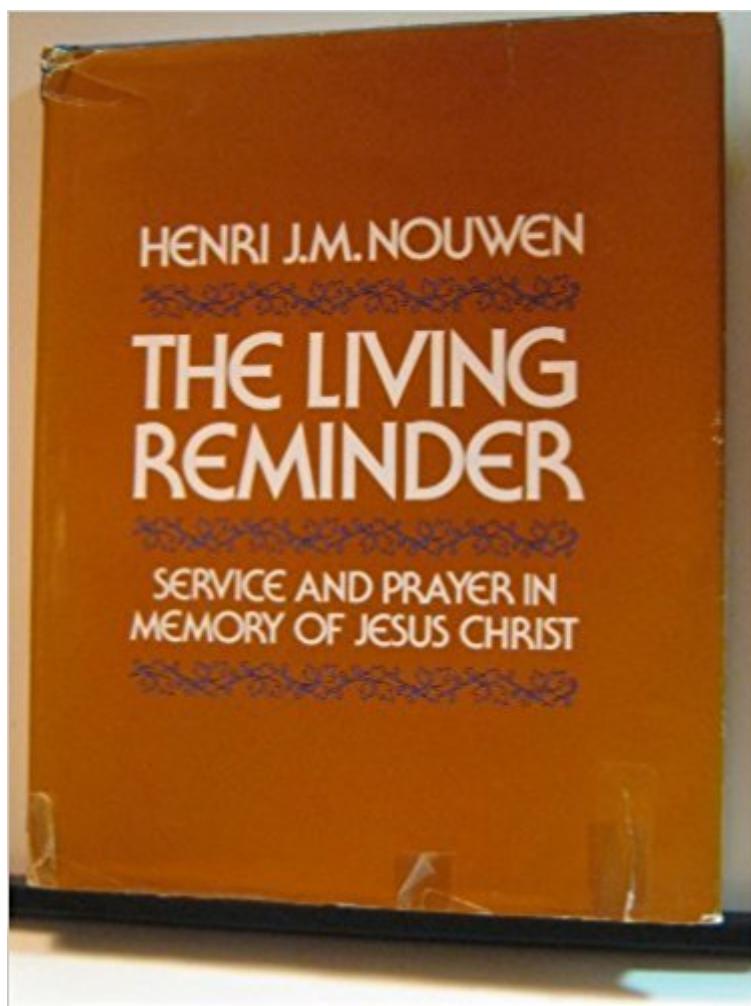


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# Living Reminder: Service And Prayer In Memory Of Jesus Christ



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I am a very seasoned Lutheran Pastor; I found this book about 20 years ago in a little bookstore by Marquette University in Milwaukee. I read it on the airplane flight returning home (at the time) to Tucson. It was such a profound read and it "hit" me in so many places where I was struggling. I vowed to read this book every year I was in the ministry and have kept that vow! Now I buy the book in bulk and give them away to other pastors and priests who struggle with issues of identity, role, "efficiency" and other performance sins of the ministry. Ministry is truly not about doing; rather it is about being. The problem is that no one knows how to evaluate a "be-er" like you can a "do-er", and so there is confusion. What should the Pastor be "doing"? Wrong question! A better question is "how can I help my Pastor "be" the Pastor he needs to be? While this book is primarily for Pastors, lay members of any Church community can benefit from this brief read!

I read this when I was on the plane from Los Angeles to Costa Rica. It was so captivating that I finished reading it in one sitting. Definitely, a must read.

Read this for one of my Religion Major classes. (MILD 440 at Vanguard University of Southern California) Absolutely loved it, immediately in my top three books list. Very short read it in one sitting. Not just for ministers, there is something for everyone who reads this!

This is a great book at maybe at a middle school reading level. The author makes some interesting points. Its a little dry in parts, but I'm sure that perspective varies from person to person. The postage used to send it was not trackable. It did take me over 3 weeks to receive it, which is a bit much even for it coming from the other side of the country. It is a great price, so if you don't mind waiting and you don't need it for a class, i highly recommend it.

simple, excellent book - well-structured - so touched by the concept of the ministry of absence and the art of leaving well so there is openness to God's Spirit coming in

I have read most all of Nouwen's books - each are written from the attitude of knowing and serving a

God who loves us and wants to be in relationship with those He created. In *The Living Reminder*, Nouwen emphasizes the importance of remembering where God has brought us from and where He is leading us to go. It is a book for everyone who wishes to minister to the hurting around them (pastors, counselors, laity). The book is short and easy to read - yet profound and encouraging. I highly recommend all of Nouwen's books for those who are searching for a closer walk with God.

Had a college review on it, one of the best books I have read so far. There is talk about absence and presence and the meaning to each one. And there is the ability to heal from past wounds. You should check it out

I am playing catch up in my retirement. My goal is to read everything that Henri Nouwen has published. Nouwen never disappoints. This is good for my soul stuff.

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