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A THOROUGH LOOK INTO *HUNGERS OF THE HEART*
A Book by Richard Watts

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Richard Watts wrote *Hungers of the Heart* especially for persons who tend to be “turned off” by organized religion, but who want to develop a deeper personal spiritual life. The reader is invited on a journey of personal reflection. The “spiritual map” offered in this book is rooted in reason and at home with science, while at the same time being grounded in the authentic core of the world’s great religious traditions.

Hungers of the Heart honors the life and thought of Carl Esenwein (1934-2006). Esenwein was a Unitarian minister who believed that the church had much to offer persons caught up in this time of social change. The book grew out of Watts’ immersion with the notes and sermons of Esenwein. The book’s themes reflect both men’s convictions about the meaning of religion and the role of the church in today’s world.

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