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Book of the Month

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Best Christian Writing of 2002

John Wilson, editor

**Who has time to read a whole
book at Christmas??**

To answer my own question, I doubt most of us do. Thus, my recommendation for this month is an anthology of contemporary Christian writing from 2002. It is all in bite-sized pieces!

One of the best things about an anthology is that you are introduced to lots of writers you might not otherwise meet. In this collection, you'll find selections ranging from Gabriel Reynolds' reflections on Islam to Walter Wangerin's memories of his father-in-law. You'll meet Amy Schwartz, an observing Jew who gives us an update of C. S. Lewis' *Screwtape Letters*. J. Bottums even shares some thoughts on Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*.

You may not agree with everything here, but (using a Christmas metaphor!) I invite you to sample some of these delicious treats.