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Customer Reviews

It is a significant thing in ones life to be a Lay Eucharist Minister. This little book, looking so slight by Beth Maynard, is a guide to the ministry of the Lay Eucharist Minister. There are many sections worth meditation. Here is one that is a little lengthy as a quote, but worthwhile. It has to do with offering or in other words serving eucharist: "...the offering that had been taken, blessed, and broken--you, your ministry--is distributed to the people" What might happen if you were to make that action more explicit in your prayer life? You could ask God to take you and put you to use, to bless more profoundly and break more generously whatever you offer." You can see this is a taughtly

written book, and one of a series called "Faithful Servant Series." I think that the first words, in the introduction of this book, says something about the kind of reader who will find this an interesting and valuable guide. They say, "Were you chosen to read this book?" By that they mean, was it given to you. As a book for giving to others, it is a good one. But no harm, and a lot of good to get it for yourself if no one has given you one yet. This is a book about the ministry performed by lay people for God. "God acts first--the Bible is very clear about that and God acts to choose us because God loves us." I think you will find this a useful book, its meditations food for thought and reflection. It is worth coming back to again, and helpful in ministry. One can read this book at short sittings, and it is a recommended thing to do, so says the author. Here are some chapters: "At the Altar," "Looking at the Background," "Insights from Scripture," "Community and Collegiality" and others. Let's turn to Community and Collegiality for a moment.

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