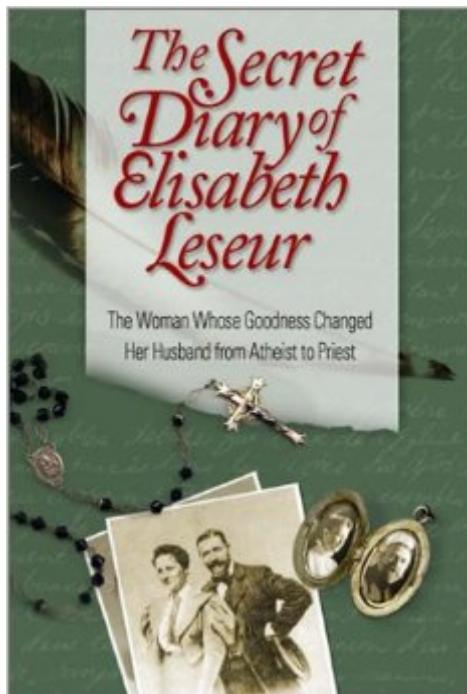


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The Secret Diary Of Elisabeth Leseur: The Woman Whose Goodness Changed Her Husband From Atheist To Priest



Synopsis

This inspiring book gives you a splendid example of how to live as a Christian in a secular environment that can be indifferent or hostile to your Faith. For Elisabeth Leseur had two great loves: God and her husband Felix, who was an atheist. Felix loved Elisabeth as well; yet to their mutual sorrow, he couldn't share the life of the Spirit that Elisabeth cherished. Occasionally the happiness of their life together in upper-class Parisian society was shattered by Felix's frustration and impatience. How could such an intelligent woman waste her time, as he saw it, with ignorant superstitions? Sometimes he and his friends would even ridicule and mock her faith. But Elisabeth loved Felix too much to allow their home to degenerate into an emotional war zone. She realized that confrontations and arguments were useless; she chose instead to keep quiet and pray for Felix. In her secret diary she recorded how she used his efforts to destroy her faith as means to grow in love for him and for God. Throughout their life together, it grieved Elisabeth to think that Felix might be separated from her for all eternity because of his rejection of God. For her, life in Heaven wouldn't be happy without him. Yet when she died prematurely, Felix was still an unbeliever. The story doesn't end there. When Felix found this diary, he discovered how Elisabeth's whole life bore witness to the truth of the God she loved. In time, Felix was transformed by the diary and his memories of Elisabeth. He became a Christian and, later, a priest. Now she may even be declared a saint. Elisabeth's diary and spiritual writings (all included in this one volume) map out for you a path to marital harmony and greater love for God ; especially if you love someone who stands outside the Faith. Let Elisabeth's two great loves, and her faith and perseverance, inspire you now.

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When you think of marriage, you know that it's going to be a memorable journey, despite the fact that it will naturally be peppered with its ups and downs. Usually, the bad moments in a marriage will stem from fiscal issues, lack of quality and quantity of personal time, poor communication skills, a dying romantic spark, stress, et cetera. There is a bombardment of causes. The issue of religion, specifically Catholic Christianity, is a non issue. One would simply believe and accept that faith is a part of the total package when you get married. As I said, you would think. Couples practice their faith according to their needs, desires or even not at all. For most couples, devote faith kind of just flickers into the scene when something bad arises. And even then there is unfortunately a lukewarm approach to it. In the case of Elizabeth and Felix Leseur, they were a couple that had everything going for them, love, money, romantic unity, travel, an open and communicative marriage, all the things that should make for a successful and grounded marriage. But there was one important factor that caused a profound rift, and that was Elizabeth's quiet yet intense faith versus Felix's antagonistic and militant atheism. On this one single issue, there was an unshakable divide. Elizabeth, because of her faith, was pious, gentle, compassionate, open-minded, prayerful, all the good components that a healthy faith will imbue into a soul. Conversely, because of Felix's atheistic stance toward religion and Catholicism in particular, he was a mean-spirited bully, and he forcefully yet consistently willed himself to try to extinguish the flame of love that his wife had for God.

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