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The Living Age - 1884

Living the Hours - Anthony Grimley 2009-10-01

Living the Hours explores what makes the monastic tradition so appealing to ordinary people today who may be discovering a world of spirituality previously hidden from them, or perhaps questioning the balance, priorities and focal points of their lives. Since its beginnings in the fourth century, monasticism's alternative vision for living has, in different ways, always inspired men and women in the secular world to step outside the routine of

everyday life and to give time to reflection and exploration. The monastic day is measured in 'hours' with times for prayer, physical work, study and rest all contributing to a balanced, holistic life. This book looks at different expressions of monastic life through history and at the new monastic movements emerging today and asks how they can teach us in today's consumerist world to live more fully, more consciously aware of how we choose to fill our hours and days.

Breath Prayer - Christine Valters Paintner 2021-10-12

"Breath Prayer is an insightful guide to reclaiming this practice of the

heart--harmonizing the sacred rhythm of the body with words that sing to the soul--in every moment of the day." --Carl McColman, author of *The New Big Book of Christian Mysticism and Eternal Heart* 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.

Journeying Into God - Tim Vivian 1996

Saint Antony, Abba Pambo, Syncletica of Palestine, Saint George of Choziba, Abba Aaron, Saint Theognius, Saint Omnophrius come to life through translations og biographical documents from Greek and Coptic. Discussion of women, the structure of a monastery, miracles and relics, and the cult of the saints illuminates the text.

Stillness - Richard Mahler 2003-01-01

The author describes the time he lived deliberately alone as a caretaker of a ranch and the effect of this solitude has had on his life, arguing that spending time alone reduces stress and leads to a simpler existence.

Holy Women of Russia - Brenda Meehan 1993

From the widow Tuchkova, hermit Anastasiia and peasant Matrona Naumova, to the aristocratic Aleksandra Shmakova and the Abbess Taisiia, each of these diverse women craved and created environments that combined monastic solitude with a community of like-minded women. "Rich and poor, middle-aged and young...out of the pain at the loss of a cherished husband and child, or the boredom of aristocratic social life, or the shattering power of a mystic vision, or the simple but incorrigible habit of giving shelter for the night to the homeless", each woman answered the "jarring, life-disturbing call to abandon oneself to God". Meehan shows the sources and qualities of their holiness, how each woman represented a particular aspect of Orthodox spirituality, and how aspects of women's

religious ideals, including community, service, and reconciliation, marked the religious communities they founded. In studying their lives we see virtues embodied, dark undersides redeemed, and the daily struggle of community life. "I have called these women holy", Meehan writes, "holy in the ordinary sense of the word, meaning people leading devout and godly lives dedicated to the service of God. None of them is considered an official saint of the church...But these women were held up in their time as exemplars of the holy life, models of holiness deserving of imitation. And their stories speak to us even today, for as John Coleman has said of saints, 'they invite us to conceptualize our lives in terms other than mastery, usefulness, autonomy, and control.' These women believed, and shock us into believing, in a world in which virtue has meaning".

Silence - Jane Brox 2019

Offers a history of silence as a powerful shaper of the human mind, specifically in Eastern State Penitentiary and the monastic world of Medieval Europe.

Into the Silent Land - Martin Laird 2006-07-01

Sitting in stillness, the practice of meditation, and the cultivation of awareness are commonly thought to be the preserves of Hindus and Buddhists. Martin Laird shows that the Christian tradition of contemplation has its own refined teachings on using a prayer word to focus the mind,

working with the breath to cultivate stillness, and the practice of inner vigilance or awareness. But this book is not a mere historical survey of these teachings. In *Into the Silent Land*, we see the ancient wisdom of both the Christian East and West brought sharply to bear on the modern-day longing for radical openness to God in the depths of the heart. Laird's book is not like the many presentations for beginners. While useful for those just starting out, this book serves especially as a guide for those who desire to journey yet deeper into the silence of God. The heart of the book focuses on negotiating key moments of struggle on the contemplative path, when the whirlwind of distractions or the brick wall of boredom makes it difficult to continue. Laird shows that these inner struggles, even wounds, that any person of prayer must face, are like riddles, trying to draw out of us our own inner silence. Ultimately Laird shows how the wounds we loathe become vehicles of the healing silence we seek, beyond technique and achievement. Throughout the language is fresh, direct, and focused on real-life examples of people whose lives are incomparably enriched by the practice of contemplation.

Jung to Live by - Eugene Pascal 2009-11-29

Far from mystical, Jung's theories can be easily applied to everyday life, and this book shows readers how. It includes important issues such as how to determine personality style, what inner forces influence likes and

dislikes, spotting different complexes, how to transform one's world, and more.

Food and Faith in Christian Culture - Ken Albala 2011-12-27

Without a uniform dietary code, Christians around the world used food in strikingly different ways, developing widely divergent practices that spread, nurtured, and strengthened their religious beliefs and communities.

Featuring never-before published essays, this anthology follows the intersection of food and faith from the fourteenth to the twenty-first century, charting the complex relationship among religious eating habits and politics, culture, and social structure. Theoretically rich and full of engaging portraits, essays consider the rise of food buying and consumerism in the fourteenth century, the Reformation ideology of fasting and its resulting sanctions against sumptuous eating, the gender and racial politics of sacramental food production in colonial America, and the struggle to define "enlightened" Lenten dietary restrictions in early modern France. Essays on the nineteenth century explore the religious implications of wheat growing and breadmaking among New Zealand's Maori population and the revival of the Agape meal, or love feast, among American brethren in Christ Church. Twentieth-century topics include the metaphysical significance of vegetarianism, the function of diet in Greek Orthodoxy, American Christian weight loss programs, and the practice of silent eating

rituals among English Benedictine monks. Two introductory essays detail the key themes tying these essays together and survey food's role in developing and disseminating the teachings of Christianity, not to mention providing a tangible experience of faith.

Path of the Purified Heart - Laura Dunham 2012-02-01

Path of the Purified Heart traces the classic Christian spiritual journey toward transformation into the likeness of Christ in a unique, fascinating way. Drawing on the voices of wise elders from the past and present, Dunham illumines the common path all Christians and spiritual seekers may take toward union with God. Through the motifs of the liturgical year and the labyrinth, the author weaves in her own journey on this path during her "year of purification."

Whitaker's Book List - 1991

Paperbound Books in Print - 1991

Together, Alone - Susan Wittig Albert 2009-09-15

A memoir by the author of the popular China Bayles mystery series meditates on the dichotomy of being married to a person and place while possessing a need for silence and solitude, in an account that documents her decision to leave her university job to marry and pursue writing and

her visits to a silent monastic retreat.

Monastery Without Walls - John Main 2011-07

Much of today's fascination with and attraction to the Rule of St. Benedict can be attributed to John Main, a Benedictine monk, who first saw that this rule of life for monastic communities could be relevant for Christian living in the secular world. He founded a community of lay people who shared his vision and from this small beginning has grown. The World Community for Christian Meditation which today is active in numerous countries around the world and has thousands of members and associates. Its work, and its emphasis on meditation, derives directly from the Benedictine focus on prayer and lectio divina or holy reading. Right up to the end of his life in 1982, John Main wrote a series of remarkable letters of spiritual direction to WCCM's growing family. Two collections have previously been published and are now out of print and the complete letters are now published in this single volume. Together they constitute a volume of remarkable spiritual wisdom and insight, as fresh and relevant for today as when they were first written.

Wisdom from the Monastery - Peter Seewald 2010-10-26

For almost two millennia, Christian men and women have banded together to live in devotion to God and humanity. Recent studies have shown that, on average, men and women in Holy Orders are healthier and live longer

than the rest of us. What timeless solutions to the things that ail us might we have dismissed in our rush into the modern age? Written by three very modern seekers who visited monastic communities to explore facets of the contemplative life, *Wisdom from the Monastery* reveals what these lay practitioners found so rewarding and deeply relevant to their lives today. Originally published in Germany as three separate volumes, the U.S. edition combines these major aspects of monastic practice: fasting, healing, and meditation. The book's warm, engaging tone presents millennia-tested practices of contemplative Christianity free from Church dogma. One need not be Catholic, nor even Christian, to benefit from fasting, herbal and other natural remedies, and profound approaches to prayer, meditation, and silence. Readers learn what characterizes the best monastic communities and discover a sense of the retreat experience as spiritual adventure. Featuring over 100 photographs, daily exercises, personal anecdotes, and fascinating snippets on monastic experience through the ages, *Wisdom from the Monastery* introduces readers to a cast of remarkable monks and nuns who have chosen lives of renunciation and simplicity. Within these pages, monastic wisdom demonstrates its relevance across millennia and beyond monastery walls.

Cumulative Book Index - 1990

A world list of books in the English language.

Library Journal - 1990

Includes, beginning Sept. 15, 1954 (and on the 15th of each month, Sept.-May) a special section: School library journal, ISSN 0000-0035, (called Junior libraries, 1954-May 1961). Also issued separately.

American Book Publishing Record - 1990

Word Into Silence - John Main 2006-01-01

We now take it for granted that aspects of the monastic life can sustain our daily lives in the world, but we owe this understanding to John Main, whose vision of a 'monastery without walls' has grown into a worldwide network of people who today practice Christian meditation. This is his classic book on how to practice contemplative prayer, or Christian meditation. Stepping aside from the busyness of our daily lives and being still in the presence of God is the key to discovering our true selves and knowing God as 'the ground of our being'.

Natural Healing Remedies - Alisa Bauman 1998

Explores natural healing strategies and herbal remedies for treating arthritis, colds, cuts, burns, headaches, nausea, menopause, allergies, and heart disease.

The Calling of Joy! - Bruce Davis 2006-02

The Calling of Joy is a calling to find the part of us that is more than what

we do, how much we have, and what we think. It is a calling to our inner river, our passion, our well of being, our truth. Joy does not come by accident or coincidence. It does not come from hard work or simply good luck. Joy is remembering, trusting, being, rediscovering our inner resources. Joy is creativity, tears, and laughter. Joy is our guide through life's many choices. We can feel joy in our body. Joy is slowing down from the fearful energy of the daily world to life's beauty, innocence, the ocean of peace in this moment. It is joy that heals the separation from our mind and heart. And it is joy that heals the separation from our heart and our soul. Each of us is called to listen and honor our hearts, to nourish ourselves deeply and unfold our true self into the world. Joy found in the midst of great difficulty is joy found forever. We have choices everyday, to wrestle with the current plot of our lives or find the possible joy. There are many golden silent moments each day which can be real food for a busy mind and hurting heart. Are we open to the moments of pure life that feed us no matter how easy or difficult, light or challenging our lives maybe?

Finding Sanctuary - Christopher Jamison 2008-09-18

Abbot Christopher Jamison, from BBC2's THE MONASTERY and new show THE SILENCE, suggests ways in which the teachings of St Benedict can be helpful in everyday life. Have you ever wondered why everybody these days seems so busy? In FINDING SANCTUARY, Father Christopher

Jamison offers practical wisdom from the monastic tradition on how to build sanctuary into your life. No matter how hard you work, being too busy is not inevitable. Silence and contemplation are not just for monks and nuns, they are natural parts of life. Yet to keep hold of this truth in the rush of modern living you need the support of other people and sensible advice from wise guides. By learning to listen in new ways, people's lives can change and the abbot offers some monastic steps that help this transition to a more spiritual life. In the face of many easy assumptions about the irrelevance of religion today, Father Christopher makes religion accessible for those in search of life's meaning and offers a vision of the world's religions working together as a unique source of hope for the 21st century.

The Simple Living Guide - Janet Luhrs 1997-11-03

In The Simple Living Guide Janet Luhrs demonstrates how to live a deliberate, simpler life--and savor it. As Janet Luhrs says, "Simple living is about living deliberately. Simple living is not about austerity, or frugality, or income level. It's about being fully aware of why you are living your particular life, and knowing that life is one you have chosen thoughtfully. Simple living is about designing our lives to coincide with our ideals." Whether you are looking at small solutions for cutting down the stress in your life or taking the big leap toward the simpler life, this book can be

your guide. Janet Luhrs, the nationally recognized founder and editor of the Simple Living Journal, brings together strategies, inspiration, resources, and real-life profiles of people who have slowed down, overcome obstacles, and created richer lives. Discover Simple Living approaches to: money, work, holidays, cooking and nutrition, health and exercise, clutter, gardening, travel, and more!

Monastery Without Walls - Bruce Davis 2001-06

There is a part of each of us that is a monk or a mystic. We yearn for perfect peace yet live our lives far removed from traditional monasteries--yet most of us would not want to give up our personal and spiritual freedom to join monastic life. We seek wholeness but realize that wholeness is not possible without sacredness. Sacred life takes root in solitude, in the time we take to develop a relationship with our inner life--in the kind of setting a monastery would offer. This book speaks to the monk or mystic within us. It affirms our place in the sacred silence of solitude and inner reflection, showing how even everyday life is filled with opportunities to live fully in the world--as if it were a holy monastery. Here we learn to live within the limits as well as the spirit of everyday life, how to appreciate our most human self as the path to explore the divine. How we encounter a world that is clearly available to us, a world filled with nothing less than the gift of sacred silence within the monastery without

walls.

No End to the Search - Mark Plaiss 2017-07-27

A monastery is not just for monks. Laypeople enjoy visiting monasteries and learning from the women and men who live there. The silence of the monastery is a retreat from the clatter and bluster of city and suburb. In No End to the Search Mark Plaiss, married with a wife, children, and grandchildren, writes of his visits to various monasteries while striving to delve into the experience and meaning of monasticism. What is behind that wall? What is the appeal of monastic life? To what degree can such a life be lived by persons who are married, and why would they wish to do so? This book explores the relationship between the vowed life of monks and the life of laypersons who are unable to live such vows but desire to share just a sliver of it.

A Lever and a Place to Stand - Richard Rohr 2014-05-14

Explores the challenges, the rewards, the call, and the possibilities of integrating a sincere inner life with an active life of engagement with the pain of the world.

Index to Book Reviews in Religion - 1993

Books X-XI - Kenelm Henry Digby 1894

In Pursuit of Silence - George Prochnik 2010-04-06

A brilliant, far-reaching exploration of the frontiers of noise and silence, and the growing war between them. Between iPods, music-blasting restaurants, earsplitting sports stadiums, and endless air and road traffic, the place for quiet in our lives grows smaller by the day. In Pursuit of Silence gives context to our increasingly desperate sense that noise pollution is, in a very real way, an environmental catastrophe. Traveling across the country and meeting and listening to a host of incredible characters, including doctors, neuroscientists, acoustical engineers, monks, activists, educators, marketers, and aggrieved citizens, George Prochnik examines why we began to be so loud as a society, and what it is that gets lost when we can no longer find quiet.

Mores Catholici: Books X-XI - Kenelm Henry Digby 1894

The Interior Silence - Sarah Sands 2021-11-09

A journey around the world to find tranquility, quiet the mind, and understand the power of silence. Suffering from information overload and unable to sleep, acclaimed journalist Sarah Sands tried countless strategies to de-stress, only to find temporary relief. Searching for something different, something lasting, Sands went on a quest to uncover ancient and proven wisdom for a happier, quieter, and more

compassionate life. In this insightful and beautifully written book, Sands takes us along on her pilgrimage to ten monasteries around the world. In the remoteness of these sacred spaces, Sands observes a hidden knowledge held by monks and nuns—what she calls "the interior silence." Renouncing the material world, their inner concentration buoys them in an extraordinary weightlessness and freedom, an oasis of reflection. Behind the cloistered walls, Sands too finds a clarity of mind and an unexpected capacity for solitude. From a Coptic desert community in Egypt to a retreat in the Japanese mountains, discover another way of being—moving from appetite, envy, and anxiety to compassion and appreciation. The ultimate remedy for a digital age in which everyone is talking, and no one is listening, this book reminds us of the importance of silence and the power of stillness. BEYOND MINDFULNESS: The trendiness and explosion of books on meditation and mindfulness does not always solve our modern-day stressors or our fight-or-flight existence. The Interior Silence goes beyond new-age mindfulness to offer traditional wisdom from monks for quieting the mind and embracing simplicity. DISCOVER ANCIENT WISDOM: For spiritual readers and wisdom seekers, The Interior Silence takes you directly to the root of these ancient practices, learning from monastic life around the world. FOR ARMCHAIR TRAVELERS: For readers who enjoyed The Geography of Bliss, anyone who enjoys learning

about new places and cultures, or for those craving a trip, this book will take you to the countryside's, deserts, and mountains of Japan, France, Egypt, Greece, and more. Digital audio edition introduction read by the author.

Monastery Without Walls - Bruce L. Davis 2001-06-21

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Monastery without Walls - Laurence Freeman 2006-08-29

A volume of remarkable spiritual wisdom and insight, as fresh and relevant for today as when they were first written.

Forthcoming Books - Rose Arny 1996-06

Unveiling the Heart of Awareness - Bruce Davis 2022-11-16

Underneath the waves of daily thought is our ocean of being. As the world pulls on our attention, occupying our awareness, there is the ocean of our awareness without busy thought to explore and receive. There is the great silence within our heart. This is the contemplative path. The pilgrimage into the heart is found in all religions, enjoyed by mystics in all cultures. We let go. We let be. Our attention comes deeper within. Underneath the thinking world we discover another world, the world of quiet, connectedness, oneness, infinite heart. As the waves of so much thinking become less, our knowing of the ocean of our awareness grows. Our heart, our

beingness is present, brilliant, and loving. We realize we are on the journey of awakening. We are coming home.

Paperbound Books in Print 1995 - Reed Reference Publishing 1995-12

Wisdom for the Soul - Larry Chang 2006

Five Millennia of Prescriptions for Spiritual Healing

The Publishers Weekly - 1990

Yoga Journal - 1991-05

For more than 30 years, Yoga Journal has been helping readers achieve the balance and well-being they seek in their everyday lives. With every issue, Yoga Journal strives to inform and empower readers to make lifestyle choices that are healthy for their bodies and minds. We are dedicated to providing in-depth, thoughtful editorial on topics such as yoga, food, nutrition, fitness, wellness, travel, and fashion and beauty.