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St. Francis
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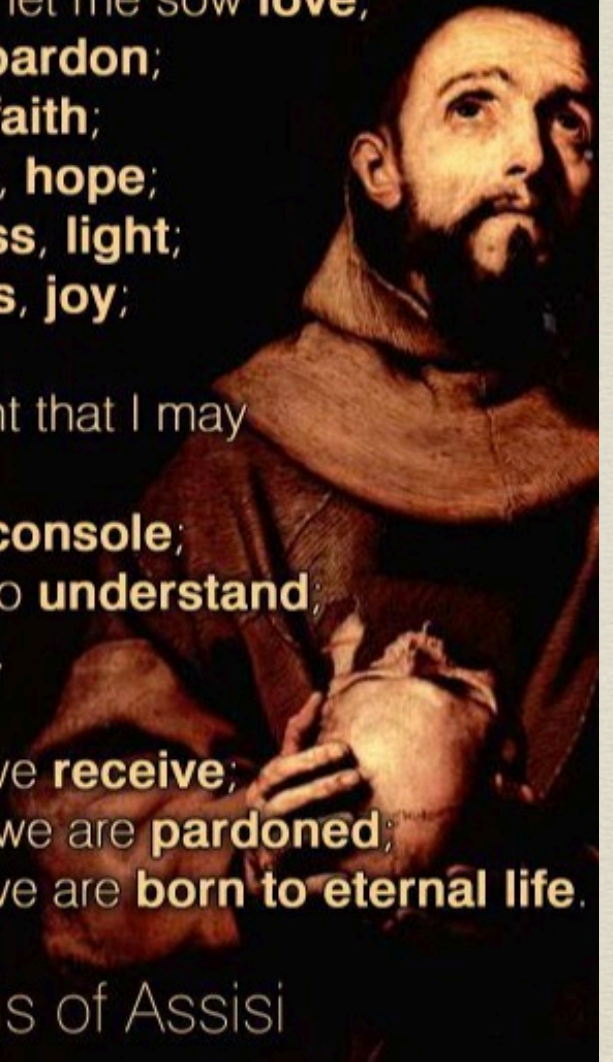
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Lord, make me an instrument of your **peace**,
Where there is **hatred**, let me sow **love**;
where there is **injury, pardon**;
where there is **doubt, faith**;
where there is **despair, hope**;
where there is **darkness, light**;
where there is **sadness, joy**;

O Divine Master, grant that I may
not so much seek
to be **consoled** as to **console**;
to be **understood** as to **understand**;
to be **loved** as to **love**.

For it is in **giving** that we **receive**;
it is in **pardoning** that we are **pardoned**;
and it is in **dying** that we are **born to eternal life**.

Prayer of St Francis of Assisi



God, who are you?

God, who am I?

After we have managed to resolve the ego's need for security and survival, it is time to turn our attention elsewhere.

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“Standing
with
Jesus”



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How to stand -

within our culture

with our culture

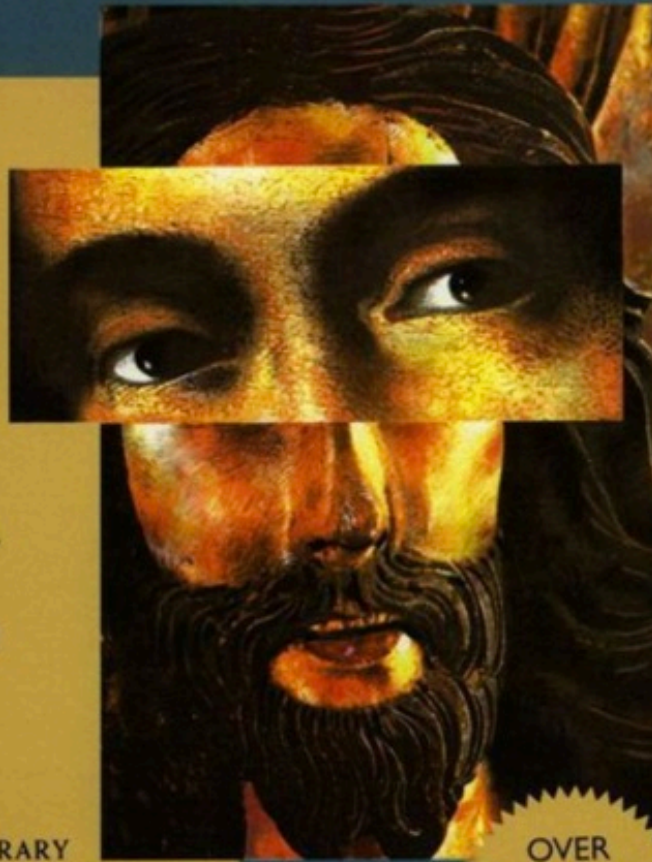
against our culture

in service to our culture

Jesus was a conservative
liberal radical.

And he calls us to stand
with him.

Meeting Jesus **AGAIN**
for the First Time



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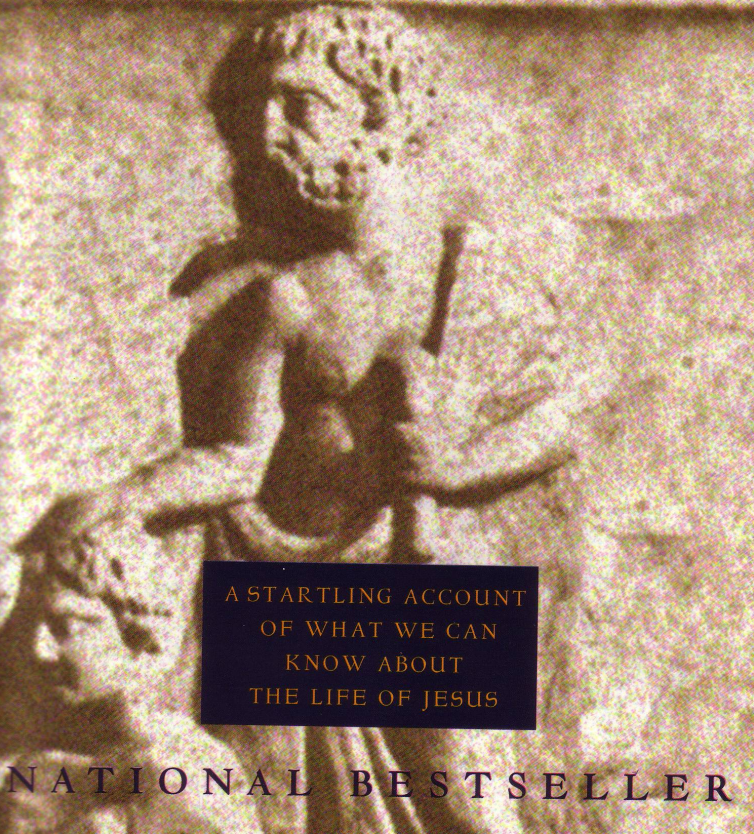
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"Crossan paints his Jesus with great warmth and power"
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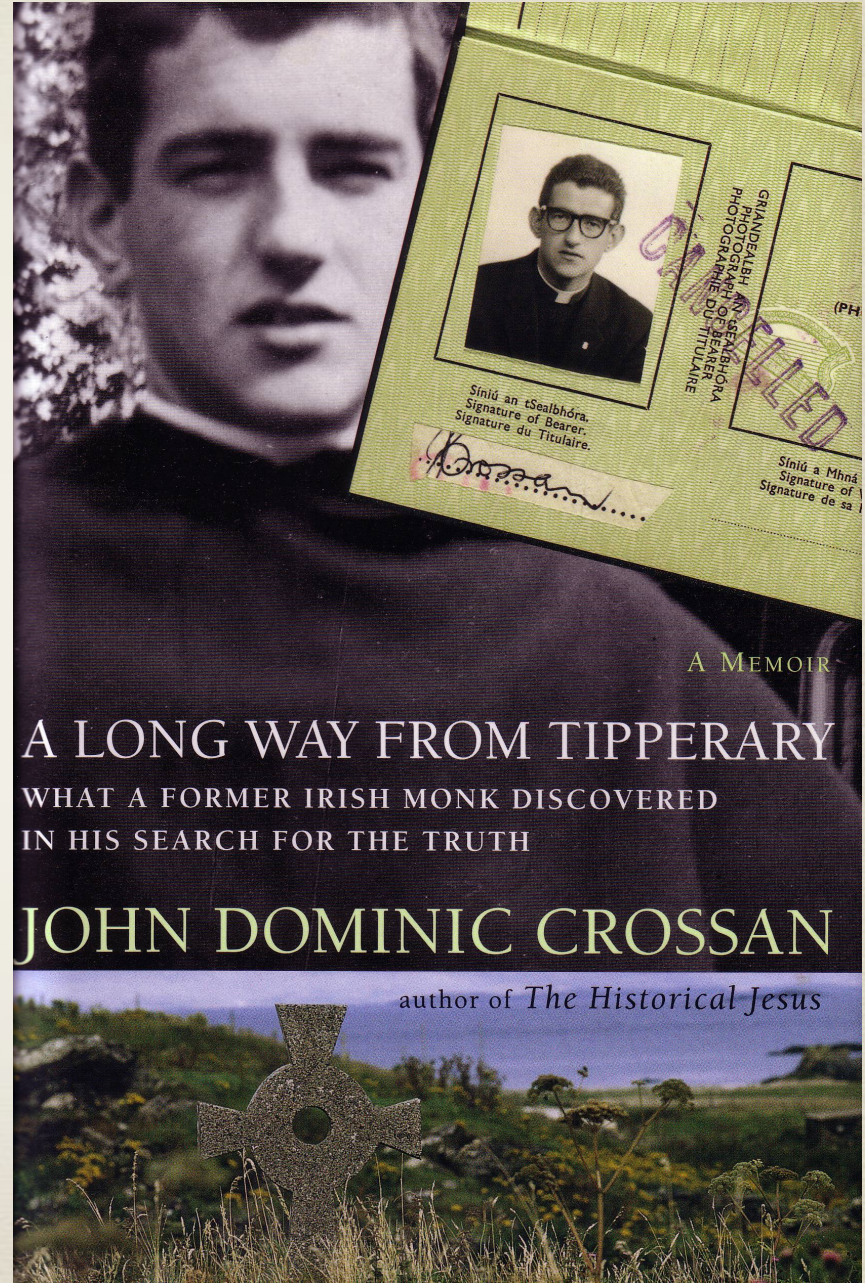
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IN HIS SEARCH FOR THE TRUTH

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author of *The Historical Jesus*

God is more radical than we can ever imagine, that a divine utopia on this earth is more subversive than we can ever accept, and that Pilate acted for us all when he executed Jesus.

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God, who are you?

God, who am I?

The biggest enemy of
God is organized religion.

The biggest barrier to
standing with Jesus is the
Bible.

The Bible is a subject of interpretation: there is no doctrine, no prophet, no priest, no power, which has not claimed biblical sanctions for itself.

"Takes the Bible back from the specialists and makes it available to the thoughtful reader in all its complexity and splendor: nothing short of a blessing, even a miracle!"

—PETER J. GOMES, author of *The Good Book*

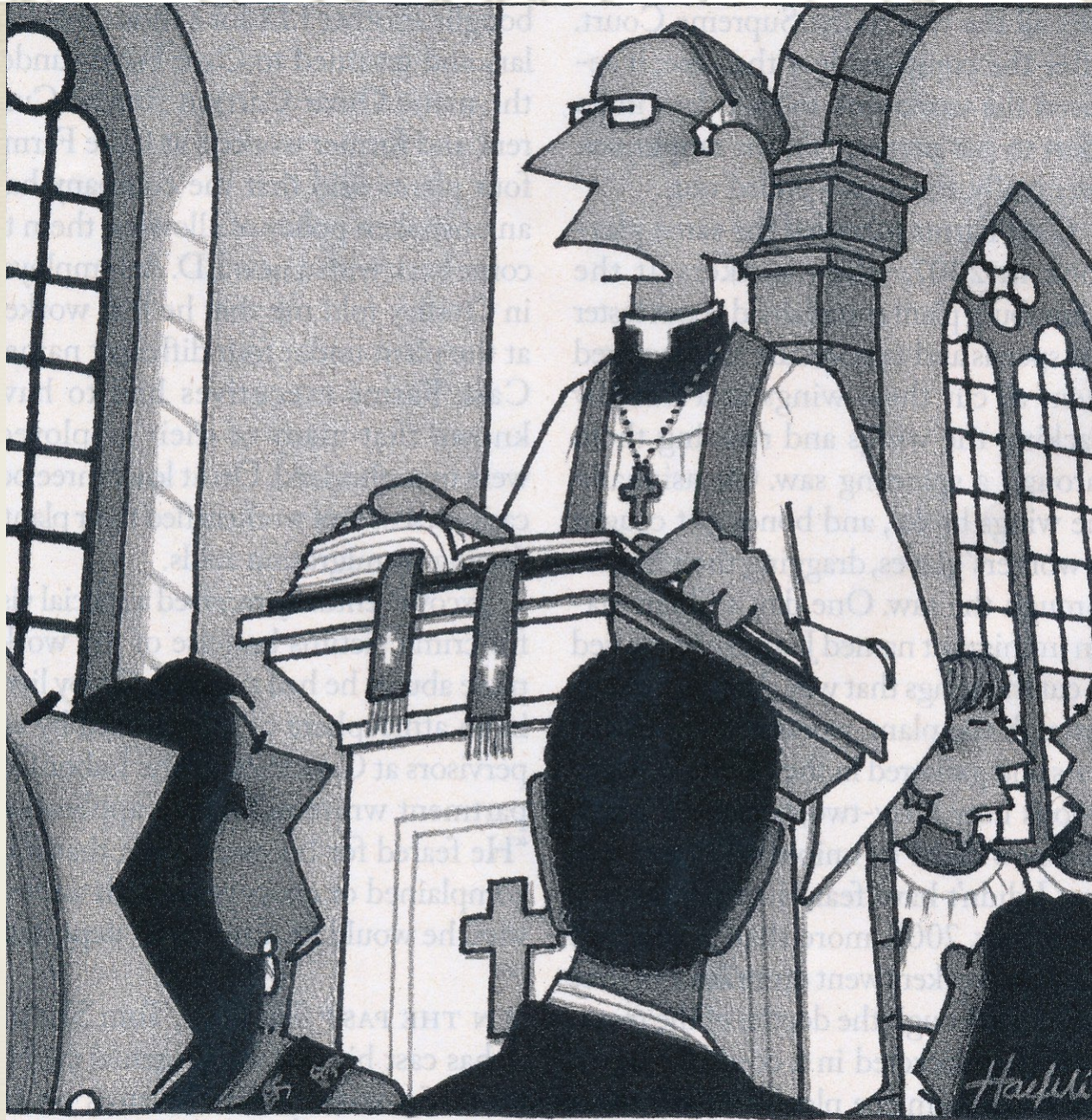
TAKING
THE BIBLE
SERIOUSLY
BUT NOT
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READING
THE BIBLE AGAIN
FOR THE FIRST TIME

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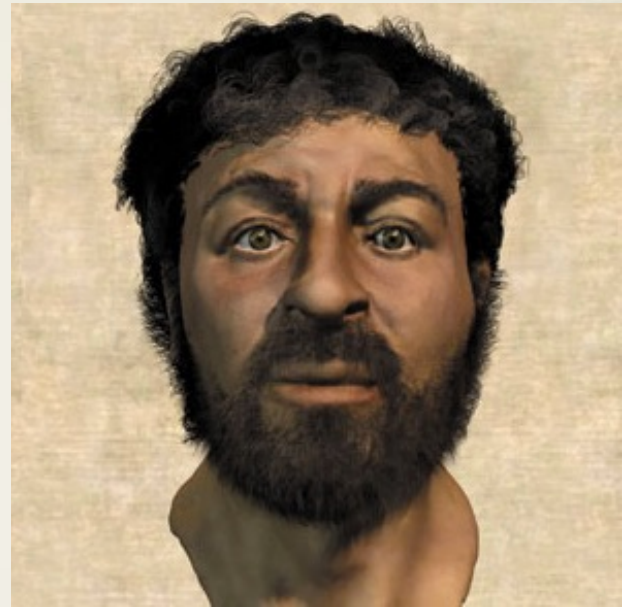
"Today, I'll be cherry-picking from Deuteronomy."

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“Standing
with
Jesus”



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the litmus test is love

you don't have to go anywhere to
get to heaven

don't judge anyone

give up trying to control things
and people

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don't think you have it all figured out

give expression to my spirit and
truth

don't claim to love and then hate
people

you, just like me, belong to God

don't apologize for being
human

if you want to see God, look
at me

or, go look in the mirror

“I want only to show you something I have seen and to tell you something I have heard. Which is that here and there in the world and now and then in ourselves is a new creation.”