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By Anthony Fisher
Really cool collection. Best parts: The autobiography at the beginning and the letters (the Diary is pretty cool, but somewhat repetitive [sections of days that just say "With Tears." "No Tears" "With Copious tears"]); and of course the Spiritual Exercises are classics in themselves)

The writings of a major Christian thinker
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About the Author
Ignatius Loyola (1491-1556) was trained as a page at the court of Castile. Wounded at the siege of Pamplona in 1521, he underwent a deep conversion, eventually travelling to Jerusalem and beginning to study. He attracted like-minded students and in 1534 they took vows and formed the 'Society of Jesus', popularly known as the Jesuits. From 1540 he was elected Superior General and lived in Rome, organising the astonishing spread of the Jesuits. He was canonized in 1622.