|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **TABLE OF CONTENTS**   DEDICATION  ACKNOWLEDGMENTS  INTRODUCTION  PERSONAL LETTER TO MY READERS  RATIONAL BEGINNINGS AUTHOR'S NOTE  **PART I RELIGION—WHO NEEDS IT?**   1. THE SURPRISE BEHIND DOOR NUMBER TWO (VALERIE) 2. REASON….OR BLIND FAITH? (ABU ALI) 3. FEAR, SUPERSTITION, GOD, RELIGION (JIM) 4. ANIMALS…VEGETABLES... ETHICS…TRUTH (KEVIN)  **PART II ARE THEY RIGHT?**   5. ARE THEY RIGHT? 6. SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT THEORY SIMPLIFIED  **PART III WHO IS A MYSTIC?**  7. WHAT IS A MYSTIC? 8. DON’T FENCE ME IN (NILAH) 9. MY KIND OF HELL (DAVID) 10. MY PATH (CHARLES) 11. LOTUS OPENING (JEAN) 12. THE HIGHER POWER…AND ME (CATHERINE) 13. LEARNING TO FLY (INÉS)  **PART IV TOWARD AN UNDERSTANDING OF POST-CRITICAL FAITH**   14. WHAT IS A MYSTIC? 15. WHO SAYS? 16. TWO TYPES OF RELIGIOUS PERSON 17. HOW DOES SPIRITUAL GROWTH HAPPEN? 18. WHY DO I WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THE SPIRITUAL STAGES?   **PART V WHAT DOES ALL OF THIS MEAN?**  19. IS THERE A GOD? 20. WHAT TRANSFORMATION? 21. WHAT DOES THIS HAVE TO DO WITH POLITICS?  22. FAITH BEYOND BELIEF 23. WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE? |  | |  | | --- | |  | |  | |