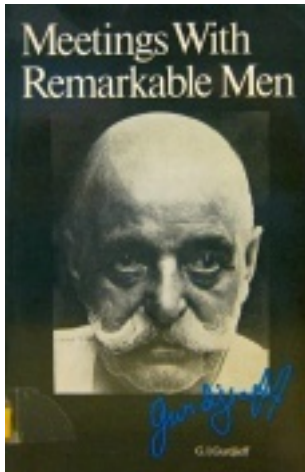

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Description

'You must learn not what people round you consider good or bad, but to act in life as your conscience bids you'

For twenty years, the spiritual teacher Gurdjieff journeyed through Central Asia and the Middle East. Part travelogue, part adventure, part spiritual guide, *Meetings with Remarkable Men* vividly describes his encounters with the people who aided his search for knowledge: his father, a bard, who handed down to him tales of wonder and magic; a Russian prince dedicated to the truth; a Persian dervish who taught him a new way of living; a woman who escaped slavery to become a trusted fellow seeker. Through them, we see a young man discovering the answers to who we are and what it means to live fully.

With a new Introduction by Gary Lachman

Insightful reviews

Bettie?:



Adam: Wikipedia: "George Ivanovich Gurdjieff (????????? ?????????? ??????????, Georgiy Ivanovich Gyurdzhiev (or Gurdjiev); (January 13, 1866? – October 29, 1949), was an Armenian-Greek mystic, a teacher of sacred dances, and a spiritual teacher. He is most notable for introducing what some refer to as "The Work," connoting work on oneself according to Gurdjieff's principles and instructions, or as he first referred to it, the Fourth Way."

Pretty run of the mill early 20th century mystic. He was also, apparently, an egomaniac prone to believing the stories of old men in the desert. Or possibly completely making up old men in the desert to tell stories about.

And I read his book.

Paul Kieniewicz: It's a book I read many years ago and return to every now and then. Made into a great movie too. Though it reads like non-fiction, presents purportedly real people, it has to be read with a grain of salt. There's no doubt in my mind that the author is toying with his audience, daring the reader to believe what is unashamedly nonsense. This is the most accessible of all of Gurdjieff's writings I have come across, a window into an extraordinary world. I've no doubt that it's real. But, entering it is anything but easy.

Sarah: Look, i do not recognize a lot approximately Gurdjieff other than that my library it seems

that subscribes to the newsletter, yet this publication was once beautiful good. i do not be aware of if it used to be the eye-opening knowledge tome Greg could have subconsciously prompt it was, yet there have been a few reliable tales in there. whether they have been inconveniently told. For instance, this can be kind of how the "Pre-Sands Egypt" tale goes:Chapter 1. Oh man! We chanced on this rockin' map. we're EXCITED to head ADVENTURING.Chapter 2. here is a tale a few dog.Chapter 3. here is a tale a few dude.Chapter 4. here is a tale a couple of prince.Chapter 4a. here is a tale a few lady.Chapter 5. Yeah. Pre-sand Egypt used to be lovely awesome. You absolutely ignored it.Chapter 6. here is a tale approximately one other dude.Greg says Gurdjieff does this on goal to get me to imagine or whatever. i am simply inspired by means of smart humans going out on the earth and making it on their strong sense. anything i'm tragically bad at.

Flowquietly: Taught me to determine how awesome everyone is and to seem for different notable males from the earlier and current

Justin: no longer particularly as deep as Beelzebub's Tales, yet extra simply accessible. a huge sadness for me. Beelzebub's stories was once way more enlightening and engrossing. For extra perception and wisdoms see the aforementioned stories and likewise writings from one in every of Gurdjieff's closest associates, P.D. Ouspensky as exact in a brand new version of the Universe. a few of my favourite excerpts: On journalism p.18-p.20 "This kind of literature has develop into very frequent in recent years because, in line with my unshakable conviction, it solutions extra thoroughly than the rest to the weaknesses and calls for which bring about the ever-increasing will-lessness of man. It therefore hurries up in humans the atrophy of even their final probabilities for buying these facts which previously nonetheless gave them a undeniable relative attention of there personal individuality, which by myself ends up in what we name "remembering oneself" that completely valuable think about the method of self-perfecting. "To our universal misfortune, this journalistic literature, that's changing into extra common within the lifetime of humans 12 months by way of year, weakens the already weakened brain of guy nonetheless extra through laying it open with out resistance to all types of deceit and delusion, and leads it off target from particularly well-founded thinking, hence stimulating in people, rather than sane judgement, quite a few unworthy properties, similar to incredulity, indignation, fear, fake shame, hypocrisy, satisfaction etc and so forth. On faith pp.240"Faith can't be given to man. religion arises in a guy and raises in its motion in him now not because the results of computerized learning, that is, no longer from any automated ascertainment of height, breadth, thickness, shape and weight, or from the notion of something through sight, hearing, touch, scent or taste, yet from understanding. knowing is the essence acquired from info deliberately leaned and from every kind of stories individually experienced."

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