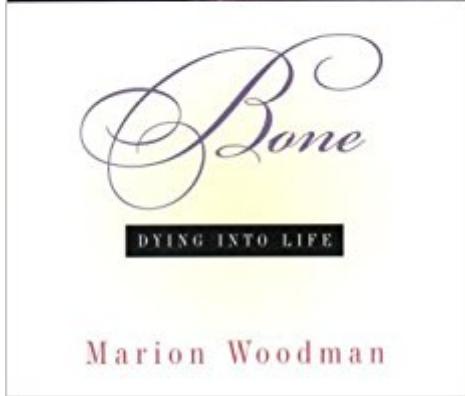


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# Bone: Dying Into Life



## **Synopsis**

A rich and intimate journey into one of life's most challenging experiences from an acclaimed author and analyst Marion Woodman is renowned as the ultimate chronicler of women's experience. In her latest work, she combines her trademark insight with a personal lesson in wisdom and strength. On November 7, 1993, Marion Woodman was diagnosed with uterine cancer. *Bone* is the story, told in journal form, of her illness and healing and of the journey to transforming herself. More than a meditation on illness, *Bone* offers insights into healing and the role of art and poetry in the soul's journey to balance and wholeness. Woodman is extraordinarily honest about the factors she feels led her down the path to cancer, physically and spiritually, over the course of her early life. She also details the harrowing aspects of her journey and how she ultimately returned to health. Filled with art, line drawings, quotations from Rumi, Emily Dickinson, William Blake, and others, *Bone* is a unique and sensitive testament to the human spirit and to the tremendous courage of this extraordinary woman.

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*Bone* by Marion Woodman is the autobiography by a woman faced with death. Marion faced one of the scariest things anyone is ever faced with, cancer. She guides you with her day to day life in this terror. She was diagnosed with uterine cancer in November of 1993. Marion had worked her whole life trying to care for and manage a good and healthy well being. She wondered how could her body do this to her after everything she had done for it? Throughout the book Marion tries and connects

with her body. By connecting to her body she believes she can free herself from cancer, even though she feels as if she doesn't have cancer at all. Radiation therapy she considers as a toxin for her body. Radiation gives you burns, leaves you feeling weak, and with one miscalculation can damage other organs leaving her with permanent damage. Even though Marion has her beliefs about radiation therapy she continues on with the treatment; she is able to eliminate the uterine cancer. Feeling free from this horrible disease she continues to live her life joyfully, and she reconnects with her body and soul. Later on she develops pain in her back when she walks. She is diagnosed with severe osteoporosis and osteoarthritis in her lower back. Marion's scans also showed something else. Marion had a tumor on the inside of her sacrum. The doctor figures the cancer has metastasized, but it is too dangerous and impossible to biopsy the tumor to give them the results. Given this news Marion is only given a certain amount of time to live. She seeks the opinion of another doctor and he suspects it is not cancer. So Marion continues to struggle walking and moving, left with great pain, but insists on living her life, thankful she is alive. Bone is a fantastic book that showed me an insight of a cancer patient.

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