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Visions, Trips, and Crowded Rooms Apr 04 2021 David Kessler, one of the most renowned experts on death and grief, takes on three uniquely shared experiences that challenge our ability to explain and fully understand the mystery of our final days. The first is "visions." As the dying lose sight of this world, some people appear to be looking into the world to come. The second shared experience is getting ready for a "trip." These trips may seem to us to be all about leaving, but for the dying, they may be about arriving. Finally, the third phenomenon is "crowded rooms." The dying often talk about seeing a room full of people, as they constantly repeat the word crowded. In truth, we never die alone. Just as loving hands greeted us when we were born, so will loving arms embrace us when we die. In the tapestry of life and death, we may begin to see connections to the past that we missed in life. While death may look like a loss to the living, the last hours of a dying person may be filled not with emptiness, but rather with fullness. In this fascinating book, David brings us stunning stories from the bedsides of the dying that will educate, enlighten, and comfort us all.

Afterlives Dec 20 2019 BY THE WINNER OF THE NOBEL PRIZE IN LITERATURE 2021 SHORTLISTED FOR THE ORWELL PRIZE FOR POLITICAL FICTION 2021 LONGLISTED FOR THE WALTER SCOTT PRIZE 2021 "Riveting and heartbreaking ... A compelling novel, one that gathers close all those who were meant to be forgotten, and refuses their erasure." --Maaza Mengiste, Guardian "A brilliant and important book for our times, by a wondrous writer." --Philippe Sands, New Statesman, Books of the Year While he was still a little boy, Ilyas was stolen from his parents by the German colonial troops. After years away, fighting in a war against his own people, he returns to his village to find his parents gone, and his sister Afiya given away. Another young man returns at the same time. Hamza was not stolen for the war, but sold into it; he has grown up at the right hand of an officer whose protection has marked him life. With nothing but the clothes on his back, he seeks only work and security - and the love of the beautiful Afiya. As fate knots these young people together, as they live and work and fall in love, the shadow of a new war on another continent lengthens and darkens, ready to snatch them up and carry them away... "Rarely in a lifetime can you open a book and find that reading it encapsulates the enchanting qualities of a love affair ... One scarcely dares breathe while reading it for fear of breaking the enchantment."--The Times

Sum Feb 26 2023 At once funny, wistful and unsettling, Sum is a dazzling exploration of unexpected afterlives—each presented as a vignette that offers a stunning lens through which to see ourselves in the here and now. In one afterlife, you may find that God is the size of a microbe and unaware of your existence. In another version, you work as a background character in other people's dreams. Or you may find that God is a married couple, or that the universe is running backward, or that you are forced to live out your afterlife with annoying versions of who you could have been. With a probing imagination and deep understanding of the human condition, acclaimed neuroscientist David Eagleman offers wonderfully imagined tales that shine a brilliant light on the here and now.

Listening in the Afterlife of Data Sep 28 2020 Writing at a cultural moment in which data has never been more ubiquitous or less convincing, David Cecchetto theorizes sound, communication, and data by analyzing them in the contexts of computation, wearable technologies, and digital artwork.

Freddie Mercury Feb 02 2021

Pharaoh Jun 18 2022 Describes Egypt during the rules of Seti I and his son Ramesses II, with particular emphasis on the religious role of the pharaohs.

The Immortal Soul Jun 25 2020 Not since Dr. Michael Newton, Edgar Cayce, Dr. Byron Weiss, and Dolores Cannon has there been a book that combines past lives, lives between lives, and actual soul council meetings shared in startling detail by hypnotically-induced subjects. These eight individuals recount not only the circumstances of their past lives but where they went after death and the soul lessons they reviewed with their council of elders and spirit guides. Use these pages to travel with prolific author, hypnotist, and researcher David Rippy to the shores of the New World through the eyes of a British first mate in the Royal Navy facing danger and the World War II battlefields as a lieutenant in a Nazi tank battalion. These subjects will learn about the nature of their current lives in relation to the past, such as the woman who discovered she had been in the same ill-fated romantic pairing in this life as when she was a settler on the U.S. prairie. Rippy covers the Universal Laws in detail and how all of our individual lives from birth to death and beyond are impacted by them. Regardless of your religious persuasion, the book offers insight for everyone and its common themes resonate throughout.

*Inventing Afterlives Nov 30 2020 Why is belief in an afterlife so persistent across times and cultures? And how can it coexist with disbelief in an afterlife? Most modern thinkers hold that afterlife belief serves such important psychological and social purposes as consoling survivors, enforcing morality, dispensing justice, or giving life meaning. Yet the earliest, and some more recent, afterlives strikingly fail to satisfy those needs. In *Inventing Afterlives*, Regina M. Janes proposes a new theory of the origins of the hereafter rooted in the question that a dead body raises: where has the life gone? Humans then and now, in communities and as individuals, ponder what they would want or experience were they in that body. From this endlessly recurring situation, afterlife narratives develop in all their complexity, variety, and ingenuity. Exploring afterlives from Egypt to Sumer, among Jews, Greeks, and Romans, to Christianity's advent and Islam's rise, Janes reveals how little concern ancient afterlives had with morality. In south and east Asia, karmic rebirth makes morality self-enforcing and raises a new problem: how to stop re-dying. The British enlightenment, Janes argues, invented the now widespread wish-fulfilling afterlife and illustrates how afterlives change. She also considers the surprising afterlife of afterlives among modern artists and writers who no longer believe in worlds beyond this one. Drawing on a variety of religious traditions; contemporary literature and film; primatology; cognitive science; and evolutionary psychology, Janes shows that in asking what happens after we die, we define the worlds we inhabit and the values by which we live.*

*The Afterlife of Character, 1726-1825 Nov 23 2022 The Afterlife of Character, 1726-1825 reconstructs how eighteenth-century British readers invented further adventures for beloved characters, including Gulliver, Falstaff, Pamela, and Tristram Shandy. Far from being close-ended and self-contained, the novels and plays in which these characters first appeared were treated by many as merely a starting point, a collective reference perpetually inviting augmentation through an astonishing wealth of unauthorized sequels. Characters became an inexhaustible form of common property, despite their patent authorship. Readers endowed them with value, knowing all the while that others were doing the same and so were collectively forging a new mode of virtual community. By tracing these practices, David A. Brewer shows how the literary canon emerged as much "from below" as out of any of the institutions that have been credited with their invention. Indeed, he reveals the astonishing degree to which authors had to cajole readers into granting them authority over their own creations, authority that seems self-evident to a modern audience. In its innovative methodology and its unprecedented attention to the productive interplay between the audience, the book as a material artifact, and the text as an immaterial entity, *The Afterlife of Character, 1726-1825* offers a compelling new approach to eighteenth-century studies, the history of the book, and the very idea of character itself.*

The Afterlife Jan 21 2020 From "a fiercely intelligent writer" (The New York Times), a wry, poignant story of the difficult love between a mother and a son. In the winter of 2000, shortly after his mother's death from cancer and malnourishment, Donald Antrim, author of the absurdist, visionary masterworks *Elect Mr. Robinson for a Better World*, *The Hundred Brothers*, and *The Verificationist*, began writing about his family. In pieces that appeared in *The New Yorker* and were anthologized in *Best American Essays*, Antrim explored his intense and complicated relationships with his mother, Louanne, an artist and teacher who was, at her worst, a ferociously destabilized and destabilizing alcoholic; his gentle grandfather, who lived in the mountains of North Carolina and who always hoped to save his daughter from herself; and his father, who married Louanne twice. *The Afterlife* is not a temporally linear coming-of-age memoir; instead, Antrim follows a logic of unconscious life, of dreams and memories, of fantasies and psychoses, the way in which the world of the alcoholic becomes a sleepless, atemporal world. In it, he comes to terms with—and fails to come to terms with—the nature of addiction and the broken states of loneliness, shame, and loss that remain beyond his power to fully repair. This is a tender and even blackly hilarious portrait of a family—faulty, cracked, enraging. It is also the story of the way the author works, in part through writing this book, to become a man more fully alive to himself and to others, a man capable of a life in which he may never learn, or ever hope to know, the nature of his origins.

The Dead Saints Chronicles May 25 2020 AWARD WINNING AUTHOR, DAVID SOLOMON Forget what you think you know about death, dying, and the Afterlife. From childhood, David Solomon has always been fascinated by near-death experiences (NDEs)—and *The Dead Saints Chronicles* is the culmination of a lifetime's worth of study and research. After sifting through 5,000 recorded NDEs, Solomon has drawn fascinating conclusions about salvation, death, sin, heaven, hell, and immortality. The overriding thesis emerging from Solomon's riveting "Zen journey through the Christian afterlife" is that "heaven" (an exalted and divine state of Consciousness) is "real." Those who have died (physically or mystically) and returned to Earth, he concludes, are free from the fear of death and have often found a renewed faith in God. Their descriptions of "the other side" and the nature of Jesus, however, challenge common interpretations of the Bible. Largely written during Solomon's battle with terminal Glioblastoma brain cancer, the book is also a deeply personal account of how the author relates his life's work to his own tenuous mortality. Through journal entries, recordings of dreams and after-death communications from deceased loved ones, and autobiographical reflections, Solomon is able to give theology, spirituality, and overwhelming concepts like death and the afterlife a relatable immediacy. Part educational volume, part guide, and part memoir, *The Dead Saints Chronicles* is unlike anything written to date. Intended for all types, backgrounds, and creeds, the book challenges readers to expand their thinking while providing all the lessons they need to recognize, understand, and eventually experience the state of heaven.

Life Beyond Death Mar 15 2022 Examines various evidential materials that have been accumulated about the afterlife. This title looks at communications through mediums and witness accounts such as Near Death and Out of Body Experiences and compares them with the descriptions given in such mystical texts as *The Tibetan Book of the Dead* and *The Egyptian Book of the Dead*.

The Beginner's Guide to Sex in the Afterlife Jan 01 2021 *The Beginner's Guide to Sex in the Afterlife* is the follow-up to David Staume's quirky and popular *Beginner's Guide for the Recently Deceased*. It assumes, as did his first book, that the reader is dead, and takes the reader on a "tour" of the subject. With humor and intelligence, this guidebook explores the origin, purpose, and potential of sexual energy. It explains how sexual energy moves through our solar system and through us. Readers will also learn how to work with sexual energy for a richer and more fulfilled life, balance their masculine and feminine energies, and improve the quality of their love.

The Brain Aug 28 2020 Locked in the silence and darkness of your skull, your brain fashions the rich narratives of your reality and your identity. Join renowned neuroscientist David Eagleman for a journey into the questions at the mysterious heart of our existence. What is reality? Who are "you"? How do you make decisions? Why does your brain need other people? How is technology poised to change what it means to be human? In the course of his investigations, Eagleman guides us through the world of

extreme sports, criminal justice, facial expressions, genocide, brain surgery, gut feelings, robotics, and the search for immortality. Strap in for a whistle-stop tour into the inner cosmos. In the infinitely dense tangle of billions of brain cells and their trillions of connections, something emerges that you might not have expected to see in there: you. This is the story of how your life shapes your brain, and how your brain shapes your life. (A companion to the six-part PBS series. Color illustrations throughout.)

Film and the Afterlife Sep 21 2022 This book explores how post-death existence is represented in popular film, looking at issues such as continuity, personal identity, and the nature of existence beyond the grave. Film often returns to the theme of dying, death and the afterlife, both directly and indirectly, because there are very few subjects as compelling and universal. The book compares the representation of death, dying and the afterlife in films to scholarly surveys of attitudes towards life-after-death through the analysis of twenty films made between the end of World War II and now. It looks at the portrayals of stages between death and a final destination; spatio-temporal and personal continuity; the nature of afterlife existence in terms of embodiment, or not; and the contact between the worlds of the living and the dead. This book offers a wide-ranging view on a compelling subject in film. As such, it will be of great interest to scholars of Religion and Film, Religion and Media, the Philosophy of Religion, and the Sociology of Religion, as well as Religion, Media and Film Studies more generally .

Sum Jan 25 2023 *Sum* is a stunning exploration of funny and unexpected afterlives that have never been considered- each presented as a vignette that offers a lens through which to see ourselves here and now. In one afterlife you may find that God is the size of a microbe and is unaware of your existence. In another, you work as a background character in other people's dreams. Or you may find that the afterlife contains only those people whom you remember. The stories in *Sum* are rooted in romance, science, and awe: a mixture of death, hope, computers, immortality, love, biology, and desire that cuts through human nature at new and exciting angles.

The Needs of the Dying Mar 23 2020 In gentle, compassionate language, *The Needs of the Dying* helps us through the last chapter of our lives. Author David Kessler has identified key areas of concern: the need to be treated as a living human being, the need for hope, the need to express emotions, the need to participate in care, the need for honesty, the need for spirituality, and the need to be free of physical pain. Examining the physical and emotional experiences of life-challenging illnesses, Kessler provides a vocabulary for family members and for the dying that allows them to communicate with doctors, with hospital staff, and with one another, and—at a time when the right words are exceedingly difficult to find—he helps readers find a way to say good-bye. Using comforting and touching stories, he provides information to help us meet the needs of a loved one at this important time in our lives.

The Afterlives of Specimens Oct 18 2019 *The Afterlives of Specimens* explores the space between science and sentiment, the historical moment when the human cadaver became both lost love object and subject of anatomical violence. Walt Whitman witnessed rapid changes in relations between the living and the dead. In the space of a few decades, dissection evolved from a posthumous punishment inflicted on criminals to an element of preservationist technology worthy of the presidential corpse of Abraham Lincoln. Whitman transitioned from a fervent opponent of medical bodysnatching to a literary celebrity who left behind instructions for his own autopsy, including the removal of his brain for scientific study. Grounded in archival discoveries, *Afterlives* traces the origins of nineteenth-century America's preservation compulsion, illuminating the influences of botanical, medical, spiritualist, and sentimental discourses on Whitman's work. Tuggle unveils previously unrecognized connections between Whitman and the leading "medical men" of his era, such as the surgeon John H. Brinton, founding curator of the Army Medical Museum, and Silas Weir Mitchell, the neurologist who discovered phantom limb syndrome. Remains from several amputee soldiers whom Whitman nursed in the Washington hospitals became specimens in the Army Medical Museum. Tuggle is the first scholar to analyze Whitman's role in medically memorializing the human cadaver and its abandoned parts.

Science and the Afterlife Experience Oct 30 2020 Reveals the evidence of life beyond death • Examines 125 years of scientific research into reincarnation, apparitions, and communication with the dead showing these phenomena are real • Reveals the existence of higher planes of consciousness where the

souls of the dead can choose to advance or manifest once again on Earth • Explains how these findings have been ignored and denied because they are incompatible with materialist doctrines In this book, Chris Carter shows that evidence of life beyond death exists and has been around for millennia, predating any organized religion. Focusing on three key phenomena--reincarnation, apparitions, and communications from the dead--Carter reveals 125 years of documented scientific studies by independent researchers and the British and American Societies for Psychical Research that rule out hoaxes, fraud, and hallucinations and prove these afterlife phenomena are real. The author examines historic and modern accounts of detailed past-life memories, visits from the deceased, and communications with the dead via medium and automatic writing as well as the scientific methods used to confirm these experiences. He explains how these findings on the afterlife have been ignored and denied because they are incompatible with the prevailing doctrine of materialism. Sharing messages from the dead themselves describing the afterlife, Carter reveals how consciousness exists outside the parameters of biological evolution and emerges through the medium of the brain to use the physical world as a springboard for growth. After death, souls can advance to higher planes of consciousness or manifest once again on Earth. Carter's rigorous argument proves--beyond any reasonable doubt--not only that consciousness survives death and continues in the afterlife, but that it precedes birth as well.

Afterlives of Georges Perec Oct 10 2021 Examines Perec's impact on architecture, art, design, media, electronic communications, computing and the everyday What do Perec's descriptions of the minutiae of everyday life reveal about our use of information and communications technologies? What happens if we read *Life: A Users Manual* as a toolbox of ideas for games studies? What light does the concept of the *ainfra-ordinary* shed on social media? What insights does algorithmic writing generate for the digital humanities? What lessons can architects, artists, game-designers and writers draw from Perec's fascination with creative constraints? Through an examination of such questions, this collection takes Perec scholarship beyond its existing limits to offer new ways of rethinking our present. Contributors Tom Apperley, Monash University, Australia. Caroline Bassett, University of Sussex, UK. David Bellos, Princeton, USA. Justin Clemens, University of Melbourne, Australia. Ben Highmore, University of Sussex, UK. Alison James, University of Chicago, USA. Sandra Kaji-OGrady, University of Sydney, Australia. Christian Licoppe, TA(c)IA(c)com ParisTech, France. Anthony McCosker, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia. Mireille Ribière, independent scholar, translator and author. Darren Tofts, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia. Rowan Wilken, RMIT, Melbourne, Australia. Mark Wolff, Hartwick College in Oneonta, New York, USA.

The Afterlives Jul 19 2022 "A spiritual love story that asks the question: what happens after we die? Set in a parallel USA"--

Sum Dec 24 2022 In this startling book, David Eagleman shows us forty possibilities of life beyond death. With wit and humanity, he asks the key questions about existence, hope, technology and love. These short stories are full of big ideas and bold imagination.

Shine On Jan 13 2022 Across thousands of years, people have described one of the most astonishing of all human phenomena: the near-death experience (NDE), the subjective experience of an Afterlife, a place where we apparently survive death. The more powerful the NDE, the more profound the after effects. The ambitious reset their priorities. Atheists change their values. Doctors rethink their beliefs. But what if the after effects of an NDE were undeniable? What if someone suddenly developed the ability to produce high quality paintings of their NDE, a new-found skill that went far beyond the artistic ability they had before? And what if that same person then suddenly acquired the ability to compose classical symphonies after their NDE? And their symphonies were then premiered at sell out orchestral concerts, even though, to this day, they are unable to read or write a single note of musical notation. Wouldn't this be proof that even a cynic would have a hard time explaining? After his NDE, this is exactly what happened to David. And this is his story.

Underworld Feb 14 2022 Abundantly illustrated, this essential volume examines depictions of the Underworld in southern Italian vase painting and explores the religious and cultural beliefs behind them. What happens to us when we die? What might the afterlife look like? For the ancient Greeks, the dead

lived on, overseen by Hades in the Underworld. We read of famous sinners, such as Sisyphus, forever rolling his rock, and the fierce guard dog Kerberos, who was captured by Herakles. For mere mortals, ritual and religion offered possibilities for ensuring a happy existence in the beyond, and some of the richest evidence for beliefs about death comes from southern Italy, where the local Italic peoples engaged with Greek beliefs. Monumental funerary vases that accompanied the deceased were decorated with consolatory scenes from myth, and around forty preserve elaborate depictions of Hades's domain. For the first time in over four decades, these compelling vase paintings are brought together in one volume, with detailed commentaries and ample illustrations. The catalogue is accompanied by a series of essays by leading experts in the field, which provides a framework for understanding these intriguing scenes and their contexts. Topics include attitudes toward the afterlife in Greek ritual and myth, inscriptions on leaves of gold that provided guidance for the deceased; funerary practices and religious beliefs in Apulia, and the importance accorded to Orpheus and Dionysos. Drawing from a variety of textual and archaeological sources, this volume is an essential source for anyone interested in religion and belief in the ancient Mediterranean.

Encountering Heaven and the Afterlife Nov 11 2021 What happens when we die? What is heaven really like? How do spiritual beings--angels and demons--interact with us here and in the hereafter? Real-life, credible stories of near-death experiences and spiritual encounters gathered by the authors of Heaven and the Afterlife paint a clearer, fuller picture of exactly what readers can expect when it's their turn to "cross over." These gripping true stories--written from a solidly biblical perspective but accessible to seekers--provide fascinating glimpses into the spiritual world around us and the one that awaits us.

Life, Death, and Beyond (the Afterlife) Dec 12 2021 Death, the big D, the final trip, going to hell, going to heaven. Hell and heaven shall be addressed later. Worm food, pushing up the daisies, sucking water, kicked the bucket, eating bullets, six feet under, just to name a few. Did you know that in linguistic terms, the more names for something in a language is a major factor for determining the importance of what those words mean? An example is the Eskimos have nine words for snow, and identify at least six different types of snow. You can imagine how important snow is to the Eskimos. Here in our culture and society in the United States we have dozens of terms for death in our language. That's how obsessed we are with death. And...we...are...scared...of...death! But why? Is it because we don't believe that people come back from the dead and tell us what it's like? In The Art of Peace it says: The Art of Peace functions everywhere on earth, in the realms ranging from the vastness of space down to the tiniest plants and animals. The life force is all-pervasive and its strength boundless. The Art of Peace allows us to perceive and tap into that tremendous reserve of universal energy. (Art of Peace, p 20)

Afterlife May 17 2022 Eventually death comes calling on us all. When it does, how can the living navigate through the agonising grief that envelopes them at that time? Is there life beyond bereavement? And what of the dead - is there an afterlife for them? If so, what is it like? In this book, you will find the answers to these questions. And in glimpsing a better world ahead, fresh hope will arise that will sustain you through all of life's trials.

The Atheist Afterlife Nov 18 2019 "The Atheist Afterlife describes an afterlife that is consistent with known law and requires nothing more than physics. It demonstrates that an afterlife is possible based on reason, and supports the probability of an afterlife with an original and testable support for dualism - the proposition that our mind and body are separate."--Back cover.

Death Walkers May 05 2021 It may be one of the most complex questions ever asked: What really happens to the soul after death? Some discarnate souls may cross over; others may stay in the earthy realm to help or protect family members; and other earthbound souls may need to work through psychospiritual dilemmas before being escorted to the Other Side with help from a shaman psychopomp. Dr. David Kowalewski relies on personal experiences and his studies with shamans of many continents to illuminate the mysterious worlds of life, death, and afterlife and share an inside look at the ancient craft of psychopomping. While presenting over ninety cases of psychopomp work, Dr. Kowalewski offers statistics that explain why souls become earthbound; relay how often unfamiliar spirits show up during journeys; and provide reasons why shamanic protocols, practices, and adventures with the dead in daily

life can help the task along. Included are other fascinating examples of psychopomp practices of indigenous peoples from around the world. *Death Walkers* shares compelling stories and evidence for why there are ghosts around us and the important role shamans play in guiding these earthbound souls to their final resting places. Drawing on first-hand accounts and cross-cultural research, David Kowalewski offers us an engaging Western perspective on the art and methods of the psychopomp Bill Plotkin, PhD, author of *Soulcraft*. This is an important book for the times we live in, for as people die more consciously, the more conscious the earth becomes. Sandra Ingerman, MA, author of *Soul Retrieval: Our Magnificent Afterlife* Mar 03 2021 A valuable handbook of amazing and inspiring descriptions and insights into our future beyond Earth...a unique and comprehensive overview of the Heaven World. Offers hope and guidance to our troubled planet. Includes excerpts from dozens of afterlife sources; details about purgatory, hell, our life review, and judgment; the astonishing beauty of the Heaven World; how we spend our time in the afterlife; mind power, telepathy, and our spiritual bodies; cities, government, recreation, and more. Learn of the beauty, love, and logic of God's grand design for our souls in the afterlife, a future beyond our fondest dreams. C. David Lundberg is the award-winning author of "Unifying Truths of the World's Religions," identifying 33 principles shared by all traditions. A life-long spiritual researcher, he has uncovered countless descriptions of what the afterlife is like and how it works.

The Runaway Species Aug 20 2022 "The authors look at art and science together to examine how innovations—from Picasso's initially offensive paintings to Steve Jobs's startling iPhone—build on what already exists and rely on three brain operations: bending, breaking and blending. This manifesto . . . shows how both disciplines foster creativity." —*The Wall Street Journal* *The Runaway Species* is a deep dive into the creative mind, a celebration of the human spirit, and a vision of how we can improve our future by understanding and embracing our ability to innovate. David Eagleman and Anthony Brandt seek to answer the question: what lies at the heart of humanity's ability—and drive—to create? Our ability to remake our world is unique among all living things. But where does our creativity come from, how does it work, and how can we harness it to improve our lives, schools, businesses, and institutions? Eagleman and Brandt examine hundreds of examples of human creativity through dramatic storytelling and stunning images in this beautiful, full-color volume. By drawing out what creative acts have in common and viewing them through the lens of cutting-edge neuroscience, they uncover the essential elements of this critical human ability, and encourage a more creative future for all of us. "The Runaway Species approach[es] creativity scientifically but sensitively, feeling its roots without pulling them out." —*The Economist*

This Will Make You Smarter Jul 27 2020 Featuring a foreword by David Brooks, *This Will Make You Smarter* presents brilliant—but accessible—ideas to expand every mind. What scientific concept would improve everybody's cognitive toolkit? This is the question John Brockman, publisher of *Edge.org*, posed to the world's most influential thinkers. Their visionary answers flow from the frontiers of psychology, philosophy, economics, physics, sociology, and more. Surprising and enlightening, these insights will revolutionize the way you think about yourself and the world. Contributors include: Daniel Kahneman on the "focusing illusion" Jonah Lehrer on controlling attention Richard Dawkins on experimentation Aubrey De Grey on conquering our fear of the unknown Martin Seligman on the ingredients of well-being Nicholas Carr on managing "cognitive load" Steven Pinker on win-win negotiating Daniel Goleman on understanding our connection to the natural world Matt Ridley on tapping collective intelligence Lisa Randall on effective theorizing Brian Eno on "ecological vision" J. Craig Venter on the multiple possible origins of life Helen Fisher on temperament Sam Harris on the flow of thought Lawrence Krauss on living with uncertainty

Online Afterlives Feb 20 2020 How digital technology—from Facebook tributes to QR codes on headstones—is changing our relationship to death. Facebook is the biggest cemetery in the world, with countless acres of cyberspace occupied by snapshots, videos, thoughts, and memories of people who have shared their last status updates. Modern society usually hides death from sight, as if it were a character flaw and not an ineluctable fact. But on Facebook and elsewhere on the internet, we can't

avoid death; digital ghosts—electronic traces of the dead—appear at our click or touch. On the Internet at least, death has once again become a topic for public discourse. In *Online Afterlives*, Davide Sisto considers how digital technology is changing our relationship to death. Sisto describes the various modes of digital survival after biological death—including Facebook tributes, chatbots programmed to speak in the voice of a dead person, and QR codes on headstones—and discusses their philosophical ramifications. Sisto reports on such phenomena as the *Tweet Hereafter*, a website that collects people's last tweets; the intimacy of sending a WhatsApp message to someone who has died; and digital cremation, the deactivation of a dead person's account. Because we can mingle with the dead online almost as we mingle with the living, he warns, we may find it difficult to distinguish communication at a distance from communication with the dead. The digital afterlife has restored the communal dimension of death, rescuing both mourners and the mourned from social isolation. A society willing to engage with death and mortality, Sisto argues, is a more balanced and mature society.

Heaven and the Afterlife Jun 06 2021 This book taps into popular culture's insatiable appetite for the supernatural. Written in a popular style, *Heaven and the Afterlife* touches on many topics related to life after death, including amazing near-death experiences, accounts from the Bible, testimonies, theories, and what some of the world's religions believe. It will demystify the afterlife with information about heaven, hell, ghosts, angels, near-death experiences, and much more, helping readers gain a solid understanding of the often-confusing subject of life after death. The book culminates by presenting Jesus as the answer to eternal peace and how readers can spend eternity with him. Garlow and Wall write not only for believers, but also for seekers or anyone looking for straight, simple answers to the fascinating subject of the world beyond this life.

The Ancient Egyptian Books of the Afterlife Apr 23 2020 This volume offers a survey about what is known about the Ancient Egyptians' vision of the afterlife and an examination of these beliefs that were written down in books that were later discovered in royal tombs. The contents of the texts range from the collection of spells in the *Book of the Dead*, which was intended to offer practical assistance on the journey to the afterlife, to the detailed accounts of the hereafter provided in the *Books of the Netherworld*. The author looks closely at these latter works, while summarizing the contents of the *Book of the Dead* and other widely studied examples of the genre. For each composition, he discusses the history of its ancient transmission and its decipherment in modern times, supplying bibliographic information for any text editions. He also seeks to determine whether this literature as a whole presents a monolithic conception of the afterlife. The volume features many drawings from the books themselves.

We Never Die Sep 09 2021 INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER From America's top psychic medium and the author of *When Heaven Calls* comes a new book that unveils the secrets of the afterlife, the truth about heaven, and why we never truly die. Psychic medium Matt Fraser, author of *When Heaven Calls*, is back to unpack the number one question folks ask him: "What happens after death?" Although we might expect a complicated answer, it's actually pretty simple: We never die! Drawing from thousands of conversations with Spirit, Matt pulls back the curtain on life's hidden revelations: -What happens when we cross over -The beautiful realities of heaven and eternal life -The guardian angels who keep us safe on Earth (including our pets who have passed) -The role of dreams and how souls appear to the living -Love, romance, and soul mates beyond life -Ghosts, hauntings, negative souls, energy vampires, and psychic protection -Destiny, free will, and second chances -Regrets, amends, and forgiveness from heaven -Figuring out your gifts and purpose -Karma, kindness, and living in the divine flow -How to recognize the signs and messages our loved ones send us from heaven As Matt explains, "We all have our own 'phone line' to communicate with heaven. All we have to do is figure out how to use it." Revealed through never-before-told stories and Matt's conversations with the dearly departed, the wisdom in *We Never Die* is perfect for anyone seeking uplifting answers about life's biggest questions. Discover the healing and fulfillment that await us and our loved ones in the afterlife—plus how these truths can bring us comfort, meaning, and guidance in our earthly lives.

Finding Davey Aug 08 2021 How do you recover from the loss of a child? When David Alison's son died in a car accident, he did what any other parent would likely do: spiral into extraordinary grief. Though the

heartbreak he experienced was profound, he could not shake the feeling that his son, Davey, was still around and trying to communicate with him. Could consciousness survive physical death? David's engineering background did not allow for that concept, yet those feelings remained. In this story, David walks the reader through the experiences he had connecting with his son, the resources he found to satisfy the doubts from the left side of his brain, and the tools he used to create a new relationship with his son across the veil.

My Life After Death Oct 22 2022 Enlightenment came through my death. I have proof of being out of my body (Chapter 6), and my life changed a lot after my death. Before my death, I was a star athlete with a very high I.Q. and was motivated by everything physical. I only dated girls who were very attractive only on the outside. I had a moment of clarity when I was dead; a moment that I will forever remember. I was living my life all wrong! This book is a self-help manual of the best kind. It is a self-help manual we all need, every one of us. Especially those of us who think we do not need one.

Sum Apr 16 2022 *Sum* is a stunning exploration of funny and unexpected afterlives that have never been considered—each presented as a vignette that offers a lens through which to see ourselves here and now. In one afterlife, you find that God is the size of a microbe and is unaware of your existence. In another, you work as a background character in other people's dreams. Or you may find that the afterlife contains only those people whom you remember. The stories in *Sum* are rooted in romance, science, and awe: a mixture of death, hope, computers, immortality, love, biology, and desire that cuts through human nature at new and exciting angles.

Livewired Jul 07 2021 "Eagleman renders the secrets of the brain's adaptability into a truly compelling page-turner." —Khaled Hosseini, author of *The Kite Runner* "Livewired reads wonderfully like what a book would be if it were written by Oliver Sacks and William Gibson, sitting on Carl Sagan's front lawn." —*The Wall Street Journal* What does drug withdrawal have in common with a broken heart? Why is the enemy of memory not time but other memories? How can a blind person learn to see with her tongue, or a deaf person learn to hear with his skin? Why did many people in the 1980s mistakenly perceive book pages to be slightly red in color? Why is the world's best archer armless? Might we someday control a robot with our thoughts, just as we do our fingers and toes? Why do we dream at night, and what does that have to do with the rotation of the Earth? The answers to these questions are right behind our eyes. The greatest technology we have ever discovered on our planet is the three-pound organ carried in the vault of the skull. This book is not simply about what the brain is; it is about what it does. The magic of the brain is not found in the parts it's made of but in the way those parts unceasingly reweave themselves in an electric, living fabric. In *Livewired*, you will surf the leading edge of neuroscience atop the anecdotes and metaphors that have made David Eagleman one of the best scientific translators of our generation. Covering decades of research to the present day, *Livewired* also presents new discoveries from Eagleman's own laboratory, from synesthesia to dreaming to wearable neurotech devices that revolutionize how we think about the senses.