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A very moving and thoughtful piece.

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Constantine to consolidate his power in The Roman Empire with the cooperation of the Church hierarchy and thereby bring the citizenry under control was very revealing. My understanding, and it was very favorable to the Catholic Church, was that the Emperor had a conversion experience. Now that I am older and realize much more how power works in the world, Father Bonpane's observation makes perfect sense to me. The Catholic Church's history of inflicting pain and death on the very people that they are supposed to protect and nurture is a painful revelation. It is something that I have felt for a long time and Father Bonpane's book brought those feelings into focus. Jesus' message in the Gospels is that we should love one another. It is not a message that is confined simply to those who profess Christianity, every human hears this voice in the deepest recesses of his or her soul. That voice is our salvation. Thank you Father Bonpane. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By james m. great read 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Gerard H Dombrowski Well done and worth a measured read.

It seems that every warring polity has God on its side. This terror will only end when humans cease and desist in their futile efforts to define God. Reverence, awe and wonder must replace fundamentalism, dogmatism and the deadly cult of religious nationalism.