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While Everyone Is Delighted By Beauty, And The Alive Among Us Are Positively Fascinated By It, Few Are Explicitly Aware That We Can Recognize Truth By Its Beauty And Simplicity Dubai Explores The Reasons Why All Of The Most Eminent Physicists Of The Twentieth Century Agree That Beauty Is The Primary Standard For Scientific Truth Likewise, The Best Of Contemporary Theologians Are Also Exploring With Renewed Vigor The Aesthetic Dimensions Of Divine Revelation Honest Searchers After Truth Can Hardly Fail To Be Impressed That These Two Disciplines, Science And Theology, So Different In Methods, Approaches And Aims, Are Yet Meeting In This And Other Surprising And Gratifying Ways This Book Relates These Developments To Nature, Music, Academe And Our Unquenchable Human Thirst For Unending Beauty, Truth And Ecstasy, A Thirst Quenched Only At The Summit Of Contemplative Prayer Here Below, And In The Consummation Of The Beatific Vision Hereafter Great read Provokes me to wonder and awe at the world we live in and in the One who filled it with marvels to behold through telescopes, microscopes, and even our own eyes As a scientist and a Christian, this book really appealed to me I found it very challenging because of the philosophical and theological language that I m unfamiliar with, and sometimes the writing was, I thought, unnecessarily dense The concepts are intriguing though. I m still plugging through it, BUT it is part of

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the required reading for the course I m developing In this book, Fr Dubay has his own evidential apologetics but in his own Catholic American style Evidential apologetics is the apologetics in which Christians have figured out all the answers of atheists and wonder why they don t get it like they do. Here is a sample of this so called Evidential Apologetics because Fr Thomas Dubay knows down deep inside that this approach is banal and one is almost preaching to oneself, the choir preaching to the choir, he modifies that flavour of apologetics by attaching a word like beauty to it so he won t sound too ridiculous Yet he is not really any further in his approach from those who use the Evidential apologetics To him the world is divided into two camps, the camp of beauty and that is Christians, especially Catholics Then there is the camp of ugliness and Fr Dubay sees it where Materialists and Sartre type reside The book is not any different in its treatment from the apologetics of those fundamentalist Christians in the Evangelical community, same mindset, same spirit, same narrow mindedness And I have been wondering, what evidence is there Is beauty an evidence Beauty is to be savored and acknowledged but you don t wag your finger in the face of the materialist and shout, here is the evidence, you dufus This book had me so obsorbed even while reading at Starbucks, a prof saw me and had to ask what I was reading A Catholic and not all points he makes did I agree with, but a beautiful book. The opening chapters put forth a compelling and awe inspiring theology of beauty The middle section described the wonders of creation The final chapters were about the beauty of Catholicism The work seemed to wander from the title and thesis Dubay argued against materialistic dogmatism and contended for the beauty of the Catholic saints, at the expense of, it seems, the evidential power of beauty When leaving this book, I believe that I have learned less of this power and about Hans Urs von Balthasar. While Dubay and I are on quite different theological grounds, we can both affirm that God and His creation are worthy of our wonder This book has given me a cheerful reminder to be in a persisting state of constant Christian awe Dubay sharply highlights the horrific contradiction of a wonderless Christian and admonishes the reader to observe God s design and rightly respond with joyous admiration. I love Father Dubay His speeches and lecture

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series are wonderful When I started this book I could hear his voice as if he were reading to me and I found it endearing I knew I was going to love this The middle of the book though was challenging, but I plowed through He becomes a bit repetitive and makes the same arguments under different titles Nevertheless, I still felt the way I would if I were listening to him in person and I sat patiently and charitably through to the end The final section of the book was worth it to me I don't know that he proved anything or gave me any new meat to chew or arguments to use in conversations with others, however, I am inspired by the examples of the final few chapters. I was very disappointed by this book Part of this was due to the discrepancy between what I was expecting and what I got, but I found that Dubai's writing style annoyed me He repeatedly sees fit to raise issues or points of view that he summarily dismisses as unworthy of response or clearly absurd It's the author's job to decide what he writes about, but it's just bad writing to bring up ideas one is not going to address I eventually found what I was looking for in books by David Hart and Stephen Barr especially Modern Physics and Ancient Faith Dubai should stick to what he does well, and leave the philosophical reflection to others. Awesome book Beauty is a reflection of God and beauty is far than we give it credit for It goes beyond the physical I so recommend this book

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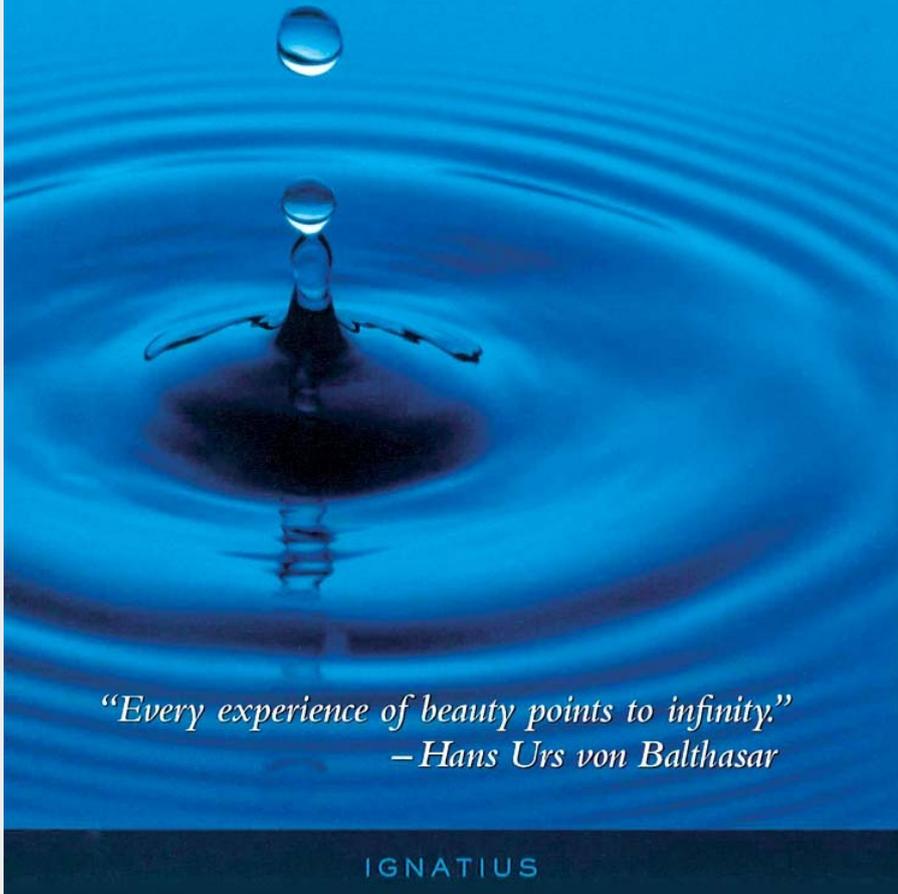
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“Every experience of beauty points to infinity.”
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