### **Resource Guide for Spiritual Writing**

Suggestions for this list are always welcomed; send them to me at info@writingforyourlife.com

#### About Writing

- <u>Bird by Bird: Some Instructions on Writing and Life</u> by Anne Lamott
- <u>The Writing Life</u> by Annie Dillard
- <u>A Syllable of Water: Twenty Writers of Faith Reflect on Their Art</u> edited by Emilie Griffin
- <u>10 of the Greatest Essays on Writing Ever Written</u> by Emily Temple
- <u>Stein on Writing</u> by Sol Stein
- <u>The Artist's Way</u> by Julia Cameron
- <u>The Soul Tells a Story</u> by Vinita Hampton Wright
- <u>Dancing on the Head of a Pen</u> by Robert Benson
- Drawn In: A Creative Process for Artists, Activists, and Jesus Followers by Troy Bronsink
- How to Write a Children's Book and Get it Published by Barbara Seuling
- <u>Reading Like a Writer: A Guide for People Who Love Books and for Those Who Want to Write</u> <u>Them</u> by Francine Prose
- <u>Powers of Two: How Relationships Drive Creativity</u> by Joshua Wolf Shenk
- <u>The Power of Two</u> by Joshua Wolf Shenk, The Atlantic
- <u>The Mindful Writer</u> by Dinty W. Moore
- <u>Writing the Christian Life</u> by Richard Lischer
- <u>The Art of Spiritual Writing</u> by Vinita Hampton Wright
- <u>The Art of Time in Memoir</u> by Sven Birkerts
- <u>The Art of Memoir</u> by Mary Karr
- <u>Writing the Sacred Journey The Art and Practice of Spiritual Memoir</u> by Elizabeth J. Andrew (not affiliated with *The Sacred Journey* by Frederick Buechner)
- <u>Memoirs of the Soul: A Writing Guide</u> by Nan Merrick Phifer
- <u>Pity the Reader: On Writing with Style</u> by Kurt Vonnegut and Suzanne McConnell

# Book Proposal Development and Getting Published

- <u>How to Write a Book Proposal</u> by Jane Friedman
- <u>Book Rescue Ink Nonfiction Book Proposal Template</u> (click on "For Writers") by Margot Starbuck and Jennifer Grant
- How to Write a Book Proposal by Michael Larsen
- <u>The Essential Guide to Getting Your Book Published</u> by Arielle Eckstut and David Henry Sterry
- Michael Hyatt: <u>https://michaelhyatt.com/writing-a-winning-book-proposal</u>
- Jane Friedman: <u>https://janefriedman.com/start-here-how-to-write-a-book-proposal/</u>
- Writer's
  Edge: <u>http://writersedgeservice.com/sample-book-proposal-from-a-professional-literary-agency</u>
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- Book Proposal Template: <u>https://www.pandadoc.com/book-proposal-template</u>
- <u>WRITE THAT BOOK ALREADY! The Tough Love You Need to Get Published Now</u> by Sam Barry and Kathi Goldmark

# Building Your Platform / Marketing / Book Publicity

- <u>Who Are You Trying To Serve?</u> Brian Allain
- <u>The Content Code Six essential strategies to ignite your content, your marketing, and your</u> <u>business</u> by Mark W. Schaefer
- <u>Known: The handbook for building and unleashing your personal brand in the digital age</u> by Mark W. Schaefer
- Marketing Rebellion: The Most Human Company Wins by Mark W. Schaefer
- <u>Tribes</u> by Seth Godin
- How to Write a Best-Selling Book This Year by Tim Ferris
- <u>1000 True Fans</u>
- <u>*Platform*</u> by Michael Hyatt
- <u>Publicize Your Book!</u> by Jacqueline Deval
- Jane Friedman's blog: <u>https://janefriedman.com/blog/</u>
- <u>Think Like a Publisher</u> by Randy Davila

#### Self-Publishing

- <u>APE: Author, Publisher, Entrepreneur-How to Publish a Book</u> by Guy Kawasaki
- <u>The Fine Print of Self-Publishing 5<sup>th</sup> Edition</u> by Mark Levine

# Faith and Journalism

• <u>"Meet the Christian Reporter Climbing the Ladder at The New York Times"</u> – Christianity Today

### <u>Reference</u>

- <u>A Christian Writer's Manual of Style</u> by Bob Hudson
- <u>The Elements of Style</u> by William Strunk and E.B. White
- <u>On Writing Well</u> by William Zinsser
- <u>128 Words to Use Instead of Very</u> from <u>ProofreadingServices.com</u>