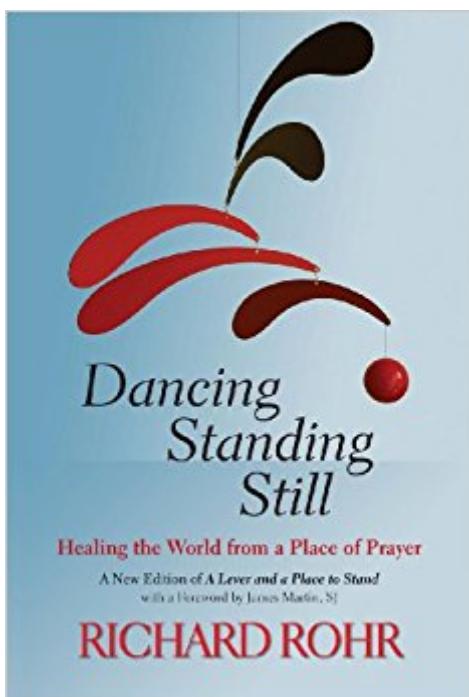


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Dancing Standing Still: Healing The World From A Place Of Prayer; A New Edition Of A Lever And A Place To Stand



Synopsis

Now in a new edition, this thought-provoking book by popular author Richard Rohr offers a critique of religion as a system that often creates an alternative pious world without really challenging oppression, materialism, and sectarianism in our modern world. Religion, he says, without this contemplative stance is often part of the problem. Drawing from Jesus parable of the rich man, Rohr believes that religion can only rediscover itself as a transformational system if it passes through the eye of a needle, if it overcomes its own temptation to power, wealth, and fundamentalism. A true contemplative stance crosses boundaries, is not concerned with who's in and who's out. It is not a worthiness competition. In fact, the accessibility of the contemplative awareness to all is, Rohr believes, the key to the Gospel message: The kingdom of heaven is hidden in plain sight.

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Fr. Richard Rohr is a globally recognized ecumenical teacher bearing witness to the universal awakening within Christian mysticism and the Perennial Tradition. He is a Franciscan priest of the New Mexico Province and founder of the Center for Action and Contemplation (CAC) in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Fr. Richard's teaching is grounded in the Franciscan alternative orthodoxy practices of contemplation and lived kenosis (self-emptying), expressing itself in radical compassion, particularly for the socially marginalized. Fr. Richard is author of numerous books, including *Everything Belongs*, *Adam's Return*, *The Naked Now*, *Breathing Under Water*, *Falling Upward*, and *Immortal Diamond: The Search for Our True Self*. CAC is home to the Rohr Institute where Fr. Richard is Academic Dean of the Living School for Action and Contemplation. Drawing

upon Christianity's place within the Perennial Tradition, the mission of the Rohr Institute is to produce compassionate and powerfully learned individuals who will work for positive change in the world based on awareness of our common union with God and all beings.

I am a great fan of Richard Rohr's writings so it will come as no surprise that I loved this book. I believe that this book is now my favorite. It manages to be spiritually uplifting as it informs. Rohr is so brutally honest about his own faith journey, the conflicts that he experiences between religion and spirituality and how he lives his faith holding those conflicts. This is about contemplative prayer, not the technique of such, but of being and living contemplatively, and how this is the way that the world will be healed. This a book that I will read many times as I have earmarked a number of pages for deeper reflection.

One of his best yet. Synthesizes many of his key teaching in this little gem. Carry it with me often and retread frequently.

Good book, I thought. It puts a lot of emphasis on meditation as a way of deepening our prayer life. He takes the mainline Christian clergy to task for not doing more to help their congregations to deepen their spiritual lives. Fr. Rohr is a Franciscan, and interestingly enough his thinking in line with a book by George Fowler, an ex-Trappist monk, who proposes that meditation is one of the best methods available to us for contact with God as long as we have that as our goal. As we advance, we become aware of our oneness with all of existence and this realization not only becomes known to us, but is experienced by us outside the normal thought processes, and becomes for us a state of joy and peace.

Rohr gives us a lot of things to think about and discuss with others as we travel on our spiritual journey, hoping to make the world a better place. We need more prayer, more healing and less judging.

I am a loyal fan of Richard Rohr, but by far this is his best book because it clearly addresses the problems of the world today in a very spiritual way and direction of making a difference. You won't go wrong in heading this author.

Well, I am a devoted fan of Richard Rohr's style of spiritual writing, so LOVED this book. Again, it

came perfectly packaged and in great condition and arrived in timely fashion. thank you.

Have always loved Richard Rohr's way of getting to the heart of the matter, and this book is no exception. It came along at the perfect time for me by putting into words the very issues I've been grappling with lately. I've thoroughly enjoyed this book and highly recommend it.

Richard Rohr is a favorite spiritual teacher for me, who in this book, fills each page with an intensity that I feel compelled to underline almost every line, and mark every page, as a most read over and over again. I am deeply moved by this most gracious leading to see myself as I truly am and how it helps me to be empowered to know myself as revealed in Christ in a more and more transformed way. It speaks closely to my loving heart for Christ and to lead me to a deeper relationship with our Lord and all others in my life. Thank You RICHARD ROHR for putting so much of your soul's directions and teachings in such a condense single book! I highly recommend this book for anyone seeking a deep life changing direct soul seeking spirituality with God and others.

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