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The bestselling, widely acclaimed translation from Stephen Mitchell "Mitchell's rendition of the Tao Te Ching comes as close to being definitive for our time as any I can imagine. It embodies the virtues its translator credits to the Chinese original: a gemlike lucidity that is radiant with humor, grace, largeheartedness, and deep wisdom." — Huston Smith, author of *The Religions of Man* In eighty-one brief chapters, Lao-tzu's Tao Te Ching, or Book of the Way, provides advice that imparts balance and perspective, a serene and generous spirit, and teaches us how to work for the good with the effortless skill that comes from being in accord with the Tao—the basic principle of the universe. First published in 1934, this translation of Lao Tzu's Tao Tê Ching—unlike previous translations—is based not on the medieval commentaries, but on a close study of the whole of early Chinese literature. The Tao Tê Ching, along with the Zhuangzi, is a fundamental text for both philosophical and religious Taoism, and strongly influenced other schools, such as Legalism, Confucianism, and Chinese Buddhism. Many Chinese artists, including poets, painters, calligraphers, and even gardeners, have used the Tao Tê Ching as a source of inspiration. Its influence has also spread widely outside East Asia, and is among the most translated works in world literature. Printed throughout in two colors is this new, definitive version of one of the great books of world literature--comparable in its sales and influence to the Bible, the Bhagavad Ghita, and the Koran. Sometimes babies come into our families, and sometimes they are needed back in heaven. Either way, they are a part of our families forever. Lao-tzu's Tao Te Ching, or Book of the Way, is the classic manual on the art of living, and one of the wonders of the world. In eighty-one brief chapters, the Tao Te Ching looks at the basic predicament of being alive and gives advice that imparts balance and perspective, a serene and generous spirit. This book is about wisdom in action. It teaches how to work for the good with the effortless skill that comes from being in accord with the Tao (the basic principle of the universe) and applies equally to good government and sexual love; to child rearing, business, and ecology. Stephen Mitchell's bestselling version has been widely acclaimed as a gift to contemporary culture. "The way of the master," Lao Tzu tells us in chapter sixty, "is as simple as making breakfast." The great beauty of Taoist philosophy is that it does not require us to know anything, to learn anything, or even to do anything, but simply to let go of ideas and observe without commentary. In this way peace and truth reveal themselves naturally. As Lao Tzu pointed out in chapter thirty-five: In maintaining focus in Tao all things come to the sage Anyone wishing to bring a greater sense of joy, love and harmony to their lives may benefit from Lao Tzu's wisdom. A J Girling was initiated by a Taoist Master in the eighties and, in the intervening years, has discovered the tremendous benefits of following the path of mindfulness. It is as a result of profound love for Lao Tzu's work that Girling undertook thousands of hours of research to bring to life this new translation of the Tao Te Ching. The timeless wisdom of this classic Taoist text can become a companion on your own spiritual journey. The Chuang - tzu is the second major text of the Taoist tradition. It was compiled in the third century BCE and follows the lead of the best - known and oldest of all Taoist texts, the Tao - te - ching (Book of the Tao and Its Potency). Representing the philosophy of its main author, Chuang Chou, along with several other early Taoist strands, the text has inspired spiritual seekers for over two thousand years. Using parable, anecdote, allegory and paradox, the Chuang - tzu presents the central message of what was to become the Taoist school: a reverence for the Tao - the ""Way"" of the natural world - and the belief that you are not truly virtuous until you are free from the burden of circumstance, personal attachments, tradition and the desire to reform the world. In this special SkyLight Illuminations edition, leading Taoist scholar Livia Kohn, PhD, provides a fresh, modern translation of key selections from this timeless text to open up classic Taoist beliefs and practices. She provides insightful, accessible commentary that highlights the Chuang - tzu's call to reject artificially imposed boundaries and distinctions, and illustrates how you can live a more balanced, authentic and joyful life - at ease in perfect happiness - by following Taoist principles. Lao-tzu's Te-Tao Ching has been treasured for thousands of years for its poetic statement of life's most profound and elusive truths. Although the Te-Tao Ching is widely read, the author's enigmatic style and the less than perfect condition of the Chinese originals make many of its brief poems difficult to understand. So readers of find literature hailed the discovery, in 1973, of two copies of the Te-Tao Ching which had been buried in 168 B.C. These manuscripts are more than five centuries older than any others known, and they correct many defects of later versions: their grammar and vocabulary frequently make the classic easier to understand; lost lines are restored (as many as three in some poems); some sections follow a more logical sequence. Such differences make it necessary to reevaluate traditional interpretations of the Te-Tao Ching, and Professor Henricks has done this in an extensive commentary to his excellent new translation. In addition, Professor Henricks has provided an introduction that explains the basics of Taoism and discusses the many other important finds from Ma-want-tui. A luxury, keep-sake edition of an ancient Chinese scripture This ancient text, fundamental to Taoism, has become a source of inspiration and guidance for millions in modern society. It's focus on attunement, rather than mindless striving, offers an alternative to command-and-control leadership and a different way of seeing personal success - a position that has led to this ancient Chinese text becoming an internationally bestselling personal development guide. Now the text has been given a makeover and this deluxe, gift edition is set to become the market leader, following in the footsteps of the other bestselling Capstone Classic editions. Includes: Paints a picture of a person in full attunement Illustrates how fulfillment and peace, without struggle, can deliver to us what we need and desire An alternative way to view personal success A new introduction by Tom Butler Bowdon, the classic personal development expert In this deeply learned work, Toshihiko Izutsu compares the metaphysical and mystical thought-systems of Sufism and Taoism and discovers that, although historically unrelated, the two share features and patterns which prove fruitful for a transhistorical dialogue. His original and suggestive approach opens new doors in the study of comparative philosophy and mysticism. Izutsu begins with Ibn 'Arabi, analyzing and isolating the major ontological concepts of this most challenging of Islamic thinkers. Then, in the second part of the book, Izutsu turns his attention to an analysis of parallel concepts of two great Taoist thinkers, Lao-tzu and Chuang-tzu. Only after laying bare the fundamental structure of each world view does Izutsu embark, in the final section of the book, upon a comparative analysis. Only thus, he argues, can he be sure to avoid easy and superficial comparisons. Izutsu maintains that both the Sufi and Taoist world views are based on two pivots—the Absolute Man and the Perfect Man—with a whole system of ontological thought being developed between these two pivots. Izutsu discusses similarities in these ontological systems and advances the hypothesis that certain patterns of mystical and metaphysical thought may be shared even by systems with no apparent historical connection. This second edition of Sufism and Taoism is the first published in the United States. The original edition, published in English and in Japan, was prized by the few English-speaking scholars who knew of it as a model in the field of comparative

philosophy. Making available in English much new material on both sides of its comparison, Sufism and Taoism richly fulfills Izutsu's motivating desire "to open a new vista in the domain of comparative philosophy." Having masterfully translated a wide range of ancient Chinese poets and philosophers, David Hinton is uniquely qualified to offer the definitive contemporary English version of Lao Tzu's Tao Te Ching. Like all of his translations, Hinton's translation of the Tao Te Ching is mind-opening, presenting startling new dimensions in this widely-influential text. He shows how Lao Tzu's spirituality is structured around the generative life-force, for example, and that this system of thought weaves the human into natural process at the deepest levels of being, thereby revealing the Tao Te Ching as an originary text in deep feminist and ecological thought. Lao Tzu's Tao Te Ching is not only the single most important text ever composed in China, it is probably the most influential spiritual text in human history. In the past, virtually all translations of this text have been produced either by sinologists having little poetic facility in English, or writers having no ability to read the original Chinese. Hinton's fluency in ancient Chinese and his acclaimed poetic ability provide him the essential qualifications. Together, they allow a breathtaking new translation that reveals how remarkably current and even innovative this text is after 2500 years. The timeless wisdom of this classic Taoist text can become a companion on your own spiritual journey. The Chuang-tzu is the second major text of the Taoist tradition. It was compiled in the third century BCE and follows the lead of the best-known and oldest of all Taoist texts, the Tao-te-ching (Book of the Tao and Its Potency). 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She provides insightful, accessible commentary that highlights the Chuang-tzu's call to reject artificially imposed boundaries and distinctions, and illustrates how you can live a more balanced, authentic and joyful life at ease in perfect happiness by following Taoist principles." A military interpretation of the Tao Te Ching by a ninth-century Chinese commander offers lessons for the struggles of contemporary life that provide action plans for managing conflict and promoting peace. Reprint. 2500 years ago, the Tao Te Ching, a document, changed one of the largest populations altering its daily life, its religions, and its governing bodies. It is a timeless document that even today has a strong message that is still valid. This message needs to be reintroduced to the population of the world as people and countries struggle to understand the balance explained under the philosophy named Tao and its virtues named Te. Humanity will suffer until it can move from the six that take one from the balance of Tao. These six: Hate, Pride, Fear, Greed, Coveting and Ignorance. These six are the evils that destroy the character of the individual and the society. Move toward the three that take one closer to the balance of Tao. These three are content happiness, content wealth, and longevity in health. Find contentment, this is the greatest happiness, and the greatest wealth. Protect your health for once lost contentment is hard to maintain while in pain and in the limitations of bad health. ThyArt is about self improvement to the individual. When all individuals improve, the collective of society is improved. Through self improvement grows a society of individuals that respect the importance of individualism over the collective. The answer is to align with "The Way" that nature works, knowing it well to take advantage of the great health, wealth, and happiness it can provide. Therefore, create your perfect life but remember I am not you, so stay off my canvas. Tao Te ThyArt: Te, we are born virtuous. ThyArt, we can become of great character. Tao, through understanding the balance, through Te we can exceed expectations. No one can be perfect as the words written. No words can explain the perfection of Tao. Seek content happiness, seek a content wealth, and maintain health. Enjoy a simple life that promotes these three, as complexity will destroy wealth, health, and happiness as it moves away from the balance of Tao. The Canvas: As I go through life, a painting is created that is I. It is my canvas and upon it is My-Art. Some of the artistry comes from self and some from others. No matter, I am the one that molds each situation into what it is, whether it displays as something ugly or beautiful. Though I must ask myself, is it presentable to my purpose? Can I make My-Art be considered exemplary and a model for duplication? With this understanding, I must make sure the summations of the strokes are pleasing and memorable. I must touch up the past and I must strive to paint a brilliant future. My Spirit must become indomitable. My dedication to worthy commitments must be fearless. My life is about me through my responsibilities to create great unity among all good people and improving humanity by one (ThyArt). To become part of a collective is the end of the individual, for it is the mind defining the collective painting the individuals. This document includes an analysis of the Tao Te Ching, providing interpretation of the important messages for each chapter. A lucid translation of the well-known Taoist classic by a leading scholar--now in a Shambhala Pocket Library edition. Written more than two thousand years ago, the Tao Teh Ching is part poetry and part paradox, yet always dynamic and profound. Today, Lao Tzu's words are as useful in mastering the arts of leadership in business and politics as they are in developing a sense of balance and harmony in everyday life. To follow the Tao—or Way of all things—and realize their true nature is to embody humility, spontaneity, and generosity. This book is part of the Shambhala Pocket Library series. The Shambhala Pocket Library is a collection of short, portable teachings from notable figures across religious traditions and classic texts. The covers in this series are rendered by Colorado artist Robert Spellman. The books in this collection distill the wisdom and heart of the work Shambhala Publications has published over 50 years into a compact format that is collectible, reader-friendly, and applicable to everyday life. Taoism is codified in the Tao Te Ching, which was written in the sixth century B.C. by the ancient sage Lao Tzu. Despite being history's second-most translated book after the Bible, its eighty-one poems have often been interpreted with confusing, contradictory, and sometimes blatantly incorrect explanations. The Essence of Tao removes the mystery surrounding this important philosophy and religion by reordering the core poems of the Tao Te Ching into a logical framework based on Taoism's nine core principles and then explaining these principles in easy-to-understand language. Grand Master Anatole uses ancient and formerly secret keys to help unlock Lao Tzu's mysteries, including Taoism's famous paradoxes. The Essence of Tao will help the reader get a clear view of reality in order to create a content existence. Additional information about Grand Master Anatole and The Temple of Original Simplicity can be found at [www.tao.org](http://www.tao.org). If you have not encountered Chuang Tzu before, prepare yourself for a treat. He was the sage who stood apart from all others in Chinese history. He was a unique presence, a great mind like no one before or since. Chuang Tzu quickly distinguished himself and became well known for his deep understanding and sense of humor. His mastery was such that he could explain the Tao with simple stories, and his humor was such that he could see the joy in ordinary things. He taught his students about "carefree wandering"—the path of moving through life with a free and happy heart, regardless of how turbulent the journey might be. It is time for modern readers to join in on the fun. Chuang Tzu's wisdom is not just for Eastern culture, but for all of humanity. We may not have the instability or the clash of massive armies indicative of Chuang Tzu's time, but we have a lot of stress and tension in our modern world. Many of us find ourselves fighting little battles on the personal front just to get through the day. We can benefit greatly from Chuang Tzu's teachings. These parables are presented throughout this book and juxtaposed with the charming and intelligent prose of modern-day Taoist teacher and author Derek Lin. Together, Chuang Tzu and Lin will present you with simple lessons that will have a lasting impact on your life. "Lao Tzu's Tao Te Ching is not only the single most important text in Chinese spirituality, it is probably the most influential spiritual text in human history. In the past, virtually all translations of this text have been produced either by sinologists having little poetic facility in English, or writers having no ability to read the original Chinese. David Hinton's fluency in ancient Chinese and his award-winning poetic ability combine both of these essential qualifications. Together, they allow a breathtaking new translation that reveals how remarkably current and even innovative this text is after 2500 years. This volume is the last in a series of translations presenting the four central masterworks of ancient Chinese thought : Tao Te Ching, Chuang Tzu, The Analects, and Mencius."--Back cover. The Tao of Lao Tzu: Insights from The Father of Taoism The words of Lao Tzu who is considered as the Father of Taoism is everlasting and most influencing. The philosophical knowledge that he spreads through his idea of Taoism is well inspiring and motivating. The knowledge of true self and the importance of living in present is well reflexed through his thoughts and words of ideas. Teachings of Lao Tzu has paved way for millions and above, who were stuck in their paths of life. His words inspired humans to make a clear consciousness and made them understand the value of harmony in life. The book presents numerous life teachings of Lao Tzu and truth of the real world that every one of us should grasp. The Tao Te Ching for those who want to understand the Tao Te Ching! The Tao Te Ching is one of the most popular books in the world! Only the Bible is translated and published more. Many people buy

different translations hoping to finally stumble upon the one that is clear, practical, and applicable to their lives. This is the translation you have been searching for! When you know, You don't know. When you know that you don't know, You begin to know. You can understand, But you don't understand. When you know that you don't understand, You begin to understand. ~ Everyone's Tao Te Ching Everyone's Tao Te Ching: The Tao Te Ching for Those of Us Who Just Want to Find the Way is an easy to understand translation of the Chinese classic that captures the meaning, the wisdom, and the humor of the ancient text. It is translated in the style of a mentor teaching a student. It can be serious and mystical in some places, and whimsical and gently teasing in other places. It is a practical translation that inspires practical application of the Tao Te Ching. It is the perfect translation for those who are new to the Tao Te Ching as well as for those who are well-versed in it but who want to read it again with new eyes. Understanding is silent. Ignorance and indifference never shut up. If you want to know, You'll keep from talking. If you want to talk, You'll keep from knowing. ~ Everyone's Tao Te Ching Drawing on ancient and modern sources, "a lucid discussion of Taoism and the Chinese language [that's] profound, reflective, and enlightening." —Boston Globe According to Deepak Chopra, "Watts was a spiritual polymath, the first and possibly greatest." Watts treats the Chinese philosophy of Tao in much the same way as he did Zen Buddhism in his classic *The Way of Zen*. Critics agree that this last work stands as a perfect monument to the life and literature of Alan Watts. "Perhaps the foremost interpreter of Eastern disciplines for the contemporary West, . . . Watts begins with scholarship and intellect and proceeds with art and eloquence to the frontiers of the spirit."—Los Angeles Times "We need to open our eyes to see life itself as a gift, and perceive the goodness embedded everywhere. Every day is a blessing, and every moment is an opportunity to express the Tao." -Derek Lin In Eastern wisdom traditions, it is taught that practicing one small bit of wisdom each day will add up to a life of insight and joy. This volume of 365 life-transforming readings brings the sacred teachings of the Tao to our everyday lives. The Tao of Joy Every Day contains Taoist sayings, insights, and stories—all designed to clearly provide understanding of what makes our lives meaningful, especially in a world that can seem hurried and crazed. For the spiritual reader interested in books that can expand awareness and sensitivity to everyday life, *The Tao of Joy Every Day* is a great gift that will provide enlightenment for 365 days and beyond, laying the groundwork for a lifetime of happiness. The Tao Te Ching is a spiritual, inspirational work that guides us through life, helping us to live within each moment and find the beauty that is all around each of us. Simple, beautiful, and life changing. The Tao Te Ching is fundamental to the Taoist school of Chinese philosophy (Dàoia), and strongly influenced other schools, such as Legalism and Neo-Confucianism. This ancient book is also central in Chinese Buddhism, which when first introduced into China was largely interpreted through the use of Taoist words and concepts. Many Chinese artists, including poets, painters, calligraphers, and even gardeners, have used the Tao Te Ching as a source of inspiration. Here are the six translations. The definitive guide to understanding Taoism—no matter your background or faith Lao Tzu's Tao Te Ching is the second most translated book in the world, and the practice of religious Taoism is on the rise in China, where adherents currently number in the hundreds of millions. Yet there remains a remarkable lack of reliable information about Taoism for curious westerners. *Taoism For Dummies* provides comprehensive coverage of Taoism's origins in China's Chou Dynasty, its underlying quietist principles, its emergence as a major religion, various interpretation of its core texts, including both Eastern and Western interpretations, key Taoist concepts, and much more. It also provides a fascinating glimpse of Taoism in contemporary China. The ideal guide for readers interested in this influential religion, as well as those taking an introductory course on Taoism or Chinese Religion A valuable source of insight for those with an interest in modern Chinese culture and beliefs Following the phenomenal success of his own version of the Tao Te Ching, a renowned scholar and translator delivers a 21st-century form of ancient wisdom into the modern world. Free renderings of selections from the works of Chuang-tzū, taken from various translations. *Walking the Way* affirms that, like yin and yang, the flowing spontaneity of Tao and the precise simplicity of Zen find perfect balance with one another. Robert Meikyo Rosenbaum brings the two traditions together in a unique presentation that elicits Zen insights from his fresh interpretation of verses from the Taoist classic, the Tao Te Ching. Personal anecdotes illustrate the dynamic potential of Rosenbaum's approach, skillfully revealing Zen within the Tao and the Tao of Zen. Not only does the author reveal the elegance of each tradition, he shows how their interrelatedness does, in fact, have import on our meditative practices and on our day-to-day lives. Parenting, meditating, dealing with setbacks and illnesses—*Walking the Way* shows us how to live well in the midst of many complex demands, finding harmony and equilibrium between honing in and letting go, balance between being ourselves and selflessly serving others. This text offers an opportunity to internalize and directly experience the great wisdom of the Tao Te Ching, a collection of verses authored by the Chinese prophet Lao-tzu. Although just 81 short verses, the Tao encourages readers to change their lives by literally changing the way they think. A fundamental book of the Taoist, the Tao Te Ching is regarded as a revelation in its own right. It provides a wealth of wisdom and insights for those seeking a better understanding of themselves. Over time, many changes have been made to the original Chinese text. Researcher Patrick M. Byrne has produced a translation that is accurate and easy to understand, while capturing the pattern and harmony of the original. A rich, poetic, and socially relevant version of the great spiritual-philosophical classic of Taoism, the Tao Te Ching—from a legendary literary icon Most people know Ursula K. Le Guin for her extraordinary science fiction and fantasy. Fewer know just how pervasive Taoist themes are to so much of her work. And in *Lao Tzu: Tao Te Ching*, we are treated to Le Guin's unique take on Taoist philosophy's founding classic. Le Guin presents Lao Tzu's time-honored and astonishingly powerful philosophy like never before. Drawing on a lifetime of contemplation and including extensive personal commentary throughout, she offers an unparalleled window into the text's awe-inspiring, immediately relatable teachings and their inestimable value for our troubled world. Jargon-free but still faithful to the poetic beauty of the original work, Le Guin's unique translation is sure to be welcomed by longtime readers of the Tao Te Ching as well as those discovering the text for the first time. A refreshing alternative to many books on Taoism, this book uses an archaeological and historical approach to uncover the origins of this ancient philosophy. Using illustrations and photographs, D. W. Kreger, skillfully explores evidence that key concepts of Taoism may have actually existed for hundreds or even thousands of years before the earliest known texts by Lao Tzu, who lived 2500 years ago. By reanalyzing the verses of Lao Tzu from this perspective, Dr. Kreger discovered mystical and shamanic elements of Taoism, which have previously eluded scholars and seekers for ages. This book also contains a remarkably fresh, updated translation of the Tao Te Ching, by Lao Tzu. The translation shows the original Chinese text, a nearly verbatim English translation, and a more readable, figurative translation, side by side for easy comparison. *The Secret Tao* is well researched and beautifully designed. The book is aptly named. With its new approach and new translation, a previously unknown Secret Tao is finally revealed. The Tao Te Ching is one of the most influential philosophies in the Eastern world. As relevant now as it was 2,300 years ago, the ageless wisdom of the Tao offers profound guidance and shows readers how to seek contentment. In *The Tao*, Mark Forstater reinterprets and illuminates these mysterious ancient writings to create a blueprint for daily life. Through its gentle insights and focus on the eternal harmony of life, *The Tao* can help readers: • Unite mind, body, and spirit • Establish a better way of living • Reverse destructive habits • Enjoy a long and healthy life A contemporary look at a timeless practice that has influenced everything from Feng Shui to acupuncture, *The Tao* is the essential guide to achieving balance and serenity and experiencing personal transformation. The perfect book for readers who are interested in Taoism and want a little daily inspiration. *The Tao of Daily Life* combines ancient Eastern wisdom with practical application—perfect for busy Western readers! Derek Lin, Taoist master and expert in Eastern philosophy, brings his deep knowledge of this time-honored Chinese spiritual thought system into the twenty-first century. "There is one simple reason for the Tao to have survived through the ages intact: it works," writes Lin. "The principles of the Tao are extremely effective when applied to life. The philosophy as a whole is nothing less than a practical, useful guide to living life in a way that is smooth, peaceful, and full of energy." Using the powerful medium of stories and short dharma talks, Lin illuminates the Taoist secrets and engages the reader in their inherent wisdom. As a result, the reader of *The Tao of Daily Life* will notice certain changes, including: - being more composed and more at ease in various situations; - being able to handle challenges and difficulties with less effort and achieving better results; - experiencing greater power and clarity in all areas of life. The spiritual journey, as described by Derek Lin, becomes the most worthwhile exploration anyone can take. 'Of ways you may speak, but not the Perennial Way; By names you may name, but not the Perennial Name.' The best-loved of all the classical books of China and the most universally popular, the *Daodejing* or *Classic of the Way and Life-Force* is a work that defies definition. It encapsulates the main tenets of Daoism, and upholds a way of being as well as a philosophy and a religion. The dominant image is of the Way, the mysterious path through the whole cosmos modelled on the great Silver River or Milky Way that traverses the heavens. A life-giving

stream, the Way gives rise to all things and holds them in her motherly embrace. It enables the individual, and society as a whole, to harmonize the disparate demands of daily life and achieve a more profound level of understanding. This new translation draws on the latest archaeological finds and brings out the word play and poetry of the original. Simple commentary accompanies the text, and the introduction provides further historical and interpretative context. ABOUT THE SERIES: For over 100 years Oxford World's Classics has made available the widest range of literature from around the globe. Each affordable volume reflects Oxford's commitment to scholarship, providing the most accurate text plus a wealth of other valuable features, including expert introductions by leading authorities, helpful notes to clarify the text, up-to-date bibliographies for further study, and much more. Lao Tzu's Tao Te Ching (The Book of the Way) is the classic manual on the art of living. In 81 short, poetic chapters, the book looks at the basic predicament of being alive and teaches how to work for the good with the effortless skill that comes from being in accord with the Tao, or the basic principle of the universe. Stephen Mitchell's acclaimed translation is accompanied by ancient Chinese paintings that beautifully reflect Lao Tzu's timeless words. Classic Taoist wisdom applied to the world of parenting, guiding mothers and fathers to meaningful conversations and relationships with their children. William C. Martin has freshly reinterpreted the Tao Te Ching to speak directly and clearly to the most difficult of modern tasks -- parenting. With its combination of free verse and judicious advice, The Parent's Tao Te Ching addresses the great themes that permeate the Tao and that support loving parent-child relationships: responding without judgment, emulating natural processes, and balancing between doing and being. "A masterpiece. William Martin captures the essence of what it means to raise a child. Urgently needed, this precious book lifts parenting to new heights."-- Judy Ford, author of Wonderful Ways to Love a Child and Wonderful Ways to Be a Family The Tao Box brings the universal text of the Tao Te Ching to readers in a unique new format, illustrated with ancient Chinese artwork. Fifty meditation cards, each featuring a verse from the Tao Te Ching, are accompanied by a book describing the history of the Tao, ways to use the cards, and interpretations of each verse. The portable Tao Box is perfect as a gift for beginners or as a tool for those already on the journey to self-discovery.