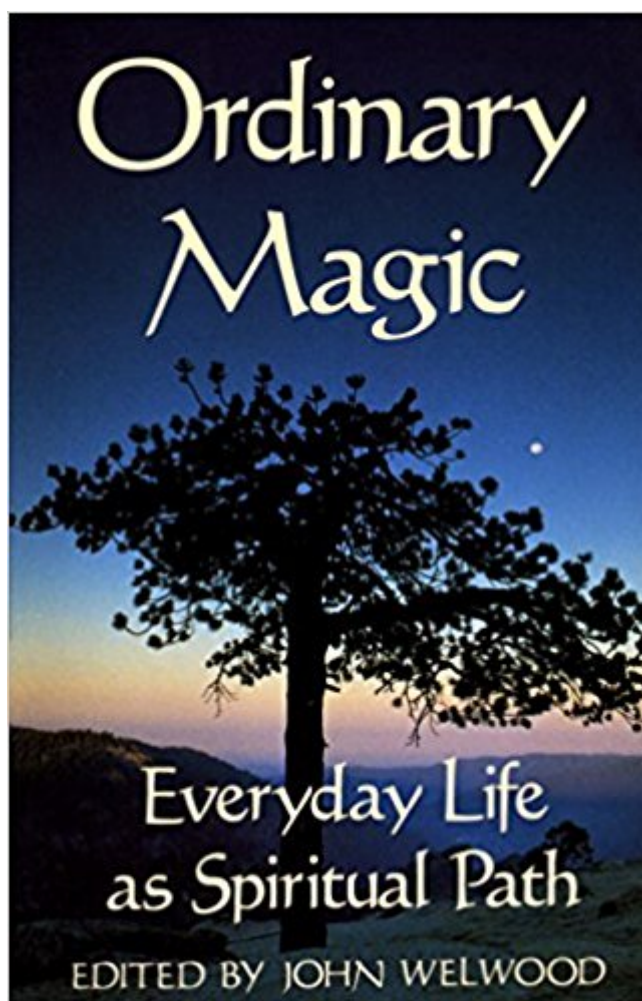


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# Ordinary Magic: Everyday Life As Spiritual Path



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After reading this book, I will say that half of the chapters resonate with me and half of them don't. .but I've found something beautiful and lovely in each chapter, as each author has a unique outlook on life. I've considered purchasing this book for a few friends, in fact.

Using this book with a spiritual study group and have found it has solicited great discussions.

Welwood is one of the clearest thinkers today. On a par with Thomas Moore. Beautiful prose.

Awesome short stories for the Spiritual Quest and Wanderer.

I took my time to read this book since there is so much wisdom in it. I loved this book just like I did with his other books. This is a compilation of chapters from different authors but his selection was right on and their message very clear. I highly recommend this book.

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