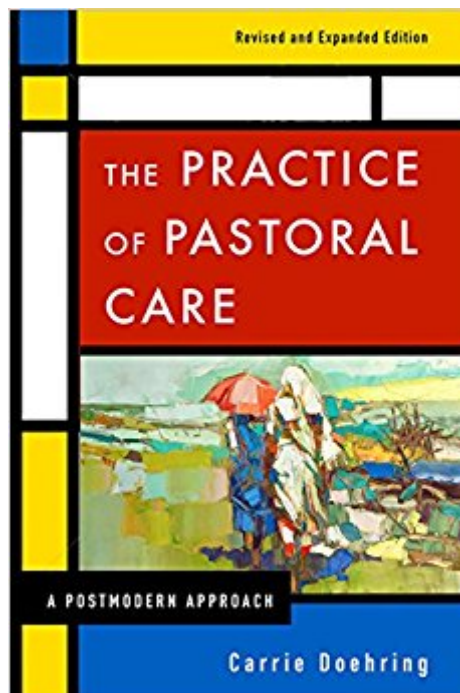




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# The Practice Of Pastoral Care, Revised And Expanded Edition: A Postmodern Approach



## Synopsis

The Practice of Pastoral Care has become a popular seminary textbook for courses in pastoral care and a manual for clinical pastoral education. In it, Doehring encourages counselors to view their ministry through a trifocal lens that incorporates premodern, modern, and postmodern approaches to religious and psychological knowledge. Doehring describes the basic ingredients of a caregiving relationship, shows how to use the caregiver's life experience as a source of authority, and demonstrates how to develop the skill of listening and establishing the actual relationship. This new edition elaborates on and expands the author's previous work, adding an intercultural perspective that gives more attention to religious pluralism in the pastoral care setting. It offers a road map for using a step-by-step narrative, relational, embodied approach to spiritual care that respects the unique ways people live out their values and beliefs, especially in coping with stress, loss, and violence. Readers will be able to confidently and professionally offer pastoral care and counseling to members of their congregations or other places of ministry.

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Dr. Doebling's revised edition of "The Practice of Pastoral Care" should be considered the standard for all spiritual caregivers to deepen skills and abilities in creating what she describes as "intercultural care"-care based in compassion, walking with, creating safe and ethical environments for caregiving and caregiver self care. Using approaches from psychology, social work, theology and spiritual care. Dr. Doebling does a masterful job in synthesizing a comprehensive approach that remains true to the basic tenet of spiritual care-empathic and compassionate based caregiving that seeks to encourage wholeness and freedom for the suffering soul. It is the number one book in my library for caregiving and I could not recommend it more enthusiastically.

This is a comprehensive treatment of the practice of Pastoral Care. It is a very helpful guide for all working in the areas of chaplaincy and pastoral care reflecting the wisdom of experience and reflective practice. The ethics of professional boundaries and the dangers of crossing those boundaries are explored. It should be recommended reading for all working in these areas where so much harm can be done when those involved with spiritual care are more involved with self than those seeking their care.

The book has taught me a lot especially concerning pastor care. How to go deeper in giving care, it's not only enough to tell your care-seekers, God bless you or have a good day, but going deeper unto knowing what they are going through as individual and even as a family.

This book is okay -- it provides information on care but can become dull or dry and doesn't always hold my attention.

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