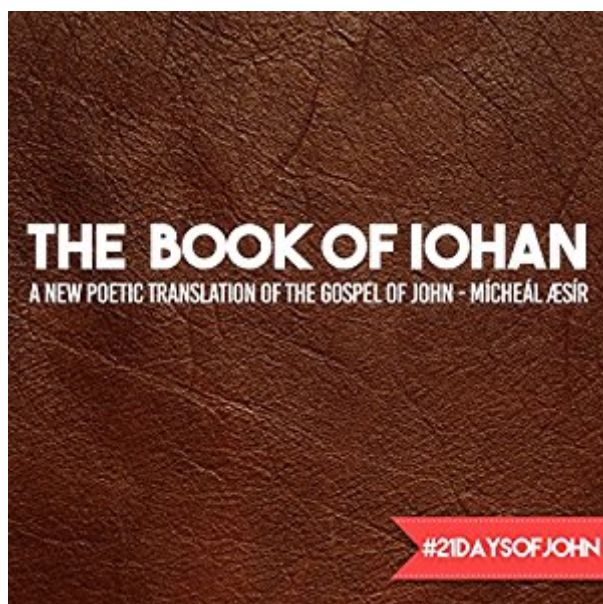


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The Book Of Iohan: A New Poetic Translation Of The Gospel Of John



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The Book of John, with its appeal to emotion and spirit, has long been a favorite of Christians everywhere. Yet for many, connecting to the text can be difficult, as both non-believers and believers alike waded through awkward conjunctives, repetition, stilted language, and unclear translations that result in bafflement. No translation in print has been able to render John's beautiful poetry into English, while retaining exacting literal accuracy, until now. The Book of John is the product of intense close examination and classical scholarship that has gone directly to the source texts, leaving behind a polished, accessible work of beauty. Listen to the Gospel of John as it was meant to be translated and understood in our modern era. Just 21 days might just change your life and forever change your view of Christianity.

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Customer Reviews

I just finished reading this new translation of the Gospel of John this morning, and I must say I feel like a more enlightened person for it. As someone who has studied the original Ancient Greek of this text but has never compiled a full translation of my own, I know what a difficult task Mr. Jefferys has undertaken. He has produced an astonishingly emotional and meaningful translation that corrects many of the mistakes translators have been making for centuries. It was customary for Ancient Greek writers to use words with multiple meanings and rearrange word order within a sentence as a means to convey parallel thoughts and feelings; Greek readers (or listeners) were used to these tactics, as they were part of the nature of their native language. English is not set up this way, and, not surprisingly, we don't look for the same cues within a sentence as the Greeks did.

Most translators ignore this vital aspect and fail to reproduce the true essence of the original work. Despite this cultural and linguistic obstacle, Mr. Aēsir has provided thoughtful grammatical variation and meticulous word choice to create a reading experience in English that comes as close to Ancient Greek reading as I've ever seen. I believe that anyone who reads this wonderful translation will begin to think more deeply about the Gospel of John and its profoundly mystical style. This is an extremely important book.

I gave this book 5 stars because I LOVED The Book of Iohan! I was delighted and moved with its poetry and story telling. This book touched me and I feel changed and lifted from reading it. I was looking for a readable version of the bible because I didn't want to slog through boring Christian text. I never read the bible before, not a large part of it anyway. Finding this book was a gem! Finally, a version of the bible that anyone can read! This interpretation is a MUST for progressive/liberal Christians and even non-Christians. Everyone should know the stories in the bible! I poured over the parts that spoke to me and achieved a better understanding of the wonder and beauty of Christian spirituality. I'm really quite surprised at how deeply this book touched me. Aēsir's translation is symbolic and direct not obscure. I decided to read most of the Book of John out loud. God and Jesus feel like real and powerful figures. Jesus's voice is a sacred presence. You can feel his love when he talks. I understand his capacity for compassion now! When God speaks, you feel his deep passion for humanity to become better. Understanding these ideas about Jesus and God has been a spiritual awakening for me. If you haven't been stirred by the bible's words before then consider the Book of Iohan for an exposure to uplifting Christian literature.

This translation of the Book of John by Michael AEsir is deeply mystical and thought provoking--a truly adventurous read. It leaves you with the feeling that you have just traveled back in time to hear the voice of the apostle himself. We hear the reverence and awe in the storyteller voice. We imagine him on the shores and mountains of Greece speaking to groups of people wanting to know what this new religion was all about. I was enraptured by this book. It is far more poetic than modern versions--the layers of meaning sing out from every verse. AEsir unearths a real treasure, and having found the key to open it shares its profound message with the world.

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