



## Zabelka: The Reluctant Prophet

**THE RELUCTANT PROPHET** is the story of Fr. George Zabelka, Catholic chaplain to the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bomb crews. It documents the 45 year period during which he changed from military 'hawk' to nonviolent peacemaker. The film examines the importance of conscience, the parallels between militarism and racism, the ethics of military training, and the history of Christians concerning war and violence.

### International Critical Acclaim:

This film is one of the most hopeful works of art I have ever experienced. It tells us that change is possible in every living being. Though its hero is a Catholic priest, it is really about all of us—Christian, Jew, Muslim, atheist—all of us.

**Studs Terkel**, Broadcaster and Oral Historian, Pulitzer Prize Winner

**The Reluctant Prophet** is an excellent resource. It will be very useful in social studies, history courses, ethics, religious studies and peace studies. The filmmakers refuse to manipulate their audience. They calmly let the characters and events speak for themselves and the film sets the stage for what every educator wants: to get students thinking on their own.

**Dr. Joseph Fahey**, Manhattan College

This is a powerful well made film. It puts the case for nonviolence very eloquently and comes at a most appropriate time when the questions of war and peace, violence and nonviolence, have never been debated more vehemently. I hope it will be seen widely for it is a searching challenge to the Christian conscience.

**Desmond Tutu**, Archbishop of Cape Town, Noble Peace Prize Winner

I found this documentary deeply moving and inspiring. It gives me great hope because it shows that people's thinking can change. It should be watched by everyone.

**Mairead Corrigan McGuire**, Noble Peace Prize Winner

Convincing, excellently documented, thought-provoking and deeply moving, **The Reluctant Prophet** deserves to be seen by as many people as possible. . . Without any doubt, this film is an excellent educational tool.

**Henry J. M. Nouwen**, Author and Priest

This is an excellent film. . . It pushes us to the realization that there is only one road for humanity today, the one presented to us in the Gospels, the road of unconditional love.

**Jean Vanier**, Founder, L'Arche Communities

It is my hope that this film will encourage vast numbers of Christians to take their discipleship as peacemakers far more seriously. For unless this happens, I am pessimistic about the future of both the church and civilization.

**Dr. M. Scott Peck**, Author and Psychiatrist