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Frederick Buechner Reading Buechner The Book of Buechner The Eyes of the Heart The Wizard's Tide: A Story / Frederick Buechner A Crazy, Holy Grace Frederick Buechner 101 Leading Lives That Matter The Son of Laughter Telling Secrets LIFE Secrets in the Dark Now and Then The Yellow Leaves The Remarkable Ordinary Beyond Words Listening to Your Life The Book of Bebb Listening to Life The Longing for Home Secrets in the Dark One Life, Four Seasons Whistling in the Dark A Chorus of Witnesses Brendan Wagering on Transcendence Speak What We Feel Persuade Us to Rejoice Laughter in a Genevan Gown The Beatitudes for Today Godric On the Road with the Archangel Wishful Thinking Peculiar Treasures A Room Called Remember The Faces of Jesus The Storm The Sacred Journey Learning to Speak Listening to Your Life Frederick Buechner 1988 frederick buechner is one of the most gifted writers of his generation and his legacy casts a long shadow over christian letters today as a memoirist he opened up an entirely new way to think about the genre as a novelist he was a finalist for the pulitzer and as a theologian and preacher he pioneered the art of making theology accessible for a popular audience yet for all buechner s enormous influence many readers today are unfamiliar with his work or have read him only in one genre in this book buechner expert jeffrey munroe presents a collection of the true essentials from across buechner s diverse catalog as well as an overview of buechner s life and a discussion of the state of his literary legacy today here is buechner in all his complex glory ready to delight and inspire again

Reading Buechner 2019-11-19 the most thorough and extensive investigation ever written on the much beloved writer the book of buechner explores the ways in which frederick buechner s writing particularly his fiction presents the possibilities of grace in the midst of the ambiguities of human existence and introduces themes of christian faith both long time readers and neophytes seeking a guide through his writings will delight in the illuminating analysis dale brown has to offer intelligent and gratifying the book of buechner is a much overdue literary journey through one of the most significant american writers of the last fifty years

The Book of Buechner 2006-01-01 from critically acclaimed author and pulitzer prize runner up frederick buechner comes another powerfully honest memoir the eyes of the heart full of poinant insights into his most personal relationships this moving account traces how the author was shaped as much by his family s secrets as by its celebrations within the innermost chambers of his consciousness buechner in his characteristically self searching style explores the mysteries and truths behind his deepest connections to family friends and mentors extraordinarily moving this memoir follows not chronology but the converging paths of buechner s imagination and memory buechner invites us into his library his own magic kingdom surrounded by his beloved books and treasures we discover how they serve as the gateway to buechner s mind and heart he draws the reader into his recollections moving seamlessly from reminiscence to contemplation buechner recounts events such as the tragic suicide of his father and its continual fallout on his life intimate and little known details about his deep friendship with the late poet james merrill and his ongoing struggle to understand the complexities of his relationship to his mother this cast of characters comprised of buechner s relatives and loved ones is brought to vibrant life by his peerless writing and capacity to probe the depths of his own consciousness buechner visits his past with an honest eye and a heart open to the most painful and life altering of realizations heartbreaking and enlightening the eyes of the heart is a treasure for any who have ever pondered the meaning and mystery of their own past as one of our finest writers according to author annie dillard frederick buechner provides yet another chapter in the tale of his life in this gripping memoir tracing the complicated roots and path of his inner life and family with their multitude of intersections the eyes of the heart stands as a touching testimonial to the significance of kinship to the author as well as to the legions of readers who have come to regard him as one of their own The Eves of the Heart 2009-10-13 when pain is real why is god silent frederick buechner has grappled with the nature of pain grief and grace ever since his father committed suicide when buechner was a young boy he continued that search as a father when his daughter struggled with anorexia in this essential collection of essays including one never before published frederick buechner finds that the god who might seem so silent is ever near he writes about what it means to be a steward of our pain and about this grace from god that seems arbitrary and yet draws us to his holiness and care finally he writes about the magic of memory and how it can close up the old wounds with the memories of past goodnesses and graces from god here now are the best of buechner s writings on pain and loss covering such topics as the power of hidden secrets loss of a dearly beloved letting go resurrection from the ruins peace and listening for the guiet voice of god and he reveals that pain and sorrow can be a treasure an amazing grace buechner says that loss will come to all of us but he writes that we are not alone

crazy and unreal as it may sometimes seem god s holy healing grace is always present and available if we are still enough to receive it

The Wizard's Tide: A Story / Frederick Buechner 1990 an introduction to the writings of frederick buechner choreographed by anne lamott

A Crazy, Holy Grace 2017-10-03 compiles a wide range of texts from fiction social science philosophy and ancient poetry related to questions that arise for those who are trying to decide what to do with their lives

<u>Frederick Buechner 101</u> 2014-10-01 rich in family drama passion and human affinity critically acclaimed author frederick buechner s contemporary retelling of this captivating and timeless biblical saga revitalizes the ancient story of jacob delighted our senses and modern sensibilities and gracing us with his exceptional eloquence and wit

Leading Lives That Matter 2006-04-25 with eloguence candor and simplicity a celebrated author tells the story of his father s alcohol abuse and suicide and traces the influence of this secret on his life as a son father husband minister and writer The Son of Laughter 2009-10-13 life magazine is the treasured photographic magazine that chronicled the 20th century it now lives on at life com the largest most amazing collection of professional photography on the internet users can browse search and view photos of today s people and events they have free access to share print and post images for personal use Telling Secrets 2009-03-17 frederick buechner has long been a kindred spirit to those who find elements of doubt as constant companions on their journey of faith he is a passionate writer and preacher who can alter lives with a simple phrase buechner s words both written and spoken have the power to revolutionize and revitalize belief and faith he reveals the presence of god in the midst of daily life he faces and embraces difficult questions and doubt as essential components of our lives rather than as enemies that destroy us listen to your life is his clarion call this theme pervades this definitive collection of sermons delivered throughout buechner s lifetime presented chronologically they provide a clear picture of the development of his theology and thinking reflecting buechner s exquisite gift for storytelling and his compassionate pastor s heart secrets in the dark will inspire laughter hope and bring great solace turn the pages and rediscover what it means to be thoughtful about faith see why this renowned writer has been quoted in countless pulpits and beloved by americans for generations LIFE 1971-04-02 a celebrated author shares his personal and professional journey in this moving memoir buechner invites readers to listen to their own lives and touch taste smell your way to the holy and hidden heart of it strikes to the heart unpreachy meditations on life and christianity at its most profound people magazine

Secrets in the Dark 2009-03-17 in these original essays short stories and poems frederick buechner reflects on the moments of transcendence in the midst of his daily existence with his masterly crafted prose buechner here edifies inspires and offers a timeless model for approaching the human experience

Now and Then 1983 learn to see god s remarkable works in the everyday ordinary of your life your remarkable life is happening right here right now you may not be able to see it your life may seem predictable and your work insignificant until you look at your life as frederick buechner does named the father of today s spiritual memoir movement by christianity today frederick buechner reveals how to stop look and listen to your life he reflects on how both art and faith teach us how to pay attention to the remarkableness right in front of us to watch for the greatness in the ordinary and to use our imaginations to see the greatness in others and love them well pay attention says buechner listen to the call of a bird or the rush of the wind to the people who flow in and out of your life the ordinary points you to the extraordinary god who created and loves all of creation including you pay attention to these things as if your life depends upon it because of course it does as you learn to pay attention to your life and what god is doing in it you will uncover the plot of your life s story and the sacred opportunity to connect with the divine in each moment

The Yellow Leaves 2008-01-01 beyond words n 1 terms or names that point to the realm of mystery and depth that lies beyond our ordinary experience 2 the reality that is beyond even the power of beyond words to convey and that can be known only by experiencing it for yourself a word a day to keep the demons at bay this is how frederick buechner likes to describe this witty and incisive dictionary a daily devotional from one of today s greatest spiritual writers beyond words offers 366 entries from buechner s three alphabet books wishful thinking peculiar treasures and whistling in the dark including a new introduction and nineteen new entries providing definitions of both sacred and ordinary words as well as biblical characters buechner unabashedly brings his fresh perspective to words concepts and characters we thought we understood this is a great introduction to buechner s work as well as a library staple for those already well versed in his writing it is buechner at his best whether readers find themselves tearful from a deeply moving insight or laughing out loud at an unexpected turn of phrase they will always feel uplifted illuminated and enchanted by the wisdom of frederick buechner The Remarkable Ordinary 2017-10-03 daily meditations taken from the works of an acclaimed novelist essayist and preacher

who has articulated what he sees with a freshness and clarity and energy that hails our stultified imaginations <u>Beyond Words</u> 2009-10-13 pulitzer prize finalist frederick buechner s quartet of outrageously witty inspirational bebb novels in one volume

Listening to Your Life 2009-10-13 author victoria s allen phd applies a psychological spiritual analysis to buechner s writings this second edition includes allen s insightful comparison of the conversion narratives of c s lewis and frederick buechner a new preface offers an expanded explanation of buechner s writings and experience through the lens of psychiatrist dr david allen s contemplative discovery pathway theory cdpt frederick buechner b 1926 has published sixteen novels and seventeen works of non fiction and was nominated for the pulitzer prize his unique integration of psychology and christian faith parallels developments by writers in spirituality and psychiatry who describe psychological principles of human behavior within the context of a judeo christian perspective by examining buechner s effective use of psychological dynamics to affirm spiritual experience the author demonstrates his quality as a novelist and his relevance in a postmodern world drawing on psychological principles developed by freud jung mahler and kohut the first chapter presents a paradigm for the integration of psychology and spiritually the second chapter draws on buechner s essays lectures and three autobiographies to provide background from his non fiction to illustrate his articulation of psychological and spiritual issues the concept of listening to your life intrinsic to buechner s approach is the heart of the psychotherapeutic process seeing a spiritual connection to psychotherapy buechner cites god s questions to adam and eve in genesis 3 where are you and what is this that you have done and comments psychotherapists psychologists psychiatrists and the like have been asking the same ones ever since the third chapter introduces the earlier buechner novels showing how these works contain psychological and spiritual concerns which prefigure his later development as a novelist in 1965 for example he introduces a character who is a therapist modeled after the episcopalian lay leader agnes sanford who prays for the healing of her clients memories and instructs the protagonist a parish minister to go beyond the secular psychological approach to fulfill his sacred role as priest confessor the three subsequent chapters deal with three later novels each unique but sharing common characteristics of the protagonist s quest for holiness wholeness and meaning chapter four explores buechner s four part modernist novel told in the first person by a skeptical agnostic narrator who confronts a charismatic southern preacher illustrating the concept of wounded healer psychological and spiritual approaches to listening to one s life are contrasted in the two main characters in chapter five allen shows how buechner recasts a very different genre medieval hagiography to subvert the traditional view of holiness based on the life of twelfth century english saint godric of finchale chapter six presents buechner s book on the jacob narratives of genesis from the autobiographical viewpoint of jacob the hebrew patriarch as he listens to his life plagued by toxic shame

buechner s protagonist finds psychological and spiritual healing when he is changed from jacob to israel the final chapter summarizes buechner s significance as a novelist in bringing together spirituality and psychology after reviewing the manuscript of the first edition of victoria allen s book fredrick buechner wrote this to her i have spent this entire morning reading in and around through your manuscript and find it as understanding of my books particularly as they related to my life and as generally discerning incisive and skillfully expressed as anything on the subject that i ve yet seen thanks for the pleasure your words have given me and for all the labor that must have gone into them it touches me to think of leo bebb godric and heels as our common friends

The Book of Bebb 2009-10-13 in this deeply moving book of reflection and recollection frederick buechner once again draws us into his deeply textured life and experience to illuminate our own understanding of home as both our place of origin and our ultimate destination for frederick buechner the meaning of home is twofold the home we remember and the home we dream as a word it not only recalls the place that we grew up in and that had much to do with the people we eventually became but also points ahead to the home that in faith we believe awaits us at life s end writing at the approach of his seventieth birthday he describes both in prose and in a group of poems the one particular house that was most precious to him as a child the books he read there and the people he loved there he speaks also of the lifelong search we are all engaged in to make a new home for ourselves and for our families which is at the same time a search to find something like the wholeness and comfort of home with ourselves as he turns his attention to our dreams of the heavenly home still to come he sees it as both hallowing and fulfilling the charity and the peach of our original home writing with warmth wisdom and compelling eloquence frederick buechner once again enables us to see more deeply into the secret places of our hearts the longing for home will help to bring clarity and guidance to anyone who searches for meaning in a world that all too often seems meaningless

Listening to Life 2019-12-14 frederick buechner has long been a kindred spirit to those who find elements of doubt as constant companions on their journey of faith he is a passionate writer and preacher who can alter lives with a simple phrase buechner s words both written and spoken have the power to revolutionize and revitalize belief and faith he reveals the presence of god in the midst of daily life he faces and embraces difficult questions and doubt as essential components of our lives rather than as enemies that destroy us listen to your life is his clarion call this theme pervades this definitive collection of sermons delivered throughout buechner s lifetime presented chronologically they provide a clear picture of the development of his theology and thinking reflecting buechner s exquisite gift for storytelling and his compassionate pastor s heart secrets in the dark will inspire laughter hope and bring great solace turn the pages and rediscover what it means to be thoughtful about faith see why this renowned writer has been quoted in countless pulpits and beloved by americans for generations The Longing for Home 1996-07-04 awry and thought provoking jaunt through the spiritual terrain of our everyday language a lexion of uncommon insight to jar the mind and nourish the soul i think of faith as a kind of whistling in the dark because in much the same way writes buechner it helps to give us courage and to hold the shadows at bay

Secrets in the Dark 2006-02-28 in the interest of providing exemplary models of sermons the editors have compiled examples that display excellence in form aim style and content developed and delivered by renowned pastors theologians and homileticians the thirty six entries in this volume include sermons that make artful use of sources pursue classic aims and exhibit particular homiletic forms

One Life, Four Seasons 2017-06-20 an acclaimed author interweaves history and legend to re create the life of a complex man of faith fifteen hundred years ago winner of the 1987 christianity and literature book award for belles lettres <u>Whistling in the Dark</u> 1988 wagering on transcendence explores the question of ultimate meaning in literature through essays

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mount mary college professors from various disciplines analyze several pieces of literature from a variety of genres and authors to show how each depicts the human struggle to find meaning the essays analyze concrete examples of spiritual journeys the ways in which nature can be an avenue of transcendence the transforming effect that the search for meaning can have on the individual how transcendence can be experienced through community the roles of language and story in the quest for transcendence and the wager itself how our bets about the existence of the divine determine how we live our lives A Chorus of Witnesses 1994 in this compelling book the great contemporary spiritual writer and novelist frederick buechner plumbs the mysteries and truths behind the literature that speaks to him most powerfully buechner presents the four authors who have been his greatest influences focusing on the question that has emerged at the center of his life how to face mortality failure and tragedy through sensitive biographical exploration and close reading of gerard manley hopkins s sublime later sonnets mark twain s huckleberry finn g k chesterton s the man who was thursday and william shakespeare s most powerful play king lear buechner invites readers to discover the deeper joy and purpose of reading he shows how these writers by putting their passion and pain into their work have enabled him to bear the weight of his own grief and sadness by speaking out from under the burden of theirs buechner s ruminations on their writings leads to the revelation that god accepts us for doing the best we can even if our lives are in some ways a failure even if we have lived a life haunted by tragedy as buechner s has been haunted by his father s suicide buechner connects his readings to the fabric of his life and the lives of his subjects as he explores the ways in which these writers have shaped him and enhanced his faith buechner s insights into the power and imagination of their work resonate with his love for all that literature has given him throughout his life a passion he generously shares with us in speak what we feel

Brendan 2009-10-06 studying such literary figures as frederick buechner albert camus george dennison ursula le guin c s lewis alan paton ignazio silone alice walker elie wiesel and charles williams robert mcafee brown illustrates the liberating power of fiction by enabling the reader to enter their worlds brown asserts that although there is no faith that offers ironclad guarantees against future struggles the wisdom of these authors can help us toward praising and rejoicing **Wagering on Transcendence** 1997 in this volume of the for today series author and pastor james howell takes us on an engaging exploration of the beatitudes howell considers each of the well known phrases in these passages from matthew and creatively applies jesus teachings to our contemporary world and christian lives the for today series was designed to provide reliable and accessible resources for the study and real life application of important biblical texts theological documents and christian practices the emphasis of the series is not only on the realization and appreciation of what these subjects have meant in the past but also on their value in the present for today thought provoking questions are included at the end of each chapter making the books ideal for personal study and group use

Speak What We Feel 2001-08-07 one of frederick buechner s most vibrant works of fiction godric regales the life of godric of finchale the holy man of the 12th century who spent the latter part of his life purifying his moral ambition of pride the gripping portrait of someone who seeks to reclaim his faith in the midst of a life fraught with familial responsibility and domestic disaster godric is relevant to anyone striving to maintain spiritual commitment despite the rigors of day to day life Persuade Us to Rejoice 1992-01-01 one of the brightest lights in late twentieth century literature frederick buechner has published more than twenty five works of fiction and nonfiction that continue to dazzle critics and readers alike adding continuously to the ranks of his fiercely loyal following on the road with the archangel is sure to continue this tradition with its powerful blend of humor artistry and insight into the nature of the human and the divine inspired by events in the apocryphal book of tobit from the second century b c this is the magical tale of two families brought together as no mere coincidence by the devilishly clever archangel raphael one is the family of tobit a virtuous man who can no longer support his wife and son

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because of raguel the quiet devoted father of sarah whose pact with the demon asmodeus has left her life in tragic shambles assuming human form raphael appears before tabias tobit s devoted son to help him retrieve his father s fortune hidden in a faraway city together they embark on a miraculous journey in search of the answers to both families prayers a journey that is made challenging and delightful by rapheal s artful efficiency on the road with the archangel is a masterful combination of fluid writing lyrical storytelling and ancient truth blended with modern wisdom and beneath it all lies a subtle glowing meditation on the nature of the holy hailed as one of our most original storytellers us today pulitzer prize nominated author frederick buechner has written an extraordinary new novel that shines with the mystery and wonder of the divine drawn from the ancient apocryphal book of tobit on the road with the archangel unravels the tale of a eccentric blind father and his somewhat bumbling song who journeys to seek his family s lost treasure narrated by the wry and resourceful archangel raphael buencher s tale is a pure delight alive with vivid characters delightful adventures and wondrous revelations **Laughter in a Genevan Gown** 1983 in wishful thinking the first book in his much loved lexical trilogy frederick buechner puts the language of god the universe and the human spirit under his wry linguistic microscope in his often ironic and always keen sighted reflections on such terms as agnostic envy love and sin he invited us to look at theses everyday words in new and enlightening ways freshly revised and expanded for this edition wishful thinking is a beguiling time adventure in language for the restless believer the doubter and all who love words

The Beatitudes for Today 1980 in this second book of his popular lexical trilogy frederick buechner profiles more than 125 of the bible s most holy and profane people and one whale in his lively and witty prose buechner brings to life such moments from scripture as adam s pangs of regret for a remembered eden delilah s last glimpse of samson as they dragged him away lazarus s first impressions upon rising from the dead to read peculiar treasures is to realize that many of these legendary figures are not who we thought they were but they are in their human dreams ambitions and imperfections very much like us **Godric** 2010-03-09 a room called remember brings together some of buechner s finest writings on faith love and the power of words in the form of essays addresses and sermons here buechner explores autobiography as theology offers exhilarating reflections on biblical passages and leads us into the room called remember that still room within us all where the past lives on as part of the present where with patience with clarity with quietness of heart we remember consciously to remember the lives we have lived

On the Road with the Archangel 1993-09-24 a riverwood simon and schuster book

Wishful Thinking 1993-09-30 the boston globe calls frederick buechner one of our finest writers usa today says he s one of our most original storytellers now this acclaimed author gives us his most beguiling novel yet a magical tale of love betrayal and redemption inspired by shakespeare s the tempest on wealthy plantation island in south florida an old man waits kenzie maxwell is a writer a raconteur a rascal an altruist a mystic a charismatic figure who enjoys life with his rich third wife but muses daily on the sins of his past two decades ago kenzie had to leave new york because of a scandal he d been a volunteer at a runawat shelter and he d fallen in love with a seventeen year old girl a girl who died while giving birth to kenzie s daughter his older brother dalton a lawyer and board member at the shelter decided to quell the rumors by releasing kenzie s note of apology to the press kenzie s reputation and the girl s were destroyed he has never forgiven his brother now it s the eve of kenzie s seventieth birthday and a storm is brewing his beloved daughter bree the child of the scandal is coming down from new york for his birthday party but his brother dalton is coming down too to do some legal work for the island s ill tempered matriarch aided and abetted by dalton s happy go lucky stepson a loutish gardener a new age windsurfer a bumbling bishop and a bona fide tempest kenzie must somehow contrive to reconcile with his brother and make peace with his past infused with humanity and informed by faith the storm is frederick buechner s most captivating novel since godric a

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richly satisfying contemporary story of fragmented families and love s many mysteries that will move you makeyou laugh and fill you with wonder <u>Peculiar Treasures</u> 2009-10-13 here are 366 thought provoking and spiritually enriching daily meditations culled from the celebrated writings of a novelist essayist and preacher frederick buechner including an introduction by the author these short slections offer daily wisdom inspiration and comraderie from a gifted fellow seeker <u>A Room Called Remember</u> 1974 The Faces of Jesus 2002-06-18 The Storm 1984

The Sacred Journey 2017-06-20

Learning to Speak 1992-05-01

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