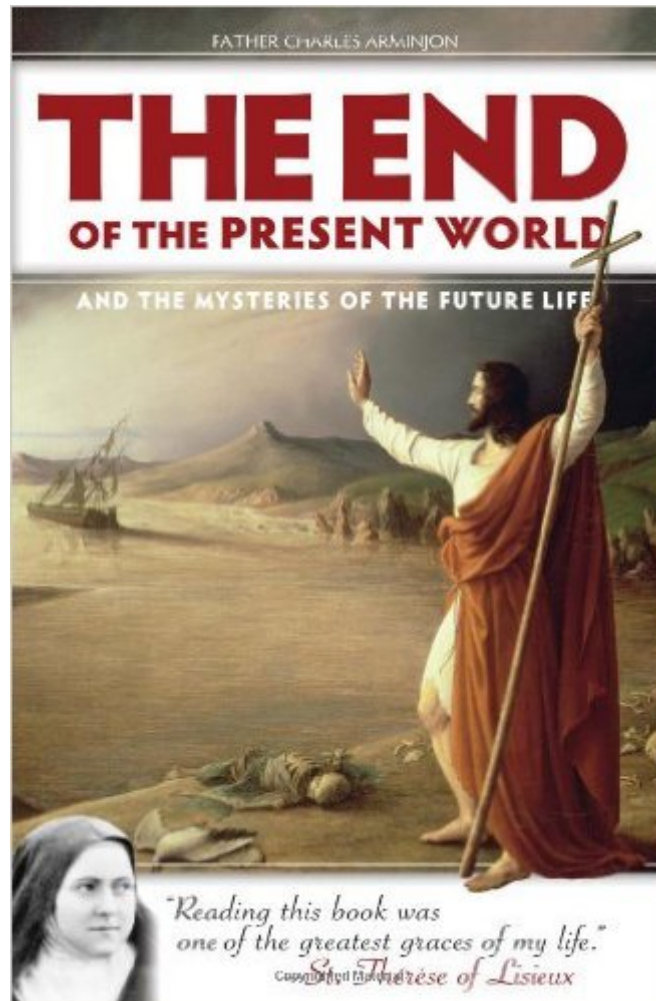


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# End Of The Present World And The Mysteries Of The Future Life



## Synopsis

"Reading this book was one of the greatest graces of my life!" St. Thérèse of Lisieux  
In the late nineteenth century, Father Charles Arminjon, a priest from the mountains of southeastern France, assembled his flock in the town cathedral to preach a series of conferences to help them turn their thoughts away from this life's mean material affairs and toward the next life's glorious spiritual reward. His wise and uncompromising words deepened in them the spirit of recollection that all Christians must have: the abiding conviction that heavenly aims, not temporal enthusiasms, must guide everything we think, say, and do. When Father Arminjon's conferences were later published in a book, many others were able to reap the same benefit including fourteen-year-old Thérèse Martin, then on the cusp of entering the Carmelite convent in Lisieux. Reading it, she says, "I plunged my soul into a happiness not of this earth."  
• Young Thérèse, filled with a sense of "what God reserves for those who love him, and seeing that the eternal rewards had no proportion to the light sacrifices of life," copied out numerous passages and memorized them, "repeating unceasingly the words of love burning in my heart."  
• Now the very book that so inspired the Little Flower is available for the first time in English. Let the pages of *The End of the Present World and the Mysteries of the Future Life* fill you with the same burning words of love, with the same ardent desire to know God above all created things, that St. Thérèse gained from them. Let them also enrich your understanding of certain teachings of the Faith that can often seem so mysterious, even frightening: The signs that will precede the world's end The coming of the Antichrist, and how to recognize him The Judgment and where it may send us: heaven, hell, and purgatory Biblical end-times prophecy: how to read it and not be deceived Jesus commands us to be ever-watchful for his return, and ever-mindful that we have no lasting city on earth. *The End of the Present World and the Mysteries of the Future Life* is an invaluable aid to inculcating in your spirit that heavenly orientation, without which true human happiness cannot be found "in this world or the next."

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For a musical chord to shape itself and transform a noise into a melodious sound just the right combination of notes come together to form it. Saint Therese of Lisieux can be thought of as perhaps one of the most melodic chords in God's saintly and heavenly symphony . . . and one can study Therese's life to see what "notes" contributed to form her into who and what she was, became and is; a saint . . . a Doctor Of The Church (proclaimed one by the late Pope John Paul II) . . .and although seemingly unnoticed and almost insignificant on the world stage, one of the most admired and revered saints, transcending traditional denominational lines - something within her resonates like a harmonic chord in the hearts of so many . . .One of those "notes" Saint Therese herself told us of: a book she had read at the age of fourteen (one she borrowed from her father) - a book of writings by Father Charles Arminjon called "The End Of The Present World(And The Mysteries Of The Future Life). But it wasn't the mere enanoration of a fouteen year old with some spiritual writings . . . Therese copied passages and prayed them for the rest of her life and even till shortly before her death told of what a grace this book brought to her. If one wants to know something of what helped make Therese Martin desire and succeed in becoming a saint, this book is one of the major influences within her soul. If it helped Therese to motivate herself to ever greater dedication to loving God in her life for an eternity of God's love in the next, these writings of Father Arminjon can help any of us to "get a proper perspective of "what this life's real purpose is" . . . we are all called, just like Therese, to belong to the same family: the communion of saints (here in this world and forever in the eternal one).

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