

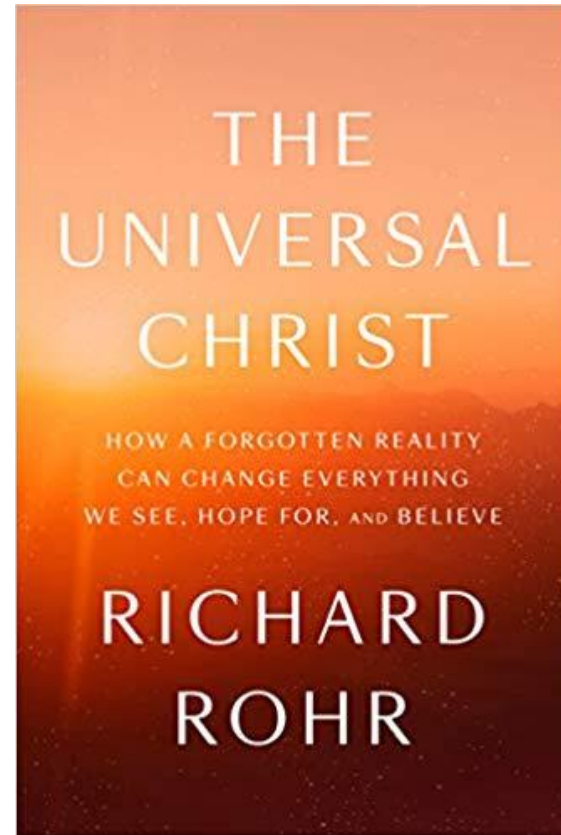
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Chapter 6

The Universal Christ: *A Sacred Wholeness.*

*Truly, my life is one long
hearkening unto myself and unto
others, and unto God.*

Etty Hillesum, An Interrupted Life





**Ety Hillesum, young Jewish woman killed at
Auschwitz in 1943**

**...example of a non-Christian witness to the
universal Christ Mystery**

**Karl Rahner would've called her an "anonymous
Christian"**

**Addressed God, not as an external savior, but as a
power she could nurture and feed inside of her.**



God seems to send us on the path toward our own wholeness not by eliminating the obstacles, but by making use of them.

...apart from love and suffering, both are always underserved, I see no other way that humans would recalibrate, reset, or change course

The Whole Making Instinct

Carl Jung (1875-1961)



...highly critical of Christian heritage; he did not find much transformation: “whole making.”

He insisted that each of us has an inner “God Archetype,” or “whole-making instinct.”

Wholeness not moral perfection (too tied up with ego and denial of the inner weakness that all of us must accept.

Wholeness: harmony and balancing vs. denial, moralizing, addiction, or projection

the full journey towards wholeness must always include the negative experiences (the “cross”) that we usually reject

The Voice That Is Great Within us



Etty Hillesum & Carl Jung trusted in and hearkened to the voice of God in their deepest Selves

Joan of Arc... victim of her own imagination? “How else would God speak to me?”

Spiritual satisfactions feed on themselves, grow by themselves, create wholeness, and are finally their own reward.

If something comes toward you with grace and can pass through you and toward others with grace, you can trust it as the voice of God.