

I Am Not a Poet: Journeys in Faith and Self-Discovery

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Reviews

Merely no phrases to describe. Better then never, though i am quite late in start reading this one. Its been written in an extremely easy way which is merely following i finished reading this publication through which in fact transformed me, change the way in my opinion. (Pedro Renner)

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Center for Pentecostal Ministries, United States, 2011. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 216 x 140 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.This book is a collection of poems, each written by the author. They were composed over a period of more than twenty years. Most were not written to be read by others. They were instead exercises in self-discovery. The author began writing them at a point of great despair. His faith was under tremendous strain. Everything he thought he knew about God and his self was being challenged at the core of his being. He thought he had been faithful. He was doing his part, but God wasn t doing His, or so it seemed. Like Jacob long ago, he was wrestling with God and God was winning. Out of those experiences, he discovered some truths about himself, his God, and the Christian life. First, knowing God requires that we also know ourselves. The journey toward God always begins with a journey inward. Before we can embrace the One who is wholly other, we must embrace and discard those traits that cannot exist in His presence. All that can be shaken must be shaken until only that which is everlasting remains (Hebrews 12: 27). Second, he discovered that the soul cannot be known through reason alone. Prose is woefully inadequate to communicate the inner self. The human heart is prone to hide behind rhetoric, carefully constructed defensible explanations of our thoughts. But when it offers itself voluntarily and without reservation, it does so with song -- music, rhythm, rhyme and cadence. Prose is linear. Life is multidimensional. Prose is mechanical. Life is organic, a dynamic system of multiple organs interacting simultaneously. Prose is a solo without accompaniment. Life is a symphony even when it is...

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