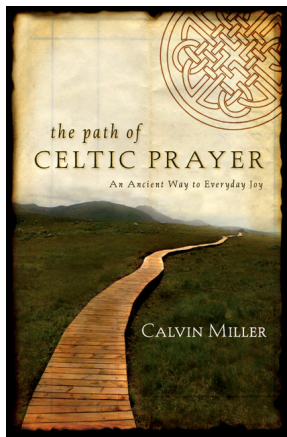


An Interview with Calvin Miller on Celtic Prayer



*“Celtic experience
may be able to
breathe a ‘right
now’ life into our
discipleship.”*

—Calvin Miller

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Q: How is *The Path of Celtic Prayer* different than other books you’ve written?

Calvin Miller: I believe for me the discovery that I had so much to learn from these ancient Celtic “saints” was most refreshing. How can we say that our world is revolutionized, for amid our many discoveries, life goes on, and our need for God continues. Yet the notion first occurred to me while I was on a kind of pilgrimage with a group of students. The joining of our prayer lives added a kind of inner vitality I had not yet discovered until I saw these ancient insights and agreed they should be a part of my life.

Q: Why did you decide to write on the topic of Celtic prayer?

Miller: I just felt the vitality I discovered was too great to keep to myself.

Q: Why did you focus in on six types of Celtic prayer?

Miller: It seems to me that while the insights of Celtic spirituality were wonderful and manifold, there stood out these principles. Not all of them are new to contemporary spirituality, but they seem to add an ancient and powerful counsel to all that needed saying.

Q: How did you gather the information for *The Path of Celtic Prayer*?

Miller: Some on pilgrimage in the U.K. and Ireland, much of it from reading and studying the kinds of spiritual formation that have issued from the current wave of interest in the subject. Most of my favorite insights actually came from a Benedictine friend, Seán Ó Duinn, whose gifts of Gaelic scholarship have most instructed me through his personal friendship and, most of all, his books.

Q: How have you personally been impacted by the Celtic traditions?

Miller: I have found a new love of walking with Christ, and a new spiritual, devotional life that has given me profound insights into prayer that is vital and growing once again.