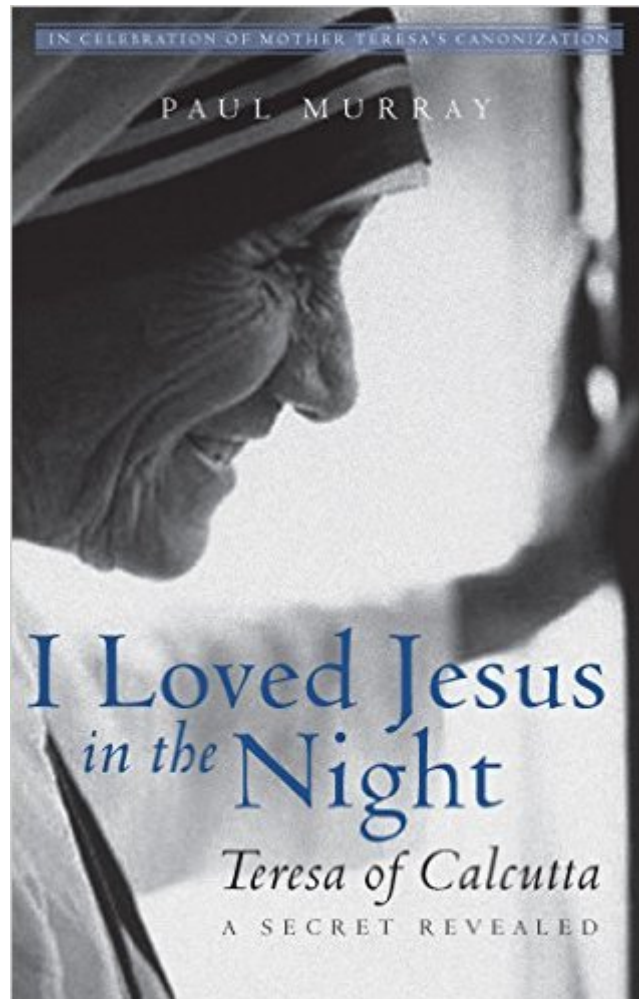


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I Loved Jesus In The Night: Teresa Of Calcutta—A Secret Revealed



Synopsis

Released in celebration of Mother Teresa's canonization on September 4, 2016. *I Loved Jesus in the Night* is one priest's compelling account of meeting with the Saint of Calcutta. Sharing anecdotes and first-hand experiences, Paul Murray offers a glimpse into why Mother Teresa could declare, in one of her letters, that if ever she were to "become a saint," she would surely be one of "darkness." This very personal yet powerful book is an attempt to come to terms with the dark night experiences endured by Mother Teresa in the light of the Gospel and the mystical teachings of St. John of the Cross. And something else as well - revelations of Mother Teresa's sense of humor! This book is easy to read and gives insights into the spiritual life and relationship with Jesus that drove this carrier of God's love to serve the poorest of the poor.

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This little book is by far the most meaningful reflection about Mother Teresa that I have ever seen. In elegant economy, it opens the meaning of her life. This book carries us over a frontier, like all great books. It will be profoundly helpful to me, and I will return to it again and again, the way I do to Bernard Bro's deep reflection on Therese of Lisieux, *THE LITTLE WAY*. (Thank you, librarian, for setting it out on a feature shelf, and thank you, God, for sending me to the library, where I so rarely go these days, because I use so much.)

I must admit that when I received this book I was taken back by its size. I had expected a book

much larger. However, the saying that "Great things can be found in small packages" proved true once again. With great humility, Paul Murray explains what it means to experience "noche oscura" also known as "dark night". His writing challenges the secular interpretation of Mother Theresa's writing by helping us to understand its profound significance in regard to her progression of faith. This book is very well written. I was captivated and completely absorbed by its contents. I already have a list of all the people to whom I will pass on my copy and I myself will be revisiting it again.

It is a real experience to get insight into the heart of what we call a "saint". We often project that such a well known person was living a saintly life and had not real problems. We live in that fantasy. This book will help reveal the struggle that all of us should be prepared to embrace when following Christ. The journey is the value, and the difficulties will be very real. If it were easy, everyone would be doing it like she did. It was great to hear the pain and frustrations acknowledged. I have enough of my own and reading about hers helped keep me encouraged.

Written by a gifted Dominican priest and friend of Bl. Mother Teresa, this book provides insights into Mother's spiritual struggles and shows them to be a gift from God rather than some curse or indication of God's non-existence. It shows that the prosperity Gospel is a damnable lie and that following Christ often means to suffer.

This small volume touched me deeply. It removes Mother Teresa from the pedestal we like to put her on and makes her faith something we can relate to. A very readable examination of the "dark night" experienced by many people of faith. I recommend it to anyone who wants to better understand Mother Teresa's (and their own) faith journey.

A small book describing to its best a fact that keeps on puzzling me and at the same time I keep on finding a fascination to contemplate: The incredibly long lasting, tormenting dark night of the soul Mother Theresa endured. With enlightening commentary is a short, but deeply moving reading. A spiritual classic.

This is a tiny but a powerful little book attempting to explain the darkness of faith and doubt. It actually makes one's head spin at the possibility of explaining something which seems inexplicable. In many ways if the all saintly Mother Teresa went through it, then many of us experiencing the turmoil and doubts of faith and life - seem to be alright. Paul Murray the author did a good job.

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