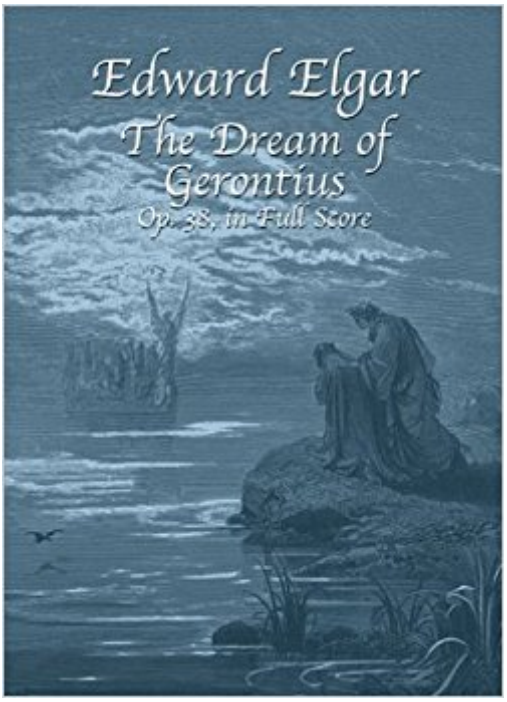
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Synopsis

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Customer Reviews

I heard Father Benedict Groeschel read this on the radio one night, and it had me sitting in my car in front of my house in a state of awe, listening to it for half an hour. Written by John Henry Newman, a nineteenth-century intellectual who converted to Catholicism while he was an Anglican bishop, it is a first-person account of a person who dies surrounded by priests and loved ones (whose prayers he can still hear dimly as he begins his Travels). While he still is aware of himself as fully "himself," he describes rapidly going through changes and passing through an almost unbearable love as he moves into a very intense and loving purification process.Naturally this is not a "real" account of an experience which anyone who has gone through it has ever come back to describe, but it still solidifies my respect for John Henry Newman and makes me want to read more of him. It’s printed off old plates which have written corrections and edits marked on them, but I’m glad had it in print.

The word "awesome" is so over-used that I rarely use it myself (people describe tortilla chips as "awesome"), but that word truly applies to this poem.

I recommend you to spend more money and get the real deal! Unfortunately, there is nothing else about it on the kindle store, you will need to order the book...Another disappointment!

No one’s Faith and acceptance of Death could be more elegantly described, as this man did before his own demise.

excellent recording

I needed the script to go with the musical work, so this is very satisfactory.

Good clear printing of Gerontius piano/vocal score

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extremely expensive! poor value for money!

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