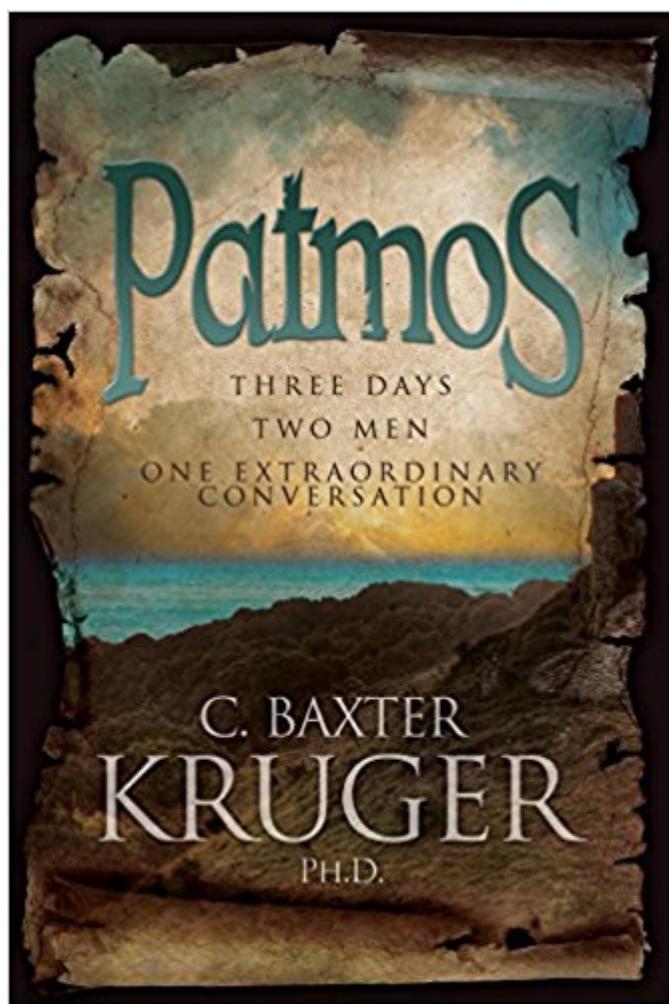


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# Patmos: Three Days, Two Men, One Extraordinary Conversation



## **Synopsis**

Aidan, a burned out, suicidal theologian from Mississippi mysteriously travels back in time to the Isle of Patmos, where he meets the aged apostle John. Thus begins an extraordinary 3-day conversation, with tormenting flashbacks to his childhood, mind-blowing visions and revelations, sorrow and joy. Aidan has a thousand questions, St. John wants to know about history, but his abiding mission is Aidan's liberation. Through love and dreams and astonishing discussions the wise apostle reveals the lie of all lies • separation from God • preparing Aidan for a life-changing discovery. Aidan has a vision of heaven and beholds the Lamb upon the Throne of all thrones, with the entire cosmos flowing from his side, leaving him speechless in hope. John proclaims, "In that day you shall know that I Am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you," as the secret of all waiting to be discovered. The Holy Spirit shares a vision with John of the next awakening in Western history, and the great apostle commissions the restored Aidan to preach the truth of all truths.

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## **Customer Reviews**

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The Great Dance, Across All Worlds, and The Shack Revisited. He lectures around the world, and as an avid outdoorsman, he holds two U. S. Patents for his fishing lure designs. For more information on Baxter and the international ministry of Perichoresis, visit his website: [www.perichoresis.org](http://www.perichoresis.org), or visit: [www.thegreatdance.org](http://www.thegreatdance.org).

Theology often stirs expectation (fears really) of stuffy, boring, irrelevant religious science. Patmos breaks that expectation and discards the fear. Reading it connects you with the original passion of the gospel writers. Here comes your most important choice...union or separation? Did God come to humanity in the incarnation as Jesus, teach us what a righteous life could look like, bear our sins on the cross, rise again to prove he did it right, then ascend to heaven and leave us separated but with an opportunity to find our way there by 'finding' him? Or...did Jesus come to us as the one sent by the Father to find us, reconcile us to his Father and ours, and gather us into his very life and face-to-face relationship (union) with the Father by destroying the power of sin, death, and deception in which we were all ensnared? In reading Patmos, I experienced a very clear, life-giving, and entertaining nudge to help me confidently engage and answer these most important questions. I recommend this book with great enthusiasm.

Don't sleep on this one! Get the book. I've practically lived my life on a pew reading books hid inside my bible listening to preachers drone on and on (never mind that I was a PK AND a pastor's wife) thinking to myself there has to be more, there has to be more. In the pages of books like The Shack and now, Patmos, I have truly discovered "the more"...its union. I feel like someone has handed me a rare gift that I don't want to share with anyone and yet can't possibly keep to myself. Thanks for opening up my insides and filleting me then stitching me back together. I could kiss your jaw, Baxter Kruger. Thank you!

I read the Kindle version (the paperback doesn't come out until September). This is a very fun but meaningful story of a "vision" of time travel between the author and the Apostle John. It has great humor, drama, but most importantly - it includes some great theology. It may be fiction, but the reader will be truly inspired in one's understanding of John's writings.

With all the down-to-earthness of Baxter's previous writing and teaching, blended with an incomparable vision of the oneness and love between the Father and the Son in the Holy Spirit and our participation, we are drawn into a compelling dialogue that opens our hearts and minds to the

reality of Jesus fully entering our darkness in order to release mankind into our freedom in Christ. I was frequently overcome with tears at the beauty of this vision and its implications for my own life as I danced in my heart with John and Aidan on the island of Patmos!

Mirror bible meets shack...This is probably the best book I've read in a long time. Please please please read this.

Patmos is a wild ride! Like C.S. Lewis' Narnia tales and Wm. Paul Young's, The Shack, Dr. C. Baxter Kruger's Patmos is an entertaining and enriching book that will appeal to a wide audience. Historical readers will love it for the rich portrayal of fascinating characters and events from our past that powerfully affect our world today. Many will be inspired by the unexpected and brilliant dialogue we have all longed to have about the deepest questions of life. Most of all, it is a great big story within an entertaining tale that draws us all into another world of new ideas—“and who doesn't like that? Enjoy your journey in Patmos!

Having just read Kruger's non-fiction book "The Great Dance", this was the perfect follow-up. The story is funny, poignant, joyous and heart rending...all at the same time. A must read...and live out book. Easy to read yet I kept repeating sections to let the truths sink in. Very much along the lines of "The Shack" by Kruger's friend W. P. Young.

Baxter and I grow up in the same part of Mississippi at the same time and under the same cloud of foggy mixture—the good of southern religious culture and the BAD of southern religious culture. Baxter did the hard demanding work of a theological education coupled with a tenacious hunger for truth and came through the fiery furnace of inner conflict to become a masterful expounder of the true heart of God found in the gospel. Do not fear you will encounter the confusing angry schizophrenic god of tradition nor the wispy goofy god of new age wishful thinking. NO you will encounter the LIVING GOD, the consuming fire who so hates evil and loves us that He will die to give Himself to us and to take us into Him. Woven amidst familiar (to me) Mississippi humor is a masterful treatment of theology, history, psychology, philosophy and engaging story telling. Stay away from this book if all you are looking for is a rehashing of the same confusing theology that has hijacked the title or 'orthodoxy.' If you want to get beyond men's traditions that claim the title or orthodoxy and to press through to the heart of God for the world, then this book is for you. Clay McLean

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