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An
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*Does my life
have any deeper
meaning? Does
God really care
about me? How
can I find and*

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*follow my moral
compass? What do
I do when my
faith is shaken
to the core?
Spiritual
trials, doubts,
or conflicts are
often
intertwined with
mental health
concerns, yet
many
psychotherapists*

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*feel ill
equipped to
discuss
questions of
faith. From
pioneers in the
psychology of
religion and
spirituality,
this book
combines state-
of-the-art
research,
clinical*

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*insights, and
vivid case
illustrations.
It guides
clinicians to
understand
spiritual
struggles as
critical
crossroads in
life that can
lead to
brokenness and
decline--or to*

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*greater
wholeness and
growth.*

*Clinicians learn
sensitive,
culturally
responsive ways
to assess
different types
of spiritual
struggles and
help clients use
them as
springboards to*

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change.

*In Minding
Spirituality,
Randall
Sorenson, a
clinical
psychoanalyst,
"invites us to
take an interest
in our patients'
spirituality
that is
respectful but
not diffident,*

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*curious but not
reductionistic,
welcoming but
not
indoctrinating."*
Out of this
invitation
emerges a
fascinating and
broadening
investigation of
how contemporary
psychoanalysis
can "mind"

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*spirituality in
the threefold
sense of being
bothered by it,
of attending to
it, and of
cultivating it.
Both the
questions
Sorenson asks,
and the answers
he begins to
formulate,
reflect*

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*progressive
changes in the
psychoanalytic
understanding of
spirituality.
Sorenson begins
by
quantitatively
analyzing 75
years of journal
literature and
documenting how
psychoanalytic
approaches to*

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*religious and
spiritual
experiences have
evolved far
beyond the
"wholesale
pathologizing of
religion"
prevalent during
Freud's
lifetime. Then,
in successive
chapters, he
explores and*

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*illustrates the
kind of clinical
technique
appropriate to
the modern
treatment of
religious
issues. And the
issue of
technique is
consequential in
more than one
way -- Sorenson
presents*

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*evidence that
how analysts
work clinically
has a greater
impact on their
patients'
spirituality
than the
patients' own
parents have.
Sorenson brings
an array of
disciplinary
perspectives to*

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*bear in
examining the
multiple
relationships
among
psychoanalysis,
religion, and
spirituality.
Empirical
analysis,
psychoanalytic
history,
sociology of
religion,*

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*comparative
theory, and
sustained
clinical
interpretation
all enter into
his effort to
open a dialogue
that is
clinically
relevant.*

*Turning
traditional
critiques of*

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*psychoanalytic
training on
their head, he
argues that
psychoanalytic
education has
much to learn
from models of
contemporary
theological
education.
Beautifully
crafted and
engagingly*

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written, Minding
Spirituality not
only invites inter-
disciplinary
dialogue but,
via Sorenson's
wide-ranging and
passionately
open-minded
scholarship,
exemplifies it.
This book is
written for
those who ask

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difficult questions: What is the nature of human reality? What is the purpose of human life? What is love? What is reality? What is the secret of happiness? Do we have free will? Is transcendence real? Through

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*case histories,
in-depth
analyses, and
practical
examples, the
book offers new
ways of
addressing these
and other
important
questions. 'The
Psychology of
Spirituality'
demonstrates*

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*that life can,
in fact, be
good, happy and
fruitful, and
that we human
beings are,
indeed, noble
beings only if
we knew.
Despite the
growing
literature on
spirituality and
its positive*

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impact on well-being in health psychology, education, occupational psychology and leisure studies, it has been less examined in sport studies. Meaning and Spirituality in Sport and Exercise:

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Psychological Perspectives examines the many forms of spirituality in sport from a psychological perspective, from moments of transcendence and finding deeper meaning and value to prayer before an

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*important
competition or
in adversity,
such as a career-
threatening
injury. Based on
the latest
research and the
Nesti's
experience in
applied sport
psychology
service
delivery, this*

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book covers a
range of novel
topics linking
spirituality to
athlete
development,
injury, exercise
motivation, and
ageing athletes,
and offers
applied,
practical
guidance for
sport

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*psychologists
working with
spiritual
athletes.*

*Offering a
unique
contribution to
the study of
spirituality in
sport, and to
sport psychology
practice, this
book is vital
reading for any*

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upper-level
student or
academic working
in sport and
exercise
psychology,
religion and
sport, or the
philosophy of
sport, and any
practising sport
psychologist.
Psychology in
the Spirit

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*Understanding
the*

*Psychological
Soul of*

*Spirituality
Psychology,*

*Religion, and
Spirituality*

*The New Science
of Spirituality*

*and Our Quest
for an Inspired*

Life

Handbook of the

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*Psychology of
Religion and
Spirituality,
Second Edition
The Psychology
of Religion and
Spirituality:
From the Inside
Out*

This book, the
first of a
groundbreaking
series, provides

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a solid
theoretical and
empirical
grounding from
the psychology
of religion and
spirituality to
the emerging
field of
workplace
spirituality.
Leading

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researchers in the psychology of religion have contributed up-to-date reviews within their areas of expertise to help guide the emergence of this exciting new discipline. Each

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chapter is
written with the
workplace
researcher in
mind. Not only is
the relevant
literature from
the psychology
of religion
reviewed, but it
is also made
relevant to the

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workplace
setting. The
religious and
spiritual aspects
of such topics as
meaning
making,
emotional
resilience, sense
of calling,
coping with
stress,

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occupational
health and well-
being, and
leadership,
among others
are discussed
within the
context of work
life. Surely
researchers
interested in
workplace

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spirituality will
keep this book,
as well as others
in the series,
within arm's
reach for years
to come.

Drawing on a
wealth of new
evidence,
pioneering
research

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psychologist
David DeSteno
shows why
religious
practices and
rituals are so
beneficial to
those who follow
them—and to
anyone,
regardless of
their faith (or

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lack thereof).
Scientists are
beginning to
discover what
believers have
known for a long
time: the
rewards that a
religious life can
provide. For
millennia,
people have

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turned to
priests, rabbis,
imams,
shamans, and
others to help
them deal with
issues of grief
and loss, birth
and death,
morality and
meaning. In this
absorbing work,

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DeSteno reveals how numerous religious practices from around the world improve emotional and physical well-being. With empathy and rigor, DeSteno chronicles

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religious rites
and traditions
from cradle to
grave. He
explains how
the Japanese
rituals
surrounding
childbirth help
strengthen
parental bonds
with children. He

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describes how
the Apache
Sunrise
Ceremony
makes teenage
girls better able
to face the
rigors of
womanhood. He
shows how
Buddhist
meditation

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reduces hostility
and increases
compassion. He
demonstrates
how the Jewish
practice of
sitting shiva
comforts the
bereaved. And
much more.
DeSteno details
how belief itself

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enhances
physical and
mental health.
But you don't
need to be
religious to
benefit from the
trove of wisdom
that religion has
to offer. Many
items in
religion's

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“toolbox” can help the body and mind whether or not one believes. How God Works offers advice on how to incorporate many of these practices to help all of us live

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more
meaningful,
successful, and
satisfying lives.
Psychology,
Religion, and
Spirituality
provides readers
with a critical
overview of
what psychology
tells us about

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religion and spirituality. It is concise without being simplistic, and the first such broad overview to be published for some years. Fraser Watts recognizes that 'religion' is

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complex and
multi-faceted,
taking different
forms in
different people
and contexts.

The book
presents a broad
view of
psychology;
whatever kind of
psychology you

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are interested
in, you will find
it covered here,
from biological
to social, and
from
experimental to
psychoanalytic.
It focuses
particularly on
the varied
concepts that

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psychologists
have employed
to make sense
of religion and
subjects them to
critical
examination.
The book is also
concerned with
practical
applications,
helping those

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engaged in religious ministry. It will be of interest to undergraduates and general readers, as well as specialists in religious studies, psychology, and philosophy of religion.

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The Science of
Religion,
Spirituality, and
Existentialism
presents in-
depth analysis
of the core
issues in
existential
psychology,
their
connections to

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religion and spirituality (e.g., religious concepts, beliefs, identities, and practices), and their diverse outcomes (e.g., psychological, social, cultural, and health).

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Leading scholars
from around the
world cover
research
exploring how
fundamental
existential
issues are both
cause and
consequence of
religion and
spirituality,

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informed by
research data
spanning
multiple levels
of analysis, such
as: evolution;
cognition and
neuroscience;
emotion and
motivation;
personality and
individual

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differences;
social and
cultural forces;
physical and
mental health;
among many
others. The
Science of
Religion,
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Existentialism
explores known

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contours and
emerging
frontiers,
addressing the
big question of
why religious
belief remains
such a central
feature of the
human
experience.
Discusses both

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abstract
concepts of
mortality and
concrete near-
death
experiences
Covers the
struggles and
triumphs
associated with
freedom, self-
regulation, and

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authenticity
Examines the
roles of social
exclusion,
experiential
isolation,
attachment, and
the construction
of social identity
Considers the
problems of
uncertainty, the

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effort to discern
truth and reality,
and the
challenge to find
meaning in life
Discusses how
the mind
developed to
handle
existential
topics, how the
brain and mind

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implement the
relevant
processes, and
the many
variations and
individual
differences that
alter those
processes
Delves into the
psychological
functions of

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religion and
science; the
influence on pro-
and antisocial
behavior,
politics, and
public policy;
and looks at the
role of spiritual
concerns in
understanding
the human body

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and maintaining
physical health
Shadow Culture
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Psychology and
Spirituality in
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A multidisciplinary team of scholars shows how spiritual and religious practices actually do power psychological, physical, and social benefits, producing

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the current
American
obsession with
spirituality as a
third "Great
Awakening,"
identifying a
shadow culture of
seekers who bear
much in common
with three
centuries of
American

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spirituality.

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What does it mean to be enlightened or spiritually

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awakened? In The
Leap, Steve

Taylor shows that
this state is much
more common
than is generally
believed. He
shows that
ordinary people —
from all walks of
life — can and do
regularly “ wake
up ” to a more

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intense reality,
even if they know
nothing about
spiritual practices
and paths.

Wakefulness is a
more expansive
and harmonious
state of being that
can be cultivated
or that can arise
accidentally. It
may also be a

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process we are
undergoing
collectively.

Drawing on his
years of research
as a psychologist
and on his own
experiences,
Taylor provides
what is perhaps
the clearest
psychological
study of the state

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of wakefulness
ever published.

Above all, he
reminds us that it
is our most
natural state —
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all, anytime,
anyplace.

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An Indigenous
Perspective

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and Meaning
Psychology,
Religion and
Spirituality

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most
comprehensive
coverage of the
current state
of the**

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**psychology of
religion and
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proposes a
unique
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**concepts that
together lead
to greater self-
awareness and
wellbeing. It
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focusing on
different
aspects of
psychology and
spirituality,**

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readers in
their personal
journey of self-
growth. The
psychological
and spiritual
theories
described in
the book are
backed up by
scientific
findings that**

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**enhance the
legitimacy and
power of its
message. The
book also
includes
practical
exercises which
allow the
reader to apply
the ideas in an
enjoyable way
that will lead**

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**to self-
improvement and
greater
satisfaction in
life.**

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groundbreaking
exploration of
the
neuroscience of
spirituality
and a bold new
paradigm for**

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**health,
healing, and
resilience—from
a New York
Times
bestselling
author and
award-winning
researcher “A
new revolution
of health and
well-being and
a testament to,**

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**and celebration
of, the power
within.”–Deepak
Chopra, MD
Whether it’s
meditation or a
walk in nature,
reading a
sacred text or
saying a
prayer, there
are many ways
to tap into a**

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**heightened
awareness of
the world
around you and
your place in
it. In The
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psychologist
Dr. Lisa Miller
shows you how.
Weaving her own
deeply personal
journey of**

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awakening with
her

groundbreaking
research, Dr.
Miller's book
reveals that
humans are
universally
equipped with a
capacity for
spirituality,
and that our
brains become

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**more resilient
and robust as a
result of it.
For leaders in
business and
government,
truth-seekers,
parents,
healers,
educators, and
any person
confronting
life's biggest**

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questions, The
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combines
cutting-edge
science (from
MRI studies to
genetic
research,
epidemiology,
and more) with
on-the-ground
application for
people of all

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ages and from
all walks of
life,
illuminating
the surprising
science of
spirituality
and how to
engage it in
our lives: •
The awakened
decision is the
better

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**decision. With
an awakened
perception, we
are more
creative,
collaborative,
ethical, and
innovative. •
The awakened
brain is the
healthier
brain. An
engaged**

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**spiritual life
enhances grit,
optimism, and
resilience
while providing
insulation
against
addiction,
trauma, and
depression. •
The awakened
life is the
inspired life.**

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**Loss,
uncertainty,
and even trauma
are the
gateways by
which we are
invited to move
beyond merely
coping with
hardship to
transcend into
a life of
renewal,**

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**healing, joy,
and**

fulfillment.

**Absorbing,
uplifting, and
ultimately
enlightening,
The Awakened
Brain is a conv
ersation-
starting saga
of scientific
discovery**

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packed with counterintuitive findings and practical advice on concrete ways to access your innate spirituality and build a life of meaning and contribution.

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"The primary aim of this book is to examine the ways in which aspects of religion and spirituality are linked to emotional attachment processes and close

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**relationships.
My approach is
heavily
influenced by
John Bowlby's
attachment
theory and the
enormous amount
of research it
has generated
in
developmental,
social, and**

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**clinical
psychology. A
major aim of
this book is to
demonstrate the
utility of
approaching
religion and
spirituality
from the
perspective of
a mainstream
theory in**

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**developmental,
social, and
clinical
psychology.**

**This book will
educate readers
who are not yet
familiar with
attachment
theory and the
attachment-
theoretical
approach to**

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**religion and
spirituality" --**

**Religion,
Spirituality,
and Positive
Psychology
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Psychology,
Religion, and
Spirituality
A Woman's Book
of Life
Buddhism,**

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**Psychotherapy,
and the Path of
Personal and
Spiritual
Transformation
Working with
Spiritual
Struggles in
Psychotherapy
An Introduction**
*In this
controversial book,*

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*philosopher and
psychoanalyst Jon
Mills argues that
God does not
exist; and more
provocatively, that
God cannot exist
as anything but an
idea. Put
concisely, God is a
psychological
creation signifying*

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*ultimate ideality.
Mills argues that
the idea or
conception of God
is the
manifestation of
humanity's denial
and response to
natural
deprivation; a self-
relation to an
internalized*

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*idealized object,
the idealization of
imagined value.*

*After
demonstrating the
lack of any
empirical evidence
and the logical
impossibility of
God, Mills explains
the psychological
motivations*

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*underlying
humanity's need
to invent a
supreme being. In
a highly nuanced
analysis of
unconscious
processes
informing the
psychology of
belief and
institutionalized*

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social ideology, he concludes that belief in God is the failure to accept our impending death and mourn natural absence for the delusion of divine presence. As an alternative to theistic faith, he offers a secular

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spirituality that emphasizes the quality of lived experience, the primacy of feeling and value inquiry, ethical self-consciousness, aesthetic and ecological sensibility, and authentic

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*relationality toward
self, other, and
world as the
pursuit of a
beautiful soul in
search of the
numinous.*

*Inventing God will
be of interest to
academics,
scholars, lay
audiences and*

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*students of
religious studies,
the humanities,
philosophy, and
psychoanalysis,
among other
disciplines. It will
also appeal to
psychotherapists,
psychoanalysts
and mental health
professionals*

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*focusing on the
integration of
humanities and
psychoanalysis.
Understanding the
Psychological Soul
of Spirituality is a
comprehensive
exploration of
spiritual constructs
based on an
empirical,*

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*evidence-based
paradigm for
understanding and
addressing
spirituality. In a
field where there is
no current
consensus on
spirituality, this
book provides a
much-needed
psychologically*

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*based definition
and ontology that
assists helping
professionals in
formulating their
professional
identities;
developing
effective and
appropriate
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