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Does Islam belong to Europe or not?

This debate still polarizes Europe. The author who was born in Algeria and is teaching theology in Freiburg takes a clear stand. The Islam of submission, the lack of critical abilities, is neither part of Germany nor of Europe. Therefore a reform of Islam is needed. Muslim children should not be torn out of their western life style by Koran teachings. That's why the political influence of the Muslim confederations and radical Imams must be restrained.

It's about time that we start to understand the canonic source of Islam – the Koran and the life of the prophet – in a reflective manner and to interpret it in a contemporary context. This means that we in the West using reason must question the Islamic identity critically and lay the groundwork for the reform of Islam.

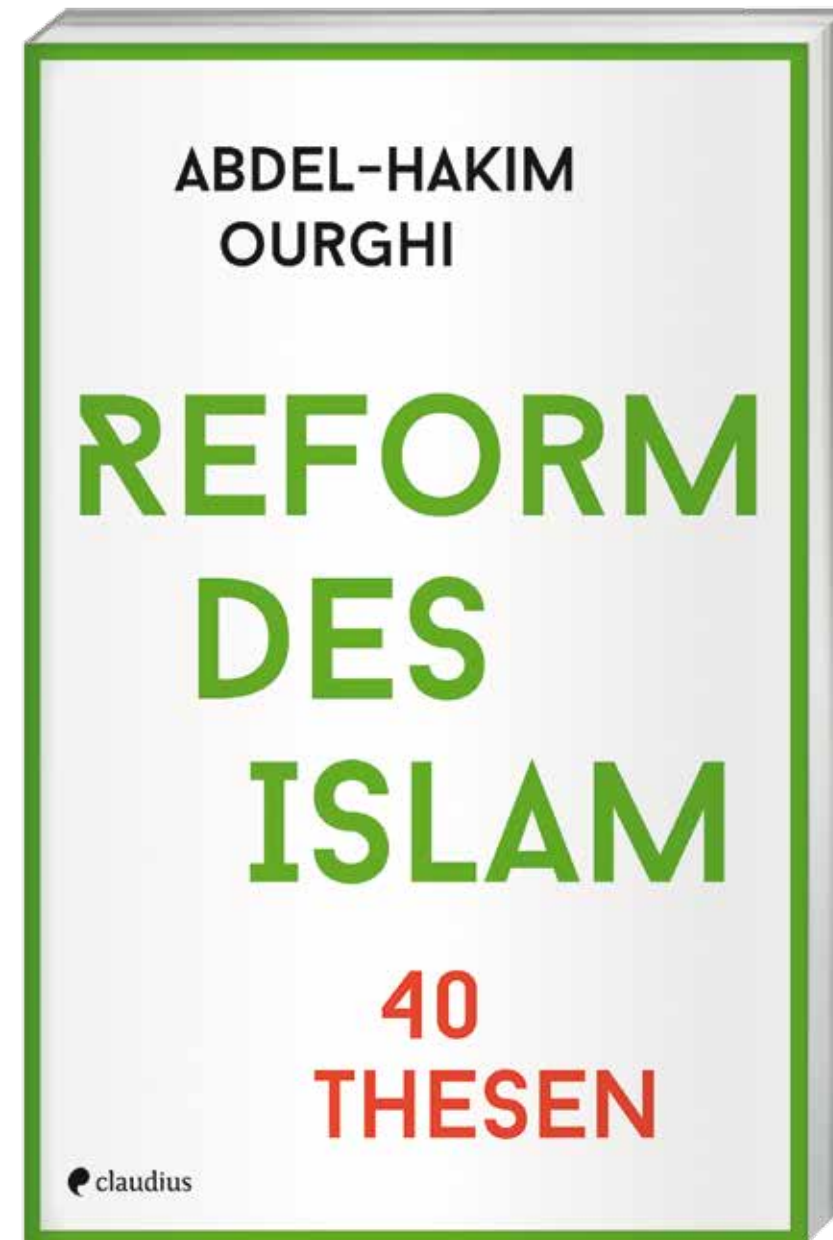
In his first book which was anticipated with great excitement, the author describes for a wide audience grievances, opportunities and solutions for a more tolerant Islam which is loyal to western constitutions.



"The Islam of submission, the lack of critical abilities, is neither part of Germany nor Europe. Immanuel Kant called on people more than 200 years ago to use their own reasoning and not to depend on guidance. This is exactly what we Muslims must do regarding Islam."

Abdel-Hakim Ourghi

He was born in Algeria in 1968 and studied Philosophy and Islamic Studies in Oran and Freiburg. Since 2011, he has headed the Department of Islamic Theology and Religious Pedagogy at the Freiburg School of Pedagogy. He is the initiator of the much talked about „Freiburg Declaration“, for a reformed, secular Islam.



Abdel-Hakim Ourghi
Reforming Islam
40 Theses
200 pages
September 2017

- Debated in this book: Why Islam desperately needs a process of enlightenment
- Fundamental criticism of the German mosques and the imported Imams
- The author is much sought after as discussion partner for the media

The Reformation is turning on itself

The Reformation anniversary euphoria is reaching its climax. A good time for a critical observation: How much complacency can Protestantism handle? What is the future of religion in today's society? Radical dechristianisation on one side, resolute fundamentalism on the other. In between, clerical high-church and cuddly religious life rafts or over-politicised, morally strenuous groups who want to save the world.

To remember the Reformation means to understand the untameable power of the Holy. Reformation is process and principle, but above all it is a movement within Christianity itself. Jörg Lauster, one of today's most well-known proponents of liberal theology, wants us to embrace an ecumenical approach that moves beyond the desire for dogmatic agreements.



"Fascinating."

Neue Zürcher Zeitung, May 2015

"This book is not excited and loud, but rather quiet and analytical as it examines the Church and being a Protestant today, critically and precisely."

Verlag Nürnberger Presse, January 2017

Jörg Lauster

Born in 1966, occupies the Chair for Systematic Theology, concentrating on Dogmatism, Philosophy of Religion, and Ecumenism at the LMU in Munich. His much-praised book, "The Enchantment of the World", was published in 2014 by C.H.Beck.



Jörg Lauster
Eternal Protest
Reformation as
Guiding Principle
144 pages
March 2017

- Why the spirit of the Reformation has survived each anniversary
- A plea for the power of Christianity which cannot be tamed by the church
- An argument against confusing religion with moral preaching

Protestantism is in the middle of a crisis

Protestantism in Germany faces an uncertain future. The extravagantly celebrated anniversary of the Reformation does not change this. Declining membership and increasing aging give evidence of a dwindling acceptance of the Lutheran state church. On top of that, according to Wolfgang Schäuble, Finance Minister and practicing Protestant, the Lutheran state church seems to enjoy constantly joining in all kinds of political debates. In a time of wide-ranging crises, the church gives the impression that political conviction is more important than a shared belief. This leads Christians with different political opinions to quickly feel excluded. Above all, this constant politicisation of religion undermines their spiritual basis, out of which the strength of their convictions, especially for politicians, grows in the first place.



Wolfgang Schäuble

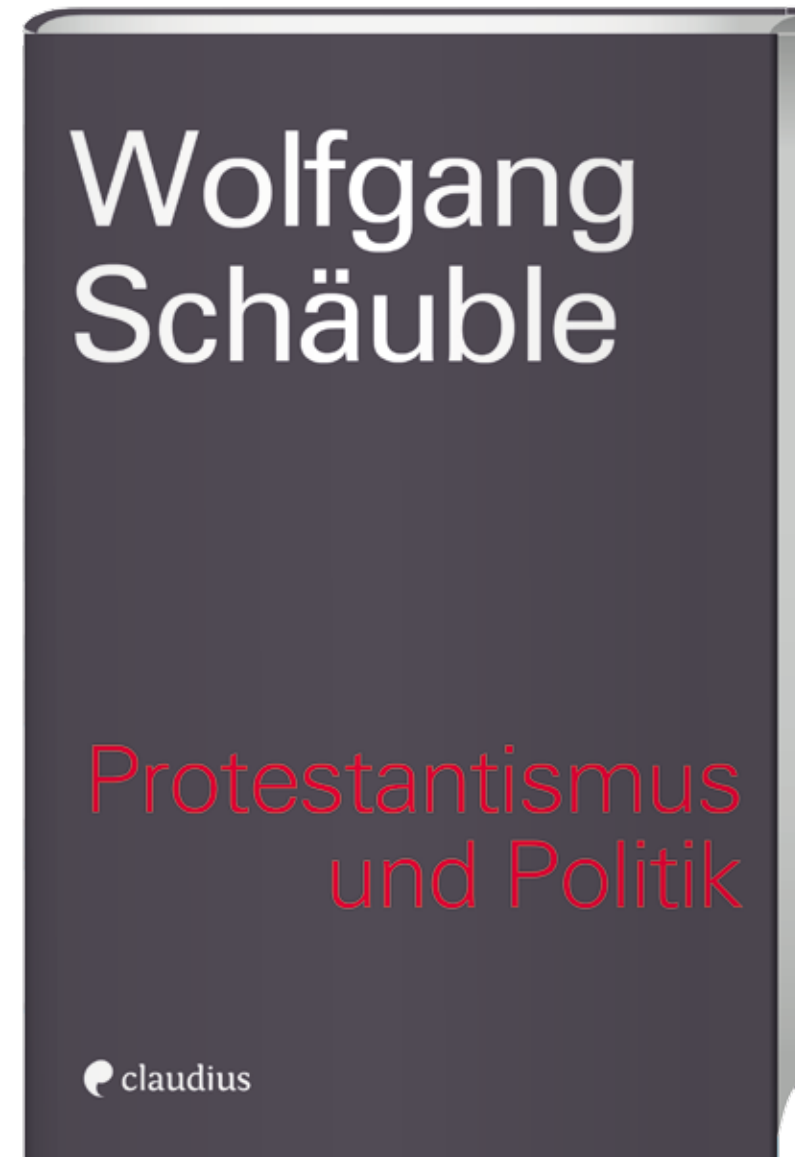
was born in 1942 in Freiburg. He is Protestant, married, and has four children. He studied law and has been on the German Parliament since 1972, and Finance Minister since 2009.

"In reading this book it becomes abundantly clear that Mr. Schäuble's political decisions are never far from his Protestant faith."

Frankfurter Rundschau, January 2017

"This polemic is a call for protestant Christians to engage themselves politically, while remembering that ours is a pluralistic society, and we all want to get along with each other."

Kleine Zeitung, February 2017



Wolfgang Schäuble
Protestantism and Politics

56 pages
January 2017

- Criticism of public theology
- Examines Luther's accomplishments very closely
- One of the most important politicians of the German post-war period

Don't be so moralistic!

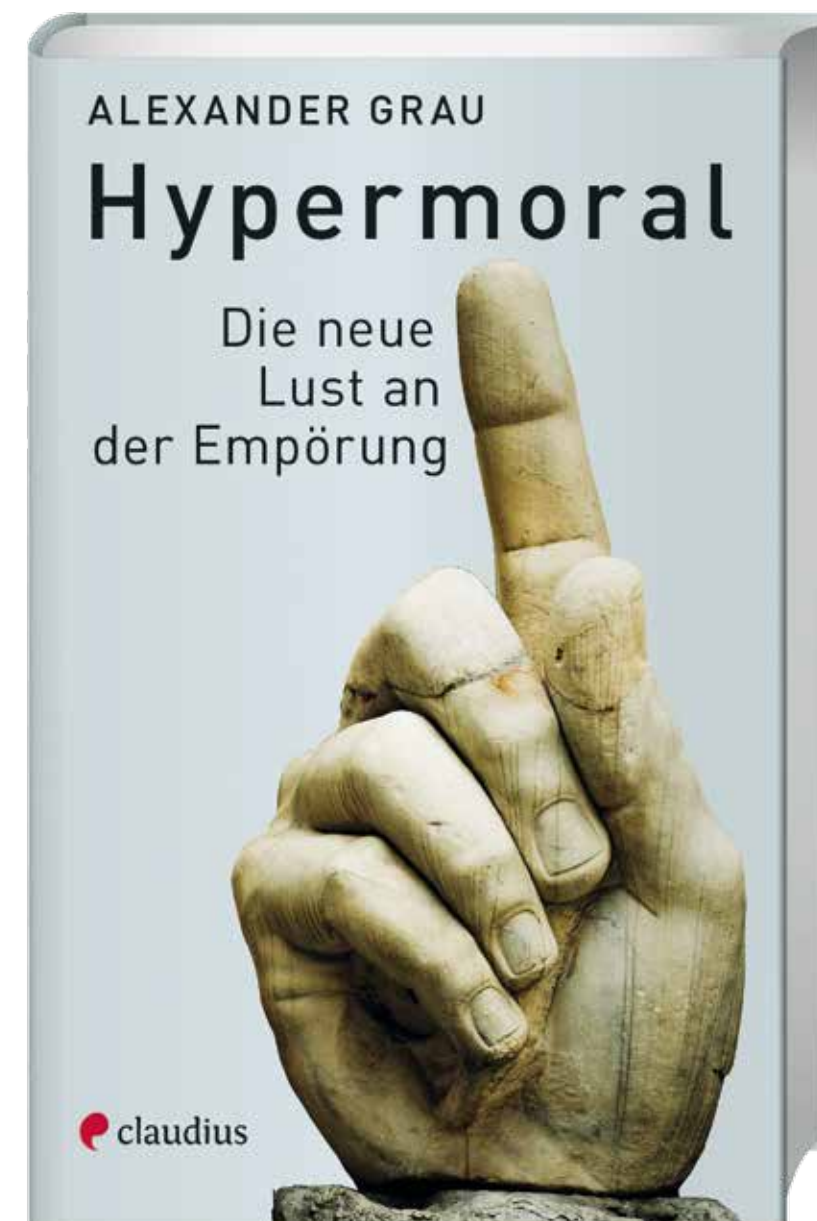
We live in the age of hypermoralism. It has become the leading ideology and replaces religion in today's post-religious society. Moralism has become absolute, no other discussions are allowed. This moralism results in a tyranny of the values: Minority cult, personal offenses, ideology of equality. Politics, economics, the arts – everything is reduced to questions of morality. Even as consumers we have to be sure that everything is fair trade, and comes from sustainable sources.

Whoever tries to escape this dictatorship of absolute morality, is sanctioned by society. Publicist and philosopher Alexander Grau gives us a merciless analysis of contemporary hypermoralism and reveals it to be a grotesque ideology.



Alexander Grau

Is a doctor of philosophy and works as a freelance journalist for culture and science. In December 2014 the book "Religion. Facets of a controversial term", edited by Alexander Grau, was published. He writes the well respected online-column "Grauzone" for the political magazine "Cicero".



Alexander Grau
Hypermoralism
The New Desire for Outrage
144 pages
October 2017

- A Sharp critique against moralistic outrage
- Criticizing the church's self image as "moral police"
- Author of the well respected online-column "Grauzone" for the political magazine "Cicero"

Cicero
MAGAZIN FÜR POLITISCHE KULTUR

Our faith forces us to ask ourselves basic questions

Who would I like to be? Who can I be? Christian faith helps to ask crucial questions and find valid answers. Faith encourages and deepens the process of finding ourselves and reaching fulfillment.

Faith confronts us with our limits and at the same time makes it possible to accept our shadows. It lessens our burdens and surprises us with new possibilities. The potential we were born with can finally be realized. Inspired by the holy spirit and following the example of Jesus Christ Christians can live authentically: They participate in the fulfillment of God's work.

Theologian Hans-Martin Barth from Marburg uses concrete examples of everyday life and helps us in all aspects of life. In dialogue with the human sciences the author asks how Christian faith can contribute to a successful life.



Hans-Martin Barth

Born 1939, Lutheran theologian, former president of „Evangelischer Bund“ (Protestant league). Since 2005 he has been professor emeritus of Systematic Theology at Marburg University.



Hans-Martin Barth
**Self-Discovery and
Christian Belief**

144 pages
October 2017

- Discussion of the basic existential question:
Who am I and who do I want to be?
- Theology in a productive exchange with science
- How the Christian belief can be helpful in conflict situations

New approach for bereaved parents

Losing a child is the most painful experience that a parent can possibly have. The grief is of such depth that it will last a lifetime. That is the focus of this practical book, close to the everyday life of bereaved parents, their relatives and friends. Instead of focusing on traditional grief models with the aim of finally integrating the loss and getting on with things, this new book accepts grief as a lifelong process. The two central messages are that all feelings are allowed, no matter how much time has gone by; and that grieving parents are not victims of their grief. The authors encourage readers to rediscover their own creativity as a resource and to actively shape their lives – not against the grief but with it. “Be good to your grief” is the motto and the promise that goes with it is: It will be different, it will be easier at some point. Grief can change. The personal experience of Annette Meier-Braun gives this book a high level of credibility.



Annette Meier-Braun

Works in her own practice as a psychologist, teacher of psycho-drama, trauma-therapist and grief counselor. Ten years after the death of her second daughter she began to work with bereaved parents.

She also counsels people who work with grievers: volunteers, doctors, ministers, teachers, hospice staff etc.

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Christiane Schlüter

Is a Lutheran theologian, teacher of psycho-drama, journalist and since 2004, author.

She is the author of several counseling books as well as gift books for people in mourning

www.christiane-schluter.de



Annette Meier-Braun,
Christiane Schlüter
The Transformation of Grief
Encouragement for
Bereaved Parents

200 pages
September 2017

- Real encouragement for bereaved parents
- New approach: Accepting a lifelong process of grieving
- Focusing on individual possibilities for creative action
- For bereaved parents, their family and friends, volunteers and professionals working with grieving parents

Self love makes you strong!

Self love is the foundation of everything we try to do in life. No matter what our goals are, if we don't love ourselves, we will not be fully committed to them. Self love permeates all of life. Doctor Unkelbach is not suggesting you need to become an egomaniac and love only yourself. Rather the medical doctor writes about the essence of self love and its meaning for a happy life. Values such as respectful social interaction and mutual attention are just as essential as acknowledging your own needs and building up resilience.

Self determination and responsibility for yourself are the basis of self love, as demonstrated by the author: he shows how to learn to take care of yourself, be aware of yourself, respect yourself, accept yourself, like yourself, have confidence in yourself, and be more self-assured. These seven values form the cycle of self love, and you can learn them, and put them to use in your life! In this practical manual, full of tips and real life examples, he shows how you can learn to love yourself, step by step, day by day, everyday. This book can change your life!



Dr. Bodo Karsten Unkelbach

Born 1969 is a doctor of psychiatry and psychotherapy and since 2006 head physician of the Department of Addiction-medicine and Psychotherapy at the "Center for Psychic Health" in Marienheide, Germany. He gives lectures on a regular basis. This is his first book.



Bodo Karsten Unkelbach
Today I love myself!
7 Steps to Resilience

210 pages
July 2016

- **How to love yourself: A comprehensive guide with many handy tips for everyday life**
- **Based on medical research: 7 steps to resilience**
- **Practical manual, full of tips and real life examples**

New homeland Germany

Migration is the big topic in our times. Even more important are stories of successful integration. During the Communist Invasion of South Vietnam in 1978, Chi Dung Ngo managed to escape to Germany as a Vietnamese boat refugee. He was only 16 when he started his new life in Germany. His story is about leaving home with no destination. But it is more than a story of crossing the ocean to a faraway foreign land. Most of all it is the story of a journey through life itself with all its fears, desires, and the one hope we all share: to really start our life. Against the background of today's debate about refugees, this book is an urgent appeal to all of humanity.

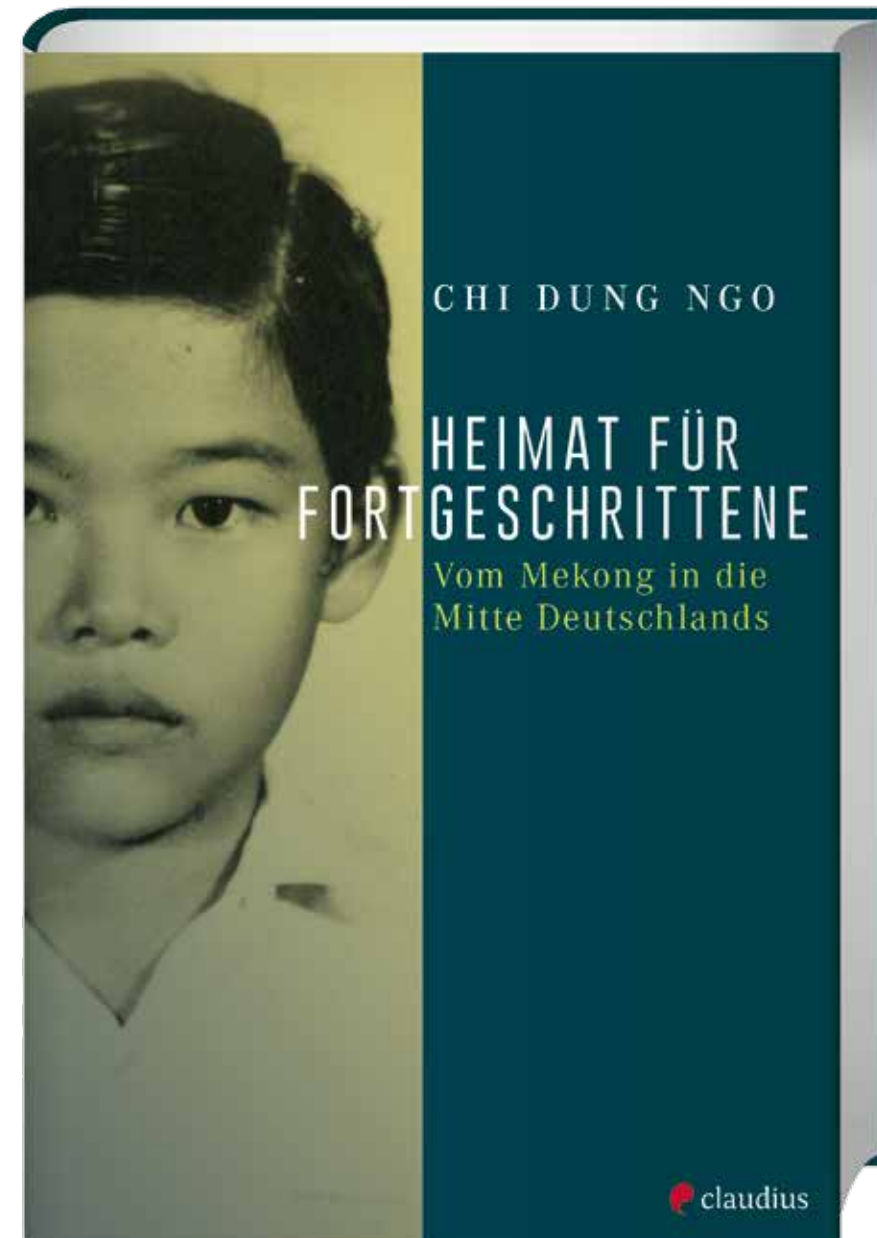


"A traveler on a journey has a destination and expects to arrive at some point. You might think that these two characteristics, destination and arrival would be the essentials of a journey; if there weren't some journeys, which neither know the one nor dare to hope for the other."

Chi Dung Ngo

Chi Dung Ngo

Was 16 years old in 1978, when he entered a dangerously overloaded boat to escape the communists in Can Tho, by the Mekong river, and leave his homeland for foreign shores. After attending a technical high school in Karlsruhe he studied philosophy and German Philology in Heidelberg. He now lives in Schwetzingen as a sworn liaison interpreter and translator.



Chi Dung Ngo
Finding a New Homeland
From Mekong into the
Middle of Germany

136 pages
March 2017

- A moving report of escape, forced migration and integration
- How emigration can become a success story
- The author is available for press briefings and events

Create your life journey

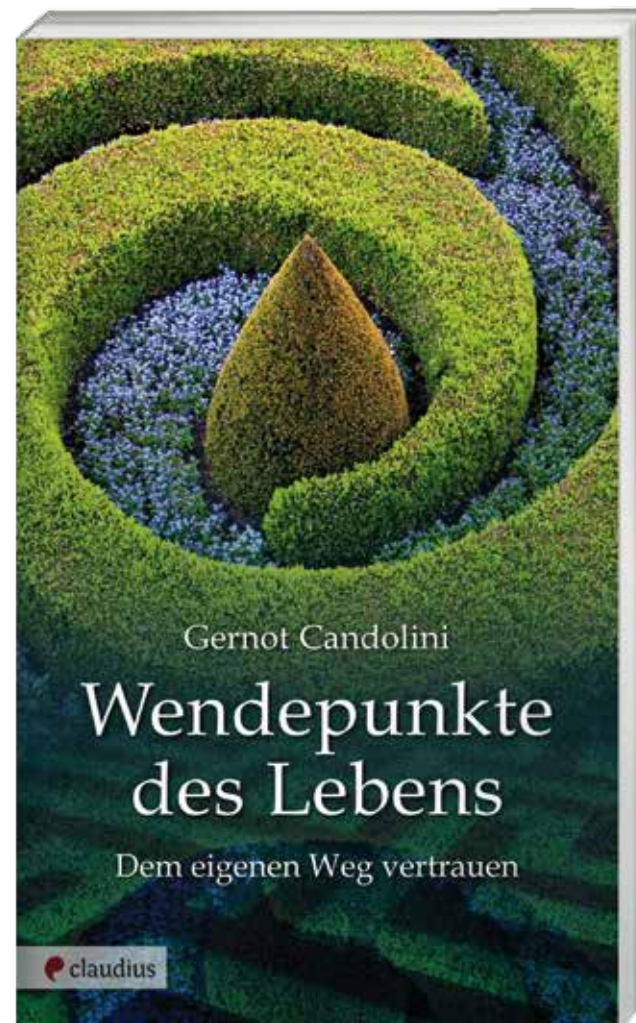


Gernot Candolini

Born in 1959, studied biology. Lives as teacher, labyrinth builder, photographer, and author in Innsbruck, Austria. He is a leading expert on labyrinths, and has written many successful books on the subject.

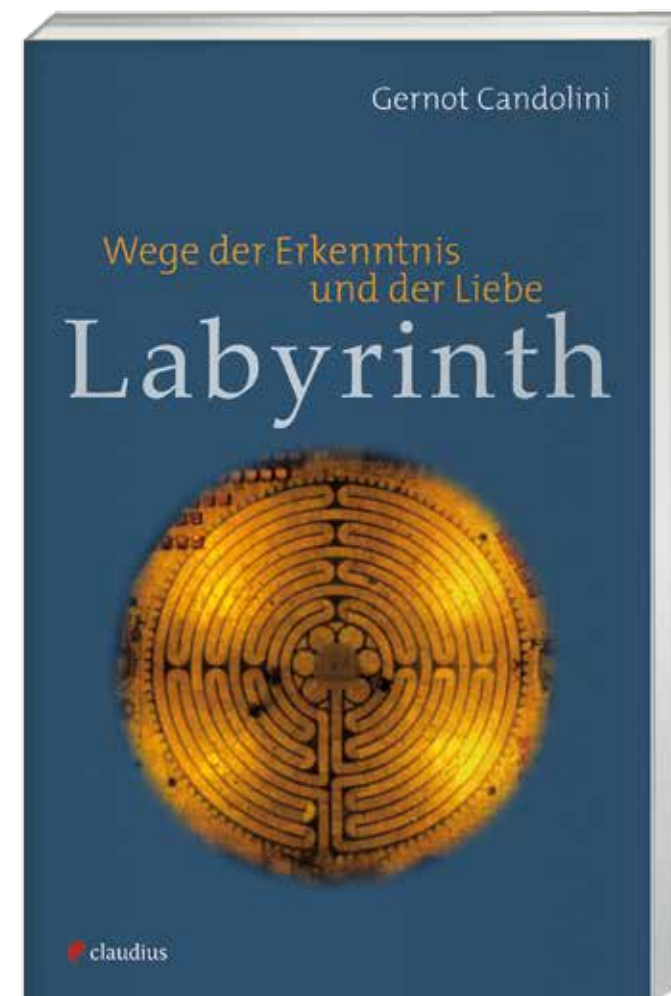
Gernot Candolini
Life's Turning Points
Trust Your Own Path

160 pages
2009



All of life is change – from birth to the existential transformation in death. Each and every one of the changes in between can give life a new direction. With care and intelligence, the author walks us through these changes and gives us strength to carry on without fear through the low points, and celebrate with joy the highpoints. Gernot Candolini has been studying labyrinths for many years and knows that you will continue toward the center no matter how many corners you turn and confusing twists you make along the way.

The labyrinth as symbol of the path of life



Gernot Candolini
Labyrinths
Paths of Insight and Love

160 pages
2004

From ancient times to the present, the labyrinth has symbolised the path of life. On twisted paths and many sudden turns we are constantly searching for the elusive center. Gernot Candolini encourages us to follow the labyrinth wherever it may lead. To pack up and go, to accept the turning points, and continue with confidence. To touch the mystery at the center, and return on the path of love and freedom. Drawing from Greek Mythology, Bible stories, and his own experience, the author explores the fascinating symbolism of the labyrinth and makes a surprising discovery: the labyrinth is a map of our soul. Following it we take a journey to ourself.

Learning the Christian way of meditation

More and more people are discovering the heart prayer – an ancient Christian form of meditation – in their search for inner peace and spiritual orientation. This book leads beginners and the more experienced step-by-step – simple, practical and with descriptive drawings and instructions for physical exercises. With encouraging advice, and helpful hints on integrating heart prayer into your daily life, the guided meditations and exercises make this THE manual about the practice of the heart prayer.

"A book full of warmth from the heart, a book one will always be coming back to."

Marion Küstenmacher in: Sonntagsblatt für Bayern

"I highly recommend it, there is nothing like it today."

Maria Stegers in ekz Informationsdienst für öffentliche Bibliotheken (info service for public libraries)

„We find our way to God, not with dogma, rather by experiencing his spirit in our hearts, and in our very being. The handbook, "Practicing the Heart Prayer" combines calm reflection with active, practical use in life."

Christoph Fleischer, theologian on amazon

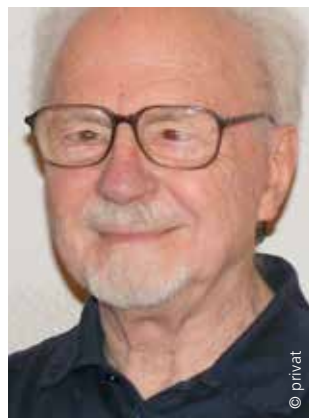
„This book is an invitation to get started on the path. You must gather up your willingness, patience, and consistency to travel along this path, either alone or in a prayer group. You can benefit from the experience of others who know and treasure this path, who through the awareness of the presence of God in their lives have found a better, easier way to live."

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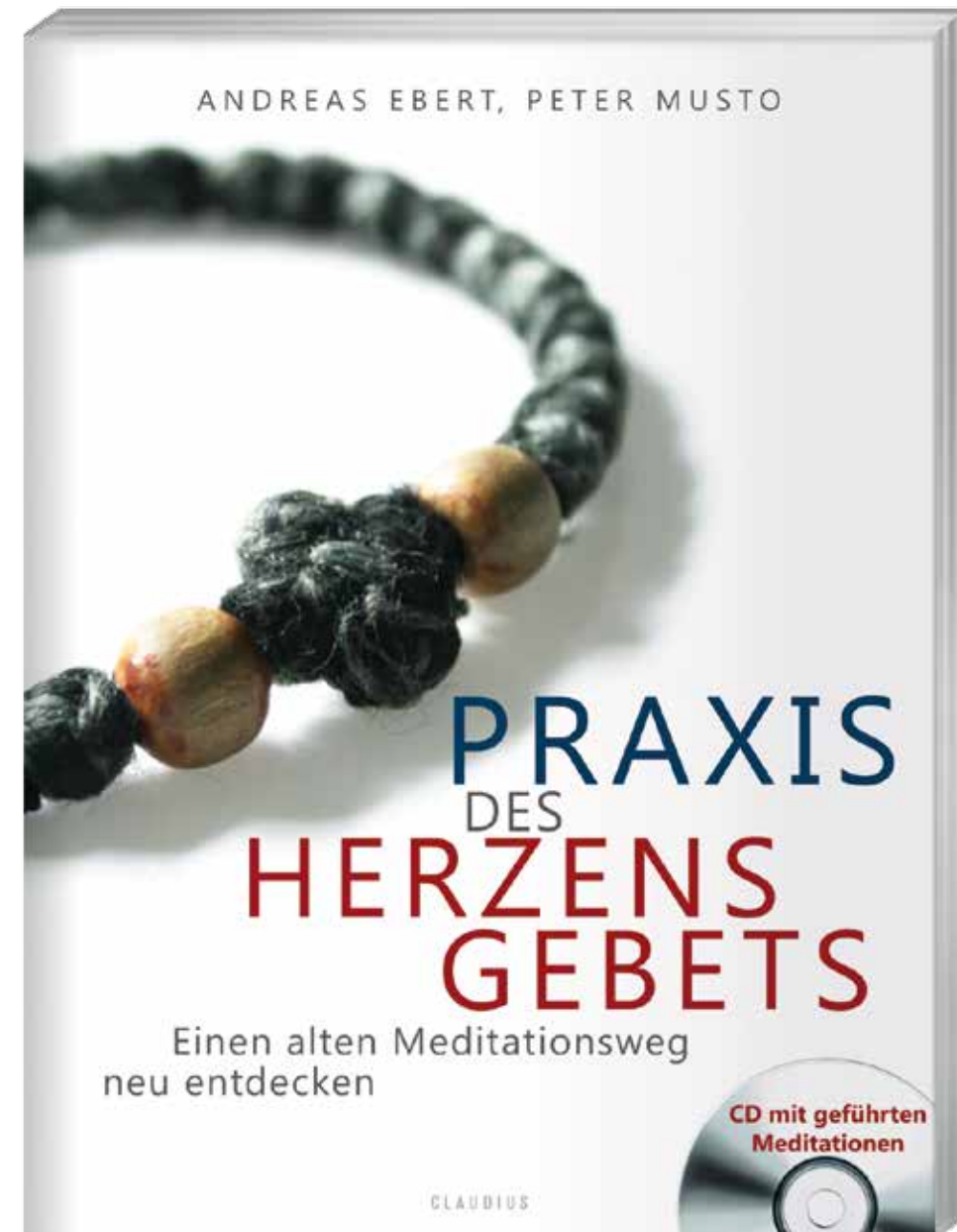
Andreas Ebert

Born in 1952, a Lutheran minister, leads the „Spirituelles Zentrum“ in Munich, teaches Enneagram and meditation, has written many successful books, including our best-seller „The Enneagram“, which he co-authored with Richard Rohr, he gives workshops and seminars.



Peter Musto

Born in 1935, a Jesuit priest. Lived in South America, helping homeless children and the poor until 1991. Now living in Hungary helping people find their spiritual path and introducing them to the heart prayer, in Germany and Hungary.



Andreas Ebert,
Peter Musto
Prayer From the Heart
Rediscovering Meditation
in a Different Light
104 pages with CD
2013

- This form of prayer becoming increasingly popular
- Easy-to-follow step-by-step manual
- Includes several exercises and instructive drawings
- Helpful CD to guide you through meditations

Develop your own spirituality with the help of the Enneagram

In the past decades the Enneagram has influenced millions of people all over the world in an enlightening, inspiring and motivating way. It is far more than a typological model. It offers the opportunity to encounter oneself, one's fellow man and at the same time the divine in a new and deepened way. For the first time the author shows how the Enneagram can be interpreted even further and deeper: as a reliable mirror, which uncovers spiritual and personal illusions, but at the same time how it encourages you to dare to take the next steps towards liberation.



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„For me: A book worth reading, about the Enneagram – written from the standpoint of an experienced, worldly, down-to-earth Christian.“

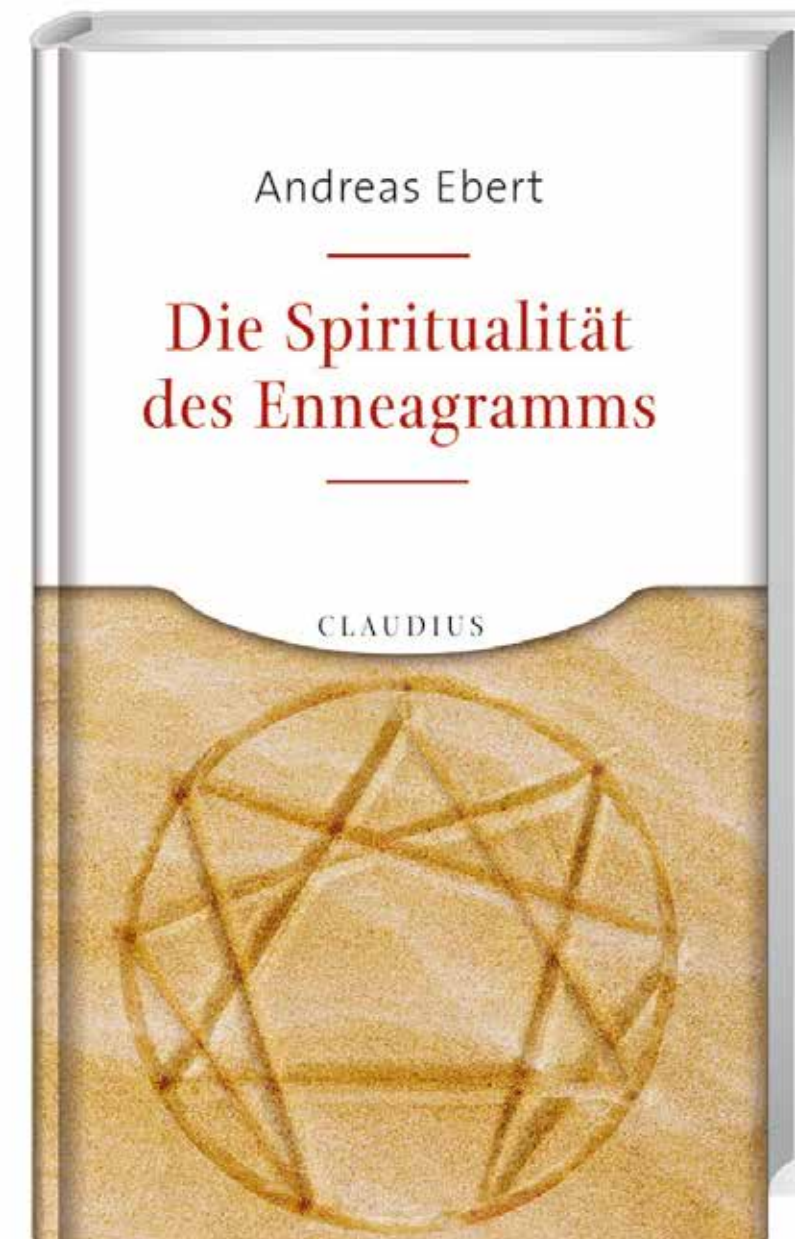
Birgit Kratz: www.spirituelles-portal.de

„Andreas Ebert's book gives us a good overview of the subject. For a Christian who is dealing with the Enneagram and is interested in exploring its deep spiritual possibilities, there is no better book on the market.“

Volker Tepp on amazon

„This very clearly written, beautifully designed Enneagram book, speaks to those who know the Enneagram and would like to deepen their awareness of themselves, and occasionally transcend themselves.“

Marion Küstenmacher on www.enneagramm.eu



Andreas Ebert
The Spirituality of the Enneagram
340 pages
2008

- For the first time: The interpretation of the Enneagram as model for spiritual growth and personal development
- By one of the leading Enneagram experts in Germany, author of the basic work „Das Enneagramm“ (co-author Richard Rohr)
- Profound knowledge through years of teaching seminars and workshops on the Enneagram
- For beginners and advanced

Our Bestsellers from the „Claudius pharmacy“



Lutherol is a nonbook product featuring 24 of Martin Luther's best aphorisms. As we know Martin Luther is known for "looking at the crowd's mouth".

Happiness in a box



24 of the most beautiful aphorisms about happiness, on small rolls of paper. On one side, the aphorism, on the other side, brief suggestions on how to practice happiness in your daily life