

BOOK REVIEW

Making all things new by Sr Ilia Delio osf

It took me a while, and many pages, to be grabbed by this book. However, when it happened I found it fascinating.

If you can persevere in reading and turning the pages of this book you will come to gems of insight that show the way to a much deeper and broader understanding of life – now and into the infinite future. Even if you only read Chapter 5, Jesus and Creative Wholeness it is worth picking up this book.

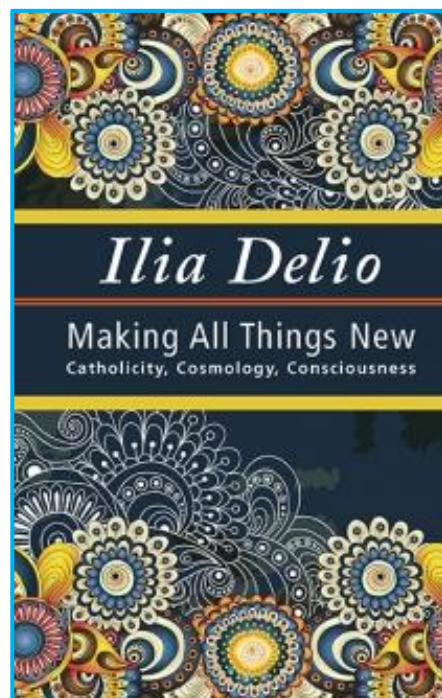
Much of the book is difficult to read. It is partly spiritual, partly scientific and the positive relationship between those two realities.

Perhaps it is best to read only a short segment at a time, allowing space in our mind and heart for the mystery of it all to become a part of our lives.

Perhaps it would be better to say that we, limited human beings, are invited to be open to the infinite Spirit of God, which, lovingly, can transform our lives and the way we go about living.

Ilia Delio makes many thought-provoking statements which remain with us because there is no complete and definite explanation. For example, she says about being Catholic - it does not define what someone is but what someone does.

The chapter on the Church (Chapter 7) looks at the Church as an Open System which enlightens, inspires and encourages us to help build and support a truly living Church. Ilia Delio sees Pope Francis as providing providential leadership in this regard.



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