



Brent's *Sacred Compass: The Way of Spiritual Discernment* is set to be published by Paraclete Press in April 2008.

A compass makes a good metaphor for our spiritual lives and the work of discerning God's will for them. God doesn't speak as clearly and as obviously as Mapquest or GoogleMaps or GPS. Maybe that's because we don't navigate the life of faith via anything remotely resembling GPS. Instead, the divine compass points us to the mind and love of God. Our sacred compass operates in our souls and calls us to life with God. The sacred compass leads us on a life of pilgrimage – a hike to wholeness and holiness.

Keeping our soul's eyes on the sacred compass leads us to the holy discovery that we can move through life with purpose and promise, even in those times when we may not sense with certainty what that purpose and promise are. In a grace-filled way, our compass invites us into a life of continuous experiences of God and of spiritual transformation. As we move toward

Divine guidance, we joyfully behold the face of a loving God gazing back at us.

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