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What Is Wrong With Scientology?: Healing Through Understanding



Synopsis

The first critical treatment of Scientology that seeks to identify and correct what is wrong with it rather than to merely expose or advocate against the subject. A handbook for former, current and prospective members. The book can help to heal any damage done by misuse while rehabilitating any positives derived from Scientology. The book also serves to proof up an individual against being harmed by misapplication of Scientology in the future. As the first simple, accurate description of the philosophy from its introductory to its most advanced levels, the book will inform those interested in Scientology as no other available work has.

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Customer Reviews

I've only recently become interested in the subject of Scientology. This book outlines the current beliefs and structure of the church, how it got flipped upside down, and explores the next evolutionary step for Scientology if it is meant to survive - If it continues to serve the ultimate purpose of mankind's spiritual evolution.I appreciate the honesty Marty shares. He distills down what was ever good about Scientology. I knew it had to exist since so many have been sucked into it's current insanity. In other words, I knew the koolaid must taste pretty damn sweet.How lucky are

we, that we can learn from Marty's experiences without blowing hundreds of thousands of dollars and wasting years of our lives to figure this out on own, or being destroyed by it! Thanks Marty! I'm no Scientologist, but you're a hero in my book! May you be blessed.

With all wide variety of Scientology 'expose's' available, it's difficult to find a book on the subject that clearly outlines the subject and then gives a lucid portrayal of what is wrong with the current state of affairs in the organization. Mr. Rathbun has done this expertly, minus the wild-eyed accusations that seem to be the soup du jour when writing about Scientology. It was a great read and worthwhile for anyone, familiar or not with the subject.

If you're an independent Scientologist or someone who is still in the church but having doubts about the madness you see around you, you owe it to yourself to read Marty's book. As someone who was never in Scientology, I don't always agree with Marty's views but there probably isn't anyone better to speak to those people who still believe in the technology of L. Ron Hubbard.

Another good book by a talented author. Only drawback is there are too many unanswered questions. However, for anyone curious about the world's most controversial religion, it's worth a read.

This is the best source of data on scientology I've found. Marty knows what every truth seeker is looking for and answers tough questions head on. Bravo!!!

This is for a former member of the group. I appreciate all the efforts Marty has put into writing these tomes. They certainly help one to recover and use abilities without making one wrong..

The difficult explanation Marty tries to dissect here of what Scientology can offer to heal and uplift Mankind as originally envisaged, and how the application of the technology 180 degrees around can destroy people and is now used by the very church to do exactly that, is well handled by an expert in the technology. And this can only be done by a Marty who attained high levels of technology application. He was the one who audited Tom Cruise all the way up, and many other celebrities. Who better to address this issue - cool and with a view that there is a solution to the current state of affairs in the official Church of Scientology.

I would have wanted to write a book like this myself, but Mark covered all the topics in such a thorough and insightful manner that it would be redundant for me to do so now. It is truly refreshing to finally read a book from the perspective of a former very high ranking Church official with a full grasp of the technology and not from someone with a hidden agenda to discredit L. Ron Hubbard, the technology or the true Scientology philosophy per se. So as a spoiler alert, for those expecting and salivating for the usual rant and diatribe against LRH and Scientology would not want to read this book because it will definitively upset you in a big way. Be warned as well that it may very well wake you up from the falsities and brainwashing you have been exposed to by the media and the government and then be able to see what the real Scientology is all about. I was fortunate to learn about Scientology in 1971, way before Hubbard's technology and philosophy was so severely altered and "squirreled" by its self-proclaimed successor David Miscavige to the point that today it is almost unworkable. I had the privilege to get trained and audited with standard technology the way LRH meant it to be done. After a decade of intense hard work and dedication I finally made it all the way up to OT III in 1981. I can also personally attest that Scientology works but as Mark indicates, only when applied with the rigorous quality standards Ron so much emphasized and that are sadly no longer available within corporate Scientology. The book very aptly and in a nutshell explains what Ron's real Scientology is all about and how it has been altered and degraded by Mr. Miscavige. A very difficult endeavor that in my opinion the author manages to do with much success. Having left corporate Scientology for good exactly thirty years ago and losing complete contact with everyone in the Church, I had no information as to what was really going on inside the Organization nor how even Miscavige, which I mistrusted from the onset, got into power. This book, as well as the other two Mark wrote, has given me so much needed and wanted information to fill the gaps that I have blown incredible amounts of bypassed charge, giving me wins and cognitions beyond belief. Let me explain... The gains I attained with the real Scientology processes, specially in OT III, were so truly amazing that my life changed forever for the better. Of course, my perceptual abilities grew very sharp and surely thanks to that I began to sense that something strange was starting to go on in Scientology around 1982. But since I was a public paying preclear spending large amounts of money for training and auditing I was given VIP treatment and I was not privy to the secretive inside workings of the Organization. Nevertheless, although I could not pin point exactly what it was, I just knew there was wrongness going on. I had no proof but I also sensed that LRH was no longer running the Organization. Then, after several very highly trained, dedicated and undisputedly true Scientologists friends of mine that were on the Sea Org left the Church or were declared "suppressive" and expelled for absurd and unjustified reasons, and after personally

experiencing the "squirreling" and misapplication of the technology starting to proliferate inside the Church as Mark lays out in his books, in 1983 I decided it was time to leave the Church even though I had already paid for OT IV. An extremely tough and incredibly difficult decision to make and one that only someone like Mark and other bonafide Scientologist will be able to understand fully. Thanks to the wonderful insight provided by the author in this compelling book as well as his other two I finally now have a very clear picture of exactly what was going on inside the Church during those difficult years before Ron's death up until the present time, all from the viewpoint of a true Scientologist. I always knew that leaving the Church was the right decision, but the information within these books reiterated and rehabilitated once again that I left exactly at the right time. Although I left "Scientology, Inc." for good in 1983 and have no intention to ever coming back, the teachings and the gains I received have formed an integral part of my life and will forever remain to be so. Ironically, it even helped me free myself from the shackles of needing a religion and has been crucial in my continued spiritual search and transcendence specially through the fields of quantum physics and Eastern philosophies. I just want to let it be known that this is the first time I have ever written anything about Scientology so I will take this opportunity to state that I have and will always have my deepest and most profound admiration and respect for LRH and his great technological legacy. I always had it very clear in my mind never to throw the baby out with the bathwater, specially not a baby as big and wonderful as this one. I highly recommend this book to all the real Scientologist out there or anyone without a bias that is genuinely interested in finding out what it is really all about because it is free of hidden agendas like so many other books out there on Scientology, mostly written by non-Scientologists that don't have even the slightest clue of what the Scientology technology is all about or that for one reason or another have a very big ax to grind. Due to the organizational structure of the present day Church, it is literally impossible to dethrone Mr. Miscavige from within. But maybe with other books like this, it could very well lead to the beginning of a new reformed movement that would finally rescue the true Scientology technology from the claws of present day corporate Scientology and make it available to the general public once again. Keep up the good work Mark. ARC, John Sawdrove

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