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## Leaning Into Love

WHEN A CASSEROLE OR A GREETING CARD ISN'T ENOUGH. Grief is one of life's toughest challenges. During such times it is difficult to know where to turn. Yet in the midst of your deepest despair, God reveals Himself and His promises for a better tomorrow. The NIV Hope in the Mourning Bible works to bring a peaceful sense—in the midst of the coldest winter—that spring will one day come again. The collection of devotions and prayers warmly offer inspiration and hope based in God's Word and his promises to those who have lost loved ones. This Bible emphasizes the love and hope that your Lord has for you even during your darkest days. Features • Complete text of the NIV, the world's most popular modern-English Bible • Daily devotions written for and by those who have experienced the loss of a loved one or who are helping a loved one through extended terminal illness • A prayer appendix featuring 52 prayers based on the book of Psalms • Short reflections and song lyrics for meditation • Resources list containing information for those seeking additional help

## Spiritual Direction

Will we see our loved ones again? Do they see or hear us? Who are we and why are we here? Is there a purpose to this world, so full of sickness, fear, hate, and guilt? How do we get off the birth and death cycle? How will the world end? Will that be the end of us? Synchronicity, Spirit Visitations and Communications, an NDE, Repetitive and Lucid Dreams, Voices in the Night, and Out of Body Travel, all contributed to the journey. Many books read and reread, repeatedly redirected back to the one book providing the ultimate Spirit Communication A Course In Miracles. Grief - A Spiritual Journey to Enlightenment will take you on a personal journey of healing, self-discovery, clarity, enlightenment, transformation and guidance onto a direct path Home. Jeanette described her grief as "My chest being

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ripped open by a pack of hungry wolves, insidiously, relentlessly gnawing and shredding my heart." "The seemingly orchestrated circumstances and timing of my husband's death culminated with the realization that it was the greatest gift of Love to my Soul."

### **Griefwise**

The Journey of a Christian Counselor is written for the individual who feels drawn by the Holy Spirit to counsel, with or without formal training in the profession. It is a story within a story, a chronology of the spiritual and professional journey of a young woman searching for the meaning of a vision that she saw at the birth of her son. This vision changed her life, but it was not until the brutal death of her son that she gained the courage to release the vision and accept its purpose in her life.

### **The Helping Professional's Guide to End-of-Life Care**

This is a self-help resource for bereaved persons who are looking for sound, comprehensive grief education to assist in the necessary and often painful work of grief. Suggestions for how to use this information can be found below. The content of this resource is designed and intended for educational and informational purposes only. It should not be considered personal, professional advice, nor should it be used as a substitute for professional care. Because each person's reactions to grief are different, I recommend you consult with a health-care professional—physician, nurse, counselor, clergy—for assurance that my information and your interpretation of it is applicable in your situation.

### **NIV, Hope in the Mourning Bible, eBook**

Many people today do not have a traditional or formal way to address grief. Yet people who experience the death of a loved one crave emotional support and ways to work through their grief and loss. The Grief Train provides a gentle, spiritual, non-religious approach to grief. You never know when The Grief Train will stop at your station, however you can be ready and accepting when it arrives.

### **The Journey Into Spirit**

Journey from Grief is Andi Fraley's first book and is an insightful portrayal of a major life challenge we all will experience eventually. One morning while on holiday, the shocking and unexpected loss of her fiancé forever changed her life. This point in time marked the beginning of her story and the day her struggle with grief began. His death sent her entire physical, mental, and emotional constructs of life into a tumultuous rollercoaster of bewilderment and disbelief. Culminating with severe vertigo and symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder, she considered all options, including suicide, as an alternative to living the rest of her life, forever in grief. In these pages, she discusses the sensitive issues embedded in death, loss, and grief, and the energy and fear these issues hold over us. She takes us through the trials and tribulations of her personal grieving process, so we may learn ways to heal, rather than become a victim of life's circumstances. It is her wish to share her experience and provide support to others who are making

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their own journeys from grief. She offers deeply personal insight to help understand what you, your family member, or your friend may be struggling with or keeping locked inside during grief and major life struggle. No one needs to suffer alone or resist a life transformation unwittingly. If you are suffering from a devastating loss of a loved one, a career, financial downfall, or even facing retirement, Journey from Grief will be your companion in healing to encourage and promote discussion with your innermost fears and thoughts. With stillness and insight, everyone may find light within the darkest days and love that lasts forever.

### **Journey with Grief**

Spirituality.

### **When Your Child Is Grieving**

This is the key text for introductory level nursing, covering all the core areas. Practical and great value, it is comprehensive and also contains new chapters on cutting edge topics. Alongside an all-new companion website, this is an outstanding edition for CFP study from a tried and trusted team.

### **The Spiritual Lives of Bereaved Parents**

Nearly half of people at the end of life will receive hospice care, but few psychologists, nurses, physicians, chaplains, and hospice workers have been trained specifically to recognize and address the psychological, social, and emotional issues that may arise in patients who are dying. Patients in the midst of advanced terminal illness may experience a variety of distressing emotions, and may feel anxious, frightened, regretful, or desperate. This guide was created specifically to guide helping professionals of all kinds through the process of working through patients' psychological issues to allow them peace and comfort in their final moments. The Helping Professional's Guide to End-of-Life Care clarifies the spiritual and emotional care that patients need and presents an evidence-based approach integrating cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT), transpersonal psychotherapy, hypnosis, mindfulness, and guided imagery to help patients manage emotional distress at the end of life. Through case conceptualizations and detailed treatment planning guidance, readers learn to formulate comprehensive assessment and treatment plans for patients and gain skills that will help them manage the emotional intensity of this work. This secular, professional treatment model can be applied to patients of any religious or spiritual background. The book also addresses integrating the patient's therapeutic team with the medical team, addressing the emotional needs of friends and family of the dying, crisis intervention for suicidal patients, working with clients on psychotropic medications, and how helping professionals can manage their own emotions to become more effective clinicians.

### **Reflections on Grief and Spiritual Growth**

Along comes a global pandemic coronavirus, COVID-19, and our world is turned upside down. Can the idea of samsara shed any light on all this terrible suffering,

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turmoil and change? Are we all travelling around the ever-turning cycle of samsara, being born, dying, then reborn - again, and again, and again? Does our life, the things that happen to us, and our death, have any meaning? What do Hinduism, Buddhism, and samsara tell us about suffering, life and death? Could spiritual dimensions exist or do we live in a purely material universe? What is consciousness and does it die when our bodies die? Are rebirth or reincarnation even possible? Can we have spirituality without religion? What, if anything, might spirituality or religion mean in a turbulent and unpredictable twenty-first century? Do mysticism, psychedelics, science and quantum physics offer clues to any of these questions? Take a journey with the author through the fascinating cultures of Nepal, India, Bali and Cambodia and explore their rich traditions of Hinduism, Buddhism and samsara. Part exploration of spirituality and religion, part travel adventure to places of astonishing diversity, this book will get you thinking about your own beliefs, life and death, and where those might fit in to a bigger picture.

### **Lead Me Home:**

This book describes how parents lose, find, or relocate spiritual anchors after the death of their child. It describes how ordinary people reconstruct their lives after their foundations have shifted, and how they make sense of their world after one of their centers of meaning has been removed. Klass grounds his descriptions of spirituality in his scholarly study of comparative religions, and in his two decades studying the lives of bereaved parents. He argues that continuing bonds with their dead children can give parents a new transcendent reality. Deceased children, like saints or bodhisattvas, can offer a bridge between the profane and sacred worlds, support parents as they find meaning in a world made forever poorer, and bind together a community adequate to parents' grief. The book reports Klass's clinical practice and his work as advisor to a bereaved parents self-help support group.

### **The Grief Train: A Healing Journey of Love, Loss and Renewal**

This volume is directed towards professionals who work in the fields concerning death and dying. These professionals must perceive the needs of people with cultural patterns which are different from the "standard and dominant" patterns in the United States and Canada. Accordingly, the book includes illustrative episodes and in-depth presentations of selected "ethnic patterns".; Each of the "ethnic chapters" is written by an author who shares the cultural traditions the chapter describes. Other chapters examine multicultural issues and provide the means for personal reflection on death and dying. There are also two bibliographic sections, one general and one geared towards children. The text is divided into three sections - Cross-Cultural and Personal perspectives, Dying, Death, and Grief Among Selected Ethnic Communities, and Reflections and Conclusions.; The book is aimed at those in the fields of clinical psychology, grief therapy, sociology, nursing, social and health care work.

### **The Journey Through Grief and Loss**

In her earlier books, Susan Kavalier-Adler identified healthy mourning for traumas and life changes as an essential aspect of successful analysis, and drew the

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distinction between a healthy acceptance of mourning as part of development and pathological mourning, which 'fixes' a patient at an unhealthy stage of development. This new book brings such distinctions into the consulting room, exploring how a successful analyst can help patients to utilise mourning for past troubles to move them forward to a lasting change for the better, emotionally, psychically and erotically. The author also tackles the controversial issue of spirituality in psychoanalysis, and explores how psychoanalysis can help patients come to terms with difficult issues in a time of great psychic and spiritual disturbance. These themes are brought to life via two richly detailed case studies.

### **Stepping Stones to Jewish Spiritual Living**

Provides insights and answers to such questions as, what is faith, why does God allow evil and suffering, and is it wrong to doubt or to question

### **From Grief to Grace**

When a loved one dies, we embark on a journey that is marked by anguish, confusion, fear, and loneliness. For African Americans, the grief journeys often includes more complicated and painful emotions: frustration with the knowledge that black men and women have a greater chance of dying from major common diseases than their white counterparts; anger at the frequency of drug- and violence-related deaths; and the collective grief of a community that has buried too many of its young people. In *Lead Me Home*, Carleen Brice gently guides you through the strange terrain of grief to the promise of home—a place where we have not only survived our losses, but are wiser and stronger because of them. She shares her personal story of loss and recovery, as well as the stories of others, so that you will know you are not alone. Here are practical tips for making difficult passage, as well as spiritual inspiration for helping you hang on until you make it to welcoming shores.

### **Foundations of Nursing Practice**

This sensitive and compassionate book provides older people who are nearing the end of life and their loved ones, as well as the professionals who work with them, with a greater depth of understanding of spiritual issues surrounding death and dying. Illustrated with the experiences of many older people, it explores important themes such as grief and loss; fear; pain, distress and suffering; acceptance; transcendence; prayer; the healing of relationships; and intimacy, and shows that the final journey towards death can be one of the most spiritually meaningful times in the life of an older person - a time in which there is still hope, and in which the person who is dying and their loved ones can grow spiritually, strengthened by the difficult times they face together. Spiritual issues for older people with dementia who are nearing the end of life are also explored, as are ethical and moral issues in death and dying, and the ways in which bereaved partners and relatives may come to terms with the loss of a loved one. This concise and accessible book will be a valuable resource for those in the caring professions and a rich source of guidance and support for older people who are nearing the end of life and their families.

## **Mourning Journey**

To Heal Your Child's Broken Heart, Start with Hope How can you help your child get through a deeply painful loss—the breakup of a family, the death of a pet, or even the passing of a loved one—especially when you might be dealing with your own grief? God sees your family's pain and longs to walk through it with you. It's one of the reasons He sent His Son, Jesus—to heal our broken hearts. Most important, God wants to give your child hope. Dr. Amy Ford is a licensed professional counselor, professor, and parent who specializes in complex psychological issues, including trauma and grief. She offers spiritual encouragement from God's Word and expert advice to address your child's specific needs. You will gain the wisdom, skills, and practical ideas you need to help your child during this difficult time. Grieving can be a long and difficult process, especially for children, but with God's help and the loving support of friends and family, grief can give way to new life. Your child will get through this...and so will you.

## **Unraveling Grief**

Saying Goodbye: My Spiritual Journey through Death and Dying dares to face the basic reality that so much of modern culture strains itself to deny: everyone who lives will die. The hope and the encouragement come, not in pretending that death will not happen, but in shaping the way in which one says "goodbye" to friends and family. Jean C. West, who sat with her husband and her siblings as they died, draws upon both her experiences and her research to present a guide to assist all who find themselves in the position making or witnessing end-of-life goodbyes. Her advice covers the circumstances of those who are dying and of others who accompany loved ones in their dying. Saying Goodbye describes the common landmarks one encounters in a journey through death and dying. It presents special guidance for circumstances in which children are dying. It talks through the sorts of plans one can make in advance of death. It consoles and supports individuals during the time after a loved one's death. Saying Goodbye: My Spiritual Journey through Death and Dying recognizes that while each person's circumstances and perspective are unique, the common elements of the human experience of death and dying can provide the foundation for saying "goodbye" and for journeying through times of human mortality.

## **Journey From Grief**

## **The Journey of a Christian Counselor**

## **Beyond the Broken Heart: Leader Guide**

A valuable resource for anyone supporting someone who is dying or grieving, this book explores the current understandings in the field of death and dying and interprets them in the context of biblical faith. Answering such questions as Why did this happen? Where is God? What should I say to the bereaved? Will I hurt more than help? and How can I prepare ahead of time? This book enables the dying,

bereaved, and caregivers to find direction and confidence in the teachings of the scriptures and through one's personal relationship with God.

## **From Grief to Gratitude After Pet Loss**

Elaine's story will inspire many women (of 700,000+/year) who deal with losing their husband to death, and often their identity as wife. In their close, loving marriage, both partners could both face his fatal illness with a conscious and realistic attitude, drawing on their longtime commitment to spiritual growth. Elaine welcomes us into her embrace of the love her deep grief expresses, as it opens doors for the person she must become.

## **Finding the Good in Grief**

Don't Get Over It. Get Through It. This book will give you the tools to walk through the process of grief in a healthy way. FEATURES AND BENEFITS Helps readers distinguish between normal and unhealthy grieving Provides practical steps to help readers maintain their physical health, emotional health, and relationships while grieving Offers guidance for working through the crisis of faith grief often brings Gives specific steps the grieving can take toward healing The apostle Paul said Christians do not grieve in the same way as those who do not have hope (1 Thess. 4:13). But that doesn't mean we don't or shouldn't grieve. In *The Christian's Journey Through Grief*, Dr. Carol Peters-Tanksley explores the difference in the Christian's grieving process, showing what a healthy grieving process looks like and how to embrace God's comfort. As one who recently experienced the death of her husband, Dr. Carol speaks authoritatively yet compassionately from both a personal perspective and the perspective of a physician and minister. In this book she addresses: What to expect while grieving What is normal and abnormal grief How to deal with the physical, emotional, and mental aspects of grief How grief affects one's relationship with God Which steps the grieving person can take toward healing How the hope of eternity helps in the journey of grief This book will invite grieving readers to embrace the pain of grief without getting stuck in it, and take God with them on the journey so they can experience hope

## **The Christian's Journey Through Grief**

2019 Illumination Book Awards Bronze Medal Winner. In this small but powerful book, Larry Warner, author of *Journey with Jesus*, thoughtfully and sacrificially opens his soul, gently bringing the reader along on a journey through grief. His story is unique to him, but many of the emotions he suffered and the insights he gained are universal. This book is divided into two sections: a helpful comfort for the grieving, and a guide for those who choose to travel with them. Part One is an explicit, honest description of the abyss that is grief. This section helps to normalize the unprecedented and unpredictable behaviors of grief, encouraging freedom and honesty in the processing of the pain, and offering timely glimmers of hope. Part Two is a straight-forward manual for walking with someone through the abyss: simple, sensible and direct. The role of comforter is not to be taken on lightly; the journey is often long and difficult, but the ministry of presence is profoundly meaningful. This book gives people permission to grieve as they can

and as they must while also equipping others to come alongside those who are hurting in ways that promote healing. This is a book for those who are suffering loss and for those who desire to be a help to those walking through their first year of grief.

## **Angel 54 A Mother's Sacred Journey from Grief to Healing**

On February 4, 2008, Forrest Church sent a letter to the members of his congregation, informing them that he had terminal cancer but promising to sum up his thoughts on the topics that had been so pervasive in his work-love and death. The goal of life, Church tells us, "is to live in such a way that our lives will prove worth dying for." This moving book is imbued with ideas and exemplars for achieving that goal.

## **Palliative Care, Ageing and Spirituality**

Like Marianne Soucy's first book, 'Healing Pet Loss - Practical Steps for Coping and Comforting Messages from Animals and Spirit Guides', this book is based on her own experiences and Sacred Spirit Journeys (a form of shamanic journeying) where she connects with the spirit of animals that are alive, animals in the afterlife, and with spirit guides for healing, guidance and inspiration. Marianne has done many Sacred Spirit Journeys and brought back many beautiful messages from pets in the afterlife to their grieving human companions. In this book she shares some of those messages as well as healing advice also obtained in her spirit journeys. The book's framework is gratitude, and each chapter consists of a Sacred Spirit Journey with healing advice, insights and action steps you can take to heal when you are grieving the loss of your beloved animal companion. May the following quotes from animal companions inspire you and bring you peace: "I came bearing gratitude, and I leave carrying your love in my heart" ~ Minnie, an angel cat about a month before she passed "My life was lived in gratitude. Let gratitude be a way for you to let go of the pain and also a way to connect with me and my light." ~ Jack, an angel dog "With a heart that has opened to love, grief will also find a way in. Allow the grief to be there and let it go hand in hand with your love for me - for one doesn't exclude the other. The grief is an expression of your love. Allow yourself to grieve, in your own way, in your own time." ~ Trixie, an angel dog

## **Grieving Mindfully**

For most of us, mourning is something to be endured. We are often merely passive spectators of our own pain, and we see our grief period as a grim mountain that we must climb over. But Maurice Lamm tells us it can be much more. Bereavement, he says, can often be an enriching experience, even as it is a sorrowful and often tragic one. Our faith in a higher power can move us to not only live through the present but also to stride into the future with renewed energy and a revitalized outlook on life. In this, his sequel to the best-selling *The Jewish Way in Death and Mourning* (over 350,000 copies sold), Rabbi Lamm helps mourners not just get through their grief, but also grow through it. He gently steers mourners on the path that allows their sorrow to teach them important lessons about life. And he shows consolers how to listen and speak with their hearts so that they can provide real

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comfort to others. His marvelous insights on the days of shiva, the year of kaddish, and the lovingkindness of others reveal the richness and true purpose of Jewish mourning rituals and customs. They prepare us to receive consolation and ready us for the journey that will take us beyond grief. His "Words for a Loss When at a Loss for Words" is a treasury of readings for finding and giving comfort by transforming the spiritual ideas of an ancient faith into contemporary language. Here there are stories and fables that illuminate our complicated lives, meditations from the depths of human experience, and a gallery of unforgettable images that speak to our souls during times of loss. Rabbi Lamm's words will help all who walk the path of grief to find their way to consolation--and then beyond, to an appreciation of the blessings and opportunities that present themselves to us when we confront loss. And they can even take us further, to discover the celebrated Jewish art--of wringing blessing out of tragedy.

### **Through a Season of Grief**

Grief is a personal journey, never the same for any two people and as unique as your life and your relationships. Although loss is an inevitable part of life, how you approach this fact can make the difference between meaningless pain and the manifestation of understanding and wisdom. This book describes a mindful approach to dealing with grief that can help you make that difference. By walking this mindful path, you will discover that you are capable of transforming and healing the grief you carry and finding the spiritual and emotional resilience you need to move through this challenging time. These mindfulness practices, explained here in simple and practical language, will help you bear your time of grief. But they will do more than that, too. They will guide you to a life more fully lived, with more meaning. These simple practices will help you experience what richness comes from asking deeper questions about loss and about life.

### **Samsara - The Wheel of Birth, Death and Rebirth**

As a bereaved parent, Los Angeles attorney Baruch Cohen draws on his religious faith as an Orthodox Jew and on his trial advocacy skills, to chart his spiritual journey beyond pain, to grieve and heal properly from his daughter Hindy's death to cancer 14 year ago. Drawing from his penetrating insights into the Torah, Cohen brings hope to the bereaved and those lost in pain, to reclaim happiness from tragedy.

### **Beyond the Broken Heart**

Reflections on Grief and Spiritual Growth includes eighteen reflections by Protestant and Catholic writers, creative voices in the Christian community, who reflect on their experiences with grief and loss as a part of their faith journey. Each writer considers such questions as Ø What lessons and wisdom can be shared from his or her personal experiences with grief? Ø In what ways did these losses shape their lives and spiritual journeys? Ø What counsel does our Christian heritage offer us as we grieve the loss of a parent, spouse, child, marriage, job, or health? Ø How has mourning a loss diminished or deepened one's faith? Ø Have spiritual resources been helpful in addressing the anger, guilt and depression that is often a

part of the grieving process? Ø Has faith been an asset or not as one faces the increasing and cumulative losses of growing older? Ø Have persons experienced spiritual growth or transformation from traumatic losses? An included study guide helps individuals and groups grapple with the reality of grief and loss in the context of their Christian faith so that we may better learn to grieve as those who have hope. Other titles of related interest: Reflections on Aging and Spiritual Growth #0687095190; Reflections on Forgiveness and Spiritual Growth #0687084067; Reflections on Marriage and Spiritual Growth #0687085438.

## **A Personal Grief & a Reasonable Faith**

A true story told by grieving a father of his journey through grief following the loss of his son, discovering his spiritual abilities and becoming a psychic medium.

## **Grieving and Healing**

How does the heart understand grief when it is broken by the death of a husband or wife? To survive and live forward, those who grieve must find answers. Inside the Broken Heart is for anyone who has ever grieved the death of a spouse and asked 'why?' The book meets the reader at a spiritual place reserved specifically for widows and widowers. Author Julie Yarbrough survived the sudden and untimely death of her beloved husband, a prominent United Methodist minister. As a lay grief facilitator, she believes that those who seek comfort and inspiration in grief best identify with an authentic point of view. We grieve because we love, in direct proportion to the depth of our love. Spousal love is a sacred gift ordained by God, the death of husband or wife unlike any other experience of loss. The marriage vow moment 'until death do us part' forever changes those who survive. Grief cannot be understood until it is experienced. Grief is not a crisis of faith, it is a crisis of the heart. Inside the Broken Heart uses topical references from the Bible to illuminate the unfamiliar emotions and questions of grief for the surviving spouse. Because we must grieve in order to live, the book explains spiritual and practical issues of grief and suggests specific coping strategies for widows and widowers. As journey through 'the valley of the shadow of death,' Inside the Broken Heart guides the way back to fullness of life. Through rediscovery of hope, pain and sorrow are vanquished, death is rendered powerless, and grief is no more. We are healed by God's triumphant adequacy, 'He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds' (Psalm 147:3). "Julie Yarbrough has walked through the valley of the shadow of death and experienced the pain and anguish of great grief, and she knows firsthand the comfort and strength that only God can provide. I commend this remarkable grief ministry program to you highly." James W. Moore, Pastor in Residence, Highland Park United Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas "With wisdom informed by her own experience and a warm regard for those who grieve, Julie Yarbrough guides the brokenhearted on an honest journey toward acceptance and hope. A refreshingly excellent resource for grief support." Stephan Bauman, Senior Minister, Christ Church New York City "Julie Yarbrough weaves understanding, care, and comfort together in such a way that the seemingly intolerable becomes tolerable, one breath at a time. This resource provides everything you need to promote, establish, and conduct grief groups throughout the year." Judith Bone, Director of Adult Discipleship, Brentwood United Methodist Church, Nashville, Tennessee

## **Love & Death**

An innovative yet practical guide to greater mindfulness that brings spirituality into our everyday lives--for any lifestyle. "Judaism offers a rich tradition for the spiritual seeker: its spirituality infuses daily activities with holiness and purpose. While relating the spiritual journey to a typical day in your life, we will walk with you through brief sections that discuss Jewish thought and tradition. These are followed by sections that include methods, activities, devotions, and blessings to enrich your spiritual practice. Every page offers the reader another step, another area of focus, another perspective to bring the sacred into everyday life." --from the Introduction In every moment of each day, we have the opportunity to bring the sacred into our everyday lives. We can perform acts of mindfulness and thanksgiving that can transform our lives and help us repair the world. Stepping Stones to Jewish Spiritual Living provides spiritual activities, meditations, prayers, and simple rituals to accommodate any lifestyle and daily routine, giving us a chance to embrace God's creation throughout the day. Coauthored by a rabbi and a psychotherapist, it bridges the gap between faith and healing, tradition and innovation, acceptance of the past and transformation for the future. Chapters are arranged according to the cycle of each day--from sunrise to midnight--and feature creative new rituals, inspiring passages from traditional Jewish texts, prayers, poems, blessings, acts of kavanah (spiritual intention), and more: SunriseRenewing our bodies with meditation and mindful breathing. Morning Contributing to tikkun olam (repairing the world) by ethically pursuing our livelihoods and recognizing our social responsibility. Afternoon Giving thanks with blessings at meal times, and extending hospitality to family, friends, and community. Evening Combining study and prayer with relaxation and leisure. Night Confronting pain, loss, and death with rituals for healing and renewal for the future. Includes special sections dealing with the sacred aspects of relationships, love and sexuality, mourning and loss, Kabbalah, and more. By transforming our days, Stepping Stones shows us how we can transform our lives to practice mindfulness all day, every day--and transform the ordinary into the extraordinary.

## **Grief**

Finding the Good in Grief is both a practical and inspirational guide that teaches readers to learn, change, and grow through their grief. In five stages, Baggett demonstrates how to: Trust God and rely on others Choose reality instead of illusion Resist the temptation to get stuck Recognize moments of grace Discover new meaning and purpose

## **Iris and Butterflies Reflections of Grief**

To be plunged into the depths of grief in the blink of an eye is devastating. To lose someone over time, watching them leave taking in tiny increments is just as devastating. There is no easy way to face the loss of a beloved spouse, child, parent, relative, friend, lover, pet. Loss is a heart breaking experience that requires a period of gentle recovery. Explore the ever changing emotions of the grieving process through the powerful drawings and soulful poetry of this book. Use it as a tool to express your emotions and feelings as you travel through your personal

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journey toward peace and acceptance. Take Irises and Butterflies and make it your own. Write, draw, and escort the feelings of your heart onto the pages that invite your pen and pencil. Give yourself over to the emotions waiting in the wings of your soul and express them in ways that will bring comfort. Please remember to be kind to yourself and take good care as you deal with your pain. Write with the intensity, gentleness, humor, and emotion that will help you achieve the release you seek. Draw, even if you've never done so, and you might surprise yourself with the outcome. Above all, take the first step on the path that will lead you to reach for the peace that will someday come home to you.

### **The Soul of My Son**

The Journey Into Spirit is a guide to death and the mysterious world beyond. Join renowned Druid priest Kristoffer Hughes as he explores the three realms of existence—the realm of necessity, the realm of spirit, and the realm of infinity—and illuminates the essence of grief, mourning, and spiritual continuation. Challenging many status quo beliefs about the afterlife, this book provides exercises, meditations, rituals, and thought-provoking questions designed to bring you on a journey of discovery through the most profound of all human transitions. Filled with insight and practical guidance, The Journey Into Spirit shows how to honor family and friends in spirit, discover life-affirming aspects of every state of existence, and move beyond the fear that surrounds death. 2015 COVR Award Winner for Reincarnation, Death and Dying Books

### **Mourning, Spirituality and Psychic Change**

How does the heart understand grief when it is broken by the death of a loved one? To survive and live forward, those who grieve must find answers. Beyond the Broken Heart is an eight-week support and ministry program for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Author Julie Yarbrough chronicles her personal experience combined with a deep love of Scripture and years of leading grief support groups to create an authentic and deeply personal exploration of the grief journey. The Leader Guide includes session plan outlines for eight group sessions to assist leaders in forming and sustaining grief ministry groups. In addition, leaders will find step-by-step instructions to guide them through the group session process and tips for launching, planning, and facilitating a successful group experience. There are also suggestions for creating a group to serve several churches or community programs. “Julie Yarbrough has walked through the valley of the shadow of death and experienced the pain and anguish of great grief, and she knows firsthand the comfort and strength that only God can provide. I commend this remarkable grief ministry program to you highly.” James W. Moore, Pastor in Residence, Highland Park United Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas “With wisdom informed by her own experience and a warm regard for those who grieve, Julie Yarbrough guides the brokenhearted on an honest journey toward acceptance and hope. A refreshingly excellent resource for grief support.” Stephan Bauman, Senior Minister, Christ Church New York City “Julie Yarbrough weaves understanding, care, and comfort together in such a way that the seemingly intolerable becomes tolerable, one breath at a time. This resource provides everything you need to promote, establish, and conduct grief groups throughout the year.” Judith Bone, Director of Adult Discipleship, Brentwood United Methodist

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Church, Nashville, Tennessee "A gift to those who face the difficult journey through the grieving process. I highly recommend this program, not only for those who have lost, but also for those in the helping professions who offer guidance and counsel to the grieving." Ann Reese, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, Licensed Clinical Social Worker

### **Saying Goodbye**

Grief touches all of our lives, but it does not have to paralyze us with fear or inaction. God allows suffering because He knows how powerful it can be to our spiritual lives and to helping us fully embrace His love and mercy. In this insightful and practical book, you'll learn how to live a life of redemptive suffering that will draw you through grief into a state of tenacity, meaning, holiness, and joy. Author Jeannie Ewing is no stranger to suffering. Her family has long struggled with bipolar disorder and depression, and her baby daughter was born with a rare genetic disorder that caused her bones to prematurely fuse together. Despite the many layers of sadness, loss, confusion, and anger, Jeannie responded to God's calling and transformed her life into one with profound purpose and joy. Combining her training in psychology and counseling with real-life examples, Jeannie will show you that there is much life to be lived in the midst of loss, and that all things – even the most painful life experiences – are working together for a greater good. You'll also learn: The all-too-often misunderstood difference between grief and depression. The spiritual benefits to uniting your crosses with Jesus's Passion and Death. The counterintuitive notion that grief and joy can coexist. The spiritual danger of internalizing our pain and hiding it from others. How great saints like St. John of the Cross and St. Therese of Lisieux struggled to make sense out of suffering. The six spiritual principles that will assist you on the journey of navigating grief. How to know when you should seek professional help. Ways in which God is calling you to bring hope and joy to those dwelling in darkness. How to confidently confront the nothingness and emptiness you feel in your interior life. And Meditations on the Stations of the Cross, the Sorrowful Mysteries, and the Seven Sorrows of Mary that will help you reflect on how redemptive suffering can help you embrace God's love and mercy.

### **Ethnic Variations in Dying, Death and Grief**

When adults face a significant loss, they must grapple with their own profound grief, and they are often called upon to nurture and support their grieving children. This is the first book to address this very common dual grieving challenge. As a practicing psychotherapist for twenty-nine years, Robert Zucker can offer parents and other concerned readers important insights into managing their own grief while supporting their grieving children. He offers:

- Understanding how adults and children grieve differently
- Learning how to explain the meaning of death to children
- Knowing what to do when grief gets complicated
- Deciding when they and/or their child need counseling
- Helping their family members stay connected with loved ones even after death.

For the countless parents who have tried blocking out their own grief in order to be available to their child, Robert Zucker provides a measure of comfort. This book will reassure readers that a grieving parent can still be an effective parent.

## **Consolation**

If you've lost a spouse, child, family member, or friend, you've discovered that few people understand the deep hurt you feel. Where do you turn for daily comfort and help? Where do you find the tools to move forward? Through a Season of Grief is the first 365-day devotional designed to support and uplift you in the first, most difficult year of bereavement. These devotions offer biblical comfort and practical teaching that will enable you to take steps forward each day toward healing. You will better understand the grieving process and will receive needed encouragement along the way. More than thirty respected Christian professionals – including Kay Arthur, Jack Hayford, Elisabeth Elliot, Norman Wright, Barbara Johnson, and Luis Palau – share their insights on how to walk through the devastation of grief toward wholeness and hope. You will also hear from people like you who have lost a loved one and have found God's healing presence in the midst of despair. This unique devotional is based on GriefShare®, a national grief recovery support group program that has helped more than 100,000 families.

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