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## *If I have a soul* *Stories from the prison monastery*

One summer, eight long-term convicted prisoners go to a monastery as part of their atonement. What happens to them when they live close together, in silence, by the pattern of a 500-year-old monastery tradition? Can a person change?

Nyhus has written the unique history about the monastery in the prison.

*- This is great literature, good theology and very powerful. I am so grateful that someone writes from within a prison, authentic environments. Not detached but empathetic and draws the readers into the events. This plus addition of nature, Mozart and great humility makes it this year's reading.*

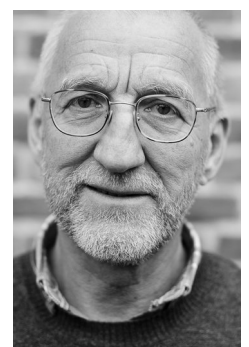
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*The documentary gives a strong description of what happened in the summer of 2014. This event does something to everyone involved, but it is particularly gratifying to read what developments the inmates undergo during the 21 days they are in Halden Prison 'Monastery'.*

- ARE HØIDAL, WARDEN IN HALDEN PRISON

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