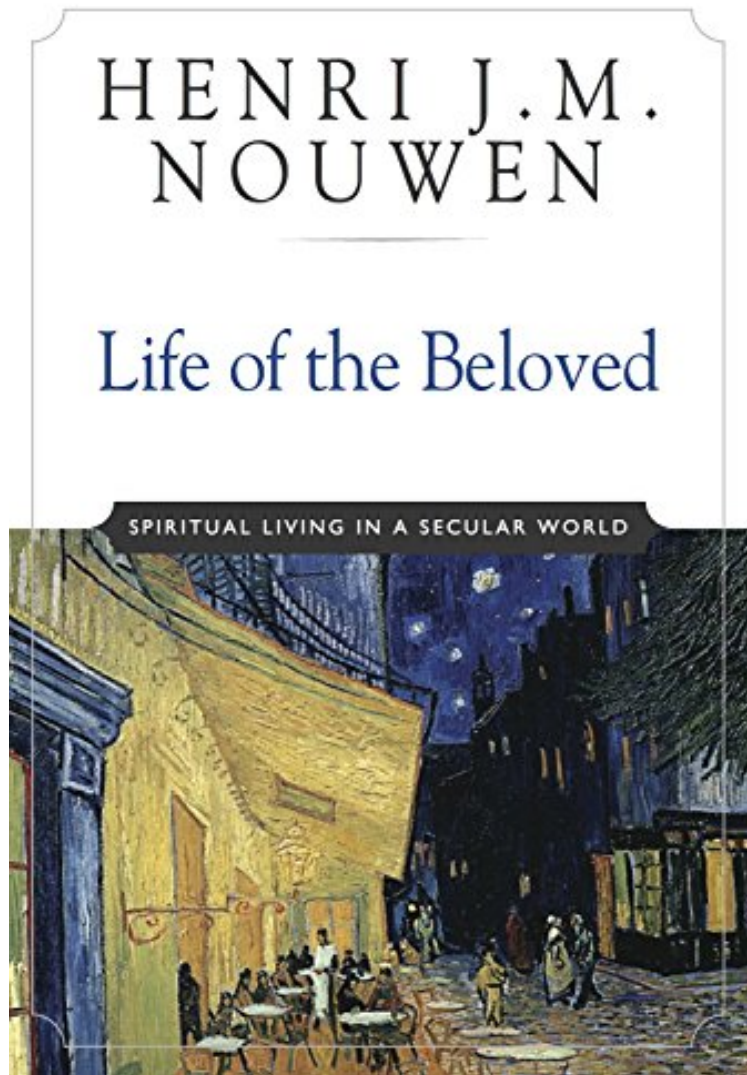


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PowerfulVon P. George ElsbettI ran across this book after watching a YouTube video where Nouwen spoke about the content of what is described here in much more detail at the "Crystal Cathedral" a few years before he died. There he tried less to speak to a secular audience and there were certain insights in the talk that don't appear here and vice

versa. That said, I find his paradigmatic 4-step "chosen-blessed-broken-given" an incredibly powerful image for understanding personal identity. Even though he is not himself sure that this can be of help to someone outside of church world, I have personally found his model very helpful just in the recent weeks to engage in dialogue with friends that do not have a Christian background.

3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Word of Joy
Von Ein Kunde
There is so much in our every day lives that tries to make us believe that we are no good; we do not count; we don't measure up. Many of us have begun to learn those messages as a small child. Henri Nouwen has a way of letting you know that you do matter and are precious in God's sight. In spite of the fact that I have studied theology, I found that when stressed, a feeling of emptiness often overcame me that I could not explain. I knew that God loved me. I knew that God loves everyone. However, that knowledge was in my head. At a continuing education event, a new friend gave me a copy of this book, urging me to "read it soon". The knowledge that I was loved beyond my wildest imagination sank from my head into the rest of me. I felt joy and love like I had never known before. A silly feeling that I wasn't entitled to all that love was quickly dispelled by the knowledge that God has more love for each of us than we can imagine - even when we become overwhelmed and feel "like bottomless pits of human need". What a liberating word of joy that continues to fill my very being. Read it! You'll be glad you did!

2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An easy-to-read, yet profound explanation of God's Love
Von Ein Kunde
Henri Nouwen's Life of the Beloved provides the reader with a look at how we are all blessed, broken, and given in the Name of the Lord. He originally wrote the book for a friend who asked him about God and spirituality. Nouwen provides the reader with an insight into how God's choosing each one of us as His beloved does not necessarily mean anyone is excluded, a paradox which our society fails to understand and thus rejects. A very insightful book, that is very important to me in my journey of faith. Nouwen was a Catholic priest, and I recommend his works to all, especially Catholics.

Kurzbeschreibung
Initially written for a Jewish friend, Life of the Beloved has become Henri Nouwen's greatest legacy to Christians around the world. This sincere testimony of the power and invitation of Christ is indeed a great guide to a truly uplifting spiritual life in today's world.