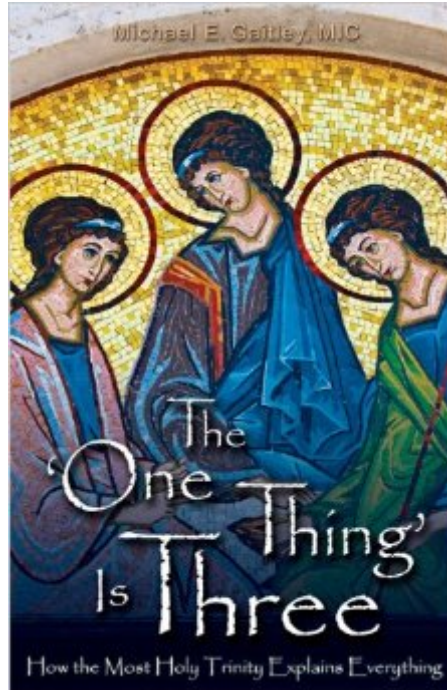


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The One Thing Is Three: How The Most Holy Trinity Explains Everything



Synopsis

With humor and ease, Father Michael Gaitley, MIC, deftly unlocks the "one thing," the key to the Church's wisdom, and the greatest mystery of the Catholic faith: the Most Holy Trinity. Far from being a scholarly or academic read, *The "One Thing" is Three* makes deep theology accessible to every-day Catholics. What's more, it makes even what's familiar or forgotten appear in a way that's new, exciting, and relevant. Thus, *The "One Thing" is Three* brings its readers a unique and powerful experience of the faith. It's the perfect book for the Year of Faith.

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When I was in graduate school studying theology, I took a course on the Trinity. It featured a very large scholarly book and lots of Greek words. I found it fascinating, but understood relatively little. There is a reason why the Trinity is considered a mystery. In *"The 'One Thing' is Three: How the Most Holy Trinity Explains Everything,"* Fr. Michael Gaitley makes a valiant attempt to simplify the mystery. "[This book is] meant to bring the Trinity home to our hearts [and] make difficult theology easy to understand." The core of the mystery of the Trinity is the concept of communion - living in communion with God and others. Gaitley focuses on John 17:24-26 as being the greatest passage of Scripture, "a passage that reveals the mystery at the Heart of the Word made flesh and the deepest expression of communion." Jesus' "burning desire" is "That we all be one. He wants us all to participate in the communion of love of the Most Holy Trinity." The book is divided into three sections, or points: Communion with the Trinity (our final end), Transforming Communion with Christ (our immediate end), and The Mission of Communion (Our Mission.) If you are already feeling

overwhelmed, there is no need to worry. Gaitley takes each point step by step and does his utmost to explain them in a simple and conversational, yet theologically sound, style. In "Communion with the Trinity," salvation is explained as being a combination of redemption and glorification. "In saving us, God wants to make us share in his own divine life." While Satan works to distract us from the good things God offers us, we are offered a choice between "communion or alienation, life or death, eternal bliss or eternal hell. Do we want to serve God or serve ourselves? Will we do God's will or our own? . . .

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