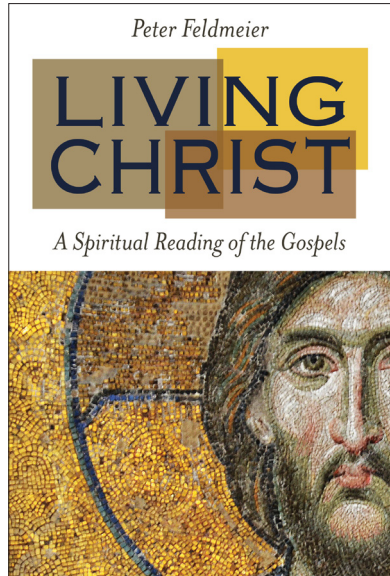
Philip Sheldrake



Living Christ

A Spiritual Reading of the Gospels

Peter Feldmeier



“Intelligent, accessible and compassionate, *A World Transfigured* illuminates what it means to live from a deeper ground and why it matters. A beautiful, profound and important book.”

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Wendy M. Wright, PhD
Professor Emerita of Theology
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Philip Sheldrake is professor and director of the Institute for the Study of Contemporary Spirituality at Oblate School of Theology, San Antonio, Texas. He has taught and written extensively on Christian spirituality, is author or editor of eighteen books, and is past president of the international Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality.

“Although there are many good books that introduce us to the Four Gospels, they rarely focus on the spirituality of the Gospels; that is, what the Gospels mean for our lives in Christ.”

Frank J. Matera, Professor Emeritus, The Catholic University of America

“No matter how well you think you know the Gospels, Feldmeier invites us to rethink our assumptions in order to enter into the word of God with new eyes and an open heart. I highly recommend this book, not only for Christians looking for a great scriptural resource but also for preachers seeking new inspiration.”

Daniel P. Horan, OFM, Saint Mary’s College, Notre Dame, Indiana

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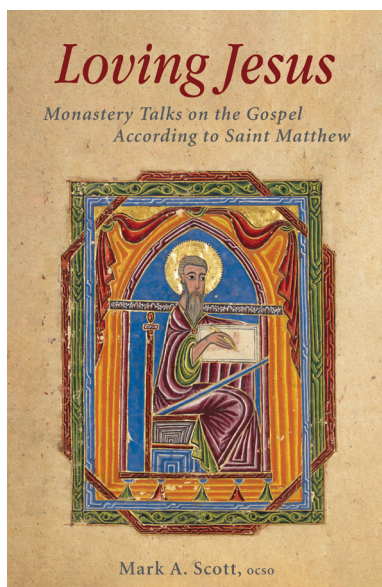
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Loving Jesus

Monastery Talks on the Gospel According to Saint Matthew

Mark A. Scott, OCSO



“Fr. Mark Scott, OCSO, presents here a series of chapter talks, the fruits of study and reflection on the Gospel of Matthew. Well-versed in the study of the Gospels, his years of reflection on the text result in unexpected insights.”

Martha Fessler Krieg, lay Cistercian associate and independent scholar

“A valuable contribution to the effort of Christians of many spiritualities to imitate the love of Jesus and hasten the coming of the Kingdom of Heaven. This book will bear good fruit for religious and lay faithful alike.”

The Downside Review

Mark A. Scott, OCSO, a native Californian, is a professed monk of the Abbey of Our Lady of New Clairvaux, Vina, California, a monastery of the Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance (Trappists). He has served as abbot of two monasteries of his Order in the United States. He is the author of *At Home with Saint Benedict*, published by Cistercian Publications in the Monastic Wisdom Series.

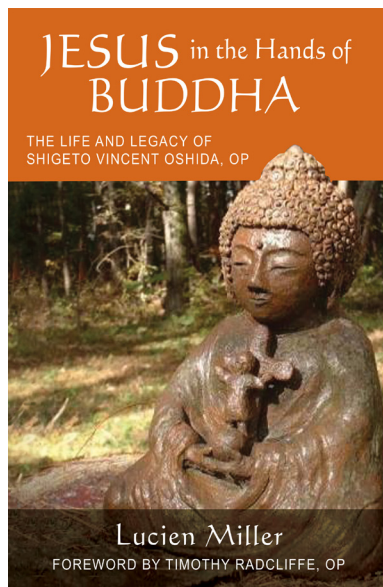
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Jesus in the Hands of Buddha

The Life and Legacy of Shigeto Vincent Oshida, OP

Lucien Miller; Foreword by
Timothy Radcliffe, OP



“Lucien Miller presents boundary-crossing insights and practices at the core of cross-cultural spiritual living. He profoundly offers an experience of accessible guidance and consolation for world readers of all faiths living on the ropes.”

Jonathan Montaldo, author of
*Bridges to Contemplative Living
with Thomas Merton*

“Oshida’s life and legacy is an experience of the spiritual senses knowing the mystical voice. Biblical in sources and Buddhist in form, reading this book took me as a reader to the great pause of silence.”

Sister Meg Funk, OSB, Our Lady of
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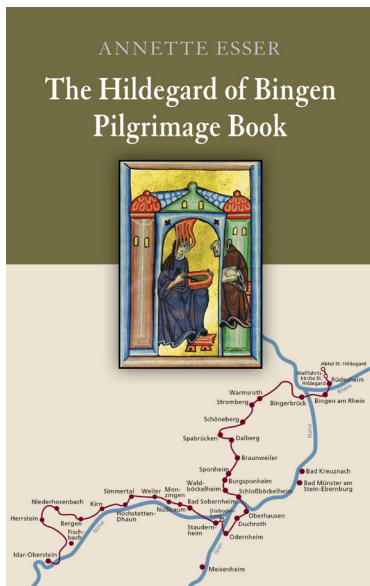
Lucien Miller spent six sabbaticals in Taiwan, Japan, China, Hong Kong, and India. While teaching comparative literature and Chinese at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Lucien felt called to be a Roman Catholic deacon, and he served in that capacity and as spiritual director at the Newman Catholic Student Center for thirty-five years.

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The Hildegard of Bingen Pilgrimage Book

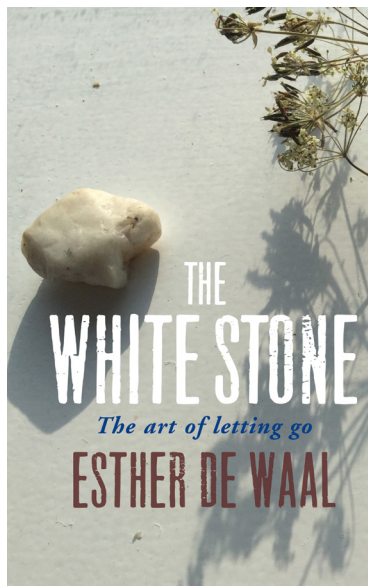
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The White Stone

The Art of Letting Go

Esther de Waal



“This guidebook somehow captures the places in all of their travel-guide detail without making you feel you’re missing anything by not walking on the same cobblestone streets and alleyways. All you need is your imagination to enter the experience.”

Spirituality & Practice

“This little book is about letting go and accepting what is new. Beautifully and simply written, it makes for good spiritual reading at any time of the year.”

Spirit & Life

“Esther de Waal offers in this beautiful volume both a memoir of the homes she has loved and a guide to the contemplative life. Grounded in Scripture and liturgy, she focuses on what it means to live mercifully, creating beauty amid the chaos of the world.”

The Christian Century

Annette Esser, PhD, is the initiator of the Hildegard of Bingen Pilgrimage Way in Germany, editor of the fifty-nine tableaux along the way, and author of this pilgrimage book. As a teacher, artist, and theologian, she is the foundress and president of the Scivias Institute for Art & Spirituality, a nonprofit organization for artists, theologians, and therapists.

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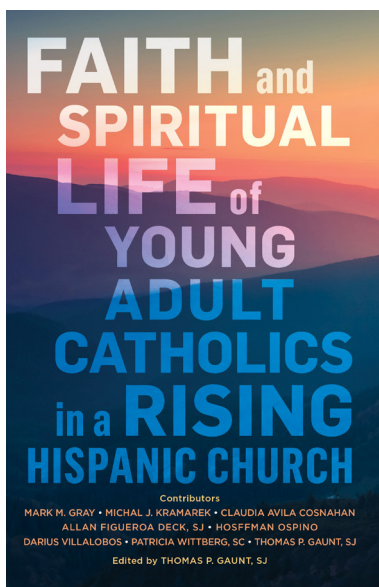
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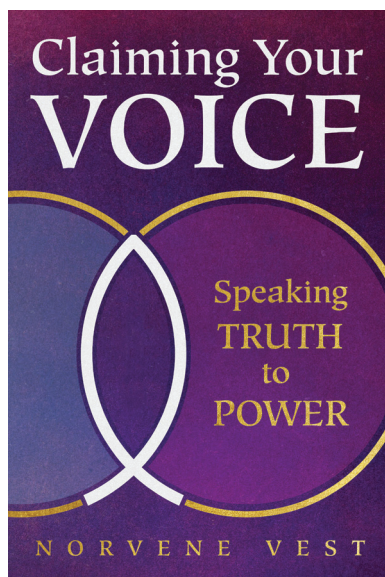
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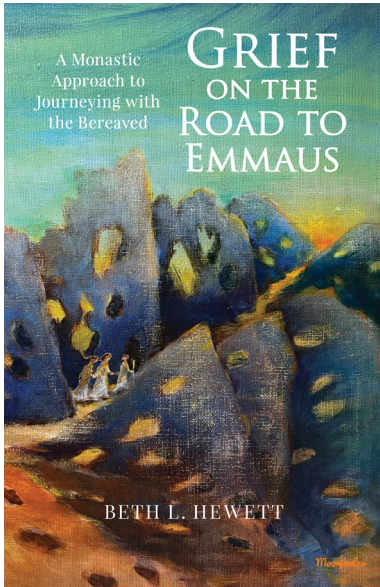
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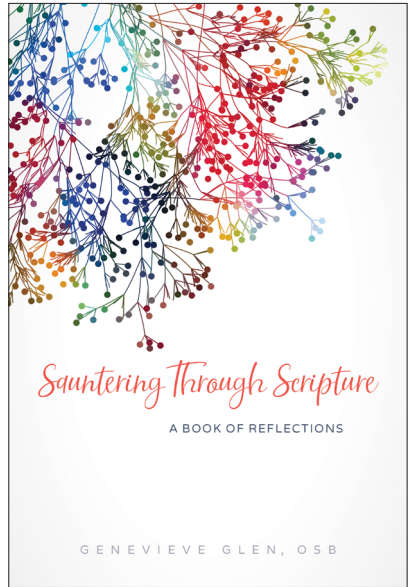
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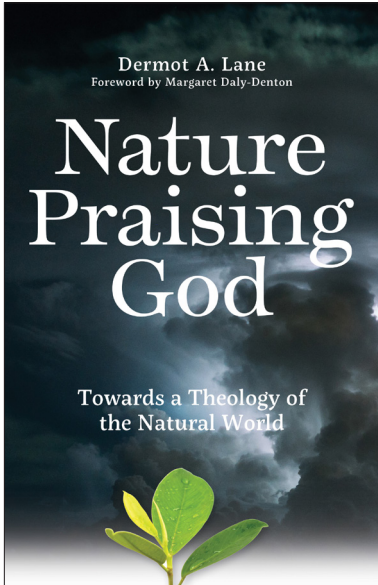
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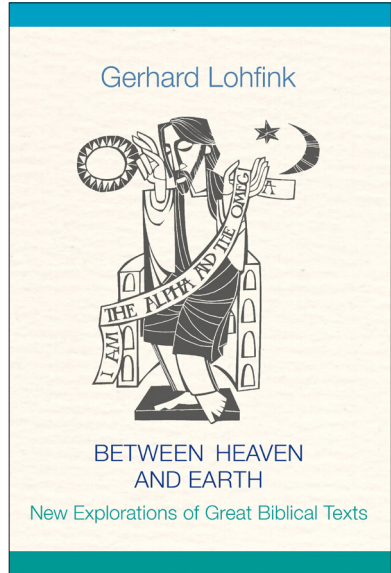
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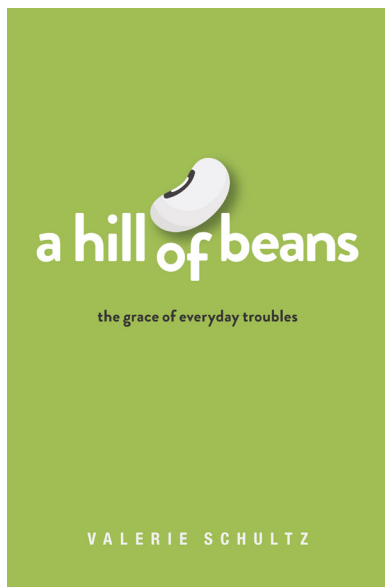
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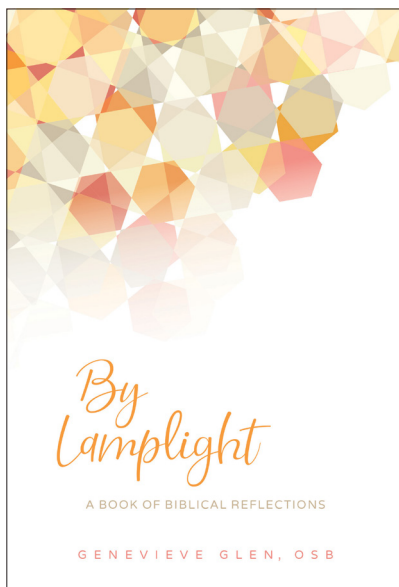
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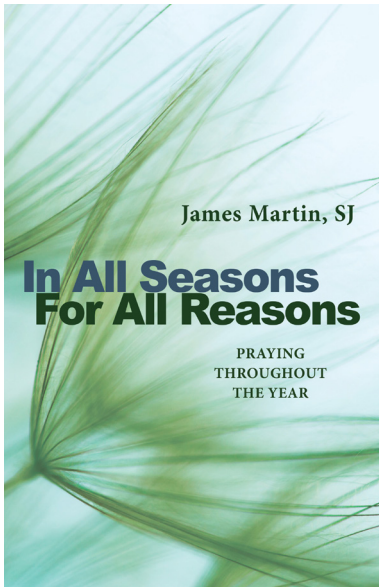
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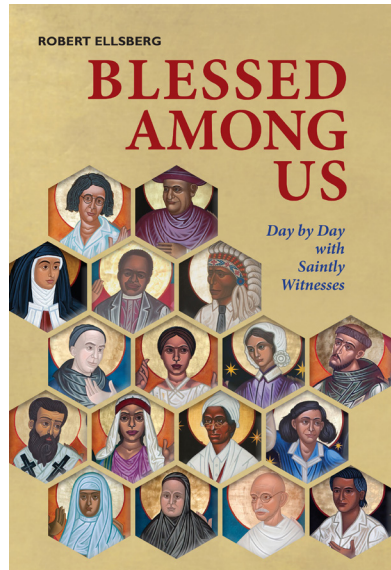
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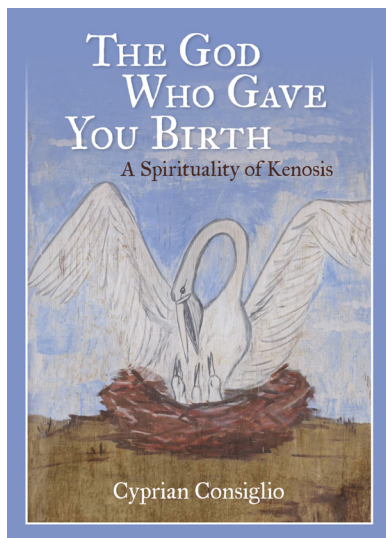
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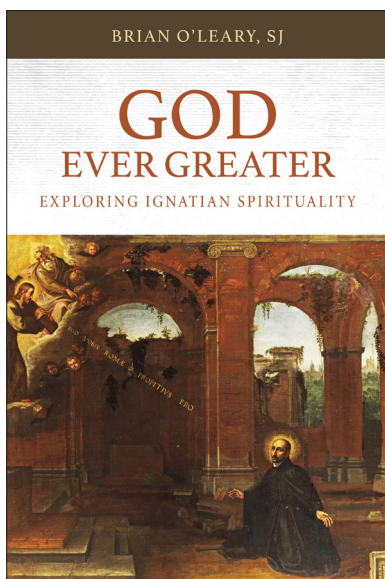
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