

"We can talk theology and missiology until we're blue in the face, but it all comes down to the incarnation—how we embody the gospel in the location God has placed us. *CHURCH RE-IMAGINED* offers a unique perspective rooted in the city, and with the people whom Doug Pagitt loves. Gather your friends and read this book as it was written—in community."

— **Chris Seay**, lead pastor of Ecclesia Church in Houston, Texas, and author of *The Gospel According to Tony Soprano* and *The Gospel Reloaded*

"Must reading for those who want to connect to the vital spiritual core of what God is doing through the emerging church."

— **Tom & Christine Sine**, www.msainfo.org (Tom is author of *Mustard Seed Vs. McWorld*; Christine is author of *Sacred Rhythms*)

CHURCH RE-IMAGINED isn't about quick-fix methods or bulleted, how-to lists. And it's certainly not a dry lecture about a heady theological topic.

Instead this book is about **striving**, about **trying**, about **experimenting** with the idea that the old ways of approaching spiritual formation may not be the only avenues toward **living lives in harmony with God** in our day.

Inside these pages you'll spend a **full week** with **Solomon's Porch**—a holistic, missional, Christian community in Minneapolis, Minnesota—and get a **front-row seat** at their gatherings, meetings, and meals. Along the way, you'll also discover what spiritual formation looks like in a church community that's **moved beyond education-based practices** by including **worship, physicality, dialogue, hospitality, belief, creativity, and service** as means toward spiritual formation rather than mere appendices to it.

Specifically, you'll glimpse into the lives of **six people from Solomon's Porch** and track their growth through their journals as they **wrestle with various approaches to spiritual development**.

CHURCH RE-IMAGINED is ideal for **thinkers**, pastors, **church leaders**, and anyone seeking fresh ways of experiencing life with God.

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