



Living the Hospitality of God

By Lucien Richard

Paulist Press. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 96 pages. Dimensions: 8.2in. x 5.4in. x 0.5in. Hospitality, says the author, is the intersection between the private and the public; it is a breaking down of boundaries. The third book in Wicks series looks at theological and pastoral implications of living the biblical command to be hospitable to the stranger. On the theological level, concern for the stranger is a pattern for Christian social action. On the pastoral level, hospitality is the challenge to see the stranger the way Christ saw the stranger--and to act accordingly. The central image of Christian hospitality is the Kingdom of God, which is addressed mainly to the poor and the displaced, and which actively counters today's suspicion, selfishness, and aggression. Living the Hospitality of God moves from the classical Greek view of hospitality, to the biblical view, to America's declining interest in others. Drawing from a wide range of theologians and philosophers, the book offers a vision of authentic selfhood based on compassionate concern then encourages movement from silence and passivity to an active welcoming of others. The book also explores the Eucharist as the celebration of the hospitality of God towards humanity. Coming truly from the...

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