



Parables of the Heart: A Spiritual Journey (Paperback)

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Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, United States, 2016. Paperback. Condition: New. Large Print. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Does the word parable bring any thoughts or ideas to the table? You may even ask yourself, where does the word even come from? The Etymology of the word parable comes from the Greek word(parabole)meaning comparison, illustration, analogy. It was the name given by Greek rhetoricians to an illustration in the form of a brief fictional narrative. Although, the history of parables are often used to explore ethical concepts in spiritual texts. The bible contains numerous parables in the gospels section of the new testament (Jesus parables). These are believed by some scholars such as, (John P. Meier)to have been inspired by mashalim, a form of Hebrew comparison. Examples of Jesus parables include the Good Samaritan and the prodigal son. Mashalim from the old testament include the parable of the ewe-lamb(told by Nathan in(Samuel 12: 1-9)and the parable of the woman of tekoah in(2 Samuel 14: 1-13). Parables also appear in Islam. In Sufi tradition, parables are used for imparting lessons and values. The characteristics of a parable is a short tale that illustrates...



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