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The Sacred Way - Tony Jones 2010-12-21
Broaden your spiritual horizons. How has spirituality changed in the last 500, 1,000, or even 2,000 years? How can ancient approaches to faith help my relationship with God today? In *The Sacred Way*, popular author and speaker Tony Jones mines the rich history of 16 spiritual

disciplines that have flourished throughout the ages and offers practical tips for implementing them in your daily life. Find encouragement and challenge through time-tested disciplines such as: •Silence and solitude •The Jesus prayer•Meditation•Pilgrimage Explore these proven approaches to deepening your faith. As

you do, your way of living your spiritual life will never be the same.

Sacred Pauses - April Yamasaki 2013-02-01

In a fast-paced world full of distractions, spiritual practice can help us become more centered-more in touch with ourselves and others, more in touch with the world around us, more in touch with God. Sacred Pauses is an introduction to this more centered way of life. The author, a pastor in British Columbia, begins with her own longing for personal renewal. What would it take to feel renewed every day? Instead of waiting for a vacation to smooth out the tensions of life, instead of waiting until the end of the week to shed our weariness, what if we could take time out every day? Live a renewed life every day? Be refreshed by God every day? Sacred Pauses offers simple ways for readers to do just that. Each chapter explores a different spiritual practice-from the classic disciplines of Scripture reading and prayer to other creative approaches such as paying attention, making

music, and having fun. With plenty of stories from real life and ideas to try, this book is personal and practical. Its flexible format is appropriate for personal use or in a group, every day or any time. Free downloadable study guide available [here](#).

Soul Shaper - Tony Jones 2003

Author Tony Jones follows up his (primarily theoretical) book, Postmodern Youth Ministry, with this practical, experientially based work focused on how ancient spiritual exercises are being implemented by youth ministries around the United States and Great Britain.

The Way to Brave - Andy Mcquitty 2018-02-06
Want to grow in courage? It's getting harder to be a Christian in our post-Christian culture. As a pastor of 35 years, Andy is seeing the church wake from a "Christian Pax Americana" to an era of intensified hostility. Based on David's courage before Goliath, The Way to Brave helps readers face the giants looming over us today, such as secularism and relativism. Bent on

banishing Christian influence from public life, their power is shocking, their reach expansive, and their deployment quick. But still they are no match for our God. *The Way to Brave* guides readers through the five ways God prepared David to be intrepid in facing the giant who opposed him. The qualities and experiences David possessed are the ones Christians need today. Pastor Andy McQuitty will walk you through what those are and how they can mark your life, bolstering you for the storms ahead.

Flunking Sainthood - Jana Reiss 2011-10-01
This wry memoir tackles twelve different spiritual practices in a quest to become more saintly, including fasting, fixed-hour prayer, the Jesus Prayer, gratitude, Sabbath-keeping, and generosity. Although Reiss begins with great plans for success ("Really, how hard could that be?" she asks blithely at the start of her saint-making year), she finds to her growing humiliation that she is failing - not just at some of the practices, but at every single one. What

emerges is a funny yet vulnerable story of the quest for spiritual perfection and the reality of spiritual failure, which turns out to be a valuable practice in and of itself.

[Spirituality With Style!](#) - Pat M. Baxter
2010-08-27

In every era, there are great spiritual designers, who with impressive flair, clothe people in spiritual attire. To celebrate the 21st century of Christian life, twenty-one styles of Christian living have been chosen for you to deepen your relationship with God and one another.

Sacred Stories, Spiritual Tribes - Nancy Tatom Ammerman 2014

Nancy Tatom Ammerman examines the stories Americans tell of their everyday lives, from dinner table to office and shopping mall to doctor's office, about the things that matter most to them and the routines they take for granted, and the times and places where the everyday and ordinary meet the spiritual. In addition to interviews and observation, Ammerman bases

her findings on a photo elicitation exercise and oral diaries, offering a window into the presence and absence of religion and spirituality in ordinary lives and in ordinary physical and social spaces. The stories come from a diverse array of ninety-five Americans — both conservative and liberal Protestants, African American Protestants, Catholics, Jews, Mormons, Wiccans, and people who claim no religious or spiritual proclivities — across a range that stretches from committed religious believers to the spiritually neutral. Ammerman surveys how these people talk about what spirituality is, how they seek and find experiences they deem spiritual, and whether and how religious traditions and institutions are part of their spiritual lives.

Sacred Chaos - Tricia McCary Rhodes
2009-11-11

And no matter how hard you try to find space, to slow down, the chaos always seems to win. Tricia Rhodes's life is chaotic too. But in the midst of a time of household turmoil, Tricia

learned to see God and communicate with him in whole new ways—not on a spiritual retreat, but right in the midst of the chaos of life. She offers us here a fresh view of connecting to God, one that focuses on quality time and frees us from the rigidity of a devotional life that may feel stifled, grow stagnant or bring about guilt when we can't keep up.

Teach of the Twelve - Tony Jones 2009-11-01
How did the first Christians practice their faith? The Didache, an early handbook of an anonymous Christian community, "is the most important book you've never heard of." It spells out a way of life for Jesus-followers, including how to love one another, how to practice the Eucharist, and how to take in wandering prophets. Likely written before many of the New Testament books, this little-known text can enlighten the way that Christians are church, today. Tony Jones unpacks the ancient document with insight and perspective, and traces the life of a small house church in Missouri that is trying

to live according to its precepts. Includes a new, contemporary English translation of the complete text of the Didache.

Nurturing Hope - Lynne M. Baab 2018-08-01

Trends and skills for those who offer pastoral care Christian pastoral care has changed a great deal in the past few decades in response to many factors in our rapidly changing world. In part 1 of *Nurturing Hope*, Lynne Baab discusses seven trends in pastoral care--shifts in who delivers pastoral care, the attitudes and commitments that undergird pastoral care, and societal trends that are shaping pastoral care today. She illustrates them with stories from diverse congregations where Christian caregivers are meeting those challenges in creative and exciting ways. In the second half of the book, Baab presents four practical, doable, energizing skills needed by pastoral carers in our time. Focusing on skills that help carers nurture connections between everyday life and Christian faith, she explores the need for carers to

understand common stressors, listen, pray with others, and nurture their personal resilience. Grounded in an understanding of God as the true caregiver and healer, the author offers tips for readers who are training other pastoral carers or developing their own understanding and skills. Each chapter ends with discussion and reflection questions, making the book helpful for groups. Lynne Baab brings readers hope for their caring role and for their own spiritual journey.

One Step at a Time - Timothy C. Geoffrion
2008-11-15

Each year, tens of thousands of pilgrims walk el Camino de Santiago--the Way of St. James--a 500-mile route across northern Spain that has existed for over a thousand years. Tim Geoffrion, author of *The Spirit-Led Leader*, made this pilgrimage with his wife and teenage sons in 2006. He writes in *One Step at a Time* not about his own journey but about how God works in those who seek to be led by the Spirit. Using

pilgrimage as a metaphor for the Spirit-led life, he offers his experiences, thoughts, and reflections as a catalyst for readers' own spiritual pilgrimage--the lifelong journey of growth into the life Christ intends for us. Geoffrion has written so that readers can learn to recognize God's activity in our lives, to live more fully in God's love, to follow Jesus Christ according to our unique calling and purpose, and to let the Holy Spirit fill and lead us in every aspect of the journey. *One Step at a Time* is for those who value spiritual vitality and growth enough to learn how to live Spirit-led lives. It is for those willing to invest sufficient time and energy into seeking and finding the spiritual treasures available to us. It is for those who are seeking to better root their lives in God and orient themselves around spiritual truths. Whether or not we ever travel a path like el Camino, we each walk a spiritual pilgrimage, one step at a time.

The Spirit-Led Leader - Timothy C. Geoffrion

2005-11-14

In our postmodern, experience-oriented culture, people are longing for greater authenticity, integrity, and depth in their pastors and leaders. Board directors, church members, and staff alike are all eagerly seeking leaders who effectively integrate their spirituality and leadership. Pastors and executives, however, often struggle with knowing how to integrate their spiritual values and practices into their leadership and management roles. Designed for pastors, executives, administrators, managers, coordinators, and all who see themselves as leaders and who want to fulfill their God-given purpose, *The Spirit-Led Leader* addresses the critical fusion of spiritual life and leadership for those who not only want to see results, but who also desire to care just as deeply about who they are and how they lead as they do about what they produce and accomplish. Geoffrion creates a new vision for spiritual leadership as partly an art, partly a result of careful planning, and

always a working of the grace of God

Joy Together - Lynne M. Baab 2012-01-01

Guidance and examples for Christian leaders as they seek ways to involve their congregations or small groups in spiritual practices

Sacred Actions - Dana O'Driscoll 2021-04-28

A challenge that many pagans and earth-based spiritual practitioners face is how to integrate sustainable living with our everyday lives. By offering a vision of "sacred actions," or the integration of sustainable living with Earth-based spirituality, learn how to combine the three ethics: people care, earth care, and fair share, to execute comprehensive sustainable living through the lens of paganism. Find a wide variety of accessible sustainable living activities, rituals, stories, and tools framed through the neopaganism eightfold Wheel of the Year. Each chapter is tied to one of the eight holidays, offering specific themes that deepen topics, including home and hearth, lawns and gardens, food and nourishment, ritual items and offerings,

reducing waste and addressing materialism, and much more. Consider this your manual of personal empowerment through sustainability as a spiritual practice.

Text Messages - John Tucker 2017-12-06

Facebook. Twitter. Snapchat. We live in a rapidly changing world, a world that seems to be increasingly inhospitable toward preaching. In the face of digital technology, social media, cultural pluralism, and pastoral burnout, how can Christian preachers proclaim the gospel faithfully and effectively? This book answers that question by bringing together a selection of important voices from across North America, Asia, and the Pacific. It argues that Spirit-empowered preaching is characterized by five attributes: it opens the Scriptures, engages the culture, addresses the listener, dissects the preacher, and elevates the Savior. With contributions from authors like William Willimon, Darrell Johnson, Lynne Baab, Robert Smith Jr., and Paul Windsor, this is an excellent

resource for ordained ministers, lay preachers, theological students, and anyone wrestling with the challenge of preaching God's word in a smartphone world.

A New Silence - Beverly Lanzetta 2020-11-14

This book is a program of contemplative study and monastic formation offered for explorers who are between religions, those who have abandoned faith but yet seek, those who are interspiritual or multi-religious, or those who are rooted in their faith tradition and are on the edge of going deeper. This is both path and accompaniment for the journey, offering a contemplative frame and everyday spiritual practices for all who have a dawning sense that at the heart of all religious and spiritual traditions lies a truth—we have what we need inside each of us to co-create with God the embodiment of a sacred life on Earth. Included are spiritual practices, journal reflections, meditative exercises, and examples of a daily schedule, personal vow, rule of life, and

ceremony of profession that stabilize and affirm a new monastic way of life.

Liturgy of the Ordinary - Tish Harrison Warren
2016-11-01

Framed around one ordinary day, this book explores daily life through the lens of liturgy, small practices, and habits that form us. Each chapter looks at something author Tish Harrison Warren does in a day—making the bed, brushing her teeth, losing her keys—and relates it to spiritual practice as well as to our Sunday worship.

Emotionally Healthy Spirituality - Peter Scazzero
2017-04-25

MORE THAN 1 MILLION COPIES SOLD! A road map for discipleship with Jesus that is powerfully transformative. Peter Scazzero learned the hard way: you can't be spiritually mature while remaining emotionally immature. Even though he was the pastor of a growing church, he did what most people do—avoid conflict in the name of Christianity; ignore his anger, sadness, and

fear; use God to run from God; and live without boundaries. Eventually God awakened him to a biblical integration of emotional health and the spiritual practice of slowing down and quieting your life for to experience a firsthand relationship with Jesus. It created nothing short of a spiritual revolution in Scazzero, in his church, and now in thousands of other churches. In this updated edition, Scazzero shares new stories and principles as he outlines his journey and the signs of emotionally unhealthy spirituality. Then he provides seven biblical, reality-tested steps to become emotionally mature: Become your authentic self Break the power of the past Let go of power and control Surrender to your limits Stop to breathe by practicing rest and Sabbath Learn new skills to love well Love Christ above all else Plus, check out the full line of Emotionally Healthy Spirituality books dedicated to many different key areas of life. Workbooks, study guides, curriculum, and Spanish editions are also

available.

Finding Our Way Again - Brian D. McLaren
2008-05-04

Shines a practical light on the spiritual disciplines that have been in use since the time of Abraham. In a sense, every day of our lives is labor. It is questionable if you can ever be exactly the same person waking up on two consecutive days. How are spiritual sojourners to cope with the constant change? Many are beginning to explore the ancient Christian spiritual practices that have been in use for centuries, everything from fixed-hour prayer to fasting to sincere observance of the Sabbath. What is causing this hunger for deeper spirituality? Brian McLaren guides us on this quest for an explanation of these spiritual practices, many of which go all the way back to Abraham and the establishment of Israel. In the midst of contemporary Christianity, we discover the beauty of these ancient disciplines and the transformation through Christ that each can

provide. Why have certain spiritual disciplines been in use for centuries and why is it important? It is questionable if one can ever be exactly the same person waking up on two consecutive days. How are spiritual sojourners to cope with the constant change? Many are beginning to explore the ancient Christian spiritual practices, such as fixed-hour prayer, fasting and sincere observance of the Sabbath. What is causing this hunger for deeper spirituality? Brian McLaren guides us on this quest for an explanation of these spiritual practices, many of which go all the way back to Abraham and the establishment of Israel. In the midst of contemporary Christianity, we discover the beauty of these disciplines and the transformation through Christ that each can provide.

Pilgrimage-the Sacred Art - Sheryl A. Kujawa-Holbrook 2013

Integrates spirituality, practice, spiritual formation, psychology, world religions and

historical resources. Examines how pilgrimages evolved as spiritual practices and the relationship between pilgrimage and transformation.

Pray - Tony Jones 2003

Explores what prayer is, studies prayers from the Old and New Testaments as well as from churches, and provides exercises in praying, keeping a prayer journal, and locating prayers in other books.

Life in the Spirit - Jeffrey P. Greenman
2015-07-10

Including essays from 2009 Wheaton Theology Conference keynote speakers Dallas Willard and Gordon Fee as well as contributing essays by noted presenters such as Chris Hall, David Gushee, Linda Cannell, Cherith Fee Nordling and Lawrence Cunningham, this book offers a stimulating exploration of the historical, biblical and theological dimensions of spiritual formation.

Sacred Life - Mike Wonch 2007-06

Imagio Dei Ignatius Examen Spiritual
Pilgrimage Prayer Beads Lectio Divina These
ancient Christian practices might not be well
known or commonly practiced in your local
church. You may have never heard of some of
them before, but these spiritual disciplines have
been a vital part of the Christian faith for
centuries. As a handbook to the spiritual
practices and prayers of the early Church,
Sacred Life will challenge you to take part in an
experiment in discipline. These spiritual
disciplines will allow you to experience God's
grace in new and profound ways, moving you
forward in the journey to become more like
Christ.

Spiritual RX - Frederick Brussat 2000-01-19
In their groundbreaking book *Spiritual Literacy*,
Frederic and Mary Ann Brussat introduced an
alphabet of spiritual practices needed to read
the meaning of life and to see everyday
experiences from a spiritual perspective.
Breath Prayer - Christine Valters Paintner

2021-10-12

Whether reciting the gathas in Buddhist
practice, the Shema in Judaism, or the Jesus
Prayer in Christianity, for centuries the practice
of breath prayer has helped center people from a
variety of faith traditions on the sacred in
everyday life. Through brief words of prayer or
petition said silently to the rhythm of one's
breath, this simple, meditative act combines
praise for the divine with focused intention,
creating a profound spiritual connection in the
quiet, and even mundane, moments of the day .
In *Breath Prayer*, Christine Valters Paintner,
online abbess of Abbey of the Arts, introduces us
to this spiritual practice and offers beautiful
poem-prayers for walking, working, dressing,
cleaning, sitting in silence, doing the dishes,
living in community--breathing the divine into
our daily lives. Over time these recitations
become as natural as breathing. We don't so
much recite the prayers as the prayers recite us,
guide us, and open our hearts to the everyday

sacred. With each of the forty prayers, Paintner includes reflections on life's ordinary beauty and heartfelt advice for discovering the sacred all around. Breath Prayer concludes with guidance for creating your own breath prayers to deepen your practice.

Renovating Holiness - Thomas Jay Oord
2015-02-03

This book is a call for change. Even more, it calls for open conversation about change. For too long, many in the Church of the Nazarene have considered the doctrine of holiness off limits, a sacred cow, impervious to all forces of cultural modification and theological renewal. It's time for a real change, because the church needs renovation! These 100+ essays from Millennial and Xer leaders explore how holiness might be understood and lived today.

The New Christians - Tony Jones 2011-01-13
What the "Emergent Church Movement" is all about-and why it matters to the future of Christianity Following on the questions raised by

Brian McLaren in *A New Kind of Christian*, Tony Jones has written an engaging exploration of what this new kind of Christianity looks like. Writing "dispatches" about the thinking and practices of adventurous Emergent Christians across the country, he offers an in-depth view of this new "third way" of faith-its origins, its theology, and its views of truth, scripture and interpretation, and the Emergent movement's hopeful and life-giving sense of community. With the depth of theological expertise and broad perspective he has gained as a pastor, writer, and leader of the movement, Jones initiates readers into the Emergent conversation and offers a new way forward for Christians in a post-Christian world. With journalistic narrative as well as authoritative reflection, he draws upon on-site research to provide fascinating examples and firsthand stories of who is doing what, where, and why it matters.

Spiritual Literacy - Frederic Brussat 1998-08-05
A treasury of inspirational readings,

accompanied by personal reflections and meditations, features works by Helen Keller, Barbara Kingsolver, Thomas Aquinas, and others on such themes as nature, relationships, creativity, and work

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spiritual practice-from the classic disciplines of Scripture reading and prayer to other creative approaches such as paying attention, making music, and having fun. With plenty of stories from real life and ideas to try, this book is personal and practical. Its flexible format is appropriate for personal use or in a group, every day or any time. 190 Pages.

Integrative Pathways - Angele McGrady
2018-07-13

This expansive text offers a comprehensive mind/body/spirit framework for relieving individual patients of the debilitating effects of long-term disease while reducing the public burden of chronic illness. It introduces the patient-centered Pathways Model, featuring a robust scientific base for psychotherapy, complementary and alternative modalities, and a religious/spiritual element, in progressive levels of treatment from self-help to professional help. Chapters spotlight component skills of the model, including treatment planning, patient

rapport, and choosing therapies for optimal well-being. The authors advocate for interventions ranging from lifestyle change to mindfulness, and biofeedback to pastoral counseling. In addition, in-depth case studies detail memorable patient journeys from diagnosis and referral to assessment, engagement in treatment and outcome. Among the topics covered: · Mind, body, and spirit in chronic illness. · The need for an integrative model to support comprehensive health-supportive change. · Chronic disease from a functional medicine perspective. · Mechanisms by which religious engagement and religion-based variables affect health. · Complementary and integrative medicine for the Pathways Model. · PLUS: Pathways approaches to chronic pain, caregiver stress, diabetes, mood disorders, PTSD, brain injury, heart disease, cancer, and more. Emphasizing patient individuality and clinician creativity, Integrative Pathways models a compassionate approach to lessening persistent suffering for use by health

psychologists, physicians, counselors, health coaches, and other practitioners involved in complementary and integrative medicine, pain medicine, and rehabilitation. "The Pathway Model addresses what clinical researchers in the field have been calling for, a research-based approach to health and wellness that clearly explains important concepts and provides an optimal foundation from which to approach health interventions." Patrick R. Steffen, PhD, BCB, Brigham Young University

Sacred Rhythms - Ruth Haley Barton
2009-12-14

Picking up on the monastic tradition of creating a "rule of life" that allows for regular space for the practice of spiritual disciplines, Ruth Haley Barton takes you more deeply into understanding seven key spiritual disciplines along with practical ideas for weaving them into everyday life.

A New Way of Living - Gene Wilkes 2012-12-05
You exercise. You eat right. You make good

choices—the stairs instead of the elevator. You are pursuing wellness. Is it possible, though, that in your pursuit to achieve wellness you are ignoring the one area of your life that needs the most daily exercise? Just like physical wellness requires commitment, a training regimen, good choices, and constant pursuit, spiritual wellness does too. In *A New Way of Living*, you'll discover a practical spiritual training program that can be successfully embraced and followed. Using nine simple verses, author, preacher, runner, and cyclist Gene Wilkes paints the picture of how to pursue spiritual wellness. Using carefully interpreted messages from the Beatitudes, you'll have an understanding of the people, the characteristics, and the promises that Jesus addressed. With that understanding, Wilkes then helps you develop your simple Beatitude exercise regimen. Each chapter in *A New Way of Living* includes reflection questions as part of a takeaway section as well as a small-group discussion guide and three-week devotional for

digital online use. The book also contains photos characteristic of metaphors used in the book as well as other ancillary items.

Flunking Sainthood Every Day - Jana Riess
2014-12-01

Over one year recounted in *Flunking Sainthood*, Riess failed twelve different spiritual practices. To her surprise, though, she learned something important even from the ones she failed most spectacularly. This new 365 daily devotional, readers who are looking for spiritual growth will find guidance, arranged according to monthly practices such as gratitude, generosity, prayer, Sabbath-keeping, and hospitality. Each day's reading has a reflection from a contemporary or classic spiritual thinker, a short scripture verse, and a brief prayer, reflection, or follow-up action. This daily devotional helps us know that there is great compassion for all of us who are flunking sainthood as we learn that spiritual growth is a lifelong journey without a fixed destination. Jana Riess is the author of *The*

Twible and Flunking Sainthood: A Year of Breaking the Sabbath, Forgetting to Pray, and Still Loving My Neighbor, which was named by Publishers Weekly as one of the best religion books of the year. "This book is about how to relax in our imperfections, trust God's grace, and take authentic and practical steps toward deepening maturity in faith." —Sharon Garlough Brown, author of Sensible Shoes "This devotional will stimulate your brain, companion your soul, and inspire you." —Lauren F. Winner, author of Mudhouse Sabbath and Still "In addition to being a sagely writer, Jana is an avid quote collector. Here are 365 gems, full of mojo in insight for normal folks like us, along with a simple challenge to make each day a wonderful experience of falling forward." —Brian D. McLaren, author of We Make the Road by Walking "Refreshingly realistic about our human imperfections and heartily confident of grace." —Marjorie Thompson, author of Soul Feast "Jana is a thoughtful, wise, and compassionate guide

to the life of the spirit, and this book will be a daily gift to all of us who are flunking sainthood—but hope to raise our GPA." —Greg Garrett, author of The Other Jesus "Relax, spiritual slackers. Somebody else has done all the reading. Now you have a book of poetic inspiration, Bible verses, current bestsellers and ancient thinkers, one for each day. Skip a day? No guilt. Don't understand? You'll catch up. What's the point? Try doing it, anyway. Seriously? Hilariously." —Lillian Daniel, author of When "Spiritual But Not Religious" Is Not Enough

Spiritual Ecology - Llewellyn Vaughan-Lee
2017

Spiritual Ecology: 10 Practices to Reawaken the Sacred in Everyday Life offers inspiring and practical guidance for reconnecting to the sacred in every day life and transforming our relationship with the Earth. Describing the power of simple, daily practices such as Walking, Gardening, Cooking with Love, and Prayer, this

small book supports profound changes in how we think about and respond to the ecological crisis of our times. *Spiritual Ecology: 10 Practices to Reawaken the Sacred in Everyday Life* follows our groundbreaking *Spiritual Ecology: The Cry of the Earth*, now in its second edition, which included spiritual perspectives on climate change, species loss, deforestation, and other aspects of our present environmental crises from renowned spiritual teachers, scientists, and indigenous leaders. That book drew an overwhelmingly positive reaction from readers, many of whom are asking: "What can I do?" *Spiritual Ecology: 10 Practices to Reawaken the Sacred in Everyday Life* answers that question with inspiring, personal anecdotes from the author - Sufi teacher Llewellyn Vaughan-Lee - and simple practices we all can do. Rooted in the mystical foundation of the world's great spiritual traditions, with a particular connection to Sufism, these timeless practices remind readers of our deep

connections to life, each other, and the Earth, and invite a return of meaning to our desecrated world. As Rumi says, "there are a thousand ways to kneel and kiss the ground," and it is this sacred ground that is calling to us, that needs our living presence, our attentiveness. This small book offers simple ways to reconnect so that we can once again feel the music, the song of our living connection with the Earth.

Kindling the Native Spirit - Denise Linn
2015-11-03

Kindling the Native Spirit reveals secrets to enhance your connection to the mysterious forces around you. It's a mystic map that guides the way for you to follow in the footsteps of the wise ones who have gone before you. And in a deeper way, it ignites the majestic native soul that dwells within you, which in turn reestablishes your relationship to the sacred whole. Denise Linn, a member of the Cherokee Nation, has gleaned wisdom from tribal traditions around the world, including the Zulu

in Africa, the Maori in New Zealand, the Aborigines of Australia, and various Native American tribes in North America, along with other indigenous cultures. In this groundbreaking book, she shares specific methods to open gateways to mystical encounters and the knowledge that enables you to activate ancient healing practices in your present-day life. You'll learn how to discover your true name, determine your animal ally, embark on sacred spirit journeys, and experience vision quests. In addition, there are step-by-step instructions on how to make a rattle, dream catcher, spirit stick, prayer feather, and your own medicine bag. Denise also shares little-known methods to shape-shift; tap into your ability to "call" animals, plants, and Spirit; invite the power of the guardians of the four directions; gain protection from your ancestors; spend time with the "little people"; utilize the power of "earthing" to bring wholeness . . . and much more. Ignite your

native spirit within, and enter a wondrous realm of profound visionary experiences!

Fully Awake and Truly Alive - Jane Elizabeth Vennard 2013

With stories from her personal life and her experience as a spiritual director, Rev. Jane Vennard illustrates the joys and frustrations of spiritual practice, with insights from various religious traditions and exercises and meditations for your journey.

The Sacred Year - Mike Yankoski 2014-09-23

"In his life and writing, Michael Yankoski walks a tightrope between action and contemplation, and, behold, in ways we can all learn from, he manages to find a sort of essential balance."

—Philip Yancey, author of *What's So Amazing About Grace* "This book is a joy to the soul and a delight to the heart. It is destined to become a classic within the genre of contemporary spiritual and religious writing." —Phyllis Tickle, compiler of *The Divine Hours Frustrated and disillusioned with his life as a Christian*

motivational speaker, Michael Yankoski was determined to stop merely talking about living a life of faith and start experiencing it. The result was a year of focused engagement with spiritual practices—both ancient and modern—that fundamentally reshaped and revived his life. By contemplating apples for an hour before tasting them (attentiveness), eating on just \$2.00 a day (simplicity), or writing letters of thanks (gratitude), Michael discovered a whole new vitality and depth through the intentional life. Guided by the voice of Father Solomon—a local monk—Yankoski's Sacred Year slowly transforms his life. Both entertaining and profound, his story will resonate with those who wish to deepen their own committed faith as well as those who are searching—perhaps for the first time—for their own authentic encounter with the Divine.

[Fly-fishing-the Sacred Art](#) - Eric Eisenkramer
2012

Discover the spiritual potential hidden in every

cast of the fly rod.

Christian Formation - James R. Estep 2010-05-01
For Christian education professors and students, *Christian Formation* provides a composite view of human development and learning from integrated theory, theology, and educational practices in the church. By design, the book integrates these elements into a cohesive foundational piece for Christian education.

Contributors include: • James Estep - "Christian Anthropology: Humanity as the Imago Dei," "Developmental Theories: Foe, Friend or Folly?" "Moral Development and Christian Formation" • Jonathan Kim - "Intellectual Development and Christian Formation," "Psychological Development and Christian Formation," "Cultural Development and Christian Formation" • Timothy Jones and Michael Wilder - "Faith Development and Christian Formation" • Greg Carlson - "Adult Development and Christian Formation" • Mark Maddix - "Spiritual Formation and Christian Formation"

Sacred Time - Christine Valters Paintner
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We live in a world where there never seems to be enough time for all we want and need to do. In *Sacred Time: Embracing an Intentional Way of Life*, Christine Valters Paintner guides us as we move beyond our own lives and embrace a world that urges us toward rest, reflection, and growth. In *Sacred Time*, Paintner, abbess of the online Abbey of the Arts, shows us how by becoming in tune with the rhythms of the natural world, we can live more intentionally and experience a conversion toward a more expansive way of being. Paintner introduces us to the eight cycles of sacred time that exist in our everyday lives. These cycles that can ground us through our busy lives are breath, rhythms of

the day, weekly rhythms and Sabbath rest, waxing and waning lunar cycles, seasons of the year, seasons of a lifetime, ancestral time, and cosmic time. Each cycle encourages us to mindfully consider the time that passes as quickly as each breath and as slowly as the passing of generations. Within each cycle, we find wisdom from sacred tradition and the saints, including St. Benedict, St. Ignatius of Loyola, and St. Hildegard of Bingen; room for growth; and the presence of the Divine. Along the way, we are also given scriptural guidance, and we are invited to spiritual practices and creative explorations that will help deepen our understanding of each cycle, allow that understanding to take root in our lives, and expand our lives beyond the pressures of each day.