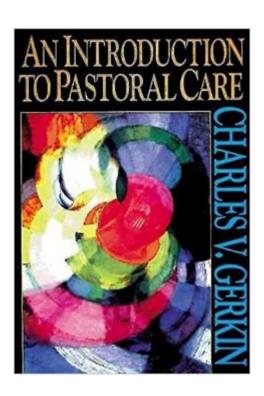
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I expected a book that would introduce me to the nuances and "how-to" of pastoral care. However, this book is more about the socio-historical context in which modern pastoral care emerged. Like some others have mentioned, it is full of jargon, and, in my opinion, seems to be written as a magnum opus of the author. As such, it is very dense and seems to be an exercise in flexing the intellectual muscles of its author. Don't get this book if you are looking to understand how to do pastoral care (I would recommed "Strategic Pastoral Counseling" for that). DO get this book if you are looking for how the role and means of pastoral care have evolved over time.

If you are interested in learning more about what "Pastoral Care" is; how it has been practiced in the past; and how it might adapt itself to the challenges of our own time, this book is the place to begin your study. I appreciated the historical overview as well as the insightful theological rationale presented by the author. I would have given the book five stars except that in several instances the author lapses into barely muffled episodes of conservative-bashing (e.g., he criticizes the so-called "religious right" without ever calling into question the equally misguided "religious left").

Very educational book and gives me a reference to chevk back with if have a question. Also backs up what i feel is a good way to handle things. And gives clearer way to word thinhs so i donot sound as harsh and gives scriptures to reference like having the author oncall to snswer questions glad u got it . School recommended it and im glad i followed the recommendation . My Pastor approves too

I came upon this book as a doctoral student -- after extensive, intensive experiences over years doing pastoral care in clinical settings. Charles Gerkin has written much about pastoral care, and in this late volume, as a professor emeritus, it is as though "all his wanderings" have brought him to where he started out, to a book that sees clearly the basics of pastoral connection and a theology that undergirds them.

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