## **Changing Faith**

## Is a man's spiritual pursuit something he selects, or something that selects him?

According to Pew Report, "Americans change religious affiliation early and often. In total, about half of American adults have changed religious affiliation at least once during their lives." Of "those who switch from one Protestant denominational family to another (e.g., were raised Baptist and are now Methodist) tend to be more likely to do so in response to changed circumstances in their lives. Nearly four-in-ten people who have changed religious affiliation within Protestantism say they left their childhood faith, in part, because they relocated to a new community, and nearly as many say they left their former faith because they married someone from a different religious background" (Pew Report, Faith and Flux, Feb. 2011). ret