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no more apologies for being a man best selling social commentator anthony esolen draws on timeless wisdom to defend the masculine virtues of strength drive ambition and determination in building and upholding civilization itself this is a book that should not have to be written its purpose is to return to men a sense of their worth as men and to give to boys the noble aim of manliness an aim which is their due by right one of the most courageous and penetrating writers of our time anthony esolen shows that men and women would both be happier if men came to a just appraisal of their worth the manhood he praises does not boast or swagger but it appreciates its powers it is reluctant to hurt but it does not cringe or cower the whole of civilization rests on the shoulders of men who have done work that most people would not do and that the physically weaker sex could not have done and though the masculine mystique is about more than physical force the differences between the sexes manifold and profound are all related in some way to that one the easiest difference to see and

the hardest to deny the feminist who mindlessly asserts that a woman needs a man like a fish needs a bicycle takes her comfortable world including the bicycle for granted and she betrays her lovelessness and ingratitude worse she poisons the minds and hearts of boys with her talk of toxic masculinity no apologies with its compelling vision of a strong and effective manhood reminds men that they have powers as men and that those powers must be used for the common good for everyone men women and children all

a new translation by anthony esolen illustrations by gustave doré written in the fourteenth century by italian poet and philosopher dante alighieri the divine comedy is arguably the greatest epic poem of all time presenting dante s brilliant vision of the three realms of christian afterlife inferno purgatory and paradise in this second and perhaps most imaginative part of his masterwork dante struggles up the terraces of mount purgatory still guided by virgil in a continuation of his difficult ascent to purity anthony esolen s acclaimed translation of inferno princeton professor james richardson said follows dante through all his spectacular range commanding where he is commanding wrestling as he does with the density and darkness in language and in the soul it is living writing this edition of purgatory includes an appendix of key sources and extensive endnotes an invaluable guide for both general readers and students

in this extended meditation anthony esolen looks phrase by phrase at the majestic prologue to the gospel of john which with good reason he calls the most influential paragraph in the history of man he unfolds its theological richness by showing how the apostle john has in mind not only what he saw jesus do and heard him say but also the whole witness of scripture before the time of jesus and the way the young church proclaimed him a unique feature of this remarkable work is how esolen hears and we with him the hebrew aramaic underlying john s greek which was not his mother tongue echoing those languages in such a way that all at once what we thought could never be more profoundly expressed bursts forth in a renewed poetic splendor that brings into ever keener relief the whole panorama of the theology of the god man esolen s decades long immersion in christian poetry and scripture uniquely positions him as a guide to the astonishing and life changing poem of the prologue he says it best my hope is not only to illuminate what john wishes us to hear but to show that when it comes to this poetry john is not the originator he is rather the beloved disciple who caught the habit from the lord himself

this groundbreaking bilingual edition of dante s masterpiece includes a substantive introduction extensive notes and appendices that reproduce dante s key sources and influences

in this brilliant new translation of the centerpiece of the divine comedy purgatory esolen s vivid and innovative new rendering unearths dante s own voice with unprecedented vigor accuracy and masterful use of english meter

welcome to life under compulsion how do you raise a child who can sit with a good book and read who is moved by beauty who doesn t have to buy the latest this or that vanity who is not bound to the instant urge wherever it may be found as a parent you ve probably asked these questions and now anthony esolen provides the answers in this wise new book the eagerly anticipated follow up to his acclaimed ten ways to destroy the imagination of your child although freedom has become a byword of our age esolen reveals that our children are anything but free in fact they are becoming slaves to compulsions some compulsions come from without government mandates that determine what children are taught how they are taught and even what they can eat in school others come from within the itches that must be scratched the passions by which children like the rest of us can be mastered common core smartphones video games sex ed travel teams twitter politicians popular music advertising a world with more genders than there are flavors of ice cream these and many other aspects of contemporary life come under esolen s sweeping gaze in life under compulsion this elegantly written book restores lost wisdom about education parenting literature music art philosophy and leisure esolen shows why the common understanding of freedom as a permission slip to do as you please is narrow misleading and dangerous he draws on great thinkers of the western tradition from aristotle and cicero to dante and shakespeare to john adams and c s lewis to remind us what human freedom truly means life under compulsion also restates the importance of concepts so often dismissed today truth beauty goodness love faith and virtue but above all else it reminds us of a fundamental truth that a child is a human being countercultural in the best sense of the term life under compulsion is an indispensable guide for any parent who wants to help a child remove the shackles and enjoy a truly free and full life

out of the ashes is a full throated stout hearted call to arms soul stirring uncompromising and irresistible rod dreher author of the benedict option out of the ashes is an astonishing combination of energy humor insight and exceptional erudition topped off by a vivid personal style and a special gift for tweaking the nose of secularist nonsense peddlers if you re looking for a guide to our current cultural predicament and how to fix it one that s sobering and invigorating at the same time start with this book charles j chaput o f m cap archbishop of philadelphia anthony esolen is one of our nation s best writers because he s one of our best thinkers out of the ashes is vintage esolen eloquent bold insightful profound ryan t anderson ph d senior research fellow the heritage

foundation and author of truth overruled the future of marriage and religious freedom what do you do when an entire civilization is crumbling around you you do everything this is a book about how to get started the left's culture war threatens america's foundation and its very civilization warns esolen in his brand new book out of the ashes rebuilding american culture they will tell you that babies in the womb are fetuses that gender is a social construct and that the backbone of society is government not the community in out of the ashes esolen outlines his surprisingly simple plan to take back american culture start at home esolen urges us to demand a return to values in our homes our schools our churches and our communities and to reject political correctness we must become tellers of truth again and people who are willing to hear truths especially when it hurts to hear them

to gaze into the face of jesus is perhaps to look upon a genuine human being for the first time on man made in god's image not marred by sin and wholly in the presence of the father everyone else in the novel is a character and bacchelli is a master at drawing them and illustrating for us their human contradictions

an introduction and notes accompany this classic epic poem about a spiritual pilgrim being led by virgil through the nine circles of hell

the beauty of the word a running commentary on the roman missal by anthony esolen 2012

the newest addition to the acclaimed best american series brings readers the year's best writing about faith and spirituality and is sure to enrich lives it includes writings that reflect christian muslim jewish secular and pan hindu perspectives

play dates soccer practice day care political correctness drudgery without facts television video games constant supervision endless distractions these and other insidious trends in child rearing and education are now the hallmarks of childhood as author anthony esolen demonstrates in this elegantly written often wickedly funny book almost everything we are doing to children now constricts their imaginations usually to serve the ulterior motives of the constrictors ten ways to destroy the imagination of your child takes square aim at these accelerating trends in a bitingly witty style reminiscent of c s lewis while offering parents and children hopeful alternatives esolen shows how imagination is snuffed out at practically every turn in the rearing of children almost exclusively indoors in the flattening of love to sex education and sex education to prurience and hygiene in the loss of traditional childhood games in the refusal to allow children to organize themselves into teams in the effacing of the glorious differences

between the sexes in the dismissal of the power of memory which creates the worst of all possible worlds in school drudgery without even the merit of imparting facts in the strict separation of the child's world from the adult's and in the denial of the transcendent which places a low ceiling on the child's developing spirit and mind but esolen doesn't stop at pointing out the problem he offers clear solutions as well with charming stories from his own boyhood and an assist from the master authors and thinkers of the western tradition ten ways to destroy the imagination of your child is a welcome respite from the overwhelming banality of contemporary culture interwoven throughout this indispensable guide to child rearing is a rich tapestry of the literature music art and thought that once enriched the lives of american children ten ways to destroy the imagination of your child confronts contemporary trends in parenting and schooling by reclaiming lost traditions this practical insightful book is essential reading for any parent who cares about the paltry thing that childhood has become and who wants to give a child something beyond the dull drone of today's culture

real music by anthony esolen is a comprehensive and fascinating guide in print and song to the great hymns of the church it shows that unlike much of what is sung in too many catholic churches today good music real music combines great poetry with doctrinally sound lyrics and beautiful melody with noted catholic author anthony esolen as your guide and the st cecilia choir as your muse join the catholic musical renaissance which is truly a recovery of the best that has been sung and prayed down through the ages you'll be glad you did real music is arranged by events in the life of our lord and the seasons and sacraments of the church this book will teach you much about poetry music and the catholic faith itself what better way to learn your faith than through beautiful music whether at home in your favorite easy chair or among friends in an informal class at your parish real music will bring you deep into the lyrics and melodies of the great hymns that so magnificently offer praise and honor to god real music is meant to be savored first by reading esolen's masterful explication of the poetic melodic and doctrinal elements of a hymn and then listening to the hymn itself

in ironies of faith celebrated dante scholar and translator anthony esolen provides a profound meditation upon the use and place of irony in christian art and in the christian life beginning with an extended analysis of irony as an essentially dramatic device esolen explores those manifestations of irony that appear prominently in christian thinking and art ironies of time for christians believe in divine providence but live in a world whose moments pass away ironies of power for christians believe in

an almighty god who took on human flesh and whose weakness is stronger than our greatest enemy death ironies of love for man seldom knows whom to love or how or even whom it is that in the depths of his heart he loves best and the figure of the child for christians ever hear the warning voice of their savior who says that unless we become like unto one of these little ones we shall not enter the kingdom of god esolen s finely wrought study draws from augustine dante shakespeare tolkien mauriac milton herbert hopkins and dostoyevsky among others including the anonymous author of the medieval poem pearl such authors anthony esolen believes teach us that the last laugh is on the world because that grim old world taking itself so seriously that even its laughter is a sneer will finally despite its proud resistance be redeemed that is the ultimate irony of faith readers who treasure the christian literary tradition should not miss this illuminating book

if there is any justice in the world of books esolen s will be the standard dante for some time to come robert royal crisis in this the concluding volume of the divine comedy dante ascends from the devastation of the inferno and the trials of purgatory led by his beloved beatrice he enters paradise to profess his faith hope and love before the heavenly court completed shortly before his death paradise is the volume that perhaps best expresses dante s spiritual philosophy about resurrection redemption and the nature of divinity it also affords modern day readers a clear window into late medieval perceptions about faith a bilingual text classic illustrations by gustave doré an appendix that reproduces dante s key sources and other features make this the definitive edition of dante s ultimate masterwork

the hundredfold is a tapestry of hymns monologues and short lyrics knit together as one book length poem in praise of christ in all his startling humanity drawing from the riches of the english poetic tradition meter rhyme music the poet considers the mysterious man from nazareth and the world he came to set on fire with splendor having made a career translating the italian masters dante and tasso anthony esolen now puts on the dusty mantle of such english craftsmen as donne milton and hopkins in his first book of original contemplative poetry the hundredfold contains dramatic monologues set in first century greece and palestine lyrical meditations on creation longing failure modern emptiness and unshakeable hope and twenty one brand new hymns set to such traditional melodies as picardy and old one hundred twenty fourth the book includes an introduction with diamond sharp insights into english poetic form at a time when form is so often misunderstood if not dismissed it provides an invaluable resource for students teachers and poets themselves as well as those who simply read poetry for pleasure

western civilization has no more eloquent defender than anthony esolen he has taken up its mantle and been persecuted for doing so more than most esolen knows the vital importance that its foundational principles still hold today if we hope to regain today s culture we must be reminded of the truths that too many have forgotten following on his compelling prior volume defending marriage esolen returns this time in defense of boys and an experience of boyhood that is on the wane if not extinguished in many quarters of the modern world he masterfully illuminates the threats our precious sons face from the purveyors and promoters of political correctness too often hiding in plain sight and he tackles head on the misguided and ultimately doomed though not before it has done much mischief project of blurring the distinctions between boys and girls drawing on his own in many ways all american boyhood esolen at times wistfully at times playfully and at times prophetically in the literal sense of employing the thunder of an old testament prophet details what a good boyhood once was and what it can be again

in this book anthony esolen zeroes in on a series of falsehoods that in our time we are nearly compelled to accept either explicitly or implicitly or falsehoods that the elites among us accept without their always telling us so a falsehood is not just an opinion that happens to be incorrect but a radically wrong way of viewing the world and man s place in it the falsehoods in question are related they follow from one another the chapters of the book thus move from one falsehood to the next from the most fundamental and ultimately destructive to the falsehoods that spring from them and do the proximate work of destruction introduction the first lie there is no god the second lie there is no objective moral truth the third lie there is no such thing as beauty the fourth lie human nature does not exist the fifth lie equality is the foundation and fulfillment of all human society the sixth lie cultural progress is inevitable the seventh lie western christian men are to blame for everything a series of lies and their typical forms conclusion what is to be done

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