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Seizing Our Bodies Claudia Dreifus, 1977 **Seized** Holly Eckert, 2024-01-30 About the Book Millions of Americans have epilepsy At age 34 Holly Eckert joined them From the day she discovered that through many years her life became a journey of personal growth and self discovery Why was this happening What should she do Who was she now that she seized These were only a few of the questions she asked herself in the face of her new reality Holly's walk with chronic illness became one of awakening and healing In it she learned many lessons in life while confronting the flaws failures ignorance and corruption permeating the American medical industry and sensing first hand the resiliency of the human mind and body Daily tending to the chores of chronic illness she scoffed at the paradox between the medical industry's responses and her own life's experiences Over time Holly realized that illness can play important positive roles in a human life Traveling her path where health and illness intertwine it became clear to her that illness can give as much as it takes away This convinced her that when allowed the time and space to be ill a person can find true health again a real life phenomenon rarely discussed by doctors and patients In *Seized* Searching for Health In the United States Holly tells the story of her journey with illness That well told personal tale provides a lens through which a reader can explore the common experience of searching for health in the United States Who would have imagined that it would be a dance artist who does so well exploring the many dimensions of illness and the failures of the United States healthcare system but that's precisely what happens here in *Seized* About the Author Holly Eckert grew up in a small town in the mountains of Idaho where she learned to dance from a former ballerina with the New York Ballet who also lived there After high school she took her scholarships and went to The Evergreen State College There she combined dance and social sciences to create her own integrated studies program Her education prepared her to go to Seattle and pursue her artistic mission of exploring substantive topics inside the art of dance Winning awards and praise for her artwork Holly pursued her passion with passion and made choreography about things like the experience of fear and the injustices of the US prison system She was healthy and strong into her mid thirties when one day she suddenly began seizing uncontrollably Epilepsy quickly overwhelmed her life It sent Holly on a diverse personal journey On her travels she discovered many new things about herself and as she did she learned more and more about the potentials for healing that exist inside the human body She also learned a great deal about the tragic failures of the United States medical system that often inhibits these possibilities from being realized Knowing that she liked to write as well as dance Holly decided to tell this story through words not movements Her readers continually give her praise for her efforts *Seizing the Means of Reproduction* Claudette Michelle Murphy, 2012-11-26 In *Seizing the Means of Reproduction* M Murphy's initial focus on the alternative health practices developed by radical feminists in the United States during the 1970s and 1980s opens into a sophisticated analysis of the transnational entanglements of American empire population control neoliberalism and late twentieth century feminisms Murphy concentrates on the technoscientific means the technologies practices

protocols and processes developed by feminist health activists They argue that by politicizing the technical details of reproductive health alternative feminist practices aimed at empowering women were also integral to late twentieth century biopolitics Murphy traces the transnational circulation of cheap do it yourself health interventions highlighting the uneasy links between economic logics new forms of racialized governance U S imperialism family planning and the rise of NGOs In the twenty first century feminist health projects have followed complex and discomfiting itineraries The practices and ideologies of alternative health projects have found their way into World Bank guidelines state policies and commodified research While the particular moment of U S feminism in the shadow of Cold War and postcolonialism has passed its dynamics continue to inform the ways that health is governed and politicized today

Theological Analyses of the Clinical Encounter G.P. McKenny, J.R. Sande, 2013-04-17 Efforts to evaluate the clinical encounter in terms of autonomous agents governed by rationally justified moral principles continue to be criticised These essays written by physicians ethicists theologians and philosophers examine various models of the clinical encounter emerging out of these criticisms and explore the prospects they offer for theological and religious discourse Individual essays focus on the reformulation of covenant models revisions of principles approaches and topics such as power authority narrative rhetoric dialogue and alterity The essays display a range of conclusions about whether theology articulates generally accessible religious insights or is a tradition specific discipline Hence the volume reflects current debates in theology while analysing current models of the clinical encounter Students professionals and scholars who find themselves at the intersection of theology and medicine will welcome these voices in an ongoing conversation

Seizing Your Divine Moment Erwin Raphael McManus, 2002-11-03 In this inspiring book Erwin McManus uses the biblical account of Israel's war with the Philistines 1 Samuel 13 and 14 and the characters of Saul and Jonathan to demonstrate the difference between living a life of purpose and adventure and living one of apathy and missed opportunity In the midst of a less than hopeful battle Saul who should have been leading rested beneath a pomegranate tree as Jonathan seized the divine moment that would impact the future of Israel Through this story McManus artfully illustrates the eight characteristics of an adventurer's heart what he calls the Jonathan factor Using powerful examples from his own life and ministry along with fresh biblical teaching McManus asserts that God crafts divine moments specific to each of us priceless opportunities for us to actively engage in God's big picture plan Apathy and apprehension prevent us from being all we are meant to be for God's kingdom But by developing the characteristics McManus outlines Christians can move from mundane to miraculous living

If Our Bodies Could Talk James Hamblin, 2017-12-12 If you want to understand the strange workings of the human body and the future of medicine you must read this illuminating engaging book Siddhartha Mukherjee author of *The Gene* In 2014 James Hamblin launched a series of videos for The Atlantic called *If Our Bodies Could Talk* With it the doctor turned journalist established himself as a seriously entertaining authority in the field of health Now in illuminating and genuinely funny prose Hamblin explores the human stories behind health questions

that never seem to go away and which tend to be mischaracterized and oversimplified by marketing and news media He covers topics such as sleep aging diet and much more Can I boost my immune system Does caffeine make me live longer Do we still not know if cell phones cause cancer How much sleep do I actually need Is there any harm in taking a multivitamin Is life long enough In considering these questions Hamblin draws from his own medical training as well from hundreds of interviews with distinguished scientists and medical practitioners He translates the traditionally boring textbook of human anatomy and physiology into accessible engaging socially contextualized up to the moment answers They offer clarity examine the limits of our certainty and ultimately help readers worry less about things that don't really matter If Our Bodies Could Talk is a comprehensive illustrated guide that entertains and educates in equal doses **Seize the Day with Yahweh** Jim Harvey, Val Harvey, 2015-11-03 God wants you to know His name and what this sacred name means for you every day Welcome to a daily experience that can transform your way of thinking about God yourself and your life This devotional tour with Jim and Val Harvey visits all sixty six books of the Bible revealing the nature of God's sacred covenantal name Yahweh Yeshua and showing you how to claim all the strength guidance wisdom and power He supplies Each day's selection in this year round devotional introduces you to the Great I AM in a format that combines biblical text with commentary Yahweh in the Word personal application Yahweh in Your Walk and ideas for prayerful worshipful expression Yahweh in Your Worship These biblical truths will set you on a daily adventure of the highest calling directing you to make the most of each day and its opportunities with Yahweh Yeshua as your faithful Companion and unfailing Guide Indirect Action Lisa Diedrich, 2016-12-19 The experience of illness both mental and physical figures prominently in the critical thought and activism of the 1960s and 1970s though it is largely overshadowed by practices of sexuality Lisa Diedrich explores how and why illness was indeed so significant to the social political and institutional transformation beginning in the 1960s through the emergence of AIDS in the United States A rich intervention both theoretical and methodological political and therapeutic Indirect Action illuminates the intersection of illness thought and politics Not merely a revision of the history of this time period Indirect Action expands the historiographical boundaries through which illness and health activism in the United States have been viewed Diedrich explores the multiplicity illness thought politics through an array of subjects queering the origin story of AIDS activism by recalling its feminist history exploring health activism and the medical experience analyzing psychiatry and self help movements thinking ecologically about counterpractices of generalism in science and medicine and considering the experience and event of epilepsy and the witnessing of schizophrenia Indirect Action places illness in the leading role in the production of thought during the emergence of AIDS ultimately showing the critical interconnectedness of illness and political and critical thought **A Cultural Biography of the Prostate** Ericka Johnson, 2021-09-07 What contemporary prostate angst tells us about how we understand masculinity aging and sexuality We are all suffering an acute case of prostate angst Men worry about their own prostates and those of others close to them women worry about the

prostates of the men they love The prostate a gland located directly under the bladder lurks on the periphery of many men's health issues but as an object of anxiety it goes beyond the medical affecting how we understand masculinity aging and sexuality In *A Cultural Biography of the Prostate* Ericka Johnson investigates what we think the prostate is and what we use the prostate to think about examining it in historical cultural social and medical contexts Johnson shows that our ways of talking about writing about imagining and imaging the prostate are a mess of entangled relationships She describes current biomedical approaches reports on the discovery of the prostate in the sixteenth century and its later appearance as both medical object and discursive trope and explores present day diagnostic practices for benign prostate hyperplasia which transform a process of urination into a thing the prostate Turning to the most anxiety provoking prostate worry prostate cancer Johnson discusses PSA screening and the vulnerabilities it awakens or sometimes silences and then considers the presence of the absent prostate how the prostate continues to affect lives after it has been removed in the name of health **Thinking**

Through the Skin Sara Ahmed, Jackie Stacey, 2003-09-02 This exciting collection of work from leading feminist scholars including Elspeth Probyn Penelope Deutscher and Chantal Nadeau engages with and extends the growing feminist literature on lived and imagined embodiment and argues for consideration of the skin as a site where bodies take form already written upon but open to endless re inscription Individual chapters consider such issues as the significance of piercing tattooing and tanning the assault of self harm upon the skin the relation between body painting and the land among the indigenous people of Australia and the cultural economy of fur in Canada Pierced mutilated and marked mortified and glorified scarred by disease and stretched and enveloping the skin of another in pregnancy skin is seen here as both a boundary and a point of connection the place where one touches and is touched by others both the most private of experiences and the most public marker of a raced sexed and national history

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