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Life in the Spirit Wipf and Stock Publishers

Sacred Pathways reveals nine distinct spiritual temperaments--and their strengths, weaknesses, and tendencies--to help you improve your spiritual life and deepen your personal walk with God. It's time to strip away the frustration of a one-size-fits-all spirituality and discover a path of worship that frees you to be you.

Experienced spiritual directors, pastors, and church leaders recognize that all of us engage with God differently, and it's about time we do too. In this updated and expanded edition of Sacred Pathways, Gary Thomas details nine spiritual temperaments and--like the Enneagram and other tools do with personality--encourages you to investigate the ways you most naturally express yourself in your relationship with God. He encourages you to dig into the traits, strengths, and pitfalls in your devotional approach so you can eliminate the barriers that keep you locked into rigid methods of worship and praise. Plus, as you begin to identify and understand your own temperament, you'll soon learn about the temperaments that aren't necessarily "you" but that may help you understand the spiritual tendencies of friends, family, and others around you. Whatever temperament or blend of temperaments best describes you, rest assured it's not by accident. It's by the design of a Creator who knew what he was doing when he made you according to his own unique intentions. If your spiritual walk is not what you'd like it to be, you can change that, starting here. Sacred Pathways will show you the route you were made to travel, marked by growth and filled with the riches of a close walk with God. A Sacred Pathways video Bible study is also available for group or individual use, sold separately.

Echoes of Eden Fortress Press

Dr. Worthington provides a path to freedom, from self-condemnation to self-acceptance, and to the life that Christ promises in Moving Forward. The partial truth about us is hard to accept: We hurt those we love. We fail to step in when others need us most. We do wrong—and we need forgiveness. From others and from God, but also from ourselves. But the full truth about us is liberating and freeing: while we are more

deeply flawed than we can imagine, we also are far more valuable and cherished than we can comprehend. To reach the place of self-forgiveness, we must embrace this truth. The gift of God's acceptance frees us from self-blame, guilt, and shame. In this practical, inspiring book, Dr. Everett Worthington identifies six steps to forgiving yourself: · Receive God's forgiveness · Repair relationships · Rethink ruminations · REACH emotional self-forgiveness · Rebuild self-acceptance · Resolve to live virtuously Weaving the story of his brother's suicide and his overwhelming feelings of regret together with psychological insight, scientific research, and biblical truth, Dr. Worthington opens a clear path to obtaining a full, meaningful life through Christ.

Seeking Spiritual Intimacy Zondervan

Worship is mystical. Worship is practical. Worship changes you, your dreams and your priorities. I met Jesus in my teens and I couldn't resist tagging along with the most attractive person I've ever met. He took me by the hand and led me on a wonderful adventure. He showed me a world that I didn't know existed. Jesus is not only a co-adventurer, he is the path and the guide and the fuel and the goal. This adventurous worship life is full of breathtaking vistas, risky mountain passes and challenging climbs. Come along for the ride. Read *The Worship Journey*.

**Becoming Whole and Holy** Simon and Schuster

Letters to Young Scholars is designed primarily for college students, advanced high school students, and church and parachurch study groups on spiritual development. As a college text, the book introduces beginning students to the general education (or liberal arts) portion of a Christian college education. It gives major emphasis to the humanities and social science disciplines, the integration of the Christian faith with those disciplines, and the application of Christian thought to daily living (applied Christianity). It seeks to challenge the students to become broader in perspective and appreciation, more compassionate toward all of God's creatures, and more confident and committed as they develop their worldviews and personal values.

*Life with God* InterVarsity Press

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 Formation* Wipf and Stock Publishers

In *Seeking Spiritual Intimacy* Glenn Myers introduces us to the Beguines, a network of faith communities in Medieval Europe, where women organized their world around a simple life with Christ at the center. Learn from the insights of wise women of faith who, from their modest homes and communities, revitalized the faith of a continent.

*Make Your Home in My Love* InterVarsity Press

Have you ever wondered, "Is this all there is to life and ministry with the Lord?" "Why am I so tired all the time?" "How can I grow in my intimacy with God in practical ways?" "Am I so busy doing that I have forgotten how to be with God?" As ministry workers, we too often face these questions because we too often expect a thriving personal relationship with God to be an outcome of our ministry. *Journey With Me* illustrates that ministry is the result of the overflow of our relationship with God, rather than vice versa. Exploring over fifteen ancient spiritual graces—such as *Lectio Divina*, rule of life, silence and solitude, and prayer of Examen—Herbert F. Lamp, Jr. invites us to prioritize soul care, rather than treating ministry as a replacement for intimacy. In the process of knowing and being known, God fills us up with his love, joy, peace, and wisdom. Only then can we minister to others, balancing a heart for God with hands for service. After almost four decades of missionary service, Lamp has experienced the joys and potential pitfalls of serving Christ cross-culturally. Sharing his experiences and offering practical, time-tested methods to grow spiritually, Lamp invites you to journey with Our Father intimately as you cross your cultural, linguistic, ethnic, and geographic borders, serving him wholeheartedly and passionately.

*Nurturing Hope* Wipf and Stock Publishers

In 1975, Arthur F. Holmes published *The Idea of a Christian College*. At the time he could not have imagined his book would gather such a large following. This work's thoughtful yet accessible style made it a long-standing choice for reading lists on Christian college and university campuses across the country and around the world. Countless numbers of first-year students have read and discussed his book as part of their introduction to the Christian college experience.

However, enough has changed since 1975 in both the Church and Academy to now merit a full-scale reexamination. In this book, Todd C. Ream and Perry L. Glanzer account for changes in how people view the Church and themselves as human agents, and propose a vision for the Christian college in light of the fact that so many Christian colleges now look and act more like research universities. Including topics such as the co-curricular, common worship, and diversity, Ream and Glanzer craft a vision that strives to see into the future by drawing on the riches of the past. First-year students as well as new faculty members and administrators will benefit from the insights in this book in ways previous generations benefitted from Arthur Holmes's efforts.

*There's A Fine Line* Wipf and Stock Publishers

We're being formed by our devices. Unpacking the soft tyranny of the digital age, Felicia Wu Song combines insights from psychology, neuroscience, sociology, and theology as she considers digital practices through the lens of "liturgy" and formation. Exploring pathways of meaningful resistance found in Christian tradition, this resource offers practical experiments for individual and communal change.

*The Worship Journey* Paraclete Press

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.

*Understanding Our Story* Wipf and Stock Publishers

Successful leaders today don't dictate; they invite. They don't dismiss; they welcome. They don't neglect; they care. Now more than ever we must pay attention to the soft side of leadership if we want hard results. As leaders—from parents to CEOs—we must learn gracious leadership to truly, positively, change our spheres of influence. In this passionate, powerful book, pastor and leadership mentor Terry Smith fleshes out five vital principles you need to become a hospitable leader. He shows that this type of leadership is not superficial niceness or allowing people to do whatever they want. Hospitable leadership is result-oriented because it's motivated by genuine love. It's how you create environments where people and dreams can thrive, where vision turns to action, and where great things happen regularly. Here is everything you need to become the type of leader people want to follow.

*Sacred Pathways* Harmon Press

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.

*The Furious Longing of God* InterVarsity Press

Become fully aware that you are unconditionally loved and accepted. From a young age, we all learn that cruel words can wound, but *Longing to Belong* will show you how Scripture can heal your heart.

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Join Shawna as she turns to Psalm 139 and reveals seven life-giving affirmations that everyone needs: God knows me. He is always with me. I am not invisible. I am wonderfully made. God's countless thoughts are for me. I have enemies, but . . . I can walk in victory! Writing with honesty and transparency, Shawna will show you how to handle your hurts and grasp the keys to freedom when others have rejected you. Walk with her through the Bible and see anew that your Creator is not a harsh critic or a taskmaster to be feared. Instead, learn to claim your rightful place as accepted by God and live in joy.

**Exposing Myths About Christianity** Zondervan

Buschart and Eilers identify six critical areas—Scripture, theology, worship, spirituality, mission and culture—where contemporary Christians are retrieving aspects of our Christian past for life and thought today. The result is a fascinating tour and wise reflection on how Christians might receive, employ and transmit the treasures of their past.

*The Quaker World* InterVarsity Press

Compares and contrasts the beliefs of two famous thinkers, Sigmund Freud and C.S. Lewis, on topics ranging from the existence of God and morality to pain and suffering.

**The Idea of a Christian College** Wipf and Stock Publishers

Richard Foster weaves together stories from the mothers and fathers of the faith plus powerful encounters with God from his own life to describes the riches of meditative prayer. Here's the biblical teaching and step-by-step help you need to begin this time-honored prayer practice. A Renovaré Resource.

*Marriage Forecasting* Hodder & Stoughton

Richard Foster and Gayle Beebe, both experienced leaders in spiritual formation, introduce you to people from the past who have known God deeply. Each person helps you to grasp one of the seven primary paths to intimacy with God that have been developed throughout Christian history.

**A Quiet Pentecost** MennoMedia, Inc.

With poignant vulnerability, *The Way of Grace* describes Reverend Glandion Carney's journey from the diagnosis of Parkinson's disease into a new land of God's amazing grace. We too can experience lives full of grace and truth, courageously searching out God's wonders every day.

**Salvation Means Creation Healed** William Carey Publishing

In the spirit of Cyril Barber's classic work from the 1970s, *The Minister's Library*, and the author's 2017 book, *The Pastor's Library*, Robert Yost provides the same expert guidance now for a lay audience. Finally, laypersons who desire to study the Bible have an invaluable resource for the acquisition of research tools as well as general Christian reading. From general reference works such as Bible atlases and concordances, commentaries, devotional works, and theological studies to Christian biography and fiction, this book is a trustworthy guide through the multiplicity of books that just seem to keep rolling off the presses. Overwhelmed by the proliferation of Christian books on the shelves? This handy guide is the book for you!

**25 Books Every Christian Should Read** InterVarsity Press

Do you long for the closeness with God that you've tasted in fleeting moments? You can begin to fill that longing by developing your capacity to receive and respond to God's love. In this rich resource Richard Foster and Gayle Beebe introduce you to people from the past who have known God deeply and model the seven paths to intimacy with God from Christian history.