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in his self-analysis without becoming maudlin or pompous, and his struggle to learn to pray in the midst of distractions from within and without should resonate with people (like me!) who find themselves too often consumed with busyness and the monologues of an undisciplined consciousness. Best of all, Nouwen acknowledges that his time with the Trappists does not solve his problems; rather, it teaches him the rudiments of praise in the midst of problems.1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An interesting walk through the cloisters of Genesee Von Ein Kunde This book is helpful to the Christian. To read one of the great spiritual writers of our time journal on his spiritual journey, with all of its struggles and joys, brings us to a quick reminder of our own need to stop and reflect and examine our faith. A great book for a group study.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. incredible spiritual wonder - enough wisdom for 100 books Von keliz@anderson.edu I am still reaping the benefits of reading this book. I understand many more people because of this, but most importantly I am seeking God more diligently. the simplicity of the life lived, the simplicity of the lessons learned, and the simplicity in which journaling is established is amazing. God blessed this book for Nouwen.

Kurzbeschreibung During his seven-month stay in a Trappist monastery, Henri Nouwen had a unique opportunity to explore crucial issues of the spiritual life and discover "a quiet stream underneath the fluctuating affirmations and rejections of my little world." Nouwen participated fully in the daily life of the Abbey of the Genesee in upstate New York -- in work and in prayer. From the early weeks in the abbey -- dominated by conflicting desires and concerns -- to the final days of Advent, when he finds a new sense of calm expectation, Nouwen never loses his critical honesty. Insightful, compassionate, often humorous, always realistic, *The Genesee Diary* is both an inspiration and a challenge to those who are in search of themselves. "The Genesee Diary beautifully lifts the heart and mind to God." -- Christianity Today "This is an extraordinary account of a man seeking inner peace and total commitment to God... a fine portrait of cloistered life, a beautifully written account of one man's soul-searching." -- Publisher's Weekly.de *The Genesee Diary: Report from a Trappist Monastery* is Henri Nouwen's journal of his seven-month stay in the Abbey of the Genesee in upstate New York. His reflections on daily life with the Trappists are funny, wise, and often profound--resembling Kathleen Norris's *The Cloister Walk*, but a bit less thematically structured and more down to earth. Nouwen's goal is simply to record what it's like to pass the time in a cloistered community. He spends part of his stay there reading Robert Pirsig's *Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance*, which helps awaken a hunger for a richer experience of life that he subsequently satisfies by learning to slow down. In his first week at the monastery, Nouwen writes, "I have so many ideas I want to write about, so many books I want to read, so many skills I want to learn--motorcycle maintenance is now one of them--and so many things I want to say to others now or later, that I do not SEE that God is all around me and that I am always trying to see what is ahead, overlooking him who is so close." Then, looking forward to being planted in one place among the Trappists, he writes, "Maybe I need to get stuck," to learn to see God. He does, and he does. --Michael Joseph Gross *Pressestimmen* 'Far and away one of the most rewarding books I have read in years, because it so beautifully lifts the heart and mind to God and the Saviour.' -- Christianity Today