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In this new anthology, Michael Andrew Ford gathers Henri J.M. Nouwen's selections that encourage us to embrace our imperfections and find the transforming power of God at work within them. Spiritual refreshment and guidance through the darkness, loneliness, and turmoil of life's challenges.

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Kit says

Wow, I love this book (despite the slightly cheesy title). Nouwen's psychological training informs his very down-to-earth spiritual writing, and this is a great format - an anthology of excerpts arranged by theme. The great message of God's love shines through every page. It's a wonderful book to read a little at a time.

Allie says

I absolutely love Henri Nouwen, but I completely disdain how some publishers have pulled together bits & pieces of what he wrote or said to compile a new book by Nouwen post humus.

Eric Toribio says

I found this book really helpful. It addressed a lot of things about pain, sorrow, darkness, and other negative emotions and gives good advice about overcoming them and finding life.

James says

Awesome. Comforting. Guiding.

Margaret says

I may have to read more of his books, but for now, this has lovely short excerpts from many of his other books. Easy to pick up and find a short but powerful gem.

Katherine says

Really helpful during some of my darkest days. I like the concept of weaving the joy and the pain together, and these excerpts from Nouwen's other works all touch on this idea.

Amy says

My attention kept wandering when reading this book. Normally I love Nouwen's writing, but I didn't connect

with this one.

Perhaps it was because this book is a collection of passages from his other books, and a paragraph or two isn't enough to pull me in. I don't know. Maybe if I read it again at another time I'd connect to it...

Christine says

Now, I have read Nouwen before and really loved it (Return of the Prodigal Son plus another one or two). I received this book for Christmas (though I blame myself since it was on my Amazon list). I did not realize this was an edited book with blurbs from his many different books and diaries. To be quite honest, for such a short book, it was extremely difficult to get through. It felt like reading a recipe book. Characterized by subject, you read 10 excerpts about going home (dying), similar to how you could read through a chapter on desserts, but you enjoy no build-up of a point or climax, or real flow within the chapters. I've already listed it on Title Trader. I had hoped, after getting over the initial disappointment, that it would at least help me decide on which book of his to read next, but no such luck. Apparently (from the preface) there is another edited volume (by Michael Ford?), do - not - do - it. Read a Nouwen book the way he wrote it, one book from start to finish.

Arna Mountain says

A devotional book that has depth. Nouwen leaves you pondering great questions of faith without shattering your faith but rather driving you more into the heart of God. Its one book that should stay on my shelf to be meditated on often.

Stephen says

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Excellent edited collection of Henri Nouwen's works. Good way to identify individual titles you may want to dig into deeper.
