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AT THE ROOT OF THIS LONGING

RECONCILING A SPIRITUAL HUNGER AND A FEMINIST THIRST

Harper Collins In **At the Root of This Longing**, Flinders identifies the four key points at which the paths of spirituality and feminism seem to collide—vowing silence vs. finding voice, relinquishing ego vs. establishing 'self', resisting desire vs. reclaiming the body, and enclosure vs. freedom—and sets out to discover not only the sources of these conflicts, but how they can be reconciled. With a sense of urgency brought on by events in her own life, Flinders deals with the alienation that women have experienced not only from themselves and each other, but from the sacred. She finds inspiration in the story of fourteenth-century mystic Julian of Norwich and her direct experience of God, in India's legendary Draupadi, who would not allow a brutal physical assault to damage her sense of personal power, as well as in Flinders's own experiences as a meditation teacher and practitioner. Flinders reveals that spirituality and feminism are not mutually exclusive at all but very much require one another.

YOGA JOURNAL

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.

HISTORICAL DICTIONARY OF FEMINISM

Scarecrow Press This Second Edition is an essential resource for librarians, scholars, and students. This succinct handbook includes more than 1,000 entries covering the persons, organizations, campaigns and court cases, goals and achievements, and current and future directions of the feminist movement, 75 percent of which are new and revised from the first edition. This second edition also features a more internationally focused introduction that provides an overview of the history and development of feminism as a movement and as a philosophy. Rounding out this new edition are an expanded chronology, and an updated bibliography that brings attention to many feminist online resources and periodicals, and emphasizes global and third-wave feminism, both new developments in the field since the publication of the first edition. Paying tribute to the struggles of the women, and men, who have worked to change and to improve the living conditions for women in the world, this book promises a comprehensive historical overview for readers of all interest levels.

THE RED BOOK

A DELICIOUSLY UNORTHODOX APPROACH TO IGNITING YOUR DIVINE SPARK

John Wiley & Sons The Red Book is nothing less than a spiritual fire starter -- a combustible cocktail of Hindu Tantra and Zen Buddhism, Rumi and Carl Jung, goddesses and psychics, shaken with cosmic nudges, meaningful subway rides, haircuts, relationships, sex, dreams, and intuition. Author Sera Beak's unique hybrid perspective, hilarious personal anecdotes, and invaluable exercises encourage her readers to live more consciously so they can start making clearer choices across the board, from careers to relationships, politics to pop culture and everything in between. For smart, gutsy, spiritually curious women whose colorful and complicated lives aren't reflected in most spirituality books, The Red Book is an open invitation to find your true self and start sharing that delicious truth with the world.

WHAT IT WAS ALL ABOUT

A NOVEL ABOUT FEMINISM AND THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT

iUniverse The year is 1970: The Supreme Court has legalized abortion, Equal Pay for Equal Work is now the law, and Affirmative Action programs attempt to redress past injustices and inequities. Women are coming together nationwide in consciousness-raising groups, sharing their knowledge and experiences with each other. A group of six women in Stentoria, California bond through such a group, and support each other as women in this new Movement are forming collectives; publishing their own books and periodicals; creating an exciting new genre of Womens Music; as well as starting their own bookstores, to make these new materials readily available to the community. New spiritual movements focused on the Divine Feminine principle are also beginning. Even some men are sympathetic and supportive of these ideals. But as the 1980s arrive, the situation changes: the backlash against the womens movement in politics and the media seemingly turns into a full-fledged war, specifically targeting the gains that women have achieved. Opposition from traditional religions hardens, and womens reproductive rights come under renewed attack; the Equal Rights Amendment fails, even as women themselves debate controversial questions: such as banning pornography, and how to view a rising Third Wave of the womens movement. Ominously, the threat of AIDS seemingly brings the era of sexual freedom to a close. The six women deal with all these issues, as well as personal challenges including balancing work and family responsibilities. As the new century begins, they reflect about what the womens movement ultimately accomplished. In a world now characterized by growing economic inequality, increasing low self-esteem for some women (exemplified by cosmetic surgery and extreme makeovers), legalized same-sex marriage, and media attention to Transgender issues, this book may help you to appreciate not only how far weve come, but how far we have yet to go.

SHE IS EVERYWHERE! VOL. 2

AN ANTHOLOGY OF WRITINGS IN WOMANIST/FEMINIST SPIRITUALITY

iUniverse Splendid, spiritual, and subversive, this anthology offers a sampler of just some of the feminisms emerging in academic seminars, street demonstrations for justice, and places where people are reclaiming their ancestral values. She Is Everywhere! Vol. 2 is comprised of international essays, poems, and works of art from the growing community of women and men who recognize Her and feel Her call to expression in many forms. This unique volume presents a fresh look at women in the Judeo-Christian Bible, in the Koran, and in the kaleidoscopic beauty of the world's women from her signs in caves, cliffs, and forests to her many faces, manifestations, and hidden places. Celebrate woman's spirituality, her colors, her islands and continents, her rages and blessings in weather, her silences, and her surprising epiphanies. She Is Everywhere! Vol. 2 leads the contemporary cultural and political nonviolent revolution for a radically democratic and harmonious world full of compassion, equality, and transformation!

RADICAL WISDOM

A FEMINIST MYSTICAL THEOLOGY

Fortress Press Lanzetta illuminates the transformative potential of the classical tradition of women mystics, especially in light of contemporary violence against women around the world. Focusing on the contemplative process as women's journey from oppression to liberation, Lanzetta draws especially on the mysticism of Julian of Norwich and Teresa of Avila. She lays out the contemplative techniques used by mystics to achieve their highest spiritual potential and also investigates how unjust social and political conditions afflict women's souls. Lanzetta identifies a specific historical female mystical path (the via feminina) and draws contemporary conclusions for how women might understand their bodies, their rights, and their ethics.

WOMEN SUICIDE BOMBERS

NARRATIVES OF VIOLENCE

Routledge This book offers an evaluation of female suicide bombers through postcolonial, Third World, feminist, and human-rights framework, drawing on case studies from conflicts in Palestine, Sri Lanka, and Chechnya, among others.

SCENES OF THE APPLE

FOOD AND THE FEMALE BODY IN NINETEENTH- AND TWENTIETH-CENTURY WOMEN'S WRITING

State University of New York Press Examines the rich and multiple meanings of food in women's writing.

THE GRASINSKI GIRLS

THE CHOICES THEY HAD AND THE CHOICES THEY MADE

Ohio University Press Annotation Using the oral histories of her mother and aunts, Erdmans explores the private lives of these working-class women in the post-World War II generation and shows how gender, class, ethnicity, and religion shaped their choices.

STILL LISTENING

NEW HORIZONS IN SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Church Publishing, Inc. Interest in the practice of spiritual direction has grown in recent years. With the increased number of people seeking direction have come a number of new issues confronting spiritual directors. This volume of essays by seasoned spiritual directors from a variety of faith traditions addresses issues of concern to directors today such as direction with: abused persons, the poor, church drop-outs, and gays and lesbians. Other essays look at spiritual direction in new contexts, such as the congregational setting, the corporate arena, spiritual direction and generational issues, and direction at the turn of the century. The final section of the book addresses some specific circumstances: working with the addicted, with those who are dying, using art in spiritual direction, and direction and social justice. Contributors include: Joseph D. Driskill (Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, CA); Juan Reed (Chicago, IL); Rich Rossiter (Oak Park, IL); Sandra Lommason (Davis, CA); Howard Rice (Santa Rosa, CA); Tom Cashman (Federal Way, WA); Steven Charleston, Episcopal Divinity School; Barry Woodbridge (Rancho Cucamonga, CA); Margaret Guenther (Washington, D.C.); Betsy Caprio Hedburg (Culver City, CA) and Kenneth Leech, (London), Janet Ruffing, and Norvene Vest. The Spiritual Directors International Series - This book is part of a special series produced by Morehouse Publishing in cooperation with Spiritual Directors International (SDI), a global network of some 6,000 spiritual directors and members.

BORN BREECH INTO COVENANT: THE EXPERIENCE OF MOTHER

Xlibris Corporation Each of us has a lifetime in which to discover our way to belong within our particular experience of times and events. Instead of an operating manual, our families and cultures give us expectations for who we are and what is our place in the world. This is the story of my journey into the calling of motherhood that I did not understand and struggled to reject. Conscientious wrestling with the experiences of motherhood eventually taught me how entangled love and anger can be and how suffering is inseparable from both. Finally a deeper call to love confronted me.

WHITE FIRE

A PORTRAIT OF WOMEN SPIRITUAL LEADERS IN AMERICA

SkyLight Paths Publishing Gives voice and image to the women who are changing America's spiritual landscape, including pioneering minister Bishop Leontine Kelly, Yoruba priestess Luisa Teish, media star Iyanla Vanzant, best-selling author Marianne Williamson, ashram leader Ma Jaya, and many other women who lead traditional and nontraditional communities.

LIVING LANDSCAPES

MEDITATIONS ON THE FIVE ELEMENTS IN HINDU, BUDDHIST, AND JAIN YOGAS

State University of New York Press Explores the role of meditation on the five elements in the practice of Yoga. In *Living Landscapes*, Christopher Key Chapple looks at the world of ritual as enacted in three faiths of India. He begins with an exploration of the relationship between the body and the world as found in the cosmological cartography of Sāṃkhya philosophy, which highlights the interplay between consciousness (*puruṣa*) and activity (*prakṛti*), a process that gives rise to earth, water, fire, air, and space. He then turns to the progressive explication of these five great elements in Buddhism, Jainism, Advaita, Tantra, and Haṭha Yoga, and includes translations from the Vedas and the Purāṇas of Hinduism, the Buddhist and Jain Sūtras, and select animal fables from early Hinduism, Buddhism, and Jainism. Chapple also describes his own pilgrimages to the Great Stupa at Shambhala Mountain Center in Colorado, the five elemental temples (*pañcamahābhūta mandir*) in south India, and the Jaina cosmology complex in Hastinapur. An appendix with practical instructions that integrate Yoga postures with meditative reflections on the five elements is included. Christopher Key Chapple is Doshi Professor of Indic and Comparative Theology at Loyola Marymount University. He is the author or editor of many books, including *Yoga and the Luminous: Patañjali's Spiritual Path to Freedom and Engaged Emancipation: Mind, Morals, and Make-Believe in the Mokṣopāya (Yogavāsiṣṭha)* (coedited with Arindam Chakrabarti), both also published by SUNY Press.

LILITH'S FIRE

RECLAIMING OUR SACRED LIFEFORCE

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DANCING IDENTITY

METAPHYSICS IN MOTION

University of Pittsburgh Press Combining critical analysis with personal history and poetry, *Dancing Identity* presents a series of interconnected essays composed over a period of fifteen years. Taken as a whole, these meditative reflections on memory and on the ways we perceive and construct our lives represent Sondra Fraleigh's journey toward self-definition as informed by art, ritual, feminism, phenomenology, poetry, autobiography, and-always-dance. Fraleigh's brilliantly inventive fusions of philosophy and movement clarify often complex philosophical issues and apply them to dance history and aesthetics. She illustrates her discussions with photographs, dance descriptions, and stories from her own past in order to bridge dance with everyday movement. Seeking to recombine the fractured and bifurcated conceptions of the body and of the senses that dominate much Western discourse, she reveals how metaphysical concepts are embodied and presented in dance, both on stage and in therapeutic settings. Examining the role of movement in personal and political experiences, Fraleigh reflects on her major influences, including Moshe Feldenkrais, Kazuo Ohno, and Twyla Tharp. She draws on such varied sources as philosophers Simone de Beauvoir and Martin Heidegger, the German expressionist dancer Mary Wigman, Japanese Butoh founder Tatsumi Hijikata, Hitler, the Bomb, Miss America, Balanchine, and the goddess figure of ancient cultures. *Dancing Identity* offers new insights into modern life and its reconfigurations in postmodern dance.

SURPRISED BY GOD

HOW I LEARNED TO STOP WORRYING AND LOVE RELIGION

Beacon Press At thirteen, Danya Ruttenberg decided that she was an atheist. Watching the sea of adults standing up and sitting down at Rosh Hashanah services, and apparently giving credence to the patently absurd truth-claims of the prayer book, she came to a conclusion: Marx was right. As a young adult, Danya immersed herself in the rhinestone-bedazzled wonderland of late-1990s San Francisco-attending Halloweens on the Castro, drinking smuggled absinthe with wealthy geeks, and plotting the revolution with feminist zinemakers. But she found herself yearning for something she would eventually call God. As she began inhaling countless stories of spiritual awakenings of Catholic saints, Buddhist nuns, medieval mystics, and Hasidic masters, she learned that taking that yearning seriously would require much of her. *Surprised by God* is a religious coming-of-age story, from the mosh pit to the Mission District and beyond. It's the memoir of a young woman who found, lost, and found again communities of like-minded seekers, all the while taking a winding, semi-reluctant path through traditional Jewish practice that eventually took her to the rabbinate. It's a post-dotcom, third-wave, punk-rock Seven Storey Mountain-the story of integrating life on the edge of the twenty-first century into the discipline of traditional Judaism without sacrificing either. It's also a map through the hostile territory of the inner life, an unflinchingly honest guide to the kind of work that goes into developing a spiritual practice in today's world-and why, perhaps, doing this in today's world requires more work than it ever has.

DEEP ECOLOGY AND WORLD RELIGIONS

NEW ESSAYS ON SACRED GROUND

State University of New York Press Parallels and contrasts values from world religions and those proposed by the environmental perspective of deep ecology.

REVEAL

A SACRED MANUAL FOR GETTING SPIRITUALLY NAKED

Hay House, Inc Harvard-trained theologian Meggan Watterson marched out of her church at age ten. With little-girl clarity, she knew something tremendously crucial was missing...the voices of women. Watterson became a theologian and a pilgrim to the divine feminine to find the missing stories and images of women's spiritual voices. She knew women's voices had never been silenced, just buried. But what she truly sought was her own spiritual voice inside her—the one veiled beneath years of self-doubt. At a sacred site

of the Black Madonna in Europe, Watterson had a revelation that changed her. Rather than transcending the body, denying or ignoring it, being spiritual for her meant accepting her body as sacred. Only then, Watterson realized could she hear the voice of unfaltering love inside her- the voice of her soul. With passion, humor, and brutal honesty, Watterson draws on ancient stories and lesser-known texts of the divine feminine, like The Gospel of Mary Magdalene, making them modern and accessible to reveal the spiritual process she went through. She suggests that being spiritual is simply about stripping down to the truth of who we really are. Through her extensive work with women, Watterson found that she was not alone. There are countless women who long for a spirituality that encourages embodiment rather than denies it, that inspires them to abandon their fears but never themselves, and to be led by the audacious and fiercely loving voice of truth inside them. No matter where you rest on the spectrum of spirituality; religious or secular, devout believer or chronic doubter, freelance mystic or borderline agnostic, this story is about the desire in all of us to want to shed everything that holds us back. *Reveal* provides what religions have left out—the spiritual voice of a woman who has claimed her body as sacred—a woman who has found the divine insider her. In essence, this is a manual for revealing your soul. "I have spent the majority of my life gathering stories of the divine feminine. Each time before getting my masters degrees in theology and divinity, I went on a pilgrimage to sacred sites of the divine feminine throughout Europe. The first one was with a group and the second was on my own... The stories of the divine feminine, of Christianity's Mary Magdalene, Catholicism's Black Madonna, Hinduism's Kali ma, and Buddhism's Green Tara for example, allowed me to begin to see that I wasn't as much of a spiritual misfit as I had thought. There was a red thread that became visible to me that ran through so many of the world religions, especially through their mystics, relating that the way to find the divine is to go within. And, that our potential to be transformed by going inward is exactly the same whether we are a man or a woman. The real barometer of our spiritual potential is not our sex, but the commitment of our desire to want to encounter the divine." Excerpt from *Reveal*

SOMETHING GREATER

CULTURE, FAMILY, AND COMMUNITY AS LIVING STORY

Wipf and Stock Publishers Every day, Americans rub shoulders with the cultures of the world--on the sidewalks of their cities and, increasingly, in small towns and rural areas. As civil discourse becomes increasingly divisive, many long for our nation to better deal with its diversity. Yet Americans also wonder how far the nation can stretch to embrace diversity and still maintain an identity. Ethnic and faith communities, Americans of many varieties, share a fear of losing their traditions. Will the next generation still honor the values of caring for others and contributing to community life? The psychology of individualism that underlies American life is no longer adequate to guide a future filled with diversity. America's children may have wings to soar into the future, but they lack roots connecting them to a shared heritage. *Something Greater* explores the impact of individualism on American child-rearing practices, and its inability to deal with diversity while sustaining life together in families and communities. By contrasting the intergenerational values of biblical and Chinese communities and current infant research with her own experiences in San Francisco's Chinatown, the author reveals how the living stories of heritage that lie at the heart of human development speak to a deep American hunger for shared values and connectedness in family and community.

HEALING THE SOUL AFTER RELIGIOUS ABUSE: THE DARK HEAVEN OF RECOVERY

THE DARK HEAVEN OF RECOVERY

ABC-CLIO Recent scandals of clergy sexual abuse have brought attention to the victims and their responses to and recovery from their abuse. But few have considered the effect of the abuse on a victim's soul and religious outlook and beliefs. *Healing the Soul after Religious Abuse*, offers a unique perspective of recovery and restoration of the soul after religious abuse. The author argues that religious abuse often stops not only psychological growth, but also inward development. The effect is not simply emotional, because the devastation reaches to the core of the spirit. Often there is no place for a God of love or a love of what once was divine. Through a series of personal interviews with persons from the five major religions, Rauch considers various ways that religion can do harm. The stories told in this book include the road to restoration in the wake of institutional abuse and how inner experience is sometimes confused with religious training; the sacred task of spiritual leadership and how to restore trust when there has been a violation; an exploration of sacrifice and a clarification of the notion of shame; a look at the impact of religious bigotry in the areas of race, sexuality, and tolerance; an overview of sexuality and the place it holds in both celibate and family life; the pernicious issue of clergy sexual abuse and the signs of spiritual trauma in response to such violation; a roadmap for restoration and a challenge to religious institutions; and, lastly, ways to reclaim the sacred and rewire the spirit. Through interviews, research, and personal stories, the author tells a story of recovery of the most delicate kind, offering pathways through the dark night of religious violation to a restoration of the soul and its immense possibilities.

WOMEN, SPIRITUALITY, AND TRANSFORMATIVE LEADERSHIP

WHERE GRACE MEETS POWER

SkyLight Paths Publishing Presents essays that explore leadership and spirituality in order to inspire women, regardless of their spiritual tradition, to unite and become spiritual leaders.

SEX, LIES, AND RABBIS: BREAKING A SACRED TRUST

AuthorHouse *Sex, Lies, and Rabbis: Breaking a Sacred Trust* by Charlotte Rolnick Schwab, Ph.D. is a powerful book, a combination of memoir and nonfiction, about what happens when clergy, specifically, rabbis, are deified. It is about the betrayal and the cover up of the betrayal of teen aged girls and women by male rabbis, and thereby, the betrayal of these rabbis wives, families, congregations, communities, denominations, and all Judaism. Two murders are connected to rabbis sexual abuse. One rabbi is awaiting retrial for allegedly hiring a hit man to murder his wife because of his sexual misconduct. This author writes about her own frightening, shocking experience as the wife of a rabbi-perpetrator of sexual abuse of other women, his violence toward her, and threat to kill her if she told about his nefarious double life. The book delineates in one volume: the crisis in the rabbinate, in congregational Judaism; what needs to be done to bring about healing and change; gives description of cases of rabbis sexual abuse as told to the author (these cases are all composites; the victims/survivors identities are disguised), and as reported in the media, including the two murders related to rabbis sexual abuse; the alarming extent of this problem; outlines policies that synagogues and denominations need to adopt; provides definitions of sexual abuse; discusses the kinds of personalities of rabbis which can lead to rabbis becoming sexual predators; and offers some suggestions for prevention. The book offers a Resources List and extensive Bibliography, including articles from Jewish and secular newspapers around the country, about rabbis sexual abuse. The book provides a healing program geared toward Jewish victims/survivors or rabbis sexual abuse; it can be adapted for victims/survivors of abuse by other clergy and of other kinds of abuse, including abuse by batterers. Women who suffered abuse of any kind will find this book validating and helpful for healing and recovery. "12 Steppers" will be especially interested in this book. The book is helpful to people of all religions who are experiencing the crisis of their religious authorities sexual abuse and covering up of that abuse, including Buddhists, Catholics, and Protestants. It is an urgent read for all Jewish people concerned about the safety of their teen aged children and women, and about the future of their religious organizations and communities. Books have been written about Catholic priests and Protestant ministers and sexual abuse; this is the first about rabbis sexual abuse. Rabbis Arthur Gross-Schaefer and Marcia Zimmerman, and Rev. Nils Friberg praise the book on the book jacket. Maj-Britt Rosenbaum, MD, psychiatrist and former Director of the Long Island Hillside Medical Center Sexuality Center, wrote the Preface. Gary Schoener, Ph.D., clinical psychologist, who treat both clergy-perpetrators and victims, wrote the Foreword.

HE'S JUST NO GOOD FOR YOU

A GUIDE TO GETTING OUT OF A DESTRUCTIVE RELATIONSHIP

Rowman & Littlefield Woman-to-woman advice on identifying—and dumping—bad news guys No one is immune when it comes to destructive relationships. Even smart women can be gaslighted by men who appear supportive in public but are belittling in private, after which, worse yet, they assert that you're upset for no reason, that you're simply imagining the verbal abuse and incremental death of your spirit. In *He's Just No Good for You*, best-selling author Beth Wilson, with psychologist Dr. Maureen Hannah, zeroes in on the heart of the matter—women's well-being and self-worth—and sets forth a clear vision of just what a healthy relationship looks like. She also instructs women of all ages on installing "early detection" warning systems in their brains. As for those women already enmeshed in a destructive relationship, this book, with its reassuring, empowering style, can assist in identifying the problem, deciding whether to leave or to stay, and then acting on that decision. Most books about bad relationships focus on compatibility or domestic violence. *He's Just No Good for You* is for all women who have found themselves wondering if the "great" guy others see at their side is in fact not so great—or worse. Wilson explores the anatomy of a destructive relationship and provides clear profiles of bad news individuals. And she shows women how they can move beyond the grasp of a harmful relationship by taking a candid look at their priorities, their circumstances, and themselves. Drawing on the wisdom and insight Wilson has long utilized in her thriving private practice, and building on her previous best-selling books, along with Dr. Hannah's professional expertise, *He's Just No Good for You* offers women a new path. Women want more out of relationships—and this book shows them that they can have it.

THE AWAKENING

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THE USES OF DARKNESS

WOMEN'S UNDERWORLD JOURNEYS, ANCIENT AND MODERN

University of Notre Dame Press Laurie Brands Gagné believes the image of God as stern Father or Judge has done much damage over the centuries and has engendered a sense of shame and guilt, especially in women. She sees our own civilization as one that is cut off from the natural world and from the precious part of ourselves that is earthy and sensual. In *The Uses of Darkness: Women's Underworld Journeys, Ancient and Modern*, Gagné explores women's journeys through the underworld to reclaim the wisdom and sensuality contained in these stories for heirs of the God the Father tradition. She looks at the ancient stories of Inanna, Demeter, and Psyche and the reflections of these archetypal figures in the work of women such as Sylvia Plath, Joan Didion, Mary Gordon, Virginia Woolf, and Etty Hillesum to illustrate that the alternative tradition these journey stories represent has much to offer modern Christians. Gagné successfully demonstrates that only by turning to confront the mystery that has been obscured by the image of God as stern Father or Judge can a woman raised in the Christian tradition acquire a sense of self strong enough to integrate experiences of profound loss. Most importantly, by drawing on the wisdom of the goddess tradition, both men and women are able to effect a more meaningful reappropriation of Christianity. Gagné's examination of the dark experience of the underworld in the goddess tradition discovers the elements of all spiritual journeys: self-transcendence followed by self-transformation. Anyone who has struggled with love and loss and whose spirit has been suppressed by the image of God as Judge, yet who will not reject Christianity, will benefit from this work.

GROW - THE MODERN WOMAN'S HANDBOOK

Hay House, Inc Learning to juggle career and relationships, while living a healthy, fulfilled life, has created a whole new set of circumstances unique to the modern woman. At the same time, we're living in a world that needs the balance of feminine energy at its most powerful to create a sustainable, positive future for humankind. Lynne Franks's new book, *GROW*, is aimed at women of all ages who wish to get back in touch with their feminine center, where they remember how to connect, first, with themselves and the divine; second with their families and loved ones, and third with their local and global communities. It's an encyclopedic examination of all of the issues that face a woman of the 21st century, including health and well-being, spirituality, career, relationship, sexuality, family, community, and social change. *GROW*, based on the colorful format of Lynne's previous work, *The SEED Handbook*, contains fun exercises, stories, and guidance to take you through a ten-part program to enable you to reach the Gorgeous Real Original Woman inside and find your life's purpose.

PASSIONATE SPIRITUALITY

HILDEGARD OF BINGEN AND HADEWIJCH OF BRABANT

Paulist Press "Passionate Spirituality explores the roots and meanings of passion in Western culture, and then examines how passion is expressed in the works of two medieval women mystics - Hildegard of Bingen and Hadewijch of Brabant - and in the lives of contemporary Christians seeking to deepen their own spiritual journeys. Too often, the term "passion" is associated only with steamy films, sexual, sin, and emotional excess - cutting off the breadth of its meaning and expression for positive good. But the great mystics succeed precisely because they hold together both the affective and the intellectual aspects of the spiritual life in creative and convincing ways. Their accounts of their mystical experience are important resources for information and understanding about how to talk about God more formally, and for what it means to be passionately in love with God and the world."--BOOK JACKET.Title Summary field provided by Blackwell North America, Inc. All Rights Reserved

THE PASSIONATE TORAH

SEX AND JUDAISM

NYU Press In this unique collection of essays, some of today's smartest Jewish thinkers explore a broad range of fundamental questions in an effort to balance ancient tradition and modern sexuality. In the last few decades a number of factors—post-modernism, feminism, queer liberation, and more—have brought discussion of sexuality to the fore, and with it a whole new set of questions that challenge time-honored traditions and ways of thinking. For Jews of all backgrounds, this has often led to an unhappy standoff between tradition and sexual empowerment. Yet as *The Passionate Torah* illustrates, it is of critical importance to see beyond this apparent conflict if Jews are to embrace both their religious beliefs and their sexuality. With incisive essays from contemporary rabbis, scholars, thinkers, and writers, this collection not only surveys the challenges that sexuality poses to Jewish belief, but also offers fresh new perspectives and insights on the changing place of sexuality within Jewish theology—and Jewish lives. Covering topics such as monogamy, inter-faith relationships, reproductive technology, homosexuality, and a host of other hot-button issues, these writings consider how contemporary Jews can engage themselves, their loved ones, and their tradition in a way that's both sexy and sanctified. Seeking to deepen the Jewish conversation about sexuality, *The Passionate Torah* brings together brilliant thinkers in an attempt to bridge the gap between the sacred and the sexual. Contributors: Rebecca Alpert, Wendy Love Anderson, Judith R. Baskin, Aryeh Cohen, Elliot Dorff, Esther Fuchs, Bonna Haberman, Elliot Kukla, Gail Labovitz, Malka Landau, Sarra Lev, Laura Levitt, Sara Meiorowitz, Jay Michaelson, Haviva Ner-David, Danya Ruttenberg, Naomi Seidman, and Arthur Waskow.

STATIONS OF THE BANQUET

FAITH FOUNDATIONS FOR FOOD JUSTICE

Liturgical Press A Scripture-based exploration of the Christian story of salvation as a food story which provides nourishment for those engaged in living out the food and justice challenges of the Gospel. The book highlights the power of our Biblical and theological traditions to name the root issues of our day, shape our hope and define the horizons for action. It is a resource for study and prayer. The author explores in her ministry how individuals and parishes may live out the food and justice dimensions of the Gospel.

BECOMING YOUR OWN HERO

Paul & Freshman Partnership Our most revered heroes, such as Jesus, Gandhi and Martin Luther King, distinguished themselves by their ability to remain true to themselves even when facing adversity. Whenever we exhibit this kind of integrity we feel like our own hero, writes Dr. Jordan Paul in his latest book, *BECOMING YOUR OWN HERO*. It is available to us all but, he adds, even our inspirational heroes usually have not shown us the way to apply this principle in our close interpersonal relationships. Now, Dr. Paul, co-author of the national best-seller, *Do I Have to Give Up Me to Be Loved by You?*, fills this gap. By showing us how to respond to difficulties in ways that do not compromise our own integrity or that of others, he provides a guide to finding greater fulfillment in relationships with ourselves, significant others, children, friends, and co-workers.

RESTLESS SOULS

THE MAKING OF AMERICAN SPIRITUALITY

Univ of California Press Yoga classes and Zen meditation, New-Age retreats and nature mysticism—all are part of an ongoing religious experimentation that has surprisingly deep roots in American history. Tracing out the country's Transcendentalist and cosmopolitan religious impulses over the last two centuries, *Restless Souls* explores America's abiding romance with spirituality as religion's better half. Now in its second edition, including a new preface, Leigh Eric Schmidt's fascinating book provides a rich account of how this open-road spirituality developed in American culture in the first place as well as a sweeping survey of the liberal religious movements that touted it and ensured its continued vitality.

FEMINIST COMPANION TO JOHN

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