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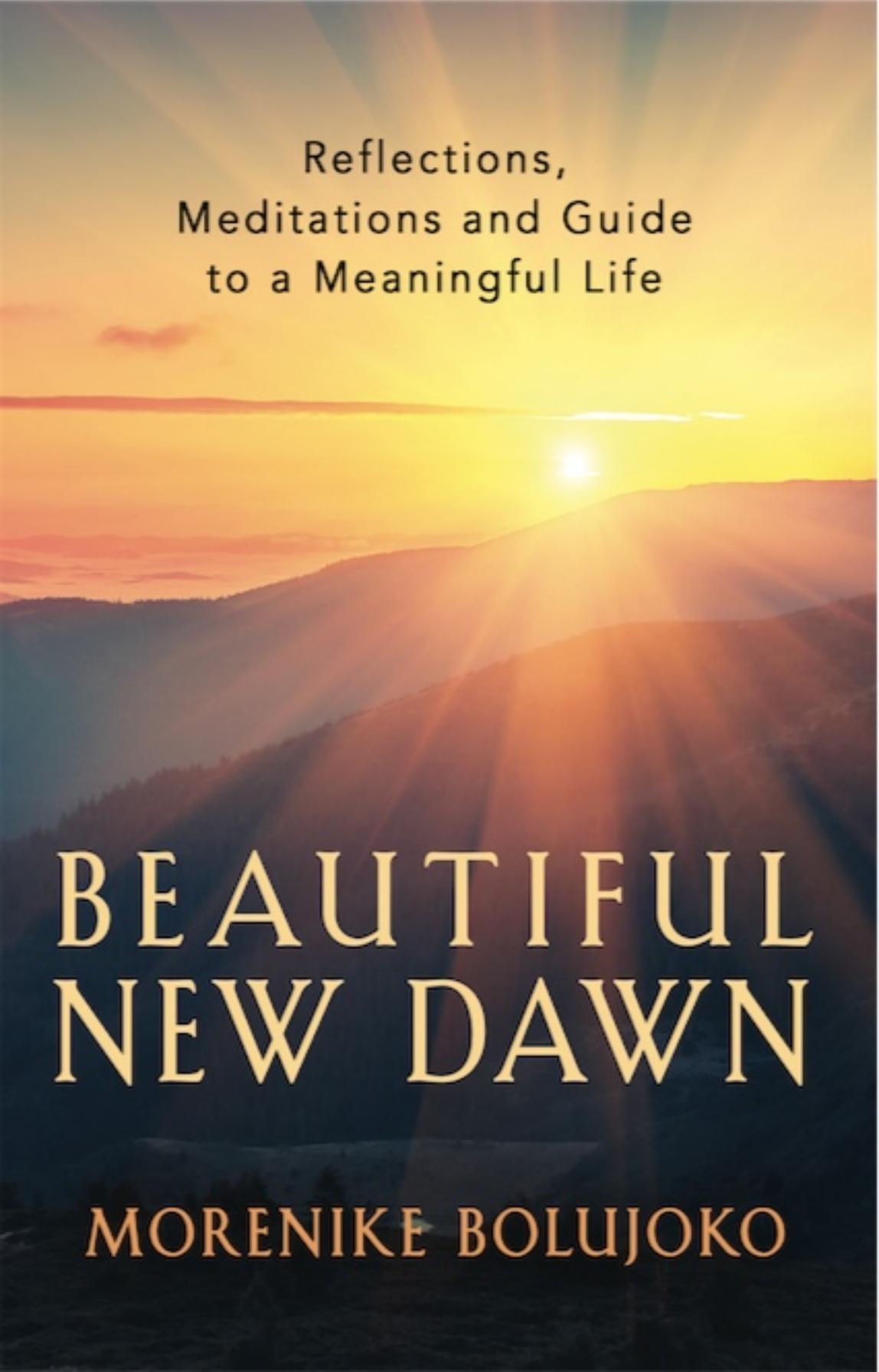
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# Chapter 1

## Who Am I?

*“I don’t want other people to decide who I am.  
I want to decide that for myself.”*

-- Emma Watson.

What Emma Watson has said is so true about living a meaningful life. What you see and what you say will determine the direction or course of your life. For the longest time, I always wanted to please everyone and I wanted the approval of others in everything I did. I cared so much about what people thought and said about me. But I have learned this: There is absolutely no way you can please the world. It doesn’t matter how hard you try, you will only end up being sad and depressed because you just can’t please everyone. Don’t let people define who you are. Remember: you are beautiful inside and out, and made in God’s image.

No one’s life is free from mistakes, pain, and challenges, because no one is perfect. The important thing knows that you are a unique and wonderful child of God. As long as you are pleased

with whatever you do and it is in accordance with God's precepts or will, it should not matter what anyone thinks or says. Self-confidence is the key.

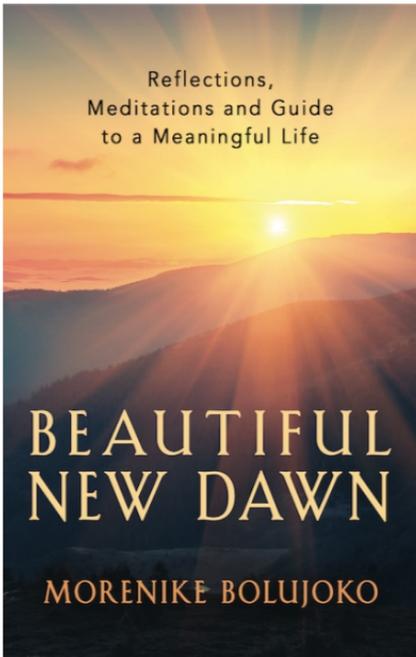
*“I see it this way: I’d rather be hated for who I am,  
than loved for who I am not.”*

-- Kurt Cobain

This is very true: trying to please others and not being your true self will never enable you to live a meaningful life.

**Spiritual Reflection:**

*“I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;  
your works are wonderful, I know that full well.”* (Psalm 139:14)



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