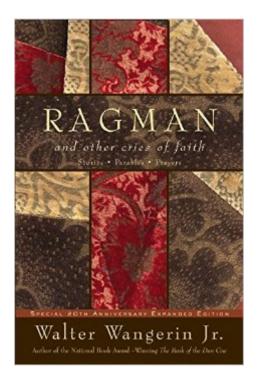
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# Ragman - Reissue: And Other Cries Of Faith (Wangerin, Walter)





## Synopsis

Updated with eleven new stories and meditations, this Gold Medallionâ "winning classic interweaves vivid stories, deep meditations, and provocative allegories that together explore the power and meaning of love within an often inhumane urban landscape. The opening chapter, "Ragman," remains one of Walter Wangerin Jr.'s most beloved works and leads the reader to thirtyâ "three other writings, all bearing the author's trademark poignancy and lyricism. Ranging from gentle reflections to heartâ "rending invocations, these selections are powerful, thoughtâ "provoking explorations of the meaning of faith, the person of Christ, and the communion of believers. Again and again, Wangerin's cries of faith touch our deepest pains with rays of joyful healing.

### **Book Information**

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Each short story is a new glimpse of God's love for us all. Letter to my Brother Gregory... is the best admonition for a Christian marriage that I have ever read. It clearly reveals the importance of God's role in our marriages and will surprise most who read it. I have enclosed copies of Ragman in wedding presents with a note for the Newlyweds. The title story will make you cry.

RAGMAN AND OTHER CRIES OF FAITH is a deeply moving collection of works concerning the Christian faith, written by Walt Wangerin, Jr. about some of his experiences as a pastor in the inner city. The title work, "Ragman" is a story that is often used as a skit/readers theatre throughout the country and is basically an updated tale about the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. The book includes poems, plays, sermons, and many great stories because as Wangerin writes, stories are what make a pastor. The tales are all personal and most are moving. They examine a deep and living faith that sees the work of God everywhere: from a naked, homebound parishoner who smells like urine to the painful death of a young woman to a crazy woman shooting a gun at no one in the middle of the street. This is a great book for any pastor, for anyone who has done urban missions, or for anyone looking for a book that illustrates the very real ways God is working in our world today. Highly recommended.

This book was intriguing and spiritually uplifting. From the beginning when I read about the Ragman that came to heal I was captured. The Easter story written as a play was moving and the to learn about the story of the Easter Lilly brought me to tears. This book is for all ages. It teaches us about Christ's unconditional love and his unfailing servanthood to us.

The color scheme Wangerin displays in the vividly moving and pulling book, not only draws lines to your own life but also paints the difficult and more than likely self-abasing canvas of his own wanderings and in no way applauds himself for the slight victory before the fall back into confusion that God so faithfully pulls us all out of eventually. Follow Walter through his young married life and the struggles of parenthood, into a better understanding of our Father who continually pushes us through adversity into perfection. An organic and honest read to say the least, 10/10.

Very moving and insightful. One man's journey into faith and his growth, you can experience through his journey with his Church and his family. Strongly recommend for the believers and non-believers alike.

Oh, be prepared to weep! Walter Wangerin is awesome~ I have read a few of his books, and love them.Ragman brings Christ into your heart, mind, and soul.....have a handkerchief ready.....yet there is such joy, not sadness.

Excellent. Walt Wangerin is an amazing storyteller with meaning and authenticity. There is the "Ragman" poetry story which is wonderful in itself and then there are stories that are worth reading! See also the "Cries of the Congregation". Beautiful!

Fifteen years ago I had read the first chapter of this book, then lost it. I hoped someone would find it and be as inspired as I had been. Now I have found it again and been blessed to read the whole book. Though none matches the first chapter, they all have the authors brilliant touch and profound spiritual insight. Please read it. You will be blessed.

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