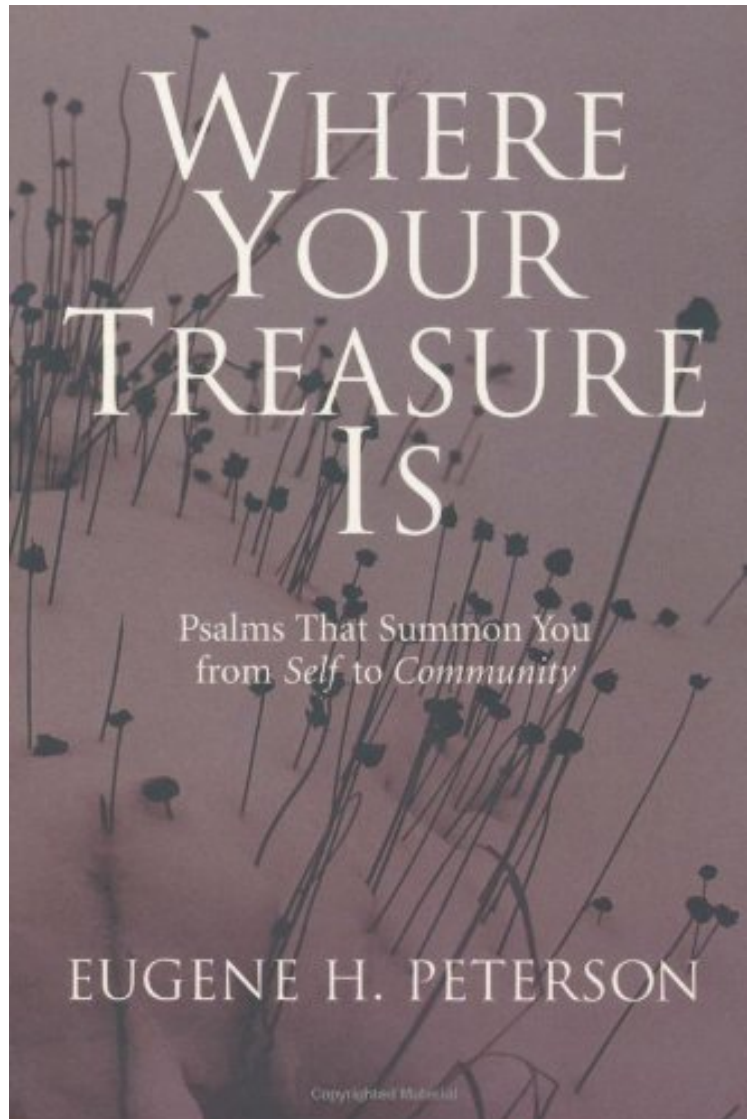


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**Von Eugene H. Peterson : Where Your Treasure Is: Psalms that Summon You from Self to Community** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Where Your Treasure Is: Psalms that Summon You from Self to Community:

Kundenrezensionen Hilfreichste Kundenrezensionen 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Psalms and politics: Good subject, excellent writer! Von Klemensachs In short: To read Eugene Peterson's books was always

refreshing, enlightening and inspiring for me. This one is no exception. A book about "un-selfing", as Eugene phrases it, uses selected psalms (2, 87, 110, 93, 46, 62, 77, 14, 82, 114, 45) with a focus on social and political prayer, answering the question "What do the psalms have to do with politics?" The thoughts and reflections on these psalms are solid and deep-rooted, yet very rich and related to today's life, very interesting and inspiring even for experienced Christians! \_\_\_\_\_ More detailed review: The Author: Eugene is a US Christian teacher and pastor, best known for his everyday-English bible translation "The Message Bible". Eugene, a "wordsmith" as he was called due to his excellent phrasing skills, is widely-read and well-experienced over decades of pastoral and lectoral responsibility. Further remarks: Like this one, many of his books are well-chosen by Christians with a longer faith experience, especially those who do not look after the latest fads. Eugene is completely unknown in the German culture; just one or two of his books have been translated, and, of course, only a tiny minority among German Christians seems to appreciate The Message Bible. His prayer project proposal: A group of Christians commits to meet eleven times along the agenda of those psalms, reading them, sharing their thoughts and experience from one meeting to another, praying the psalm together, being together in praying attention. After having read the book I consider this a very good idea.

Kurzbeschreibung This is a bold book. It has to do with changing the life of American society, from the inside out, through "source action" of prayer. "I have written a book for Christians," says Eugene Peterson, "who want to do something about what is wrong with America and want to plunge into the center, not tinker at the edge. I have chosen eleven psalms that shaped the politics of Israel and can shape the politics of America, and I have taken them seriously...I have written to encourage Christians to pray them both as children of God with eternal destinies and as American citizens with daily responsibilities in caring for our nation." Peterson is concerned with the "unselfing" of our self-preoccupied, self-bound society through the action of praying together with other believers. He offers insightful, thought-provoking reflections on eleven select psalm-prayers that can help us overcome such things as self-centeredness, self-assertiveness, self-righteousness, self-sufficiency, self-pity, self-service, and self-love. Originally published under the title *Earth and Altar* and now being reprinted for wider distribution, *Where Your Treasure* provides solid fare for any thoughtful, concerned Christian. But the book is especially suitable for group study and discussion: what Peterson writes here will serve to stir small groups of Christians to pointed reflection and prayer-action.