

Title: Molokai; The Story of Father Damien

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Subject: saints and social justice

What is this book about?: This movie is about Father Damien's dedication to the lepers who had been exiled to Molokai, in the Hawaiian Islands in 1872. Father Damien was the first priest to go serve the lepers.

What main message does the author convey? A favorite quote would be "he must not touch anyone." But of course, he did as Christ would have done. The primary message was to imitate Christ.

What inspired you the most about this book and why would you recommend it?: I was inspired by the total sacrifice and love that Fr. Damien had for all people, his determination to not give up, and the human weaknesses he overcame.

Who would benefit from reading this book?: Priests or religious and anyone wanting to be a missionary or serve in the area of social justice would benefit from the movie.

Any other impressions: Loved the actors portrayals of characters especially of Fr. Damien. Enjoyed the beauty of the island and cultural traditions. I laughed and cried throughout.
