Record Nr. UNINA9910462287603321 Autore Marcus Paul Titolo In search of the spiritual: Gabriel Marcel, psychoanalysis and the sacred // by Paul Marcus Pubbl/distr/stampa Boca Raton, FL:,: Routledge, an imprint of Taylor and Francis,, [2018] ©2012 0-429-90057-0 **ISBN** 0-429-47580-2 1-283-63456-2 1-78241-032-5 Edizione [First edition.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (235 p.) Disciplina 150.195 194 Soggetti **Psychoanalysis** Spiritual direction Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. COVER: CONTENTS: ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Nota di contenuto PREFACE; CHAPTER ONE Introduction; CHAPTER TWO Creative experience as the birthplace of the transcendent; CHAPTER THREE On refinding God during chemotherapy; CHAPTER FOUR Reflections on moments of grace; CHAPTER FIVE On the quiet virtue of humility; CHAPTER SIX Summoned to courage; CHAPTER SEVEN Maintaining personal dignity in the face of the mass society; CHAPTER EIGHT On fidelity and betrayal in love relationships; CHAPTER NINE The kiss; GLOSSARY; REFERENCES; INDEX Sommario/riassunto Gabriel Marcel (1889-1973), the first French existentialist and phenomenologist, was a world-class Catholic philosopher, an accomplished playwright, drama critic and musician. He wrote brilliantly about many of the classic existential themes associated with Sartre, Heidegger, Jaspers and Buber, prior to the publication of their main works. As a self-described "philosopher of the threshold" and "an awakener," his stated goal was to shed some light on the nature of

spiritual reality, those moments when one experiences an upsurge of the love of life. In this book, Paul Marcus joins the best of Marcellian and psychoanalytic insights to help the reader develop an inner sensibility that is more receptive, responsive and responsible to the transforming sacred presences that grace everyday life, such as are experienced in selfless love, hoping beyond hope, and maintaining faith in the goodness of the world despite its harsh challenges.