Summer reading list

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In Review



The Little Way of Saint Therese of Lisieux

by John Nelson Liguori



The Psychopath Test

by Jon Ronson Riverhead



Jesus in Beijing

by David Aikman Regnery



Jayber Crow

by Wendell Berry Counterpoint



The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

by C. S. Lewis HarperCollins

What are you hoping to read this summer? We posed this question to the Century staff, a group of people with diverse tastes and interests. Along with commenting on our choices, feel free to post your own in the comments. --Ed.

The Little Way of Saint Therese of Lisieux: Into the Arms of Love, by John Nelson. Therese--who died of tuberculosis at age 24 and was canonized less than 30 years later--was an unassuming woman who found great joy in her littleness. This volume promises to be refreshing spiritual nourishment.

The Psychopath Test: A

Journey Through the Madness Industry, by Jon Ronson. Ronson's recent appearance on The Daily Show piqued my curiosity about the world of psychopaths, which apparently intersects with that of the rest of us in more instances than we realize.

Jesus in Beijing: How

Christianity Is Transforming China And Changing the Global Balance of Power, by David Aikman. I've read conflicting news reports about Christianity in China, and I've had piecemeal personal experience in both state-sponsored and unregistered churches. I hope to get a fuller picture of the situation via Aikman's investigation.

Jayber Crow, by

Wendell Berry. A friend described this novel as "slow but mesmerizing." Sounds exactly right for a relaxing summer read.

The Chronicles of Narnia series, by C. S. Lewis. You're never too old to revisit Narnia--or to read it aloud, which is what my husband and I plan to do along our summer travels.