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# Divine Nobodies Shedding Religion To Find God And The Unlikely People Who Help You Jim Palmer

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Jim Palmer's critically

acclaimed Divine  
Nobodies was only half  
the story - the  
deconstruction and  
shedding of a religious  
mentality that hindered  
his knowing God. In his  
next book, Jim takes the  
reader along into the wide  
open spaces of exploring  
and experiencing God

beyond religion. Jim  
writes, "It is no secret that  
God can be lost beneath  
the waving banner of  
religion. Divine Nobodies  
is my story of how this  
happened to me.  
Sometimes you have to  
disentangle God from  
religion, even Christ from  
Christianity, to find the

truth. With the help of some unsuspecting nobodies, I uncovered a new starting line with God. As I've put one foot in front of another, I've experienced God in ways that are deeply transforming." Each chapter revolves around a central question related to knowing God on fresh terms: Is God a belief system? Is the Bible a landing strip or launching pad? Can what we're feeling inside be God? Are we too religiously minded to be any earthly good? Brian McLaren wrote, "I

am tempted to say that Jim Palmer could well be the next Don Miller, but what they have in common, along with an honest spirituality and extraordinary skill as storytellers, is a unique voice." The Library Reviews said of him, "Jim Palmer's casual, yet compelling writing style cuts through the religious rhetoric and gets to the real issues...readers will love this author! His sense of humor is alternately mixed with shocking sentences and poignant moments. Laced

throughout is a refreshing honesty that ties his ideas together with a ribbon of reality...each turn of the page strips away a little more of the contrived mystery of Christianity until the simplicity and sincerity of it stands in realistic splendor." More and more people seek a deeper spirituality beyond status-quo religion. Others are left empty and weary from a shallow and narrow pop-Christianity. Palmer says that God's kingdom of love, peace, and freedom can be a present reality in any

person's life. He proclaims that God is indeed in the process of birthing something deep and wide among unlikely people in unconventional ways, which is changing the world...one "nobody" at a time.

### **Radical Forgiveness**

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt  
A mother addresses the issues of grieving in a poignant and personal journey toward healing.

[A Sweet and Bitter Providence](#) Thomas Nelson

A fully updated new edition of a critically

acclaimed examination of the theories and writings of Richard Dawkins by a world-renowned expert on the relation of science and religion Includes in-depth analysis of Dawkins' landmark treatise *The God Delusion* (2006), as well as coverage of his later popular works *The Magic of Reality* (2011) and *The Greatest Show on Earth* (2011), and a new chapter on Dawkins as a popularizer of science Tackles Dawkins' hostile and controversial views on religion, and examine the religious implications

of his scientific ideas including a comprehensive investigation of the 'selfish gene' Written in an accessible and engaging style that will appeal to anyone interested in better understanding the interplay between science and religion  
[Nobody but You and Me](#)  
Xlibris Corporation  
A compassionate, shame-free guide for your darkest days "A one-of-a-kind book . . . to read for yourself or give to a struggling friend or loved

one without the fear that depression and suicidal thoughts will be minimized, medicalized or over-spiritualized.”—Kay Warren, cofounder of Saddleback Church What happens when loving Jesus doesn’t cure you of depression, anxiety, or suicidal thoughts? You might be crushed by shame over your mental illness, only to be told by well-meaning Christians to “choose joy” and “pray more.” So you beg God to take away the pain, but nothing eases the ache inside. As darkness lingers

and color drains from your world, you’re left wondering if God has abandoned you. You just want a way out. But there’s hope. In *I Love Jesus, But I Want to Die*, Sarah J. Robinson offers a healthy, practical, and shame-free guide for Christians struggling with mental illness. With unflinching honesty, Sarah shares her story of battling depression and fighting to stay alive despite toxic theology that made her afraid to seek help outside the church. Pairing her own

story with scriptural insights, mental health research, and simple practices, Sarah helps you reconnect with the God who is present in our deepest anguish and discover that you are worth everything it takes to get better. Beautifully written and full of hard-won wisdom, *I Love Jesus, But I Want to Die* offers a path toward a rich, hope-filled life in Christ, even when healing doesn’t look like what you expect. [Right to Recover](#) John Wiley & Sons  
My wife and I love our

sons unconditionally and equally. Talking with one of them about his atheism has brought me to a new dimension in my relationship with him, to a review of my own christian beliefs, to a more critical examination of the church, and to a different understanding of ministry in today's world. As personal as I make this all sound, my family represents a thousand families, a hundred thousand and more, who have sat in painful silence because religious differences have taken

away their voice. They tire of confrontation, angry discussions, verse hurling and jabbing one another with theories over every conceivable divisive issue. It is a powerful idea that those who do not share our faith should know that we do, not so much in our argument as in our love. It is time to listen.  
*The Heavens of Idolatry*  
Crossway  
Hardcover edition  
published under the title:  
Post-traumatic church  
syndrome: a memoir of  
humor and healing  
*The Gospel of Inclusion*

Nightengale Press  
This book contains the opening words of a New Message from God. In the pages that follow, God is speaking to humanity anew, providing a warning, a blessing and a preparation for the great change that is coming to the world. God has spoken again at a time of great need and difficulty worldwide. This is a Divine answer to the growing crises of war, unrelenting climate change, religious conflict, and human suffering and deprivation now escalating around the

world. The New Message from God is a living communication from God to the heart of every man, woman and child on Earth. The Word and the Sound are in the world again. We are living at a time of Revelation.

Interior Freedom WestBow Press

Fresh voice from experienced humanitarian compels readers with a story-driven challenge, inspiring them to get involved and change the world--one life at a time.

**Used to Go to Church**  
AuthorHouse

Two bestselling authors first met in a televised Caltech debate on “the future of God,” one an articulate advocate for spirituality, the other a prominent physicist. This remarkable book is the product of that serendipitous encounter and the contentious—but respectful—clash of worldviews that grew along with their friendship. In *War of the Worldviews* these two great thinkers battle over the cosmos, evolution and life, the human brain, and God, probing the

fundamental questions that define the human experience. How did the universe emerge? What is the nature of time? What is life? Did Darwin go wrong? What makes us human? What is the connection between mind and brain? Is God an illusion? This extraordinary book will fascinate millions of readers of science and spirituality alike, as well as anyone who has ever asked themselves, What does it mean that I am alive?

*A Stranger in the House of*



*God* Simon and Schuster  
When a group of people practice something for two thousand years, the expectation is that they'd eventually get whatever it was they were committed to doing right. But the fact is that we as individuals and as a corporate community are still struggling with many of the issues that plagued the early church. Larry Shallenberger takes a fresh look at the book of Acts to help you gain a deeper understanding of how God moved in the early church and what

that means for you today. [My Heart Longs for the Lord](#) Lulu.com  
What would your life be like if God lived next door? What would you talk about? What questions would you ask? In *Funny Conversations with God*, author Dunn Neugebauer shares his fictionalized discussions with God. In a noncontroversial, casual, humorous style, *Funny Conversations with God* shares Neugebauer's feelings, philosophies, and life experiences as if he were talking directly to

God. They discuss and analyze the key points in Neugebauer's life, such as his passing relationships with women, his failed marriage, his nonexistent church-going habits, and his job at the local high school against the backdrop of pop culture such as sports, authors, popular singers, and current events and important issues. During their candid give-and-take, Neugebauer gains insights not only into the experiences of his past, but obtains a direction for his future. He also grasps

a deeper understanding of the all-powerful God who loves us and wants to be with us.

*God and the State*

iUniverse

Is God a delusion?

Barrister Charles Taylor examines the evidence in this very readable book. His findings will be controversial to some but offer hope and insight to others. We are the only species unable to live in harmony with our environment and each other. The asteroid that killed the dinosaurs is nothing compared with

our impact on the Earth.

We are currently responsible for “The Sixth Great Extinction” of wildlife. Religious terrorism is widespread, though current atrocities are dwarfed by the bloody record of Christianity. The Middle East is destabilised and to East and West we have Presidents Putin and Trump. So called ‘rational’ thinking and the dominance of our left brains have brought us to the brink of disaster. We need a spiritual revolution allowing individuals to reconnect with their right

brain, intuition and spirit.

Religions have had their day. They contain key truths, but these truths are usually obscured by manmade rules constructed to gain wealth and power. At the other extreme, materialism denies God, the spirit, free will, consciousness and love. Happily, the facts contradict this dispiriting left brained faith that we are deluded robots stumbling through life. God Has Spoken Again  
Crossway  
Henri Nouwen wisely said,

"The great illusion of leadership is to think that man can be led out of the desert by someone who has never been there." Jesus has "been there" and knows how to lead us out--but first, he just may lead us in. He meets us in the desert and does his best work in us there. We look for an easier way in vain. I myself reluctantly entered the desert and eventually received unimagined gifts there--gifts I didn't ask for, deserve, or want--gifts hidden in such painful loss that I despaired--and yet,

looking back now, these "desert gifts" were the best thing that ever happened to me. I entered the desert, and years later, found my way out. It's not a new way, it was just new to me. Jewish and Christian sages had been living it for thousands of years. Somehow, in recent generations, we managed to forget it. In this collection I mean to begin to make those riches available to you. I'm hoping that like me, you'll discover something that you didn't know you

wanted or needed--and something now you wouldn't give up at any price.

**Inner Anarchy** Xlibris Corporation

Life can often be brutal, unjust, and fraught with emotional trauma. As a first responder chaplain for over 23 years, Nick Vleisides has experienced countless scenes of unbearable grief and pain. When asking the brokenhearted, "Do you have a faith to help you through?" the response in some form is almost always, "Well, we used to

go to church." Blending first-hand accounts of tragedy with opportunity for raw self-examination and reflection, Vleisides delves into the realm of spirituality and belief amid loss and despair. For the "spiritual but not religious," who want to pursue God outside the walls of organized religion, *Used to Go to Church* is an invitation to rethink faith and open up to a life centered on grace, mercy, and love. [Love Wins](#) Charisma Media National Book Award

Finalist: "This man's ideas may be the most influential, not to say controversial, of the second half of the twentieth century."—Columbus Dispatch At the heart of this classic, seminal book is Julian Jaynes's still-controversial thesis that human consciousness did not begin far back in animal evolution but instead is a learned process that came about only three thousand years ago and is still developing. The implications of this

revolutionary scientific paradigm extend into virtually every aspect of our psychology, our history and culture, our religion—and indeed our future. "Don't be put off by the academic title of Julian Jaynes's *The Origin of Consciousness in the Breakdown of the Bicameral Mind*. Its prose is always lucid and often lyrical...he unfolds his case with the utmost intellectual rigor."—The New York Times "When Julian Jaynes . . . speculates that until late in the twentieth

millennium BC men had no consciousness but were automatically obeying the voices of the gods, we are astounded but compelled to follow this remarkable thesis.”—John Updike, *The New Yorker* “He is as startling as Freud was in *The Interpretation of Dreams*, and Jaynes is equally as adept at forcing a new view of known human behavior.”—*American Journal of Psychiatry*  
Dawkins' God iUniverse  
Fourth-generation fundamentalist Carlton

Pearson, a Christian megastar and host, takes a courageous and controversial stand on religion that proposes a hell-less Christianity and a gospel of inclusion that calls for an end to local and worldwide conflicts and divisions along religious lines. In *The Gospel of Inclusion*, Bishop Carlton Pearson explores the exclusionary doctrines in mainstream religion and concludes that, according to the evidence of the Bible and irrefutable logic, they cannot be true. Bishop

Pearson argues that the controlling dogmas of religion are the source of much of the world's ills and that we should turn our backs on proselytizing and holy wars and focus on the real good news: that we are all bound for glory, everybody is saved, and if we believe God loves all mankind, then we have no choice but to have the same attitude ourselves. Bishop Pearson tells the story of how he had gone from a powerful religious figure, once preaching to an audience of over 6,000 people, to

watching everything he had built crumble around him due to a scandal. Why? He didn't steal money nor did he have inappropriate sexual relationships. Following a revelation from God, he began to preach that a loving God would not condemn most of the human race to hell because they are not Christian. He preaches that God belongs to no religion. The Gospel of Inclusion is the inspiring journey of one man's quest to preach a new truth.

### **Being Jesus in Nashville**

HarperChristian + ORM  
 "Gives helpful hints, practical tips, and step by step instructions on how to positively impact the local community and the world at-large with whatever time a person has"--Provided by publisher.

### War of the Worldviews

BkMk Press of the University of Missouri-Kansas City  
 Religion has been a powerful and determinative force in human life ever since the

beginning of time. Many religions have flourished, then died. Yet the basic dynamics of religion have not changed. Religions seek to promote the gods they create, instill fear, divide people, and control behavior. After disclosing religions for what they are- manipulative and domineering- a non-god way of life is presented. What religions consider to be their exclusive domains, eternal life, spirituality, morality and truth, are exposed as not solely theirs. Spirituality and morality are

presented as an innate depth of human beingness in all people. Eternal life is offered as the noble destiny for all people not dependent on what gods are accepted. Truth is to be known through reason, not revelation. To break unconditionally the power of religion the nexus must be changed from gods to humans at the center. No longer ask, What do the gods want? instead. What do humans need? Along with a non-god way of life a world without religion is discussed which

elucidates a new way of beauty, openness and peace. For all people seeking an alternative way of life not controlled by religion or revelation this book offers a non-god way of life.

**Baxter's Explore the Book** Hachette UK

2020 Edition Everyone is learning able, some individuals just don't learn the way they are taught. If you have just discovered you or your child might be dyslexic, or so-called learning disabled, I offer five Rs: REALISE what you are

dealing with, what your choices are, and how to enjoy your full potential. Observe the ROAD TESTING of my chosen method. RESONATE with dyslexic challenges and talents, because I'm only telling you what you know already on some level. Recognise the REALITY, what you need to hold onto and what you can let go of. Find RELIEF that neither you, nor your child is disabled, and that our education system will be changing, not them. **Post-Traumatic Church Syndrome** Harmony

What does a Hip-Hop artist, Waffle House waitress, tire salesman, and disabled girl have to do with discovering spiritual truth? What if embracing authentic Christianity is a journey of unlearning? Welcome to Jim Palmer's world! Don Miller meets Anne Lamott meets Brian McLaren in this tale of shedding religion and plunging into uncharted depths of knowing God. Jim Palmer, emergent pastor, shares his compelling off-road spiritual journey and the unsuspecting people who

became his guides. "Perhaps God's reason for wanting me," writes Palmer, "is much better than my reason for wanting him. Maybe God's idea of my salvation trumps the version I am too willing to settle for. Seeing I needed a little help to get this, God sent a variety pack of characters to awaken me." For all those hoping there's more to God and Christianity than what they've heard or experienced, each chapter of *Divine Nobodies* gives the reader

permission and freedom to discover it for themselves. Sometimes comical, other times tragic, at times shocking, always honest; Jim Palmer's story offers an inspiring and profound glimpse into life with God beyond institutional church and conventional religion. "I am tempted to say that Jim Palmer could well be the next Donald Miller, but what they have in common, along with an honest spirituality and extraordinary skill as storytellers, is a unique voice . . . *Divine Nobodies*



is a delight to read, and it was good for my soul to read it." -BRIAN MCLAREN  
Author of The Secret Message of Jesus "You hold in your hands an amazing story of a broken man finding freedom in all

the right places-in God's work in the lives of some extraordinarily ordinary people around him. You will thrill to this delightful blend of gut-wrenching honesty and laugh-out-

loud hilarity, and in the end you'll find God much closer, the body of Christ far bigger and your own journey far clearer than you ever dreamed." -  
WAYNE JACOBSEN Author of Authentic Relationships

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