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November 2016

ADVENT REFLECTIONS

THE ADVENT OF CHRIST: SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS TO PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS (BOOK) SRI, EDWARD. SERVANT BOOKS, 2013. PERHAPS THE CHRISTMAS STORY HAS BECOME ALMOST TOO FAMILIAR. A VIRGIN GIVING BIRTH. A CHILD LAID IN A MANGER. SHEPHERDS GREETED BY ANGELS. THE CHRISTMAS STORY HAS BECOME SO FAMILIAR THAT THE PROFOUND, EVEN SHOCKING, NATURE OF THE INCARNATION MIGHT BE OVERLOOKED. BUT WHAT IF WE HAD NEVER HEARD THE STORY BEFORE? WHAT IF WE WERE HEARING IT FOR THE FIRST TIME. LIKE THE FIRST-CENTURY JEWS? THESE EVENTS CERTAINLY WOULD NOT BE TAKEN FOR GRANTED--THEY WOULD SIGNAL SOMETHING NEW: THE DAWNING OF THE LONG-AWAITED MESSIAH. THIS ADVENT. PUT YOURSELF IN THAT ANCIENT JEWISH WORLD. CONTAINING AN ENTRY FOR EACH DAY OF ADVENT AND CONTINUING THROUGH THE CHRISTMAS SEASON. DR. SRI WILL HELP YOU TO DISCOVER SPIRITUAL TREASURES IN THE GOSPELS AND GAIN A NEW UNDERSTANDING OF THE COMING OF CHRIST. (S,A)



ADVENT WITH ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA: DAILY MEDITATIONS (BOOK) SAXTON, HEIDI HESS. SERVANT, 2016 ADVENT WITH ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA CAPTURES THE HUMBLE YET FAITH-FILLED SPIRIT OF THIS GREAT LADY OF CALCUTTA. EACH DAY OF THE ADVENT SEASONS. READERS ARE INVITED TO PRAY. AND TO CONSIDER WHAT THEY MIGHT OFFER THE LORD AS THEIR GIFT TO HIM DURING THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON. ST. TERESA'S EXAMPLE CALLS READERS TO CONSIDER HOW THEY MIGHT LOVE MORE DEEPLY. SURRENDER MORE COMPLETELY. AND LET GO OF ALL THE THINGS THEY DO NOT NEED. SO THERE IS MORE ROOM TO RECEIVE FROM THE LORD ALL HE WISHES THEM TO HAVE. FOR THOSE WHO WANDER IN DARKNESS. ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA IS A TRUE PATRON OF JOY YET TO BE DISCOVERED. (A)



MEETING JESUS THROUGH THE JESSE TREE: STORIES AND ACTIVITIES FOR ADVENT (BOOK) NEUBERGER, ANNE. TWENTY-THIRD PUBLICATIONS, 2013. IN JUST FOUR WEEKS, YOU CAN TEACH BIBLE STORIES AND SALVATION HISTORY TO CHILDREN OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES. YOU CAN INTRODUCE THEM TO CATHOLIC FAITH TRADITIONS. GIVE THEM MEANINGFUL WAYS TO ANTICIPATE THE BIRTH OF OUR SAVIOR, AND DEEPEN THEIR AWARENESS OF CHRISTMAS. YOU CAN DO IT IN ANY SETTING, EVEN WITH LIMITED TIME AND RESOURCES. MEETING JESUS THROUGH THE JESSE TREE: STORIES AND ACTIVITIES FOR ADVENT BRIMS WITH ACTIVITIES AND SYMBOLS TO SUPPORT THIS STORYTELLING TRADITION. YOU WILL FIND MANY CREATIVE JESSE TREE IDEAS SUITABLE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS, PARISH PROGRAMS, AND FAMILIES AT HOME. (P,I)



LIGHT FOR THE WORLD (BOOK) WALL, TOM. AQUINAS VENTURES, 2015. THIS ADVENT. HELP YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY PREPARE FOR THE BIRTH OF JESUS WITH LIGHT FOR THE WORLD: A CATHOLIC KID'S GUIDE FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS. WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED FOR YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY. THIS SOFTCOVER BOOK EXPLAINS CATHOLIC TRADITIONS AND FEAST DAYS THAT WE CELEBRATE THROUGHOUT THE SEASONS OF ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS. LIGHT FOR THE WORLD IS JUST WHAT YOUR FAMILY NEEDS TO TRULY KNOW AND APPRECIATE THE "REASON FOR THE SEASON". (P,I,J)



THE ANGEL'S ADVENT LESSON (DVD) 23RD PUBLICATIONS, 2008. HERE ANGEL THEO MAKES A SURPRISE VISIT AND HELPS DANNY TO LEARN THE TRUE MEANING OF ADVENT AS A TIME OF WAITING FOR JESUS. TOGETHER THEY REVIEW PRACTICES LIKE THE ADVENT WREATH, RECITING DAILY PRAYERS AT HOME, AND DOING ACTS OF KINDNESS. THEY ALSO RECALL MANY OF THE GREAT SCRIPTURE CHARACTERS FROM THE ADVENT READINGS. DANNY COMES AWAY FROM THIS UNEXPECTED AND DELIGHTFUL EXPERIENCE READY TO FOCUS ON THE TRUE MEANING OF ADVENT. (I,J)

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS : IDEAS FOR TEACHING THE CATHOLIC FAITH IN THE HOME, SCHOOL AND PARISH (BOOK) SIMONDS, TIM. NCEA, 2010. USING THE EVOCATIVE SCRIPTURES FOR ADVENT, CHRISTMAS AND THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS, THESE MEDITATIONS ENABLE READERS FROM EVERY WALK OF LIFE TO PREPARE THEMSELVES FOR THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS BY FOCUSING ON REPENTANCE, PURIFICATION, AND THE CONVERSATION AS WE AWAIT THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST. (P,I,J)

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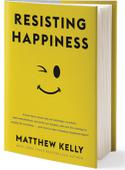
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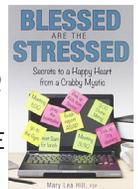


CATHOLICISM: THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS (DVD, STUDY SET) WORD ON FIRE, 2016. YOU'LL DISCOVER THE PLACES WHERE ST. THOMAS AQUINAS LIVED, LEARNED, AND WROTE. VISIT THE COUNTRYSIDE WHERE ST. FRANCIS GATHERED A GROUP OF FRIARS AND REVIVED THE CHURCH. SEE THE PLACES WHERE ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA MINISTERED AND PRAYED. TREK THROUGH ENGLAND TO WHERE BL. JOHN HENRY NEWMAN AND G.K. CHESTERTON LEFT THEIR MARK AND SPARKED AN ENGLISH CATHOLIC REVIVAL. AND THROUGH UNPRECEDENTED HD FOOTAGE, MARVEL AT THE EXTRAORDINARY ART OF MICHELANGELO. FROM HIS DAVID STATUE IN FLORENCE, TO THE PIETÀ AT ST. PETER'S. TO THE SISTINE CHAPEL. THERE IS A WAITING LIST FOR THIS PROGRAM. PLEASE CALL THE LIBRARY TO RESERVE. (S,A)

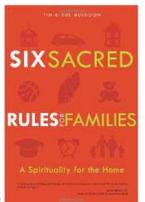


RESISTING HAPPINESS (BOOK) KELLY, MATTHEW. BEACON PUB., 2016. WE ALL KNOW THE THINGS THAT WILL MAKE US HAPPY. BUT WE DON'T ALWAYS DO THEM. WHY? WE'RE RESISTANT. WITH HIS SIGNATURE COMBINATION OF THE PROFOUND AND THE PRACTICAL, NEW YORK TIMES BEST-SELLING AUTHOR MATTHEW KELLY HELPS YOU LEARN WHY WE SABOTAGE OURSELVES, FEEL OVERWHELMED, SET ASIDE OUR DREAMS, AND LACK THE COURAGE TO SIMPLY BE OURSELVES. . . AND HOW TO START CHOOSING HAPPINESS AGAIN. RESISTING HAPPINESS WILL INSPIRE YOU TO BREAK THROUGH RESISTANCE SO YOU CAN BECOME THE BEST VERSION OF YOURSELF AND START LIVING WITH PASSION AND PURPOSE. (A)

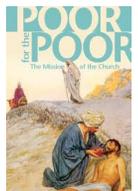
BLESSED ARE THE STRESSED: SECRETS TO A HAPPY HEART FROM A CRABBY MYSTIC (BOOK) HILL, MARY LEA. PAULINE BOOKS & MEDIA, 2016. BLESSED ARE THE STRESSED, GROUCHY, AND GRUMPY-FOR THEY TOO CAN LEARN THE SECRETS OF A HAPPY HEART! BEST-SELLING AUTHOR SR. MARY LEA HILL HELPS YOU DELVE DEEPER INTO THE BEATITUDES, OUR SPECIAL PASSAGeways TO JOY, AND UNLOCKS THEIR SECRETS FOR A HAPPY LIFE. YOU WILL FIND YOURSELF SMILING, IF NOT LAUGHING OUT LOUD, AT HER UNIQUE INSIGHTS INTO THE WOULD-BE BLESSINGS OFTEN HIDDEN IN THE UPS AND DOWNS OF OUR EVERYDAY LIVES. (A)



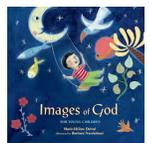
SIX SACRED RULES FOR FAMILIES: A SPIRITUALITY FOR THE HOME (BOOK) MULDOON, TIM. AVE MARIA PRESS, 2013. TIM AND SUE MULDOON BRING A WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE AS PARENTS, SPIRITUAL GUIDES, AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATORS TO THIS PRACTICAL BOOK FOR PARENTS WHICH OFFERS SIX SACRED RULES FOR INTEGRATING FAITH FORMATION INTO EVERYDAY FAMILY LIFE. THIS BASIC GUIDE TO FAMILY SPIRITUALITY NOT ONLY PROVIDES PARENTS WITH THE PRACTICAL TOOLS THEY NEED BUT ALSO OFFERS THE REFRESHING PERSPECTIVE THAT FAITH IS NOT ABOUT ADDING TO OUR TO-DO LISTS. RATHER, IT MEANS DOING WHAT WE ALREADY DO WITH A NEW ATTENTIVENESS. DRAWING FROM THE TREASURY OF IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY AND THE BREADTH OF CATHOLIC TRADITION, THE MULDOONS PRESENT SIX SACRED RULES THAT ENCOURAGE, STRETCH, AND REVITALIZE FAMILY FAITH, HELPING PARENTS GIVE THEIR CHILDREN BASIC LESSONS IN LEARNING TO PRAY, DEEPENING LOVE, WIDENING FAITH, AND CULTIVATING A SPIRITUAL VISION OF LIFE (A)



POOR FOR THE POOR: THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH (BOOK) UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS, 2016 SEE HOW CARDINAL GERHARD MÜLLER, PREFECT OF THE CONGREGATION FOR THE DOCTRINE OF THE FAITH, UNCOVERS THE LIBERATING AND EVANGELIZING MISSION OF THE POOR CHURCH THROUGH HIS THEOLOGICAL AND PERSONAL REFLECTION IN THIS TIMELESS BOOK. THINK ABOUT YOUR OWN MISSION IN LIFE, AS HE REVEALS HOW THE CHURCH BRINGS THE KINGDOM OF GOD INTO A PARTICULAR HISTORICAL, CULTURAL, POLITICAL, AND ECONOMIC CONTEXT. GET GREATER INSIGHT INTO ENDURING QUESTIONS IN POOR FOR THE POOR: THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH, AS IT LOOKS AT THE SOCIAL TEACHING OF THE CHURCH, THE WRITINGS OF RECENT POPES AS WELL AS THE WRITINGS OF GUSTAVO GUTIERREZ AND JOSEF SAYER, AND THE EXPERIENCES OF THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA, INCLUDING LIBERATION THEOLOGY, FAITH FORMATION LEADERS, SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTERS, CATECHISTS, PASTORS, THEOLOGY STUDENTS, AND LAY PERSONS WILL FIND THIS BOOK A THOUGHTFUL REFLECTION ON HOW POVERTY INVITES US INTO THE BLESSEDNESS OF THE GOSPEL (A)



IMAGES OF GOD FOR YOUNG CHILDREN (BOOK) DELVAL, MARIE-HELENE. EERDMANS BOOKS, 2010. THE BIBLE DESCRIBES GOD IN MANY DIFFERENT WAYS: GOD IS LIGHT: GOD IS JOY: GOD IS WISDOM. GOD IS THE BEAUTY THAT FILLS THE EARTH AND THE ROCK WE STAND ON, THE PROMISES WE LIVE BY AND THE FIRE THAT PURIFIES US. THIS VOLUME OFFERS A COLLECTION OF THESE IMAGES, PRESENTED IN SIMPLE LANGUAGE THAT YOUNG READERS CAN EASILY UNDERSTAND. THIS BOOK'S BRIGHT ARTWORK AND LYRICAL TEXT, WRITTEN BY THE BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF PSALMS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN, EXPLORES HOW, EVEN THOUGH WE CANNOT SEE OR TOUCH GOD, WE CAN STILL DISCOVER HIM IN OUR WORLD. (P,I)



REBORN -- YOU, YOUR CHILD, AND THE HEART OF BAPTISM (PARISH EDITION), AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE, 2015. EXPLORES THE DEEPLY PERSONAL AND SACRAMENTAL POWER OF BAPTISM, BRINGING TO LIGHT THE SPIRITUAL REALITY FOR PARENTS AND GODPARENTS AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE CHILD BEING BAPTIZED. PRESENTS THE FOUNDATION OF THE CHURCH'S TEACHING ON BAPTISM, WITH A STEP-BY-STEP EXPLANATION OF THE RITE ITSELF TO ILLUMINATE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF EVERY PHRASE AND ACTION, AND INCLUDES THE MANY WAYS TO NURTURE THE SPIRITUAL LIVES OF THE BAPTIZED. REBORN COVERS THE BREADTH OF BAPTISM'S PLACE IN SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION, AS WELL AS THE PRACTICAL PREPARATION PARENTS AND GODPARENTS NEED TO GRASP THE WONDER OF THE SACRAMENT AND IMPACT IN THE LIFE OF THE BAPTIZED. (A)



THE LITTLE PRINCE (DVD) ENTERTAINMENT ONE, 2016. A DOWNED PILOT ENCOUNTERS A TINY PRINCE FROM A MYSTERIOUS, FARAWAY PLACE. THE FIRST-EVER ANIMATED FEATURE FILM ADAPTATION OF ANTOINE DE SAINT-EXUPÉRY'S BELOVED TIMELESS CLASSIC TALE OF INNOCENCE AND DISCOVERY. (P,I)

