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Crossing the Threshold of Hope

Knopf Canada Fifteen years into his Papacy, and on the eve of the third millennium, Pope John Paul II goes to the heart of his personal beliefs and speaks with passion about the existence of God; about pain, suffering, and evil; about "salvation"; and about the relationship of Catholicism to other branches of the Christian faith. With the humility and generosity of spirit for which he is well known, John Paul speaks forthrightly to all people. (Religion--Roman Catholic)

A Lay Person's Guide to Crossing the Threshold of Hope by Pope John Paul II

Crossing the Threshold of Hope

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Welcoming Flowers from across the Cleansed Threshold of Hope

An Answer to Pope John Paul II's Criticism of Buddhism

Shambhala Publications Welcoming Flowers is a pointed critique of the Buddhism chapter of Pope John Paul II's 1994 best seller, Crossing the Threshold of Hope, written by the highly respected Buddhist teacher Thinley Norbu. In responding to the false charges of Buddhists' indifference to the world and rejection of reality, Norbu clarifies the Buddhist doctrines of detachment and enlightenment. In addition, he covers the topics of good and evil, human nature, karma, cosmology, and dualistic mind, bringing them into conversation with the Christian perspective as presented by the Pope. Norbu's approach is not to shoot back arrows in attack of Catholicism but to spread "welcoming flowers"—that is, to present the exalted teachings of the Buddha in all their loveliness and truth. In this sense, the book serves as a helpful introduction to the Buddhist worldview.

Crossing the Threshold of Hope

This book was written by Pope John Paul II in answer to a set of questions sent to him by an Italian journalist. In it, he brings the great theological concerns of our lives to an accessible level, speaking on many aspects, including the existence of God, the value of life, and ecumenism.

Clowning Popes

John Paul II - Crossing the Threshold of Hope; Analysis of the Clowning Popes' Poop Theology

CreateSpace The popes of Rome after 1958 are presenting the different theology and worship, eliminating all traditions, previously practiced for centuries. This deep analysis presents the essential deviations of these popes' new theology, which should be rejected, not only because of its erroneous character, but also for its blasphemous and heretical audacity. The pope is but a servant of Christ, following Christ and the ecclesiastical law established by the Church infallibly. And no human is above that law.

A Reader's Companion to Crossing the Threshold of Hope

Paraclete Press (MA) Sixteen writers share personal insights and spiritual vision in response to the pastoral theology and concerns of Pope John Paul II express in Crossing the Threshold of Hope.

Pope John Paul II in My Own Words

Gramercy Spiritual father of millions, globally influential leader: Pope John Paul II's words have brought inspiration, solace, and courage to those who have listened. The quotes and prayers collected here are both for the faithful and for those who have been touched by and want to know more about this remarkable man. His words on love, family, truth, freedom, human relationships, the power of God, and the importance of hope and prayer explore what it means to be alive and what we are doing here on Earth, and offer answers to some of life's hardest questions.

Four Witnesses

The Early Church in Her Own Words

Ignatius Press What was the early Church like? Contrary to popular belief, Rod Bennett shows there is a reliable way to know. Four ancient Christian writers—four witnesses to early Christianity—left us an extensive body of documentation on this vital subject, and this book brings their fascinating testimony to life for modern believers. With all the power and drama of a gripping novel, this book is a journey of discovery of ancient and beautiful truths through the lives of four great saints of the early Church—Clement of Rome, Ignatius of Antioch, Justin Martyr, and Irenaeus of Lyons.

Witness to Hope

The Biography of Pope John Paul II

Zondervan “Fascinating...sheds light on the history of the twentieth century for everyone.”—New York Times Book Review Now, with an updated preface, the latest edition of the definitive biography of Pope John Paul II that explores how influential he was on the world stage and in some of the most historic events of the twentieth century that can still be felt today. Witness to Hope is the authoritative biography of one of the singular figures—some might argue the singular figure—of our time. With unprecedented cooperation from John Paul II and the people who knew and worked with him throughout his life, George Weigel offers a groundbreaking portrait of the Pope as a man, a thinker, and a leader whose religious convictions defined a new approach to world politics—and changed the course of history. As even his critics concede, John Paul II occupied a unique place on the world stage and put down intellectual markers that no one could ignore or avoid as humanity entered a new millennium fraught with possibility and danger. The Pope was a man of prodigious energy who played a crucial, yet insufficiently explored, role in some of the most momentous events of our time, including the collapse of European communism, the quest for peace in the Middle East, and the democratic transformation of Latin America. With an updated preface, this edition of Witness to Hope explains how this “man from a far country” did all of that, and much more—and what both his accomplishments and the unfinished business of his pontificate mean for the future of the Church and the world.

An Invitation to Joy

Simon and Schuster Photographs, accompanying quotes, and brief essays explore Pope John Paul II's life and thoughts

Pope John Paul II, His Essential Wisdom

Pope John Paul II: In My Own Words

Hachette UK Providing inspiration from the man whose advice and insights have touched the hearts of millions, this collection of quotations, poems, and prayers reveals Pope John Paul II in his many roles: as teacher, pastor, poet, leader, lover of all humanity, and follower of Christ. In this book, the pope addresses everything from the search for truth to the wonder of love, from the holiness of the family to the responsibilities of the priesthood, and from the miracle of life to the mystery of the Incarnation. His words reveal the compassion, joy, and wisdom born of his more than fifty years as a servant of God. Compiled from his pastoral letters, encyclicals, daily audiences, books, poems, favorite prayers, and homilies—including his addresses from his recent history-making visit to Cuba—the passages in this collection reveal Pope John Paul II's undying faith and concern for the human spirit. They demonstrate why his message of faith transcends religious and political divides, and illustrate why he is one of history's most beloved religious leaders.

Rise, Let Us Be on Our Way

Hachette UK An inspirational memoir from the recently canonized Pope Saint John Paul II. Following the success of the international bestseller Crossing the Threshold of Hope, Pope John Paul II provides the world with a glimpse into his past in Rise, Let Us Be On Our Way. Chronicling the years he spent as a bishop and later archbishop in Krakow, Poland through his election as the first Polish Pope in 1978, he recounts everything from communist efforts to suppress the church in Poland to his efforts to adopt a new and more open style of pastoral ministry. With recollections on his life as well as his thoughts on the issues facing the world now, Pope John Paul II offers words of wisdom in this book that will appeal to people of any faith looking to strengthen their spirituality.

Mary's Pope

John Paul II, Mary, and the Church Since Vatican II

Rowman & Littlefield Rooted in Scripture, Tradition, and Redemptoris Mater and other encyclicals, this book lays the foundations for understanding the teachings of the Catholic Church concerning Mary.

Buddhism, Christianity and the Question of Creation

Karmic Or Divine?

Ashgate Publishing, Ltd. Is the world created by a divine creator? Or is it the constant product of karmic forces? Exploring the aspects of Buddhist objections against the idea of a divine creator and Christian possibilities to meet the Buddhist critique, this work asks for the potential truth on both sides and suggests a surprising way of overcoming the barrier.

Crossing the Threshold of Hope

Saint John Paul the Great

His Five Loves

Totus Tuus Press **Although there are countless ways to study Saint John Paul the Great, the most direct route is by entering the man's heart. Discover the five greatest loves of Saint John Paul II, through remarkable unpublished stories about him from bishops, priests, his students, Swiss Guards, and others. Mining through a mountain of papal resources, Jason Evert has uncovered the gems and now presents the Church a treasure chest brimming with the jewels of the saint's life.**

John Paul II and Interreligious Dialogue

Wipf and Stock Publishers **In the first book to explore Pope John Paul II's view on interreligious dialogue, leading scholars from Buddhism, Islam, and Judaism respond to his writings and speeches on their respective traditions, and the relationship between those faiths and Catholicism. Contributors: -Pope John Paul II -The XIV Dalai Lama -Robert Aitken -Masao Abe -Jose Ignacio Cabezon -David M. Gordis -Mahmoud Ayoub -Ibrahim M. Abu-Rabi -Michael L. Fitzgerald -Wayne Teasdale**

The Christian Virtues in Medical Practice

Georgetown University Press **Christian health care professionals in our secular and pluralistic society often face uncertainty about the place religious faith holds in today's medical practice. Through an examination of a virtue-based ethics, this book proposes a theological view of medical ethics that helps the Christian physician reconcile faith, reason, and professional duty. Edmund D. Pellegrino and David C. Thomasma trace the history of virtue in moral thought, and they examine current debate about a virtue ethic's place in contemporary bioethics. Their proposal balances theological ethics, based on the virtues of faith, hope, and charity, with contemporary medical ethics, based on the principles of beneficence, justice, and autonomy. The result is a theory of clinical ethics that centers on the virtue of charity and is manifest in practical moral decisions. Using Christian bioethical principles, the authors address today's divisive issues in medicine. For health care providers and all those involved in the fields of ethics and religion, this volume shows how faith and reason can combine to create the best possible healing relationship between health care professional and patient.**

From Truth and truth

Volume III—Faith is Married Reason

Cambridge Scholars Publishing **The final book of this trilogy explores reason at work in the nature of faith (cf. Fides et Ratio, 43); indeed, although faith is, of its nature, different from reason, faith cannot exist except through grace-assisted reason. Volume One briefly meditated on the metaphysics of meaning, which entailed considering the intimate interrelationship of truth and existence. In this volume, however, it becomes clear that there is an intrinsic complementarity in the very nature of created being: a complementarity between the literal and spiritual sense of what exists. Thus, for example, a seed is both what actually exists, and, at the same time, it can "adequately" express the beginning of the supernatural life sown in the sacrament of Baptism. This leads to an almost "literary" argument for there being a single cause of all creation in that there is an incredible coherence of meaning throughout the whole. More specifically, the book discusses various questions of a bioethical nature, and, more generally, offers a radical investigation of the nature of man, male and female; for, in a word, the origin, nature and action of the human person require constant, "reciprocal" reflection. Thus, there are various essays on different aspects of man, male and female, ranging from a consideration of God expressing the mystery of the Blessed Trinity through "our" participation in His own Being to the transition from a Jewish to a Christian understanding of marriage to a marital spirituality. Finally, faith-in-action ranges from being open to life to pilgrimages as a family and the slow but real "discovery" that there is a radical nature to our salvation in Christ: that even if "natural truth" leads, inexorably, to the "trembling" outreaches of reason there is, nevertheless, a gratuitous Revelation which comes to meet and develop the life of us all.**

Catholicism in Dialogue

Conversations Across Traditions

Rowman & Littlefield **Drawing on his extensive knowledge and experience of ecumenical cooperation, Roman Catholic lay brother and monk Wayne Teasdale offers a strong and prophetic voice for interfaith dialogue that brings traditions together without watering them down. He offers a blueprint for combining the strengths and perspectives of various faiths in order to address the crises of poverty, racism, environmental pollution and moral indifference. Highly informative and compelling, this book is accessible to a wide audience, from the classroom to study groups and others who want to learn about conversing across traditions.**

Spirituality in Transition

Rowman & Littlefield **Spirituality in Transition surveys the landscape of a culturally, technologically, and globally changing world, suggesting an authentic contemporary spirituality that deals effectively with these paradigm shifts. Ideal material for groups.**

Letter to Artists

Liturgical Training Publications **Meeting House Essays in a series of papers reflecting on the mystery, beauty and practicalities of the place of worship. This popular series was begun in 1991, and each resource focuses on a particular aspect of space, design or materials and how they relate to the liturgy.**

Spiritual Pilgrimage

Texts on Jews and Judaism, 1979-1995

Herder & Herder **The spiritual pilgrimage undertaken by the Pope on his way to the Synagogue of Rome, the first visit ever by a Pope to a synagogue since the time of Peter, spanned centuries of mistrust. This is an ecumenical event--the Pope's extraordinary writings, homilies, and speeches on the importance of Judaism and the Jewish people.**

Conjugal Chastity in Pope Wojtyla

Peter Lang **Conjugal Chastity in Pope Wojtyla** explains how Karol Wojtyla, philosopher, theologian, and Pope, tried to show how the sexual act, within the context of marriage, is an expression of love. After explaining how love as goodwill is the foundation of conjugal love, the correct relationship between love and justice is clarified. The negative dimension of the personalistic norm of Wojtyla is then critically examined. Conjugal love is explained in terms of conjugal beneficence based on conjugal benevolence. This love leads to total self-giving in each conjugal act. The procreative meaning of the conjugal act seems to be its most formal element (the soul of the act, so to speak); the unitive element is described as an essential property of this act, something which necessarily flows from the conjugal act which is open to life. Chastity is the virtue that allows sexuality to be integrated into a love which is truly personal and reflects Trinitarian Love.

Self-Gift: Essays on Humanae Vitae and the Thought of John Paul II

Emmaus Academic Janet E. Smith has been among the world's preeminent voices in the study of the issues raised by Pope Paul VI's 1968 encyclical letter *Humanae vitae*. **Self-Gift: Essays on Humanae Vitae and the Thought of John Paul II** presents Smith's critical collection of essays on the vocation of marriage, human sexuality, contraception, and more. Her groundbreaking scholarship touches on all the areas implicated in *Humanae vitae*: from natural family planning to parenthood and natural law to personalism. This collection not only includes Smith's English translation of the encyclical from the original Latin text, but also helpful background on the development and release of this authoritative magisterial document. With a particular emphasis on the personalist and Thomistic philosophy of Pope St. John Paul II and how it illuminates the two-millennia tradition of Catholic teaching on human sexuality, **Self-Gift** delivers crucial insight into the Creator's plan for human sexuality and our full flourishing in Christ.

Ecce Educatrix Tua

The Role of the Blessed Virgin Mary for a Pedagogy of Holiness in the Thought of John Paul II and Father Joseph Kentenich

Rowman & Littlefield This book discusses the Apostolic Letter *Novo millennio ineunte* (NMI), wherein John Paul II outlined the path the Church should adopt in the third millennium. Peters highlights the Blessed Virgin Mary as educator from the teachings of John Paul II and Father Joseph Kentenich, founder of the Schoenstatt Movement.

Memory and Identity

Personal Reflections

Hachette UK A truly historical document that leaves for posterity the intellectual and spiritual teachings of His Holiness Pope John Paul II A truly historical document, **Memory and Identity** contains Pope John Paul II's personal thoughts on some of the most challenging issues and events of his turbulent times. Pope for over 26 years, he was one of the world's greatest communicators and this moving book provides a unique insight into his intellectual and spiritual journey and pastoral experience. Each chapter suggests the answer to a question which either exercised his mind or which he provoked in discussion with laymen and priests. Using the encounters at his summer residence of Castel Gandolfo where conversations took place with leading intellectuals - philosophers as well as theologians - Pope John Paul II addressed in his book many of the questions which arose from these discussions. Here he leaves for posterity an intellectual and spiritual testament in an attempt to seek the answer to defining problems that vex our lives.

God Is Near Us

The Eucharist, the Heart of Life

Ignatius Press The Second Vatican Council says, "We ought to try to discover a new reverence for the Eucharistic mystery. Something is happening that is greater than anything we can do. The liturgy is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; it is the font from which all her power flows." This profound statement about the Eucharist stands at the center of this book by Cardinal Ratzinger. He compellingly shows us the biblical, historical, and theological dimensions of the Eucharist. The Cardinal draws far-reaching conclusions, focusing on the importance of one's personal devotion to and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, for the personal reception of Communion by the individual Christian, as well as for the life of the Church. For Ratzinger, any transformation of the world on the social plane grows out of the celebration of the Eucharist. He beautifully illustrates how the omnipotent God comes intimately close to us in the Holy Eucharist, the Heart of Life.

Be Not Afraid

Pope John Paul II's Words of Faith, Hope, and Love

Running Press As the most traveled and one of the longest serving popes in history, Pope John Paul II touched the hearts and minds of countless Catholics and non-Catholics alike. A prolific author with eight languages at his command, John Paul II published five books and a wealth of encyclicals, apostolic exhortations, constitutions, and letters, plus hundreds of other messages. **Be Not Afraid** captures the legacy of faith, hope, and love left behind by this holy man's words and life. This beautifully designed book combines an array of stunning images with inspirational quotes taken from the Holy Father's many writings and speeches. With more than 40 quotes and pictures, this book helps readers understand why more than 5 million people of all faiths filled the streets of Rome to honor his life after his death.

Criteria of Discernment in Interreligious Dialogue

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Faith and Leadership

The Papacy and the Roman Catholic Church

Lexington Books This volume is the first major study of the papacy as a managerial structure that has evolved over two thousand years. Special emphasis is placed on the environments in which the Church functioned and in which it had to reach uneasy compromises. The volume is both scholarly and very readable.

Pope John Paul II on Eastern Religions and Yoga

A Hindu-Buddhist Rejoinder

A rejoinder to Pope John Paul II's book *Crossing the threshold of hope*.

The Meaning of Vocation

Scepter Publishers Over the years, the Holy Father has said much about the meaning of vocation and how Catholics should respond to God's call, but it has been scattered through dozens of addresses he has given all over the world. Now at last this compact compendium collects the Pope's choicest remarks on God's call and how you should strive to hear and obey Him. He helps you clarify what God is calling you to do, explains how and when God calls, and even helps parents face up to their children's vocations!

Lessons for Living

A collection of short, inspirational passages from Pope John Paul II that capture his insight and faith.

An Introduction to Vatican II as an Ongoing Theological Event

CUA Press Contemporary scholars often refer to "the event of Vatican II," but what kind of an event was it? In this first book of the new CUA Press series *Sacra Doctrina*, Matthew Levering leads his readers to see the Council as a "theological event"—a period of confirming and continuing God's self-revelation in Christ into a new historical era for the Church. This is an introduction to Vatican II with a detailed summary of each of its four central documents—the dogmatic constitutions—followed by explanations of how to interpret them. In contrast to other introductions, which pay little attention to the theological soil in which the documents of Vatican II germinated, Levering offers a reading of each conciliar Constitution in light of a key theological author from the era: René Latourelle, SJ for *Dei Verbum* (persons and propositions); Louis Bouyer, CO for *Sacrosanctum Concilium* (active participation); Yves Congar, OP for *Lumen Gentium* (true and false reform); and Henri de Lubac, SJ for *Gaudium et Spes* (nature and grace). This theological event is "ongoing," Levering demonstrates, by tracing in each chapter the theological debates that have stretched from the close of the council till the present, and the difficulties the Church continues to encounter in encouraging an ever deeper participation in Jesus Christ on the part of all believers. In this light, the book's final chapter compares the historicist (Massimo Faggioli) and Christological (Robert Imbelli) interpretations of Vatican II, arguing that historicism can undermine the Council's fundamental desire for a reform and renewal rooted in Christ. The conclusion addresses the concerns about secularization and loss of faith raised after the Council by Henri de Lubac, Joseph Ratzinger, and Yves Congar, arguing that contemporary Vatican II scholarship needs to take these concerns more seriously.

John Paul II on the Vulnerable

CUA Press In *John Paul II on the Vulnerable*, Jeffrey Tranzillo provides a lucid introduction to John Paul II's philosophical and theological understanding of the human person.

The Visit of His Holiness Pope John Paul II to Cuba

An Assessment of Its Impact on Religious Freedom in Cuba : Hearing Before the Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere of the Committee on International Relations, House of Representatives, One Hundred Fifth Congress, Second Session, March 4, 1998

Scripture

A Unique Word

Cambridge Scholars Publishing Scripture is an amazing word: this is a word that both acts at the heart of a person's life and begets a testimony "like" itself. The more a person looks into the depths of this "word", the clearer it is that there is both real human authorship and an incredibly subtle presence of the "divine Author". There are not, however, two words; but one mysteriously enriched word of God: a word at once ancient and ever open to the challenges of contemporary questions and concerns. Secondly, if dialogue is a characteristic of God, Scripture "expresses" this through the multitude of voices through which it is written. So, whether it is a matter of listening to this word in the Church, drawing on foundational studies on the biblical text, or researching questions in embryology, philosophy, theology, marriage and ecumenism, a person is drawn into an amazingly fertile divine-human dialogue. Indeed, in the end, it is impossible to express the number of human beings who are in this dialogue; and, in that very impossibility, there is a glimpse of the mystery of God calling us to a dynamic communion. Finally, given the great challenge of thinking that a person is so immersed in a "subjectivism" that drowns inter-personal dialogue, the word of God comes to strengthen the search for truth and facilitates the investigations that transcend individuals, groups, nations, cultures and times. For Scripture cannot be more centred in a time, a place, a people; it cannot be more "subjective" in its account of an immense variety of human experience. But then, the very historical

consistency of the fact that this heritage of utterly human experience has been able to “speak” to mankind as a whole, at any time, in any place, in any culture, is an incredibly convincing testimony that this is a unique word: a word that both arises out of a profound anthropology of man and can destroy isolation and effect communion. This book, then, takes up these questions, both intensely personal and profoundly contemporary, and lets the words “Listen Israel” resound throughout its pages.