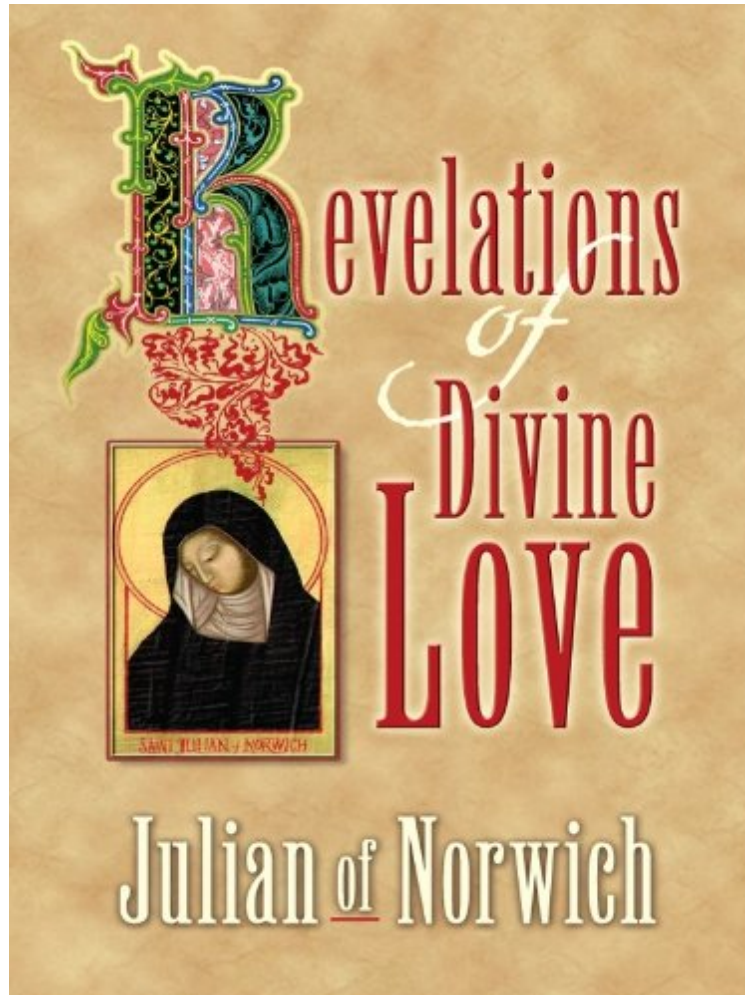


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Medieval mystic with a modern messageVon InglesJuliana of Norwich is very much in vogue these days, the subject of countless weekend retreats, seminars, classes, etc. She was a medieval hermit who experienced a series of visions which she had written down as she was convinced that their message was not just for her but for all mankind. That would make her no different from thousands of other deluded individuals except that 1) these have an unmistakable ring of authentic experience which most of this literature lacks, and 2) her explanations of her visions have some extraordinarily modern ideas about christianity. She talks about God being all love and not judging or blaming anyone but leaving them to their mistakes until they turn back to Him and are received warmly without any lectures, judging,

sermons, or finger pointing. She talks about God being a "Mother" and possessing all of the tenderness of a mother. She talks about how God will bring all things to perfection one day, in her famous saying that "all shall be well, all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well". Despite her frequent appeals to her fidelity to the teachings of "mother church", it is pretty obvious that she just escaped being charged with heresy only through some oversight of the authorities at the time as they were burning people at the stake for less radical teachings than the ones she taught. There is a good deal here that is gory - meditative visualizations on the very bloody crucifixion of Christ was a popular, and unwholesome, meditation at the time- and the reader has to figuratively wade through blood and guts to get to the good, useful stuff - so this may only be for those who are reading through all of the mystics. Frankly, I found only about 30 pages of intriguing material in the 150 or so in this book. A better choice for the reader may be the series entitled "Daily readings" of Juliana. This contains the most relevant material from her visions for modern readers. Why am I giving this 3 stars? Because it is important historically without being essential or enjoyable reading. 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Everyone's Favorite Mystic Von Blazer2020 At the time she wrote, Julian's "showings" were not considered completely compatible with Church doctrine. However, she was not censured by the people of Norwich or the Church. She is famous for her audacity, in that she claimed her writings were as inspired as the Bible. Moreover for her specific doctrine that God is our Mother as much as he is our Father. Meaning only that his character transcends the way we think of gender and especially the roles we have attribute to it. Julian also stated that in God there is no wrath. I recommend this book to anyone reading for fun, for theological insight, or for any combination of feminist or spiritual curiosity. She was an amazing woman whose work is perpetually relevant as a religious and as a feminist text. 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Guter Inhalt und verständliches Englisch Von Gabi G. Eine gute Bertragung in heute gebräuchlichem Englisch mit einigen Anmerkungen. Obwohl diese Texte mehrere hundert Jahre alt sind, haben sie auch für den heutigen Menschen gute Anregungen mit Tiefgang. Die Thematik sollte einem allerdings nicht ganz fremd sein... Fazit: Nicht unbedingt für Anfänger in diesem Thema geeignet, aber sehr gut zu lesen und gut verständlich.

Kurzbeschreibung The fourteenth-century anchoress known as Julian of Norwich offered fervent prayers for a deeper understanding of Christ's passion. The holy woman's petitions were answered with a series of divine revelations that she called "showings." Her mystic visions revealed Christ's sufferings with extreme intensity, but they also confirmed God's constant love for humanity and his infinite capacity for forgiveness. Julian of Norwich's Revelations have had a lasting influence on Christian thought. Written in immediate, compelling terms, her experiences remain among the most original and accessible expressions of medieval mysticism. This edition contains both the short text which is mainly an account of the "showings" themselves and Julian's initial analysis of their meaning as well as the long text, completed some 20 years later and offering daringly speculative interpretations.