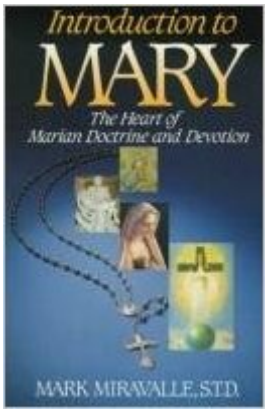
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Synopsis

What do all the doctrines that God has revealed about the Blessed Virgin Mary have to do with me personally? How do these revealed truths about the Mother of Jesus affect my own spiritual life? How do I explain to my friends the truth about Mary and Marian devotions?Introduction to Mary helps us to answer these questions and more by presenting the fundamental elements of authentic Catholic doctrine and devotion regarding the Blessed Virgin and offers answers to ten of the more common objections to Marian doctrine and devotion.Easy to read and understand Introduction to Mary is designed to serve as a basic tool for both the parish study group and the college classroom, for both the inquiring non-Catholic and the long-standing Catholic.Dr. Mark Miravalle, husband and father of eight children, is Professor of Theology and Mariology at Franciscan University of Steubenville, an internationally known conference speaker and author of several Marian publications.In our present Ã¢â ¬Å“Age of MaryÃ¢â ¬Â• Dr. Miravalle offers us the opportunity, by learning the heart of Marian doctrine and devotion, to experience the truth about the person of Mary, our Spiritual Mother. For authentic love of Mary must be based on the truth about Mary. --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

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Great!

Probably the best short book on the doctrines of Mary.

Excellent summary of many major truths of the Catholic faith

As a protestant, this was a good introduction to Catholic Mariology.

This book tends the garden of a new beginning with Mary. After being Protestant for so many years and nearly ignoring our blessed Mother, reading this refreshing history of Mary helped me through so many of the common non-Catholic objections. Thank you Dr. Miravalle for a great work!

great book for beginners to understand Marian doctrine or just to brush up on the essentials.A great book for the Catholic library.

This book is written by a theologian, and world class Mariologist, Mark Miravalle. Hence it covers all the important points concerning Our Lady, including her immaculate conception, bodily assumption, mediatrix, and private revelations. The point of view of the book is theological, but it also has apologetics material. That last chapter is devoted to common objections (typically Protestant ones) to doctrines of Mary, and the book goes through some of the historic and first known titles and devotions to Mary, which is apologetic in nature as well as theological. The book is short and very solid. One important aspect of it is that the book looks at the roles and titles of Mary in their proper relation to Jesus. This is something that is often overlooked by non-Catholic Christians, especially when considering titles like Queen of Heaven and Mother of God. Miravalle shows how these titles do not take away Jesus' glory any more than the moon robs the sun of its glory; rather, it reflects it, much as Mary reflects Christ's glory.The book isn't wordy, but packed with information and teachings about Our Lady. It can be used by a Catholic wanting to learn more about Mary, or a non-Catholic who wants to be sure that he knows what it is the Catholic church teaches about Mary. Very good and easy read.

I had Dr. Miravalle as a professor in mariology at Franciscan University of Steubenville and this was one of our textbooks. Both he and his book were wonderful. The only thing I think it could do without is its section on Medjugorje. Everything else is very sold.

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