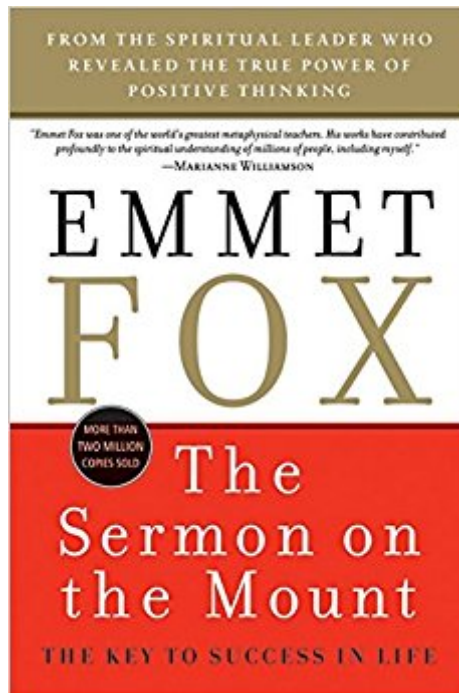




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The Sermon On The Mount: The Key To Success In Life



Synopsis

What did Jesus teach? Distilled from years of study and lecture, affirmed by nearly a million readers over the last fifty years, Emmet Fox's answer in *The Sermon on the Mount* is simple. The Bible is a "textbook of metaphysics" and the teachings of Jesus express--without dogma--a practical approach for the development of the soul and for the shaping of our lives into what we really wish them to be. For Fox, Jesus was "no sentimental dreamer, no mere dealer in empty platitudes, but the unflinching realist that only a great mystic can be." In his most popular work, Emmet Fox shows how to: Understand the true nature of divine wisdom. Tap into the power of prayer. Develop a completely integrated and fully expressed personality. Transform negative attitudes into life-affirming beliefs. Claim our divine right to the full abundance of life.

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Customer Reviews

The Sermon on the Mount--now passing its 65th birthday--remains a vital and provocative introduction to the ideas at the heart of Christian Science. At heart it means to be entirely practical, as the "Science" of the name would indicate. Denying any interest in theology (there is no theology in the Bible, Fox argues), the author instead suggests that what Jesus was after was results: "Jesus explains to us what the nature of God is, and what our own nature is; tells us the meaning of life and of death; shows us why we make mistakes; why we yield to temptation; why we become sick, and impoverished, and old; and, most important of all, he tells us how all these evils may be overcome, and how we may bring health, happiness, and true prosperity into our lives." And the Spiritual Key?

Fox puts it quite simply: "The Truth turns out to be nothing less than the amazing but undeniable fact that the whole outer world--whether it be the physical body, the common things of life, the winds and the rain, the clouds, the earth itself--is amenable to man's thought, and that he has dominion over it when he knows it." --Doug Thorpe

“A practical handbook of spiritual development . . . [Fox] gives his readers a profound outlook upon life and an absolutely fresh scale of values.” (New York Times Book Review) Emmet Fox has been a major spiritual inspiration in my life and a significant intellectual force behind all my work. (Steve Chandler, author of *The Story of You*) “Emmet Fox was one of the world's greatest metaphysical teachers. His works have contributed profoundly to the spiritual understanding of millions of people, including myself.” (Marianne Williamson, author of *A Return to Love*)

Every one on the planet needs it. I have 2 copies. The hardback, and the paperback gets "loved" underline, margin notes, stars. The 8 Beatitudes, are the instruction of how to use your Dominion--how life works. But, misunderstood, it's meaning was lost and applied only to your physical actions. In reality, it is your thought process, and your beliefs, and your prejudices etc that create a problem. It tells you how to clean up your subconscious (which has all the power) , so you attain your Happy Healthy Wealthy life. Two points here: the "persecution" comes from your subconscious. Not martyrdom. Second, when someone is evil, you need to understand that, their Christ Within is crying out for your help. LOVE YOUR ENEMY and forgive, so they are relieved of that extra burden, and others who are further along on the spiritual path can do the same for you. God is all there is, God is Love, Love never created evil. I am into Emmet Fox. In the Lords Prayer, Jesus knew that his message would be corrupted overtime, but the Lords Prayer "Our Father", could not be misunderstood. It is Jesus pure teaching, safe, that too is a must read. It would end all conflict.

This is an interesting take on Matthew, from a Scientific Christianity point of view. I give it three stars not because it is good or bad (I have no yardstick to measure philosophy of theology texts) but because it is, to me, a middle of the road read. I would strongly recommend it, though, for people who want to explore the Emmet Fox point of view, the Power of Positive Thought, Divine Science, etc. As with many philosophy books, no one is killer good, and the best way to get a sense of this branch of Western thought is just to read alot. This should be on that reading list.

One of my favorite things about the book is Fox's bold statements: "Jesus did not teach a theology. He taught principles." Don't let that worry you. He nevertheless convinces us that Jesus is the son of God and is worthy of the title Savior of the World. And be assured that Fox is not wushu washy on Jesus message: "look either Jesus meant what he said or he did not. I believe he meant what he said in one part of scripture, then believe he meant what he said in the Gospel of Matthew that we are indeed to turn the other cheek, love our enemies, repay not evil with evil but repay evil with good!.

I first read this book 35 years ago, but today it makes more sense than ever. If you like reading the writings of the Christian Mystics of the Middle Ages, this book is the modern version in plain English. If you practice it, this book will change your life forever. A primer on the teaching of Jesus. Indispensable in your spiritual classics library.

This is one of the greatest books ever written for those who consider themselves agnostic or have great fear/distrust of organized religions. It blew open misunderstood perceptions from my childhood faith/church. Dramatically changed my life. Have studied it for 32 years.

By far the very best interpretation of the Christ message I have ever read...I highly recommend it to anyone wanting to take their faith and prayer to an all new level.

This is an amazing book. This is probably my 5th copy of it. I always end up giving the bound copies away. This has and is the most profound message on spirituality I've ever read bar none. Emmet Fox was a great spiritual leader of his time, would have loved to listen to him in person. Every time I read a passage from this book it seems to open up new paths in my journey. I can't recommend this book highly enough for anyone, particularly those who may be struggling with a personal relationship to the power that runs the universe. Enjoy!

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