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In the deepest part of our hearts and souls is the desire to love well. Yet in our struggle to do so, we learn that, as Mike Mason puts it, "We are not born with love; it is something we must learn." Now, in Practicing the Presence of People, he helps us launch that learning process. Mason points the way to fresh knowledge and fresh experience, showing how we can discover new things about those we love, understand them from the inside out, tenderly identify with their weaknesses, and celebrate that they too were lovingly made by the hand of God.

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Ashley says

There are some really great gems in here, but they are a little buried... I wish the vignettes in each topic were a little more cohesive - this felt like I would just get started and then it would be over.

Mohamed Abou ghaly says

I love reading, especially in classic books

Luke says

The author had some very good thoughts, but then he would keep writing to fill out the chapter or the book. It felt like it would have been a much richer book if he had spent more time with the ideas, or just made it smaller and more condensed and reflective. Overall, I just felt like I was filtering through a whole lot of empty words to find small bits that were really good. I didn't finish the book, it seemed to be getting emptier as I kept reading.

Quinton says

This book is all about love, and friendship. At the end, all you have is the relationships you've created. Learn to love people, and you will learn to live.

L says

This book is packed full of simple yet profound insight on how to explore different ways of relating to people through your own life experience and story. The content was thick with meaning, and took a while to digest. It sounds as though Mason is one of those deeply respected men, that you want to mentor you...To sit in his presence and take in what he has digested through his own journey. Take your time, so you can drink it all in. This book is a deep well.

Dan says

Had some helpful nuggets for intentionally and attentively being together with others and being for them a presence of gospel love.

Amy Davis says

I liked the short chs. and would recommend this for people who need a short pithy perspective to grasp big truths about relationships.

Kristi says

I've heard that this is the long-awaited sequel to the classic The Practice of the Presence of God by Brother Lawrence . . . we'll see how it measures up.

Bonita says

What a challenge. It is one I will want to read again just as Browther Lawrence's The Practice of the Presence of God. The bottom line is that whatever we do if it is not in love it's just a waste of time and energy. Even prayer.

"Knuckle-rapping prayer is destructive... charismatic witchcraft" Ouch. If we do not love people we do not love God. I must admit there was not a chapter that did not give me something to take a look at how I view & treat people.

Good STUFF

Jamie Pennington says

Good book filled with lots of little things that stop and make you think.

Mike says

Inspired by the classic Practicing the Presence of God, this book would have been improved if it had imitated its model in one more way: brevity. A lot of the content seems like filler, and some of it descends to a kind of free-association word game which is irritating and unhelpful.

I've given it three stars because there is some good content early in the book, and the intent is excellent. But it's theoretical, not practical, and the theory is not always very sound.

Marci says

This is a challenging book for introverts like myself! :-) If you love God, you must love his people.

Sang Jin says

Practice is more difficult than theory, prayer, and belief.

Makes me wonder how exposing our failings as 'man' is overcome by thinking of others. The theory is hard to argue.

Alex MacDonald says

This book is phenomenal. It is deep. It has helped me immensely. I'm a person who wants to love. But don't really know how. I know why now. I know how to now. Life changing.

Candice says

Mike Mason makes me think.
