This book is a spiritual thriller! Plenty of action on urban Chicago streets; good guys armed with “God” against powers of darkness and evil; spiritual triumphs, fast-paced chases against overwhelming odds of addiction and poverty, and victory!

John Green, permanent deacon, writes about his 20-year experience founding Emmaus Ministries, an organization that ministers to male prostitutes on downtown Chicago streets. Every chapter calls the reader to reflect on a specific theme, dig deeper and pray.

“He has shown you O Man, what is good.
And what does the LORD require of you?

To act justly
And to love mercy
And to walk humbly with your God.” – Micah 6:8

The author has crafted every chapter around the above verse. The three sections of the book discuss just actions, mercy and a humble walk with God.

This book is a must read for every Christian, in fact for anyone who despairs of the impact of forces of evil and the vulnerability of man. Nothing is impossible for God, especially when man answers God’s call to love his fellow human in word and deed. I was moved to tears by the compassionately described real-life anecdotes of men who have suffered on the streets and have transcended their trials despite frustrating relapses. Through crisply worded prose, and probing reflection questions, John Green prods the reader to “wake up” and participate fully in life around him or her.