

# Books of the Month

## October 2018

*Quaker Week  
Edition*



### **BEAUTIFUL BROKEN THINGS**

**Sara Barnard £7.99**

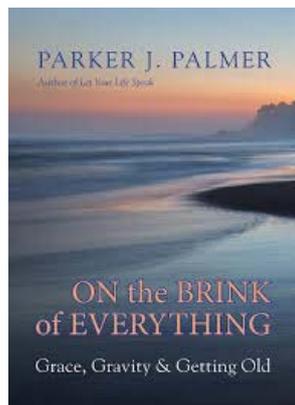
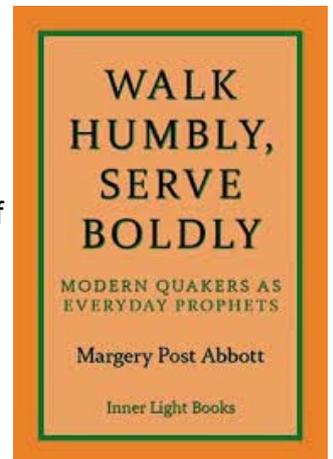
Best friends Caddy and Rosie are inseparable, but as she turns sixteen Caddy begins to wish she could be a bit more like Rosie – confident, funny and interesting. When exciting, mysterious Suzanne comes into their lives, things get a whole lot more complicated. As Suzanne's past is revealed and her present begins to unravel, Caddy begins to see how much fun a little trouble can be. But the course of both friendship and recovery is rougher than either girl realises, and Caddy will learn that downward spirals have a momentum of their own.

*Sara Barnard is our speaker for Quaker Week on Quakerism and her writing on Tuesday 2nd October, 6:30 pm, in the bookshop and livestreamed on Facebook.*

### **WALK HUMBLY, SERVE BOLDLY: Modern Quakers as Everyday Prophets**

**Margery Post Abbott £23**

By considering the prophetic ministry an ordinary consequence of listening for the Spirit of Truth as often as possible in all we do, space opens up for this way of being to be part of our life journey. The awareness of God is an awareness of the value of all life. Considering this as part of a journey makes it easier to accept setbacks and mistakes and to notice growth and newness, whether our journey is one of radical witness or of loving care for our neighbours. Early Quakers again and again pointed out that the kingdom of God is within and that we will find this new creation within. The prophetic voice is nurtured by communities that know the reality of the new creation.



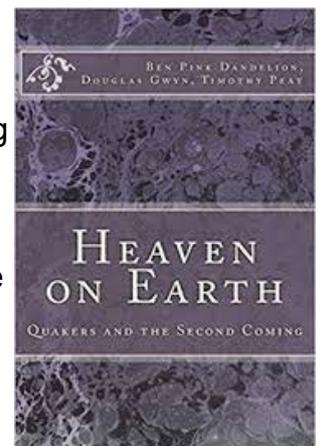
### **ON THE BRINK OF EVERYTHING: Grace, Gravity & Getting Old**

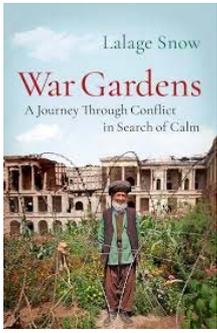
**Parker J. Palmer £17.99**

This latest offering from the Quaker author is a beautiful book of reflections on what we can learn as we move closer to “the brink of everything.” Drawing on eight decades of life – and his career as a writer, teacher and activist – Palmer explores the questions age raises and the promises it holds. But this book is not for elders only. It was written to encourage adults of all ages to explore the way their lives are unfolding, as a set of meditations in prose and poetry that turn the prism on the meaning(s) of one’s life, refracting new light at every turn. The book is beautifully enhanced by three free downloadable songs from Carrie Newcomer.

### **HEAVEN ON EARTH: Quakers and the Second Coming** **Ben Pink Dandelion, Douglas Gwyn & Timothy Peat £10**

Central to the faith of early Friends was the present sense of the Second Coming of Christ and the bringing of heaven on earth. Friends around the world may still be able to unite around this vision of a transformed society but how and when heaven will be fully realized are questions which have underpinned three centuries of change and division. This book looks again at the letters of Paul, the experience of early Friends and the history of Quakerism through the lens of the Second Coming, and draws radical new connections which the authors believe have the potential to give Friends and others a clarity about the Quaker tradition and the power to offer a key component in the revitalisation of Quaker faith.





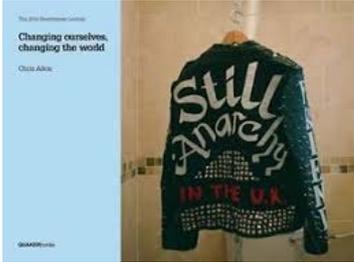
**WAR GARDENS: A Journey Through Conflict in Search of Calm**  
**Lalage Snow £20**

Living through the conflicts of this age are people just like us with ordinary jobs, ordinary pressures and ordinary lives. Against a new landscape of horror and violence it is up to them to maintain a modicum of normality and colour. For some, gardening is the way to achieve this. *War Gardens* is a surprising, tragic and beautiful journey through the darkest places of the modern world, revealing the ways people make time and space for themselves and for nature even in the middle of destruction. With award-winning photographs, this is a book to treasure.

**THE MEETING**

**Charlotte Jones £9.99**

Rachel has been the voice for her deaf mother since she was born, but now she is restless to be heard for herself. Together, they have found sanctuary in a Quaker community that reveres silence. But the world is at war and it is becoming harder than ever to live in Friendship. When a stranger arrives in their midst, their fragile peace is set to shatter. This new play premiered to acclaim at Chichester Festival Theatre.



**CHANGING OURSELVES, CHANGING THE WORLD**  
**Chris Alton £12**

Quakers have a strong tradition of engaging with the world around them, and of expressing their faith through action to build a more just, peaceful and sustainable world. In his Swarthmore lecture, Chris Alton shares how he seeks to challenge people and create change through his art, and how art can be an act of witness. He offers a powerful message of hope for a changed world and discusses how we can make that happen.

**THE PRAYER GAME**

**Jennifer Kavanagh £10**

What does prayer mean to you? Explore different ideas and share them with others in this entertaining and thought-provoking game for 2-8 players. It has been played by a variety of groups at away days and more informal gatherings. Individual cards can also be used as tools for personal reflection. £1 per game is given to Woodbrooke.



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