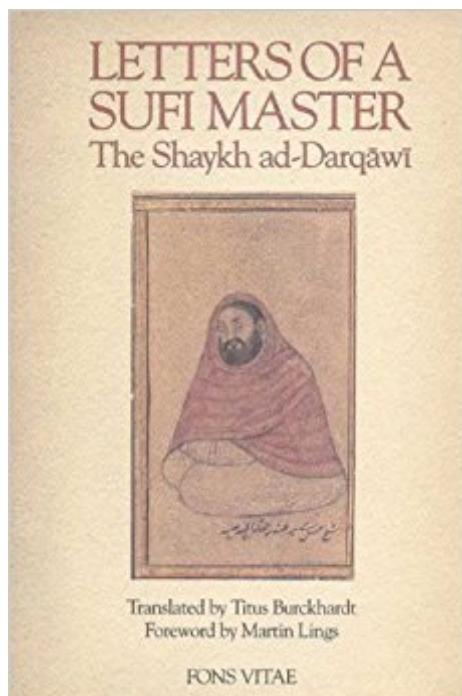


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This book contains spiritual techniques taken from letters of Shaykh ad-Darqawi. Almost all these letters are concerned with the method and the operative aspects of the Way and are considered among the most direct instructions given on Sufic method to be found in all Sufi literature.

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Customer Reviews

This is one of the best books I have read about Sufism. The letters was from a master to advice his disciples concerning the sufi path. It is informative and helpful to all who are intrested to step into the spiritual path. Al-Arabi Ad-Darqawi was follower of the Shadhili order which was founded by the great Shaykh Abu'l Hasan ash-Shadhili. I would recommend this book to anyone who is interested to know about the practical way of Sufi path. The translation is excellent and the authour shows true insight on the subject.

An exellent translation of the letters of Sheikh ad-Darqawi by Titus Burckhard. Although this book is only a partial translation and there does exist another translation (by the murabitun movement) this translation is usually seen as the most authentic. For the ordinary reader however, the translation published by diwan press (of the murabitun) may be easier to read you may wish to have both copies to compare (as I have) Still, if you are reading this book for religious reasons alone, it should not matter which copy you happen to read. North and West African Sufism has been largely overlooked in the West (possibly because of most of that geographical area coming under French influence) thus, we have little in the way of classical texts translated from that area, fortuantly that

seems to be changing. Other books I would recommend along side this one are: fez city of Islam, The meaning of man (Sidi Ali jamal), The diwan of ibn al-Habib, The way of Abu Madyan, Zarruq the Sufi and the letters of ibn Abbad of Ronda.

I could not think of a better title. The book is filled with discourses, I would have loved more but... Many spiritual healings of the heart and the mind can be found. The book leaves you with one conclusion. You need a Shaykh to follow the path to Allah, you need a madhab to follow Sharia, and you can't use a book for either. Wonderful!

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