



## The Religious Life (Hardback)

By Dr Donald Capps

CASCADE BOOKS, 2015. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.William James called his classic work, *The Varieties of Religious Experience*, a study in human nature. This volume recognizes that a fundamental feature of human nature for James is that we have a conscious and a subconscious mind and that the subconscious mind is deeply implicated in the religious life, especially in conversion and other experiences of spiritual enlightenment. In this volume, Capps addresses religious melancholy, the divided self and discordant personality, religious conversion, the saintly character, and the prayerful consciousness. In addition, the cases of two clergymen--one deeply troubled, the other exemplary of the spiritual person--are also presented. A brief discussion of James's view of religion as the generator of hope concludes this introduction to his insights into the religious life. Given that James was a popular writer in his own day, this book is intended to make his insights accessible to general readers. I know of no more faithful introduction to William James *The Varieties of Religious Experience* than Donald Capps *The Religious Life*. Situating James at center stage, Capps infiltrates every page with a lifetime of scholarship in the psychology...



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