

Books for Spiritual Formation, Prayer, and Spirituality

Jan Richardson

- [Circle of Grace: A Book of Blessings for the Seasons](#)
- [The Cure for Sorrow: A Book of Blessings for Times of Greif](#)
- [In the Sanctuary of Women: A Companion for Reflection and Prayer](#)
- [In Wisdom's Path: Discovering the Sacred in Every Season](#)
- [Sacred Journeys: A Woman's Book of Daily Prayer](#)
- [Sparrow: A Book of Life and Death and Life](#)

Marjorie Thompson

- [Soul Feast: An Invitation to the Christian Spiritual Life](#)

Richard Rohr

- [Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life](#)
- [Immortal Diamond: The Search for Our True Self](#)
- [Things Hidden: Scripture as Spirituality](#)
- [From Wild Man to Wise Man: Reflections on Male Spirituality](#)
- [On the Threshold of Transformation: Daily Meditations for Men](#)

Henry Nouwen

- [Following Jesus: Finding Our Way Home in an Age of Anxiety](#)
- [Life of the Beloved: Spiritual Living in a Secular World](#)
- [The Wounded Healer: Ministry in Contemporary Society](#)

Marcus J. Borg

- [The Heart of Christianity: Rediscovering a Life of Faith](#)

Barbara Brown Taylor

- [An Altar in the World: A Geography of Faith](#)
- [Learning to Walk in the Dark: Because Sometimes God Shows Up at Night](#)
- [Holy Envy: Finding God in the Faith of Others](#)

Dorothy C. Bass

- [Receiving the Day: Christian Practices for Opening the Gift of Time](#)
- [Practicing Our Faith: A Way of Life for a Searching People](#)

Ruth Haley Barton

- [Invitation to Solitude and Silence: Experiencing God's Transforming Presence](#)
- [Sacred Rhythms: Arranging Our Lives for Spiritual Transformation](#)
- [Pursuing God's Will Together: A Discernment Practice for Leadership Groups](#)
- [Embracing Rhythms of Work and Rest: From Sabbath to Sabbatical and Back Again](#)
- [Invitation to Retreat: The Gift and Necessity of Time Away with God](#)

Wayne Muller

- [A Life of Being, Having, and Doing Enough](#)
- [Sabbath: Finding Rest, Renewal, and Delight in Our Busy Lives Paperback](#)

Joan Chittister

I love Joan and she has several great books! This book is a wonderful place to start.

- [Radical Spirit: 12 Ways to Live a Free and Authentic Life](#)

Joyce Rupp

Once again, this author has so much to share- she has blessings, prayers, services for everyone and every aspect of life. This book is one for formation and spiritual growth. I would suggest that you check out what she has to offer.

- [The Cup of Our Life: A Guide to Spiritual Growth](#)
- [Prayer Seeds: A Gathering of Blessings, Reflections, and Poems for Spiritual Growth Paperback](#)
- [The Circle of Life: The Heart's Journey Through the Seasons](#)
- [Out of the Ordinary: Prayers, Poems, and Reflections for Every Season](#)

Macrina Wiederkehr

- [Seven Sacred Pauses: Living Mindfully Through the Hours of the Day](#)
- [The Flowing Grace of Now: Encountering Wisdom through the Weeks of the Year](#)

Brian McLaren

Brian McLaren also has so many great books. This one is a great one for the whole congregation to participate in.

- [We Make the Road by Walking: A Year-Long Quest for Spiritual Formation, Reorientation, and Activation](#)

Christine Valters Paintner

- [The Artist's Rule: Nurturing Your Creative Soul with Monastic Wisdom](#)
- [Sacred Time: Embracing an Intentional Way of Life](#)
- [Breath Prayer: An Ancient Practice for the Everyday Sacred](#)
- [The Wisdom of the Body: A Contemplative Journey to Wholeness for Women](#)

Other recommendations

- [The Sacred Year](#)-Michel Yankoski
- Rachel Held Evans- She has several great books!
- [God of Love a Guide to the Heart of Judaism, Christianity and Islam](#)-Mirabai Starr
- [Experiencing Spirituality](#)- Ernest Kurtz and Katherine Ketcham
- [Spirituality of Imperfection](#)- Ernest Kurtz and Katherine Ketcham