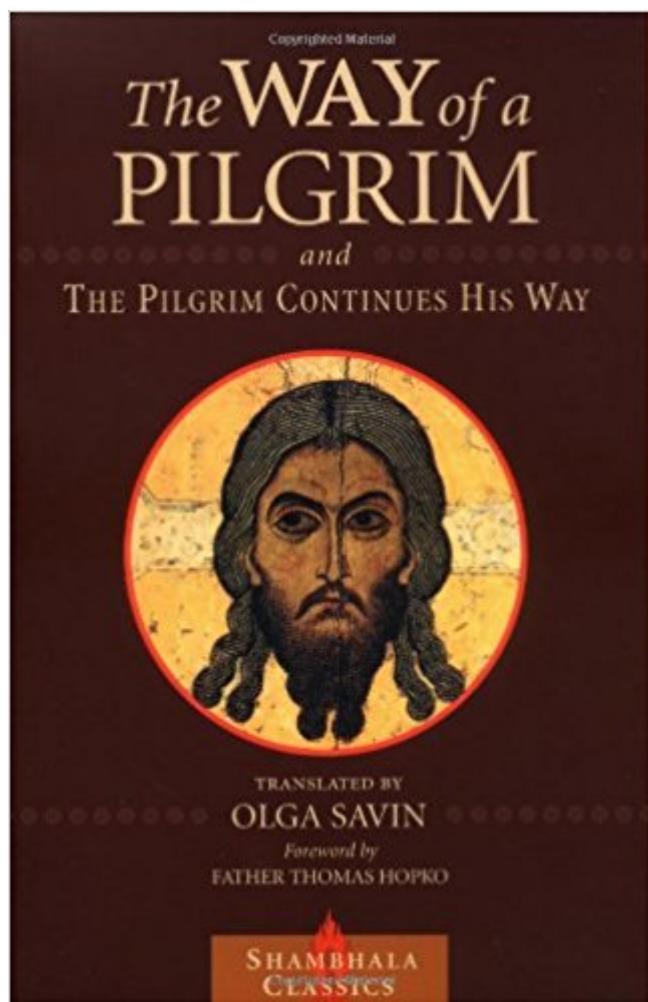


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The Way Of A Pilgrim And The Pilgrim Continues His Way (Shambhala Classics)



Synopsis

This classic of world spiritual literature is the firsthand account of a pilgrim's journey as he endeavors to live out Saint Paul's instruction to "pray without ceasing." The narrator, an unnamed nineteenth-century peasant, sets out on his pilgrimage with nothing but a Bible, a rosary, and some dried bread. As he walks, he recites the Jesus prayer ("Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me") — a prayer that is said to quiet anxiety and fill the heart with love for all creation. With this prayer constantly on his lips, the pilgrim undergoes a profound spiritual education. This edition includes the sequel to *The Way of a Pilgrim*, entitled *A Pilgrim Continues His Way*, which contains a lengthy appendix reviewing the teachings of the Holy Fathers on the Jesus prayer.

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translation preserves the distinctive timelessness that makes the book great spiritual literature. This edition also includes three appendices that elaborate on the narrative's themes and a helpful glossary. --Eric de Place

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Having followed "the pilgrim"'s advice to use the Jesus Prayer as a means of fulfilling the Apostle Paul's injunction to Pray without ceasing, I found the book not only delightful but life changing.

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This classic of Russian Orthodox Christianity is a must for everyone's library. This translation is accessible, but the additional materials (excerpts from the desert monastics on prayer) are worth the price of the book alone.

Changed my life. Difficult read but well worth it if you are open and in need of a new perspective.

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