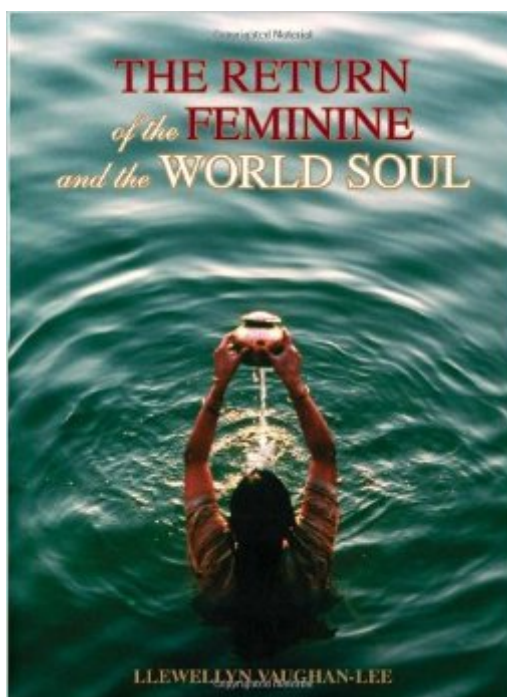


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Synopsis

The feminine holds the mystery of creation. This simple and primordial truth is often overlooked, but at this time of global crisis, which also carries the seeds of a global transformation, we need to reawaken to the spiritual power and potential of the feminine. Feminine qualities belong to both men and women, and they draw us into the depths within us, into the mysteries of the soul whose wisdom is called Sophia. Without the feminine nothing new can be born, nothing new can come into existence; we will remain caught in the materialistic images of life that are polluting our planet and desecrating our souls. We need to return to the core of our being, to where the sacred comes into existence. And the mystical feminine holds the key to this work of redemption and transformation. Over the past two decades Llewellyn Vaughan-Lee has given different teachings on the feminine and the anima mundi, the World Soul. They are compiled here for the first time.

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Customer Reviews

Underneath my busy modern life there is a constant pain. A vital part of my being is denigrated by the culture around me. Turning the pages of this book is a pure, life-affirming joy. I am a woman after all! I am made differently from men. And that very difference, the feminine in its physical and spiritual dimensions, is what is missing from our world and what is needed to make it whole. Llewellyn Vaughan-Lee eloquently articulates the present condition of the feminine principle. He describes Her imprisonment, Her anger and Her need to be acknowledged. He also sets forth an inspiring call to action. Women are asked to summon forgiveness and reclaim our primal power to wrench Her free from the dark. The negative masculine, with its qualities of domination and control,

has pillaged the Earth to the crisis point. Every woman is needed to reconnect to that part of herself that is one with the soul of the World. Vaughan-Lee explains that this will stimulate the Earth's own vital forces and initiate Her renewal. Conscious men are needed honor Her, to challenge the norms we have come to accept and protect the work that is being done. Conscious women are needed to do the work of transforming the World. Read the book. Share it with friends and help unfold the revolution.

I found this book invaluable, because it spoke to my greatest frustrations as a woman seeking Truth. Vaughan-Lee uncovers differences between men and women on the spiritual path, untangling many of the experiences that can confuse and stifle a woman traveling a path designed by men and for men. In this compilation of writings and talks, Vaughan-Lee honors feminine consciousness, prepares a space for this forgotten way of knowing, and makes it clear that women have an important role to play in awakening this consciousness. This book offers the tools and teachings needed to help women realize their potential and make a contribution during this time of change.

This is one of the most extraordinary revelations of inspired truth and wisdom I have had the profound privilege to read in the past 20 years. In this work of grace and compassion, Llewellyn Vaughan-Lee helps the spiritual seeker to know in no uncertain terms, that we are brothers and sisters all, that it is possible to imagine the living reality of "On Earth As It Is In Heaven". In the text, there were many startling and synchronous reflections of wisdom that have also arisen from the Beloved within the ground of my own being. This joyous confirmation helps the seeker to know we are not alone, rather we are AL-ONE. There is the work of awakening to be done. Have you heard the call? Will you respond? Will you dare to embrace your own Shadow so that together, we may embrace the Shadow of the world? In this call to Life and Redemption, everyone and everything belongs. Let there be light as we embrace the darkness, Luciat!

I read this book when I was expecting my second child. I found it to be a profound affirmation of the sacred dimension of the mystery of creation that was taking place inside the very cells of my body. There is very little written about the miracle of conception and birth from a soul-level perspective. And by becoming conscious of our intimate participation in this divine process of creation, we glimpse at what is possible for the world. Throughout the book, Vaughan-Lee eloquently weaves connections between feminine qualities such as receptivity and the larger scope of work that is upon

us. It served to remind me that what is needed now is simple, embodied and intuitive, not esoteric. The Return of the Feminine invites every one of us, men and women, to listen deeply to what is asking to be born through us, for the sake of our world.

Since the early 80's I've been aware of a major change taking place. I couldn't explain it, I just knew that a shift was taking place and that it had to do with the rise of Feminine Consciousness. Over many years I have searched for answers and, finally, I found this book that put into words what my soul knew instinctively. This collection of writings and transcribed talks bring clarity to the imbalance we see in our world today by showing us how the Patriarchal mind set has separated life from its sacred core. The Sacred Feminine, the matrix of creation, is awakening and will rise to bring much needed balance back to our world. This book would make a wonderful gift for all young women and open minded men.

Dr. Vaughan-Lee's writing is beautiful as usual, with many wonderful ideas on the spiritual uniqueness and importance of woman in saving our world. However, capitalized masculine pronouns to describe Friend, Beloved, Creator God, Creator and His world, etc all throughout a book about the return of the feminine seem oxymoronic, serving to keep women where we've been for 3000 years. When he says, "Every soul carries the imprint of His face, the memory of His nearness," the statement is not true for me - I reject the idea of the spiritual Beloved having a face, and even moreso a masculine face. To me It is a very real Light energy without gender, color, race, nationality or age. Nor do I accept his qualifier that "He" is not masculine: "And when I refer to the unknowable aspect of the divine that is beyond all form or knowing as He, It has no gender: that "He" is not masculine as opposed to feminine." In my opinion, repeated references to a singular male deity in a discussion of our need to end patriarchy seems to honor that very system. In spite of this observation, I highly recommend the book to both women and men. Jaquelyn McCandless

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