



The Fifth Gospel A Novel

By Ian Caldwell

Simon & Schuster. Hardcover. Condition: New. 448 pages. In Ian Caldwells masterful follow-up to his international sensation The Rule of Four, a lost gospel, a contentious relic, and a dying popes final wish converge to send two brothersboth Vatican priestson an intellectual quest to untangle Christianitys greatest historical mystery. Ten years ago, Ian Caldwell and Dustin Thomasons The Rule of Four became a literary phenomenon that earned comparisons to Umberto Ecos The Name of the Rose and Donna Tartts The Secret History. Hailed as ingenious. . . profoundly erudite (The New York Times), compulsively readable (People), and an exceptional piece of scholarship (San Francisco Chronicle), it spent forty-nine weeks on the New York Times bestseller list, sold nearly two million copies in North America, and was translated into thirty-five languages around the world. Now, after a decade of painstaking primary research, Ian Caldwell returns with a new intellectual thriller that confirms his place among the most ambitious popular storytellers working today. In 2004, as Pope John Paul IIs reign enters its twilight, a mysterious exhibit is under construction at the Vatican Museums. A week before it is scheduled to open, its curator is murdered at a clandestine meeting on the...



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