A Testament To Freedom: The Essential Writings Of Dietrich Bonhoeffer
Dietrich Bonhoeffer was only thirty-nine years old when he was executed in a Nazi concentration camp in 1945, yet his courage, vision, and brilliance have greatly influenced the twentieth-century Church and theology. Particularly through his bestselling classic, The Cost of Discipleship, Bonhoeffer profoundly shaped such minds and movements as Martin Luther King, Jr., and Leonardo Boff, civil rights and liberation theology. A Testament to Freedom, completely revised and expanded for this edition, includes previously untranslated writings, excerpts from major books, sermons, and selected letters spanning the years of Bonhoeffer’s pastoral and theological career. This magnificent volume takes readers on a historical and biographical journey that follows Bonhoeffer through the various stages of his life—as teacher, ecumenist, pastor, preacher, seminary director, prophet in the Nazi era and, finally, as martyr in pursuit of peace and justice. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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"The definitive text in English for all who wish to study the life and theology of Bonhoeffer in depth."--John W. De Gruchy, author of Bonhoeffer and South Africa --This text refers to the Paperback edition.
Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a man who exhibited all of the signs of a genuine Saint. He had a personnel relationship with Jesus Christ, and at the same time considered himself to be so unworthy of any honor that he received. This book is not something that you just pick up and read like a novel. Bonhoeffer makes one stop and think about the quality of one’s life as far as it relates to God and how one’s relationship with Jesus Christ stands at any given point in time. This is definitely deep and soulful reading not to be taken lightly. This reminds me quite a lot of Thomas Merton’s writings.

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I chose this book because from what I have read about Bonhoeffer’s life and ministry I wanted to have some of his most inspirational writings for myself. They are really encouraging I would recommend it to anyone who wants to be encouraged in their faith.

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This volume contains Bonhoeffer’s most important writings.

This collection of Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s writings is expansive, inspiring, and challenging. I recommend this book to anyone looking to deepen his/her faith and understanding of God’s love.

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