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# Reinventing Truth: A New Map Of The Spiritual Path And Reality As It Is



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By Edward Mannix



## Synopsis

Reinventing Truth, by Edward Mannix, challenges many of the popularly held beliefs that have become conventional wisdom among spiritual seekers over the past 40+ years. The book highlights when these beliefs fall down or lead to distorted, undesirable consequences - often times because they are only partial truths, not the whole thing. In Part I of the book, the author sheds new light on diverse foundational topics including ego, karma, power, enlightenment, and others. He opens each chapter with a pithy observation that points to the chapter's primary theme. For example, "Things went wrong. Don't be fooled by the silver lining." "Ego is not the enemy. When you think it is, that is your ego talking anyway." "Karma is not just created by what we do. It is also created by what happens to us." "Power does not corrupt. Power reveals." "Half enlightenment is not full enlightenment." Building on the thematic expositions of Part I, Part II delves into deeper philosophical waters - challenging limiting beliefs such as the Buddhist assertion that we can't be fully enlightened in physical form, and overturning more nuanced misunderstandings held by many spiritual seekers and spiritual teachers alike. For example, the idea that there is no such thing as a mistake. From the text: "The organizing intelligence of the universe is so awesome, that no matter what we choose in each moment, in the very next moment, everything is already set up to give us a path from where we are to experiencing the bliss of full enlightenment. Reality reconfigures around us in each moment, opening a new door for us to step through towards the Light, orchestrating a new set of synchronicities to lead us there. At any point in time we can look back on our life path and see how everything was set up to lead us to exactly where we are, and this is true no matter how many mistakes we have made and how many times we have strayed from the path of surrender to our Highest Self. Because this is true, it is easy for us to think that we were always on the path and never strayed from it. It is easy for us to get confused and think that we never made any mistakes and that everything including our wrong action was part of the perfect, Divine Plan." In its totality, Reinventing Truth leads readers to a fuller, more refined and ultimately more useful understanding of reality - a more accurate conception of Reality As It Is that can serve as the basis for a happier and more aligned life.

**ABOUT THE AUTHOR** Edward Mannix has been on a conscious path of personal and spiritual development for over twenty years. He has practiced Vipassana meditation in a monastery in Burma, travelled to Nepal to receive teachings and empowerments from Tibetan Rinpoches, and worked with hidden masters from a number of traditions and geographies, spanning Asia, Europe and the United States. Throughout his journey, Edward has consistently focused on a form of practical spirituality à "integrating his spiritual pursuits into ordinary life, not leaving worldly endeavors behind, but instead using them as a vehicle to go deeper

into awakening. While on his conscious path and prior to becoming an author, he worked in the private sector as a management consultant and social entrepreneur. He holds an M.B.A. from Columbia University where he studied Sustainability and Social Enterprise, an M.A. from The School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) at Johns Hopkins University, and a B.A. in Psychology and Economics from Indiana University. Drawing upon unique insight and an unusually diverse set of life experiences, Edward brings fresh perspective to ancient wisdom, and is emerging as an important new voice in the arenas of philosophy, spiritual development and personal transformation. OTHER BOOKS BY EDWARD Impossible Compassion: Utilizing Directed Compassion to Cure Disease, Save the Environment, Transform Relationships... and Do All Sorts of Other Good Things for Ourselves and Everyone Else

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The intelligence that wrote this book is brilliant.. hands up AND down. This is the kind of brilliance that challenges your very core, which is not exactly comfortable, but ABSOLUTELY necessary. If there is something in this book that you are not in alignment with, let it be exactly that, something that you are not in alignment with, but, DO NOT THROW THE BABY OUT WITH THE BATH WATER!! The pages in this book are chock full of new and, for the most part, unexplored areas of

human consciousness. These unexplored areas are EXACTLY where we all need to look. Why? Because what we have been doing for bacrillions of years is NOT WORKING. This book has the potential, with your co-operation, to not only change your life, but LIFE itself. I love how much each chapter looks at aspects of our culture, and turns it upside down, or inside out. It's almost like, "Okay everybody, now, I just need you to ALL go in the exact OPPOSITE direction!". I know it's not that simple.. I guess what I'm trying to say is that it seems that we are all getting it wrong, BUT all in the same ways, which could make it much easier to fix as a result! The fact that some of these ideas (okay most!) feel counter-intuitive is a GOOD SIGN. Don't let the first thought that pops into your head be your last. Turn your reactions into responses (short for "responsible"). If this book has entered your awareness, you may be being "invited" (by whom I'll leave up to you) to reinvent your truth, which of course would reinvent your life. If your life is perfect, and you have no desire for revision.. read this book anyway! I invite everyone to "try" these new ideas on for size.. see for yourself what is true for you. I believe this book could lead billions to a much happier, more meaningful life. It has changed mine, especially chapter 17. When Truth arrives, all excuses evaporate.. in other words, they can't hold water. I surrender to the Truth. Thank you Edward.

I found this book challenging from the very first sentences of Chapter 1: "Things went wrong. Don't be fooled by the silver lining." I was immediately disturbed by this forthright statement that runs counter to the way I typically think about difficult occurrences. Instead of putting the book aside, I read on. I began to see a distinct perception of the universe that ran parallel to my own, different but parallel. Chapter by chapter, I continued to weigh the author's claims and evidence and found that I could not refute them entirely. I especially liked how the book was set up, Part 1 chapters that set forth premise and explanation and then Part 2 chapters that were commentaries to clarify the origin of the perception and shortfalls and dangers of other beliefs that many have relied upon for spiritual guidance and emotional stamina for a long time. In the end, I found my world-view expanded. This book is well worth the read.

Okay. So i've had the honour of not only reading Edward's book but interacting with him personally. There is a VERY strong difference between a writer that lives and embodies their material and a writer that's regurgitating words. It is, in fact, the most important thing. What we create carries our vibration; and in the world of emergent healers, we earn out stripes by going through the process and \* achieving \* the results we wish to share with the World. My impression of Edward; through his writing and our personal dialogue; was that of a man that walks his talk; the clarified and distilled

essence of lifetimes of personal searching. Our paths are our own; unique and beautiful across the mapwork of our lives. What works for one may not work for another; and we are drawn by Grace to the allies that will best serve our forward momentum. In 'Reinventing Truth'; I heard the declarations of a being that has applied a healthy dose of skepticism and proof, of rigorous examination of the roots of what made up his reality; criticizing fairly the practices that were not authentic to his soul's journey. It has been an honour to work with Edward and discuss the Path we all must walk on our eventual journey to releasing the Divinity that lies within us all. Recommended. :)

Reinventing Truth: A New Map of the Spiritual Path and Reality As It Is is TRULY a breath of fresh air in spiritual literature. So many of us on the spiritual path have been exposed to the same information over and over again, much of it only part of the "story". Edward Mannix, in this new book, gives us the whole story. Unique and thought provoking, Reinventing Truth is a must read for anyone on a spiritual journey. Those on a spiritual journey, from beginner to advanced student of reality will find an enormous amount of stimulating information to ponder in this book! One of the most intriguing aspects of the book is the commentaries on each chapter. The information and ideas in this book will keep you pondering and studying reality in ways you've never thought of before. Prepare for the ride of your spiritual life! Thank you Edward!

Reinventing Truth is a "must" read for your service to yourself to be able to be at service to others. I admire the author Edward Mannix for his amazing knowledge and compassionate skills. Tsering, Vienna, Austria

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