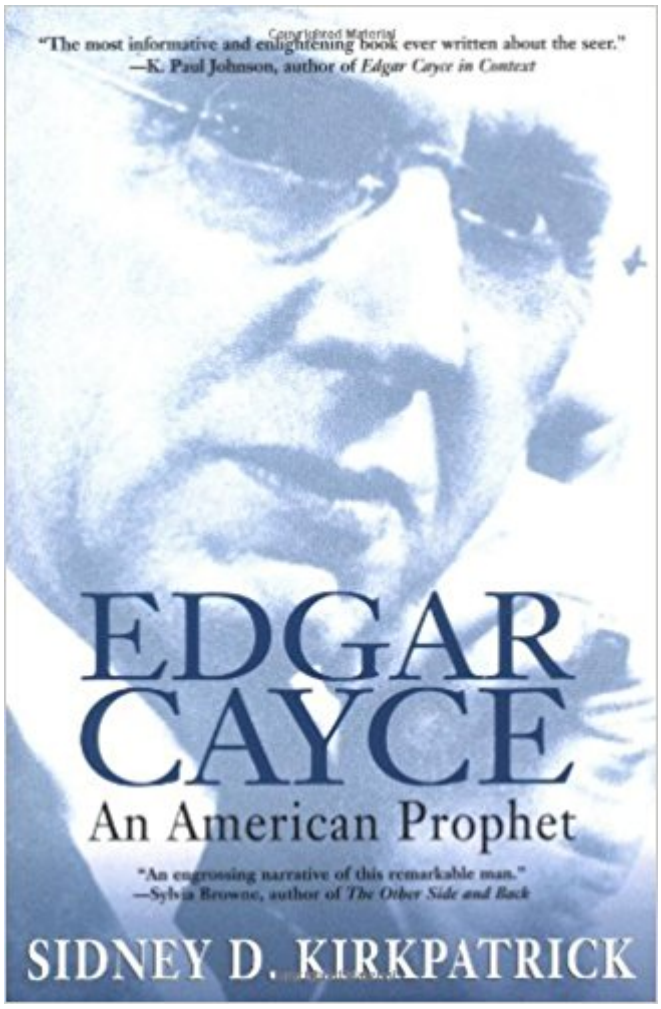
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single-handedly fathered the New Age Movement, although he never intended to. Best known for his abilities as a psychic diagnostician, Cayce, with no medical background, would go to sleep and accurately describe illnesses, then proscribe holistic treatments, which, if followed, consistently yielded cures. Gleaning his knowledge from channeling, what he called the Ã¢â ¬Å“Source,Ã¢â ¬Â• Cayce, the Ã¢â ¬Å“sleeping prophet,Ã¢â ¬Â• also predicted both world wars; spoke on metaphysical topics such as reincarnation, Atlantis, and the life of Christ; and expounded ideas that proved to be years ahead of their time. Kirkpatrick, the only person allowed unrestricted access to all of CayceÃ¢â ¬â„¢s personal writings, presents what every Cayce fan hungers for: a detailed and complete biography that reveals family secrets that were deemed too sensitive to include in earlier works, as well as the long-suppressed identities of the many famous people, from Woodrow Wilson to Thomas Edison, who benefited from CayceÃ¢â ¬â„¢s readings. Kirkpatrick has lovingly renewed the Cayce legacy, bringing forth his spiritual messages of admonishment and hope, which are as significant today as they were in his lifetime.Ã¢â ¬Â•—David Siegfried, BooklistÃ¢â ¬Å“[A] book at once irresistible and (in all senses) incredible...From letters, memoirs and recollections, Kirkpatrick assembles a chronicle of CayceÃ¢â ¬â„¢s waking life that is far richer than anything previously available. The somewhat mythologized account offered by earlier biographies is not so much demolished as filled in with details.Ã¢â ¬Â•—Scott McLemee, NewsdayÃ¢â ¬Å“Kirkpatrick is the first writer to be given full access to Edgar CayceÃ¢â ¬â„¢s letters and papers and it shows. This massive biography of the humble Kentucky farm boy whose gift for psychic healing brought him both worldwide fame and personal hardships, presents an exhaustive...account.Ã¢â ¬Â• —Entertainment WeeklyÃ¢â ¬Å“Is it possible for a rural Kentuckian with an eighth-grade education to, while in a trancelike state, have correctly diagnosed thousands of people with seemingly hopeless illnesses? How had Cayce done it? Kirkpatrick spent years reading in the archives and traveling the nation to find out...[He] has done a service by providing a contemporary account so that readers can decide for themselves.Ã¢â ¬Â• —The Denver PostÃ¢â ¬Å“Edgar CayceÃ¢â ¬â„¢s story of life after death and reincarnation sent me on a different path.Ã¢â ¬Â•—Elizabeth KÃƒÂ bler-Ross, author of On Death and Dying and On Life and DeathÃ¢â ¬Å“So many authors have claimed to be the definitive expert on Cayce, often co-opting his teachings to fit their own agendas, that Cayce the man...has all but disappeared into folklore. Sidney D. Kirkpatrick is the first author to have been granted full access to [CayceÃ¢â ¬â„¢s 14,145 documented spiritual readings], as well as all correspondence in [CayceÃ¢â ¬â„¢s] archives. [He] details many ill-fated business relationships that Cayce, ever naive and prone to depression, entered into against the advice of others,

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Sidney D. Kirkpatrick is an award-winning New York Times best-selling author and documentary film director.Ã Â His critically acclaimed non-fiction books include A CAST OF KILLERS, TURNING THE TIDE, LORDS OF SIPAN, EDGAR CAYCE: AN AMERICAN PROPHET, THE REVENGE OF THOMAS EAKINS, and HITLER'S HOLY RELICS.Ã Â His documentary film, MY FATHER THE PRESIDENT, about Theodore Roosevelt as seen through the eyes of his daughter, Ethel Roosevelt Derby, was a winner at the American Film Festival.Ã Â HBO, the History Channel, the Discovery Channel, and the A & E Television Networks have all featured his work.Ã Â Biographical profiles of Kirkpatrick have appeared in the New York Times, Newsweek, Time, The New Yorker, and Playboy.Ã Â He is a graduate of Hampshire College and New York University's Tisch School of the Arts.Ã Â He lives in Huntsville, Canada and Pasadena, California.

I have read extensively about Edgar Cayce, and have done considerable study of his readings.This book provides a service in that it offers far more facts about Cayce's life. The authors, husband and wife, were allowed access to all the documents related to Edgar Cayce. But ... what filled me with hope and inspiration and joy in Sugrue's rendering of Cayce's life is entirely lacking here. Sugrue's book is a spiritual journey, and one grows through reading it. Sugrue knew Cayce intimately, he knew all his family and associates, and his biography was actually guided by readings Cayce did for the book. Kirkpatrick's book is a compilation of facts, written in a most ordinary narrative, devoid of the inspiration held within Cayces' life. Cayce deserves a better definitive biography. There is a vast difference between facts and inspiration!

I recently discovered EC, after hearing a couple of friends talking about him. What I heard tickled my interest enough to search him out and buy some of his books. What I've read so far feels intuitively right to me. I can feel that EC is NOT a fake or a charlatan as so many out there... I came to trust him and to heed what he has to say. Read a book or two about him and make up your own mind. Reading EC has stretched the limits of my own envelop. I'm glad I came across Edgar Cayce!

As was the life and work of Edgar Cayce, this book is a real gift. I wouldn't call myself an avid reader, especially of long books, yet found myself absolutely riveted by this one. Kirkpatrick is a truly gifted writer and Edgar Cayce's life is so incredibly phenomenal and inspiring, that I was completely spell bound for days.I very much appreciated how obviously well researched this book was, as that definitely made everything presented more credible for me. And the rich historical context in which Cayce's life was conveyed gave me a true sense of going back in time which I surprisingly very much enjoyed. I also really liked how three dimensional and real the people were depicted, including Cayce, a man who had strengths and challenges on the personality level, like we all do. Thankfully this is not an idealized version of his life.The fact that Source emerged and then went on to communicate all that was mind blowingly relayed to others, within that historical time period, is truly remarkable, and in many respects would still be the case even today, that's how extraordinary the information was and is. I am a seeker and student of several mind-body-spirit disciplines. Source answered some burning questions I've had for years, from the physical to the spiritual. And through Kirkpatrick, an extremely rich and meaningful tapestry of our great unfolding was woven for me, for which I am most grateful.Furthermore, Kirkpatrick's straightforward, clear, "in plain English" little explanations throughout, of the information given by Source, made the readings accessible and understandable to me in a way and to an extent that they hadn't quite been before. Just as Cayce was a truly remarkable human being, Kirkpatrick is a remarkable author and this is an outstanding book, one of the best I've ever read.

The age of prophets has never ended, and once in a while, someone is born with the gift, determination and emotional resilience to become a true channel for Divine Guidance in this world. Edgar Cayce was one of those individuals. For many years, he used his remarkable gifts to give thousands of accurate, detailed health readings and recommend treatments that saved lives. When Cayce later began giving what are called 'life readings', advice received in trance from 'the Source' about life purpose, the true nature of reality, and spiritual growth, what he revealed was a view of the cosmos and our place in it that went far beyond his own religious beliefs to include (for him and

his times) astonishing principles such as reincarnation, karma, and the Akashic record.This gentle, often deeply troubled, profoundly ethical and committed man who spent most of his life on the edge of, if not in poverty went on to channel astonishing information about Atlantis, the ancient Egyptians, the Great Pyramid and ancient earth changes, and to predict the two world wars and many other historical events.If you have ever wondered about psychic abilities or humanity's real ancient history or whether we really do have a soul purpose, read this book!Edgar Cayce was no saint; he was no reclusive mystic, for he was solidly grounded in the practicalities of life. Yet he was, in the most profound sense a man who could be both saintly and deeply mystical, and whose own psychic powers even out of the trance state were considerable. What is so inspiring about Cayce's story is that it shows that what we do every day, what we think and say and aspire to matters very much on many levels. Cayce said that we all have the same innate powers that he had, if we were prepared to create the conditions for their development. But more important, we can and must take responsibility for what we do in this life, and through our small daily actions towards ourselves and others, we can help to heal ourselves and this world, and bring humanity closer to its true spiritual destiny.I have read previous biographies of Edgar Cayce, all good ones, but this one, based on seven years of research by the author and his wife, is by far the most complete, frank and insightful of all, and beautifully written. I applaud author Sidney Kirkpatrick on this very important book.

have purchased three of these and would purchase another. Have given two away as gifts and the feedback was astounding. Something was surely going on with this man. Houdini could not (as quoted in this book) understand what was happening when he witnessed Cayce in a trance. You would not be disappointed if you bought this book.

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