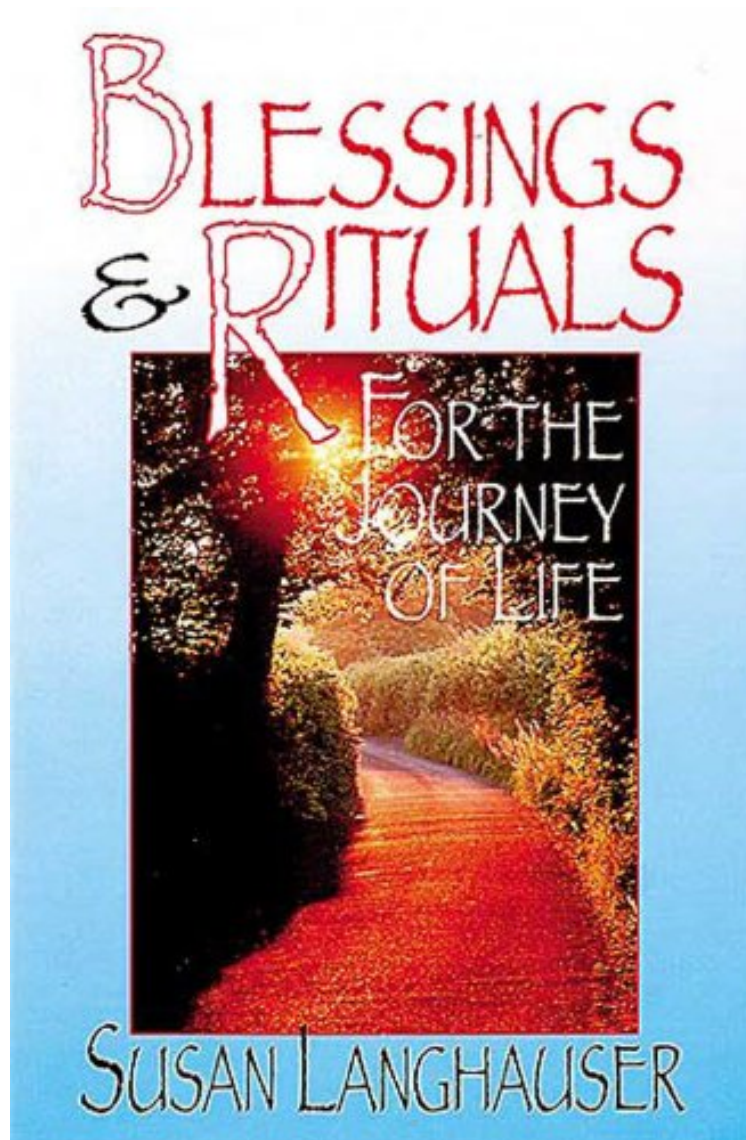


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"Blessings and Rituals For the Journey of Life" Von William Sappenfield "Blessings and Rituals For the Journey of Life" is Susan Languser's contribution to the task of religion - that is, making a connection between God and the lives of people. These are rituals for special times and for normal activities. The clear writing and presentation are helpful in

determining the appropriateness of each ritual and in the wording of the rituals themselves. The book is arranged in the order of life's journey. It begins with a blessing for a baby still in the womb and proceeds to an ending of thirteen different rituals for "letting go". In between are blessings for lunch boxes, first jobs, new houses, people who are divorced, and blessings upon retirement. These rituals are easily accessible for those who don't have a religious background but who sense a significant moment in their lives. From the mundane (blessings upon receiving a driver's license) to the potentially profound (blessings for a retreat) this book is a practical way to assert that God has something to say about the passages of daily life.

Kurzbeschreibung Congregations celebrate various rites and rituals as a way of commemorating the significant life events and experiences of their members. By blessing something or someone, God's presence is invoked and the sacred is invited into the mundane, the holy into the ordinary. This book offers pastors and other church leaders a collection of ready-made, easily adaptable blessings and rituals for a variety of occasions. The book is divided into four major chapters: Children, Adults, Everyday Life, and Pastoral Care. It includes blessings and rituals for such occasions as: welcome into a home or neighborhood, receiving a first Bible, graduation from high school, receiving a driver's license, blessing the backpacks and lunch-boxes for a new school year, and pet funerals. Pastoral care rituals include such occasions as grief, lost love, anger, and declining health. Key Benefits: Provides readers with a source of blessings and rituals for key moments in congregational members' lives and meaningful ways to celebrate and support their life experiences and transitions. Shows readers how the intentional use of blessings and rituals within the congregation helps reveal to the community God's presence in every phase of life.

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Autorenkommentar Rituals give us roots in an increasingly transient world. Ever ceremoniously removed a piece of jewelry that symbolized an old relationship? Toasted with friends in every room before walking out of an apartment for the last time? Created a family ritual that lasted year after year after year? Most of us have, and it is the unique quality of rituals to make transitions easier, to add significance to otherwise insignificant events and sometimes to invite the divine into a decidedly human situation. My book is the result of my own observation and fascination about how people imbue significance into symbols, blessings and rituals. Although there have been volumes written on rituals and why they work, there are very few books which contain actual words and actions. This book gives 41 blessings and/or rituals for everyday life i.e. blessing of a baby in the womb; blessing of the driver's licenses; blessing of the backpacks; vocational blessings; blessings for remarriage; rituals for letting go of lost loves or grieving lost health. It is my hope, that within the context of a faith community, the reader will find this book a helpful resource for bringing the sacred into their everyday life.