

# Dietrich Bonhoeffer

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Dietrich Bonhoeffer Elizabeth Raum 2003-09-03 Nazi Germany produced an unusual group of Christian martyrs--among them, the nun philosopher Edith Stein, the mystical philosopher Simone Weil, and the peasant conscientious objector Hans JSgerstatter--but perhaps none so complex as the Lutheran theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Born into a large upper-middle-class, professional family that was not particularly devout or observant (his father was one of the leading psychiatrists in Germany), Dietrich early in life decided he wanted to be a Christian theologian. Yet his family background and connections insured that he wouldn't be one in the narrow mold of so many of his colleagues. Opportunities for travel--to Spain, North Africa. Mexico, Cuba, America (twice), and England (often)--gave him a broad horizon of possibilities. The greatest thing about America for him was his experiences in Harlem and his friendships with African Americans. His great regret was that he missed an opportunity to travel to India to meet Gandhi. He was one of the few German churchmen who spoke forthrightly against the persecution of Jews as Jews and not merely of Christians of Jewish descent. (How much of this was due to his beloved, 90-year-old grandmother Sophie, who defied the Nazi ban on shopping in Jewish stores? "I buy the things I need where I like.") His family connections drew him into a dangerous double game. His "employment" as a member of the Counterintelligence Office of the High Command of the Armed Forces enabled him to continue work as a pastor and seminary director. It allowed him to travel abroad, where he worked for a negotiated peace. And it eventually drew him into the plot to kill Hitler--an ethical stand which many German Christians of his generation couldn't understand or forgive. He was executed on 9 April 1945, three weeks before Hitler committed suicide. He was thirty-nine years old. The life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer has been told at great length and in magnificent detail by his younger colleague, Eberhard Bethge. It's a biography that will never be surpassed but which only the most devoted will have the perseverance to read. Elizabeth Raum has retold the story concisely and readably for a whole new generation of readers.

**The Bonhoeffer Reader** Clifford J. Green 2013-11-01 For the first time in nearly 20 years, the essential theological writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer have been drawn together in a helpful and concise one-volume format. The Bonhoeffer Reader brings the best English translation to readers, students, and scholars and

provides a ready-made introduction to the thought of this essential thinker

**No Ordinary Men** Fritz Stern 2013-09-17 During the twelve years of Hitler's Third Reich, very few Germans took the risk of actively opposing his tyranny and terror, and fewer still did so to protect the sanctity of law and faith. In *No Ordinary Men*, Elisabeth Sifton and Fritz Stern focus on two remarkable, courageous men who did—the pastor and theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer and his close friend and brother-in-law Hans von Dohnanyi—and offer new insights into the fearsome difficulties that resistance entailed. (Not forgotten is Christine Bonhoeffer Dohnanyi, Hans's wife and Dietrich's sister, who was indispensable to them both.) From the start Bonhoeffer opposed the Nazi efforts to bend Germany's Protestant churches to Hitler's will, while Dohnanyi, a lawyer in the Justice Ministry and then in the Wehrmacht's counterintelligence section, helped victims, kept records of Nazi crimes to be used as evidence once the regime fell, and was an important figure in the various conspiracies to assassinate Hitler. The strength of their shared commitment to these undertakings—and to the people they were helping—endured even after their arrest in April 1943 and until, after great suffering, they were executed on Hitler's express orders in April 1945, just weeks before the Third Reich collapsed. Bonhoeffer's posthumously published *Letters and Papers from Prison* and other writings found a wide international audience, but Dohnanyi's work is scarcely known, though it was crucial to the resistance and he was the one who drew Bonhoeffer into the anti-Hitler plots. Sifton and Stern offer dramatic new details and interpretations in their account of the extraordinary efforts in which the two jointly engaged. *No Ordinary Men* honors both Bonhoeffer's human decency and his theological legacy, as well as Dohnanyi's preservation of the highest standard of civic virtue in an utterly corrupted state.

**Religionless Christianity** Jeffrey C. Pugh 2009-01-01 This book is an interpretation of Bonhoeffer in the contemporary context. Jeffrey Pugh puts Bonhoeffer's theology in perspective by revisiting some of the themes of his life that have found abiding significance in Christian theology. Starting with a chapter on why Bonhoeffer is still important for us today, this book moves to chapters that bring Bonhoeffer into conversation with our present situation. In each of these chapters Pugh takes one of the central ideas of Bonhoeffer and gives them a fresh perspective. Many of Bonhoeffer's books today are written from an exegetical perspective, they try and get at exactly what Bonhoeffer meant. Others are written from a hermeneutical perspective, they try and interpret Bonhoeffer's abiding significance. This book seeks to combine both these approaches to offer interpretations of Bonhoeffer that are germane to our situation today.

**40-Day Journey with Dietrich Bonhoeffer** Dietrich Bonhoeffer 2007 Perfect for use during Advent or Lent, these volumes includes passages from Scripture and opportunities for reflection and prayer.

*Seize the Day with Dietrich Bonhoeffer* Charles Ringma 2000 This devotional by theologian and martyr Dietrich Bonhoeffer helps you see that it is possible to impact that world if we allow ourselves to be transformed into the likeness of Christ. Experience the power of Bonhoeffer's words in a way that challenges us to live out our discipleship daily--combining personal spirituality with an active concern for those around us. • 365 meditations

**Strange Glory** Charles Marsh 2014 A portrait of the German pastor-theologian draws on new research to cover the 1930 visit to America that shaped his perspectives on faith and moral responsibility, his achievements as an anti-Nazi activist and the plot against Hitler that would result in his execution. 35,000 first printing.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer John W. De Gruchy 1988

*Dietrich Bonhoeffer* Sabine Damm 2016-09-01 In this book on Dietrich Bonhoeffer, author Sabine Damm examines the twentieth century's best-known German pastor and theologian. This is a book about Bonhoeffer's vibrant Christian faith and his profound yet very practical theological thinking. Although Dietrich Bonhoeffer's passionate life and dramatic death are familiar territory, this book examines his life and the death he accepted in resistance to Hitler in the context of his faith and thought, as found in his own writings. Damm explores Bonhoeffer's sermons, letters, articles, and books. She offers her readers an outstanding introduction to the breadth of his writing and the depth of his theological thinking. Damm also traces how Bonhoeffer's beliefs and understandings led him to active resistance to the Nazi regime: to the establishment of alternative church groups, to espionage, and ultimately to conspiracy to overthrow the government by assassinating Hitler. "

Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Letters and Papers from Prison Martin E Marty 2020-02-25 From National Book Award–winning author Martin Marty, the surprising story of a Christian classic born in a Nazi prison cell For fascination, influence, inspiration, and controversy, Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Letters and Papers from Prison* is unmatched by any other book of Christian reflection written in the twentieth century. A Lutheran pastor and theologian, Bonhoeffer spent two years in Nazi prisons before being executed at age thirty-nine for his role in the plot to kill Hitler. Ever since it was published in 1951, *Letters and Papers from Prison* has had a tremendous impact on Christian and secular thought, and has helped establish Bonhoeffer's reputation as one of the most important Protestant thinkers of the twentieth century. In this, the first history of the book's remarkable global career, National Book Award–winning writer Martin Marty tells how and why *Letters and Papers from Prison* has been read and used in such dramatically different ways, from the Cold War to today.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer Dietrich Bonhoeffer 2010 Every Christian needs spiritual direction, writes Peter Frick. Regular prayer and meditation help to shape a healthy Christian life. While noting that Dietrich Bonhoeffer was more than a spiritual mentor, Frick utilizes his words to shape reflections that will guide readers deeper into the heart of meditation. Bonhoeffer's prayers read like a contemporary psalter: they are praise, lament, wisdom. In these pages, readers are invited to contemplate silence, community, solitude, truth, grace, sin, worldliness, and eternity, and are encouraged to open their hearts to meditation. Peter Frick is associate professor and academic dean at St. Paul's College. He teaches a variety of subjects, including courses in Western religions, theology, and biblical studies. Frick recently published *A Handbook of New Testament Greek Grammar* (2007) and edited *Bonhoeffer's Intellectual Formation* (2008). Frick is a member of the international Bonhoeffer Society and a member of the editorial board responsible for the publication of the new standard edition of the Bonhoeffer works. His main interest lies in the intersection of philosophy and theology, both in ancient and modern times.

Keys to Bonhoeffer's Haus Laura M. Fabrycky 2020-03-24 In *Keys to Bonhoeffer's Haus*, Laura M. Fabrycky, an American guide of the Bonhoeffer-Haus in Berlin, takes readers on a tour of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's home, city, and world. She shares the keys she has discovered there--the many sources of Bonhoeffer's identity, his practices of Scripture meditation and prayer, his willingness to cross boundaries and befriend people all around the world--that have unlocked her understanding of her own life and responsibilities in light of Bonhoeffer's wisdom. *Keys to Bonhoeffer's Haus* tells his story in new ways and invites us to think beyond him into our own lives and civic responsibilities. Fabrycky shows readers how to consider what befriending Bonhoeffer might mean for us and the ways we live our lives today. Ultimately, through her transformative tour of Bonhoeffer's Berlin, she inspires readers to discover and embrace responsible forms of civic agency and loving, sacrificial action on behalf of our neighbors.

*Reclaiming Dietrich Bonhoeffer* Charles Marsh 1996-09-05 In this book, Marsh offers a new way of reading the theology of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a Christian theologian who was executed for his role in the resistance against Hitler and the Nazis. Focusing on Bonhoeffer's substantial philosophical interests, Marsh examines his work in the context of the German philosophical tradition, from Kant through Hegel to Heidegger. Marsh argues that Bonhoeffer's description of human identity offers a compelling alternative to post-Kantian conceptions of selfhood. In addition, he shows that Bonhoeffer, while working within the boundaries of Barth's theology, provides both a critique and redescription of the tradition of transcendental subjectivity. This fresh look at Bonhoeffer's thought will provoke much discussion in the theological academy and the church, as well as in broader forums of intellectual life.

*Theologian of Resistance* Christiane Tietz 2016-09-01 Since Dietrich Bonhoeffer's death in 1945, executed by the Nazis as a political dissident, he has continued to fascinate and compel readers as a theologian, witness, and martyr. Bonhoeffer's theological brilliance, committed discipleship, ecumenical insight, and courageous participation in the struggle against fascism have profoundly shaped contemporary Christian understanding and action. In John W. de Gruchy's estimate, had Bonhoeffer lived "he might have dominated the theological scene in the second half of the twentieth century in succession to Karl Barth, Rudolf Bultmann, and Paul Tillich. As it was, he became the paradigmatic martyr-theologian" for our time. In this new biography, Christiane Tietz masterfully portrays the interconnectedness of Bonhoeffer's life and thought, theology and politics, discipleship, witness, and resistance, tracing the path from his childhood to his imprisonment and execution. Brief, lucid, and imminently accessible, Tietz's new account brings Bonhoeffer's story and work to life in a vivid retelling, unfolding his important and widely read texts, and including new, previously unseen pictures.

**"After Ten Years"** Victoria J. Barnett 2017-10-15 How does one read the signs of the times? What does it mean to resist? How do we engage faithfully in struggle? Dietrich Bonhoeffer has achieved iconic status as one who epitomizes what it means to struggle and resist tyranny and fascism and how one acts in faithful witness as a religious and political commitment. Bonhoeffer's witness and example is more relevant than ever. A testimony to that is a crucial essay penned by Bonhoeffer in 1942; "After Ten Years" is a succinct and sober reflection, and remains one of the best descriptions ever written about what happened to the German people under National

Socialism. This volume presents this timely and unique essay in a fresh translation and a penetrating introduction and analysis of the importance of this essay-in Bonhoeffer's time and now in our own.

**Meditating on the Word** Dietrich Bonhoeffer 2000 Now back in print, this collection of Bonhoeffer's writings, sermons, and letters on meditation reveals his deep love for the Bible as a focus for his prayer life and a support in his courageous political life.

**Radical Integrity** Michael Van Dyke 2012-06-01 You'll be inspired by this story of a German pastor and theologian who gave his life to oppose Adolf Hitler and his Nazi regime. Born into a prominent German family, Dietrich Bonhoeffer died in a Nazi prison camp, hanged for his plot against the man who'd plunged the world into war. Find out what made Dietrich Bonhoeffer the man he was—compassionate minister, brilliant thinker, opponent of the heresies of Nazism and Aryan superiority. This easy-to-read biography details both Bonhoeffer's life and his powerful theology—of “cheap” versus “costly” grace.

**Dietrich Bonhoeffer** Dietrich Bonhoeffer 1998 A collection of writings by one of the most significant Christian witnesses of the twentieth century.

**Dietrich Bonhoeffer** Larry Rasmussen 2016-05-15 Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945) remains the most seminal theologian of those whose work was forged and tested in the worst years of the twentieth century. A German who loved his country and culture, and who mourned its crimes and actively resisted them, his ethic was wholly contextual, attuned to what he must do in his own land as a disciple of Jesus Christ. He might have been surprised to find that a half-century and more later his work has been widely appropriated by others in different circumstances for their exercise of Christian responsibility. This volume of essays is one example of Bonhoeffer's ongoing relevance. Rasmussen engages Luther, Barth, Niebuhr, Hauerwas, Yoder, and Berrigan as a way to illuminate aspects of Bonhoeffer's ethics. He also compares the post-holocaust theology of Rabbi Greenberg with Bonhoeffer's own treatment of divine presence and human responsibility in a world that has “come of age.” One essay, “The Meaning of the Theology of the Cross for Social Ethics in the World Today,” pulls the main themes of the book together. This 2016 edition also includes a new chapter, which relates Bonhoeffer's ethics to the current environmental crisis.

**A Testament to Freedom** Dietrich Bonhoeffer 1995-03-31 Dietrich Bonhoeffer was only thirty-nine years old when he was executed in a Nazi concentration camp in 1945, yet his courage, vision, and brilliance have greatly influenced the twentieth-century Church and theology. Particularly through his bestselling classic, *The Cost of Discipleship*, Bonhoeffer profoundly shaped such minds and movements as Martin Luther King, Jr., and Leonardo Boff, civil rights and liberation theology. *A Testament to Freedom*, completely revised and expanded for this edition, includes previously untranslated writings, excerpts from major books, sermons, and selected letters spanning the years of Bonhoeffer's pastoral and theological career. This magnificent volume takes readers on a historical and biographical journey that follows Bonhoeffer through the various stages of his life--as teacher, ecumenist, pastor, preacher, seminary director, prophet in the Nazi era and, finally, as martyr in pursuit of peace and justice.

**Dietrich Bonhoeffer 1906-1945** Ferdinand Schlingensiepen 2010-04-01 A new comprehensive biography of this hugely important Christian martyr, 60 years after his execution at the hands of the Nazis Bonhoeffer has gained a position as one of the most prominent Christian martyrs of the last century. His influence is so widespread that even 60 years after his execution by the Nazis, Bonhoeffer's life and work are still the subject of fresh and lively discussion. As a pastor and theologian, Bonhoeffer decided to resist the Nazis in Germany, but his resistance was not solely theological. He played a key leadership role in the Confessing Church, a major source of Christian opposition to Hitler and his anti-Semitism and was principal of the secret seminary at Finkenwalde in Pomerania. It was here that he developed his theological visions of radical discipleship and communal life. In 1938, he joined the Wehrmacht's "Abwehr", the German Military Intelligence Office, in order to seek international support for the plot against Hitler. Following his inner calling and conscience meant that Bonhoeffer was continually forced to make decisions that separated him from his family, friends, and colleagues, and which ultimately led to his martyrdom in Flossenbürg concentration camp, less than a month before the Second World War came to an end. His letters and papers from prison movingly express the development of some of the most provocative and fascinating ideas of 20th century theology. Sixty years after Bonhoeffer's death and forty years after the publication of Eberhard Bethge's ground breaking biography, Ferdinand Schlingensiepen offers a definitive new book on Bonhoeffer, for a new generation of readers. Schlingensiepen takes into account documents that have only been made accessible during the last few years - such as the letters between Bonhoeffer and his fiancée Maria von Wedemeyer. Schlingensiepen's careful narrative brings to life the historical events, as well as displaying the theological development of one of the most creative thinkers of the 20th century, who was to become one of its most tragic martyrs.

*Dietrich Bonhoeffer Worksreader's Edition Set* Dietrich Bonhoeffer 2015-11-01 Using the acclaimed Dietrich Bonhoeffer Works English translation and adapted to a more accessible format, these new editions of Discipleship, Ethics, Letters and Papers from Prison, and Life Together feature the latest translations of Bonhoeffer's works, supplemental material from Victoria J. Barnett, and insightful introductions by Geoffrey B. Kelly, Clifford J. Green, and John W. de Gruchy. This four-volume set of Bonhoeffer's classic works allows all readers to appreciate the cogency and relevance of his vision.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer Dale Larsen 2002-05-01 Six lessons on basic doctrines and Christian living based on the life of Bonhoeffer, and on a variety of passages from Scripture.

**Spiritual Care** Dietrich Bonhoeffer 1985 Bonhoeffer says spiritual care is a function of the congregation and that it is an aspect of the broader, more encompassing activity of proclamation. In *Spiritual Care*, we are confronted with the awesome truth that in speech God's presence is known and that speech is also our own; in silence God's presence is known and that silence is also our own. The text demands us to consider how the gospel message is brought to people in the midst of their personal lives, and his message and counsel use the tools given within the traditional life of the church so that such grace becomes enacted, enfolded, and incarnate in the Christian community.

**Dietrich Bonhoeffer** Janet Bengtson 2012 Learn all about Dietrich Bonhoeffer, whose work as a spy in the

German resistance led to imprisonment and eventual execution.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Meditations on Psalms Dietrich Bonhoeffer 2005 A one-volume collection of legendary author Dietrich Bonhoeffer's profound and influential meditations on the Psalms, previously untranslated.

**Reclaiming Dietrich Bonhoeffer** Charles Marsh 1996 In this book, Marsh offers a new way of reading the theology of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a Christian theologian who was executed for his role in the resistance against Hitler and the Nazis. Focusing on Bonhoeffer's substantial philosophical interests, Marsh examines his work in the context of the German philosophical tradition, from Kant through Hegel to Heidegger. Marsh argues that Bonhoeffer's description of human identity offers a compelling alternative to post-Kantian conceptions of selfhood. In addition, he shows that Bonhoeffer, while working within the boundaries of Barth's theology, provides both a critique and redescription of the tradition of transcendental subjectivity. This fresh look at Bonhoeffer's thought will provoke much discussion in the theological academy and the church, as well as in broader forums of intellectual life.

**The Cambridge Companion to Dietrich Bonhoeffer** John W. de Gruchy 1999-05-13 This Companion serves as a guide for readers wanting to explore the thought and legacy of the great German theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-45). The book shows why Bonhoeffer remains such an attractive figure to so many people of diverse backgrounds. Its chapters, written by authors from differing national, theological and church contexts, provide a helpful introduction to, and commentary on, Bonhoeffer's life, work and writing and so guide the reader along the complex paths of his thought. Experts set out comprehensively Bonhoeffer's political, social and cultural contexts, and offer biographical information which is indispensable for the understanding of his theology. Major themes arising from the theology, and different interpretations to it, lead the reader into a dialogue with this most influential of thinkers who remains both fascinating and challenging. There is a chronology, a glossary and an index.

**Dietrich Bonhoeffer** Eberhard Bethge 2000 The authoritative biography of Bonhoeffer -- theologian, Christian, man for his times.

**Dietrich Bonhoeffer Works** Dietrich Bonhoeffer 2014 Volume 14 "includes bible studies, sermons, and lectures on homiletics, pastoral care, and catechesis, giving a moving and up-close portrait of the Confessing Church in these crucial years"--Publisher description.

The Collected Sermons of Dietrich Bonhoeffer Dietrich Bonhoeffer 2012 Preaching, according to Bonhoeffer, is like offering an apple to child. The gospel is proclaimed, but for it to be received as gift depends on whether or not the hearer is in a position to do so. Offered here are thirty-one of Pastor Bonhoeffer's sermons, in new English translations, which he preached at various times of the year and in a variety of different settings. Each is introduced by Bonhoeffer translator Isabel Best who also provides a brief biography of Bonhoeffer. The foreword is by Victoria J. Barnett, general editor of the Dietrich Bonhoeffer Works, English edition, published by Fortress Press, from which these sermons are selected. In his preaching, Bonhoeffer's strong, personal faith--

the foundation for everything he did--shines in the darkness of Hitler's Third Reich and in the church struggle against it. Though not overtly political, Bonhoeffer's deep concern for the developments in his world is revealed in his sermons as he seeks to draw the listener into conversation with the promises and claims of the gospel--a conversation readers today are invited to join.

**Letters and Papers from Prison** Dietrich Bonhoeffer 1997-07-01 One of the great classics of prison literature, *Letters and Papers from Prison* effectively serves as the last will and testament of the Lutheran theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a young German pastor who was executed by the Nazis in 1945 for his part in the "officers' plot" to assassinate Adolf Hitler. This expanded version of *Letters and Papers from Prison* shifts the emphasis of earlier editions of Bonhoeffer's theological reflections to the private sphere of his life. His letters appear in greater detail and show his daily concerns. Letters from Bonhoeffer's parents, siblings, and other relatives have also been added, in addition to previously inaccessible letters and legal papers referring to his trial. Acute and subtle, warm and perceptive, yet also profoundly moving, the documents collectively tell a very human story of loss, of courage, and of hope. Bonhoeffer's story seems as vitally relevant, as politically prophetic, and as theologically significant today, as it did yesterday.

**The Oxford Handbook of Dietrich Bonhoeffer** Michael Mawson 2019 "This handbook provides a comprehensive resource for those wishing to understand the German theologian, pastor, and resistance conspirator Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945) and his writings. It contains sections on Bonhoeffer's life and context, his contributions to all areas of systematic theology and ethics, constructive uses of Bonhoeffer for engaging contemporary issues, and resources for studying Bonhoeffer today. Contributors include leading Bonhoeffer scholars, historians, theologians, and ethicists"--

Dietrich Bonhoeffer Larry L. Rasmussen 1970

Life Together Dietrich Bonhoeffer 1978-10-25 After his martyrdom at the hands of the Gestapo in 1945, Dietrich Bonhoeffer continued his witness in the hearts of Christians around the world. His *Letters and Papers from Prison* became a prized testimony to Christian faith and courage, read by thousands. Now in *Life Together* we have Pastor Bonhoeffer's experience of Christian community. This story of a unique fellowship in an underground seminary during the Nazi years reads like one of Paul's letters. It gives practical advice on how life together in Christ can be sustained in families and groups. The role of personal prayer, worship in common, everyday work, and Christian service is treated in simple, almost biblical, words. *Life Together* is bread for all who are hungry for the real life of Christian fellowship.

*Dietrich Bonhoeffer* Dallas M. Roark 1972 The author seeks to come to terms with both Bonhoeffer the theologian and Bonhoeffer the man -- the germinal thinker and the courageous Christian. He looks at each of Bonhoeffer's published works and examines his ideas in relation to the use made of them by other writers and theologians. He makes an attempt to assess Bonhoeffer's influence and importance to the future. Finally, however, his attention is turned back to Bonhoeffer himself, the man who can perhaps best be characterized by the phrase he coined to describe Jesus Christ -- "the man for others". Totally committed to Christ and to the

Church, Bonhoeffer gave himself both in life and death for his fellow humans, proving that grace and discipleship are indeed costly.

**Bonhoeffer** Eric Metaxas 2014-02-04 Small group study guide designed for use with Bonhoeffer: A DVD study.

**A Year with Dietrich Bonhoeffer** Dietrich Bonhoeffer 2005-12-27 Dietrich Bonhoeffer was only thirty-nine when he was executed by the Nazis in 1945, yet his influence on Christian life has been enormous. His passionate, theology-based opposition to Nazism made him a leader, along with Karl Barth, in Germany's Confessing Church. Bonhoeffer is embraced by both liberal and conservative Christians, and the integrity of his faith and life have led believers everywhere to recognize him as the one theologian of his time to lead future generations of Christians into the new millennium. His writings are a treasure of spiritual wisdom, social conscience, pastoral care, and theological insights that are an inspiration to us all, no matter what challenges we face. A Year with Dietrich Bonhoeffer showcases his writings, letters, and sermons in a daily devotional format, encouraging and deepening readers' reflections and meditations. With a foreword by Jim Wallis, author of God's Politics, A Year with Dietrich Bonhoeffer will take readers on a 365-day journey of understanding with this deeply spiritual man.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer Renate Bethge 2006 "Pastor, theologian, resister, Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-45) has been an influential theologian and inspiration for more than 60 years. This unique pictorial account of Bonhoeffer's life, family, and friends, and of the Germany in which he lived and died, is now available in a new edition with added photographs and a new design." "With more than 200 photos - including many portraits of Bonhoeffer's ancestors, family gatherings, press photos of contemporary events, maps, postcards, and newspaper accounts, posters, book jackets - this book gives the reader a real sense of Bonhoeffer's family context and the decisive times in which he lived and strove." "The twelve chapters in this volume recapture distinct periods in Bonhoeffer's life, setting events in his family against the tumultuous events in church, state, and the international scene. The brief accompanying texts provide essential information, but on the whole the pictures are allowed to speak for themselves. For those who know Bonhoeffer through his writings or even films about him, this centenary edition will introduce Bonhoeffer the man and the circle of family and friends who together with him faced fateful choices."--BOOK JACKET.

Taking Hold of the Real Barry Harvey 2016-08-25 Dietrich Bonhoeffer writes in one of his last prison letters that he had come to know and understand more and more the profound this-worldliness of Christianity. In Taking Hold of the Real, Barry Harvey engages in constructive conversation with Bonhoeffer, contending that the shallow and banal this-worldliness of modern society is ordered to a significant degree around the social technologies of religion, culture, and race. These mechanisms displace human beings from their traditional connections with particular locales, and relocate them in their proper places as determined by the nation-state and capitalist markets. Christians are called to participate in the profound this-worldliness that breaks into the world in the apocalyptic action of Jesus Christ, a form of life that requires discipline and an understanding of death and resurrection. The church is a sacrament of this new humanity, performing for all to hear the polyphony of life that was prefigured in the Old Testament and now is realised in Christ. Unable to find a

faithful form of this-worldliness in wartime Germany, Bonhoeffer joined the conspiracy against Hitler, a decision aptly contrasted with a small French church that, prepared by its life together over many generations, saved thousands of Jewish lives.