



Redeemed: A Spiritual Misfit Stumbles Toward God, Marginal Sanity, and the Peace That Passes All Understanding

By HEATHER KING

Viking Adult February 2008, 2008. Hardcover. Book Condition: New. With a keen balance of absurdity, honesty, and joy Heather King recounts her discoveries of everyday life: work, sex, prayer, family, money, mortality, along with alcoholism, abortion, divorce, and numerous other private hells. In addition, her discovery of Christ as 'not a pious image, but a pulsing heart. A warm body. Blood' makes Redeemed one of the most unapologetic discoveries of the Catholic Church in print. Her frankness and humor strike a nerve and leave the reader laughing but raw, with 'Joy [that] has pain in the middle of it.' From her sadistically comic portrayal of the L.A. law firm where she practiced, to her aching account of herself and her seven grown siblings drawn home for their father's final vigil, tenderly waiting while his lungs failed, his legs visibly decayed, and friends said goodbye, tough men collapsing in tears. Reading her story, you want to know her, you want to sit back with a cup of coffee and engage this vibrant, outrageous, joyful woman. The poignancy with which she recounts her story brings her into the room with you; to read Heather King is to engage in a lively, excruciating,...



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