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### THEOLOGY OF THE BODY MADE SIMPLE

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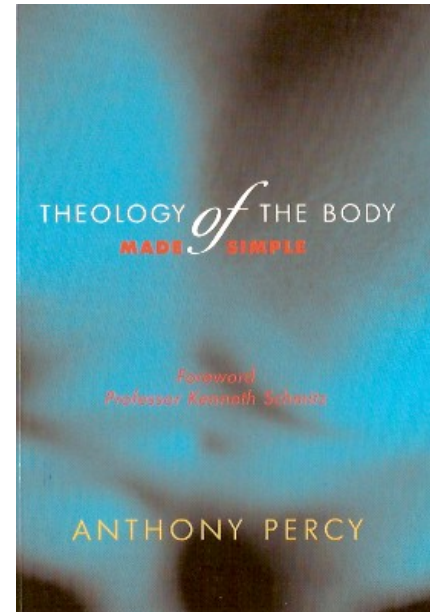
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**Why You Should Read Theology of the Body Made Simple!** Who am I? What am I? Great questions, don't you think? But where do I begin to find answers. The Theology of the Body is a good starting point. It is a dynamic, new way of understanding who we are. We live in a world that loves to consume. As a consequence, people are treated like objects. People are used and discarded. Sex becomes a "casual indoor sport." Sex becomes nothing other than another opportunity for betrayal. In his Theology of the Body, John Paul II calls a halt to this type of thinking and living. He says that we human beings are bodily persons. Our bodies are symbolic. Our bodies are meant for love. Our bodies are free and redeemed by Christ. The Theology of the Body Made Simple will introduce you to the basic experiences and concepts taught by Pope John Paul II between 1979 and 1984. It will give you confidence: Confidence to know who you are and in your ability to speak the truth in love.

"Fr Percy's easy-to-read explanation of Theology of the Body was insightful and relevant. This inspirational book is a much needed tool to reveal the great treasures of this profound teaching in a simple way."

**Clare Pike (Executive Officer RESPECT LIFE OFFICE, Perth)**

"The Theology of the Body Made Simple is dynamite. Read it and change your life. Then get others to do the same. Fr. Percy has done an awesome job."

**Adam Morris (Head of CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY Canberra-Goulburn)**

"The Theology of the Body will be one of the greatest of the many great legacies of Pope John Paul II. Fr Percy's book provides a fine introduction to this tremendous resource for evangelisation and the renewal of hope in our world".

**+George Cardinal Pell (ARCHBISHOP OF SYDNEY)**

“The Theology of the Body is part of the legacy of John Paul II to this and future generations. It will speak to people who are searching for the meaning of sexuality for years to come. Anthony Percy is to be congratulated for making it available to a wider audience.”

**Ray Campbell (Director, Queensland Bioethics Centre)**

## **MORE PRAISE FOR THEOLOGY OF THE BODY MADE SIMPLE**

“Theology of the Body Made Simple provides us with a wonderful insight into John Paul II’s rich catecheses on the bodily dimension of human personhood, sexuality and marriage. I am sure that Fr Percy’s very accessible text will assist those who want to live in a way that respects the truth, goodness and beauty of the human body and it will also serve to stimulate further interest in the original work.”

**Chris Meney, Director, Marriage and Family Office, Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney**

“In my experience in youth ministry over recent years it is young adults who are particularly drawn to this teaching... seeking real answers to questionable social expectations, and asking “why?” to traditional Church teaching. Great credit to Fr Percy who has provided an excellent tool to unpacking the Theology of the Body.”

**Cushla Morris, from Catholic Voice, Canberra**

“Fr Percy has done a great job in presenting the Pope’s teaching in a concise but precise way. A must for every single or married person.”

**Paul Russell, Office for Family and Life, Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide**

“I thoroughly recommend Fr Percy’s book for anyone who wishes to find ways of communicating the richness of Pope John Paul II’s Theology of the Body to others in a clear and concise way.”

**Fr Michael de Stoop, Chaplain, Catholic Youth Services, Sydney**

“Fr Anthony Percy’s book cannot be recommended too highly for its clarity and simplicity and is guaranteed to open the doors of deeper understanding of the Pope’s thoughts for all who read it.”

**Br Michael McMurray ccs, Editor, Contact Magazine**

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