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The Power of Hospitality. On Seeing Beyond Yourself

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How can we all contribute to a warmer and more inclusive society?

Let's practice setting the table for one more person! This is the mantra of author Per Arne Dahl. Have we forgotten that, at our core, we are all refugees in this world, guests who are dependent on the goodness of other people and their ability to include others in a community? How can we all contribute to a warmer and more inclusive society, reaching out a hand to people who are lonely? These and other questions, that are central to the times we live in, are discussed in this book.

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"I felt calmer, safer, and more clear-headed from reading this book. It's like my skyward gaze gained somewhat clearer vision. My questions have plenty of space to be pondered over with Per Arne Dahl. I needed that!"

Trygve Skaug, songwriter, musician, and poet

"With a steady and accurate pen, Per Arne Dahl invites us on a journey through some of life's most important questions."

Henrik Syse, philosopher, researcher, and author

"In The Power of Hospitality, Per Arne Dahl argues for the value of a vibrant relationship between people in different life circumstances. When traditional hospitality falls by the wayside, it is important to find other ways of having a good community. The wealth of information in this book shows us a way forward and challenges us all. At the age of 97, I know a thing or two about that."

Georg Hille, bishop emeritus

Per Arne Dahl

Per Arne Dahl has worked at Modum Bad psychiatric centre for 15 years, and has been Bishop of Tunsberg and pastor at the Norwegian Parliament and in several other congregations. For more than 20 years he delighted Aftenposten's readers every Sunday with the column "Beneath clear skies", alongside the cartoonist Ulf Aas. Dahl has written a number of books.

Other titles

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