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What Readers Are Saying About Dead Sure:

"Your ideas have transformed my life. Letting go of certainty is such an amazing experience, especially for intellectuals trapped in their minds. I could never thank you enough for writing your book!" Robert

"Dead Sure helped me see why 'seeking' God had been so unfulfilling for me. I had assumed God was hidden and that to find God I had to first find the 'truth', which was just driving me further away from God and closing my heart to others. Now I see that God is completely obvious and why it was that the 'truth' I was seeking always kept eluding me." Colin

"A very provocative and insightful book." Keith

"I just read Dead Sure and enjoyed it immensely. I think its ideas and expressions are original, memorable, perfect. I like its brevity. It clearly has the constructive, useful purpose of lessening the intensity of the holy war and helping people to get past that. It is thorough and praiseworthy. Well done!" Mike

"I am really enjoying Dead Sure and am finding it a really novel and brilliant core idea, central to all our lives, about how faith in a higher power, which should unite us, instead becomes a means to divide us. I think your book is very inclusive. It has the ability to reach out to the reader regardless of their chosen faith or belief system and help them to drop the exclusiveness and add the humility, uncertainty and openness to be inclusive of the spirituality that embraces us. I felt it impact me." Tom

"I found Dead Sure enlightening." Aaron

"I just finished reading Dead Sure and feel its essence is, 'Peace does not need to convince others about your faith or find their faith wrong'. Well said as I totally agree. I don't do with those in the business of telling me what to think, and I do not believe in outsourcing matters of faith. Good work." Bill

WHAT DEAD SURE IS ABOUT:

Dead Sure is about the impulses of our psychology that lead us to adopt religion and spirituality. It is about why for some people religion and spirituality lead to happiness and inner peace while for others it saps their energy and resources while separating them from others and causing divisions, hatred and violence in their society. Dead Sure is about making peace between our mind and our heart.

It is about the obvious reasons why 92% still believe in a higher power yet only 20% still go to church regularly. It's about the seismic shifts that have been occurring over recent decades in how people relate to higher power and how that shift is causing more people to describe themselves as spiritual but not religious. It is about how many are now communing with higher power alone rather than in church and about why new, innovative churches will probably form soon to fill that void.

Dead Sure is about how certainty and arrogance about one's faith coupled with pleasing your group starts

holy war. It is about the business of selling you back your higher power and how to better negotiate that deal.

It is about when abstract thought first developed in humans and how that introduced fears that arise solely from abstract thoughts, and how we then developed other abstract thoughts to counter those fears, and religions for managing that. It's about how religion and spirituality have been helping us manage abstract thought now for thousands of years and how medicine and science have just recently joined that effort.

The view in Dead Sure is that a higher power unfolds life but why and how higher power does that cannot be described or contained with abstract descriptions. Yet 92% of us believe in a higher power and do describe it with abstractions, and how we describe and hold our faith has a big affect on our lives and on our society.

Thus Dead Sure is about pragmatic ways of describing and holding the indescribable mystery of faith in ways that best serve us and our societies.



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