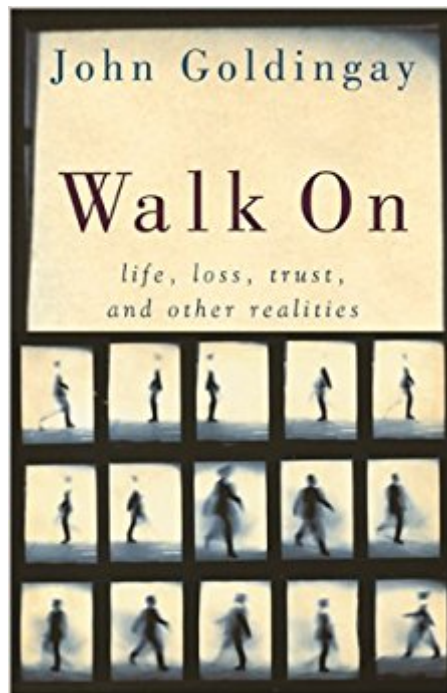




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Goldingay, a professor at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena and for 27 years a principal at St. John's Theological Seminary in Nottingham, England, offers this book on the foundational questions all Christians ask in their spiritual journeys. It could easily be compared to the later works of C.S. Lewis when his faith had been tempered by suffering. Goldingay's view of the Christian life is tempered by the prism of his wife Ann's long fight with multiple sclerosis. It would be easy to feel sorry for this couple, but Goldingay does not allow pity. Instead, his touching story reaches out to readers with a mature joy, demonstrating that it is not only possible to survive pain and tragedy, but to triumph in the midst of excruciating circumstances. "Following Christ is a hard road," he writes, "but little by little you will see the light in the darkness and drink the water that springs from a dry land." Goldingay notes that through the years, friends, students and colleagues have become the wellspring of living water poured out to him and his wife, and, in turn, they continue to pour out God's joy to others. This theologically and biblically sound book is not linear, just as life never takes a straight path. Rather, the topics are arranged alphabetically so that the reader can dip in anywhere for refreshment. References to contemporary music and Ann's story are intertwined with sophisticated, engrossing and thought-provoking answers to spiritual questions. Copyright 2002

John Goldingay (Ph.D., University of Nottingham) is David Allan Hubbard Professor of Old Testament at Fuller Theological Seminary. His many works include the Word Biblical Commentary on Daniel and Models for Scripture.

Reading this book is like having a wise older friend share his life experience with you. The valuable lessons that professor Goldingay has learned on what it means to follow God through all of life's ups and downs will enrich your life. They can help us learn to deal with life as it comes, not as we want it to be. He is able to accept his role as caretaker for his wife, Ann, as a calling from God and is able to see her debilitating illness as a vehicle for her ministry to others. This book is full of profound and moving insights and stories. It is honest about life's difficulties and doubts, but also embraces hope and life's joys along the way. In this journey we are not alone. God walks on with us.

This is a wonderful book that is helping me process the grief of having a child with a terminal illness. Any book that can do that well should stay in print.

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