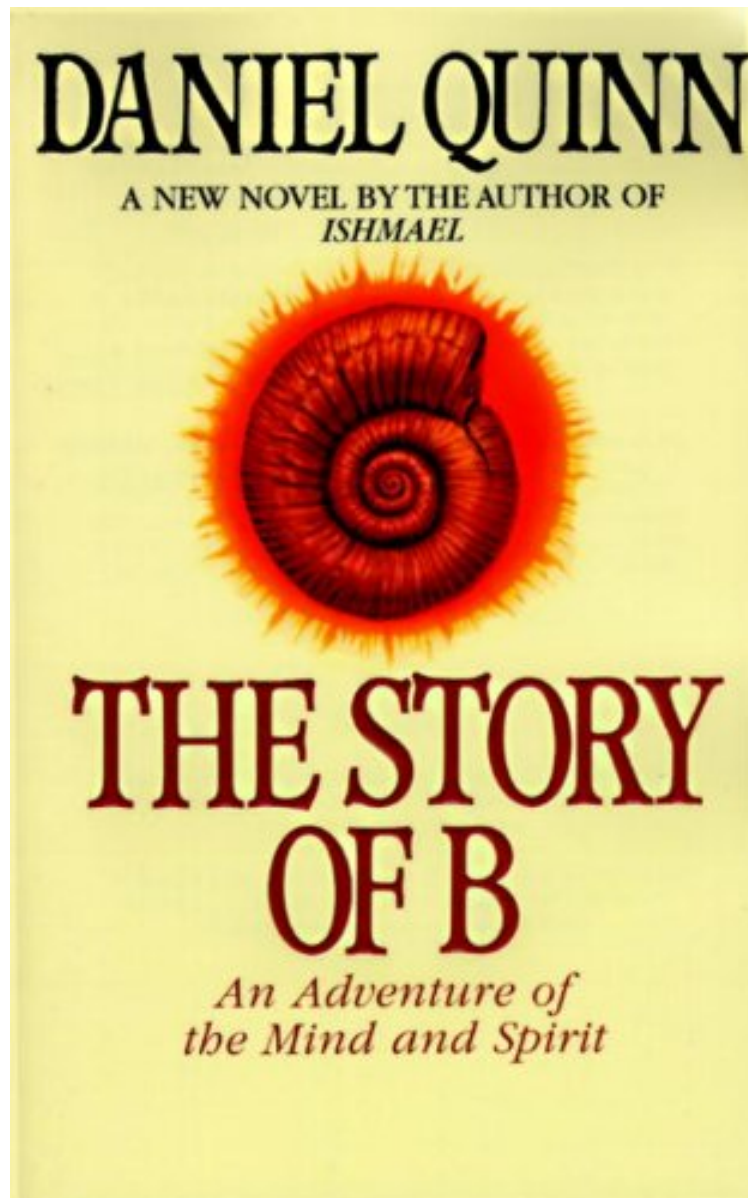


(Download pdf) The Story of B

The Story of B

Von Daniel Quinn

*ePub | *DOC | audiobook | ebooks | Download PDF*



DOWNLOAD



+

READ ONLINE

Produktinformation -Verkaufsrang: #307415 in eBooksVerffentlicht am: 2010-01-08Erscheinungsdatum: 2010-01-13File Name: B00338075Y | File size: 21.Mb

Von Daniel Quinn : The Story of B before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Story of B:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. read this if you want to save the world...Von Astritaif you read ishmael, this is a good book for further deepening your

understanding of taker culture. Even though i enjoyed the plot around "B", it all felt a little bit unnecessary and disjointed from the core message discussed in this book.

4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. my ever fav Quinn Von ValDeTSOB geht neben den beiden "Ismael" und "Ismaels Geheimnis" (original: "Ishmael" und "My Ishmael") zu der sogenannten Ishmael-Triologie. Leider wurde dieses Buch hier, der zweite Teil nie ins Deutsche bersetzt. Wer aber offen fr die englische Sprache ist und gerne mehr ber Daniel Quinns Gedankengnge erfahren will, wird sicher seinen Spa an diesem Buch haben. Allerdings sollten Leser von "Ismael" und/oder "Ismaels Geheimnis" wissen, dass TSOB ein vllig anderer Stil ist. Zwar gibt es dort auch eine Art Lehrer wie in den anderen beiden den Gorilla Ismael und es gibt auch hier viele Gesprche, die fr uns alle wichtig sind. Aber was TSOB von den anderen beiden unterscheidet ist, dass es eine solide, mitreiende Handlung hat und das von vorne bis hinten. Das ist, was mancher bei den anderen beiden Ismael-Bchern mglicherweise vermisst (ich jedenfalls zum Teil). Der Priester Jared Osborne (aus dessen Sicht alles erzht wird) erzht so spannend und gut, dass man fast glauben mag, die Geschichte wre wahr. Aber selbst wenn sie es nicht ist, was dahinter steckt geht jeden von uns etwas an und IST wahr. Manches relevantes, was da besprochen wird, fliet als "secret teachings" unmittelbar in die Geschichte mit ein. Die sogenannten "public teachings", die Reden, die B hlt, sind an die Geschichte angehngt. Das ist etwas, was das Buch besonders macht. Der Leser kann selbst entscheiden, ob er die Reden gleich liest, wie sie kommen, oder erst das Buch zu Ende bringt und dann alle Reden durch liest.

1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An excellent companion to Ishmael Von Marceau Ratard You should read Ishmael first, and then read the Story of B. It builds nicely on the basic concepts presented in Ishmael. There is a bit more of a story and the book's layout is strange. There is a section in the back that has the public teachings of B. This is kind of cool because you can skip the story and just read the sort of lectures. You end up jumping back and forth if you want to read everything in sequence. The Book is excellent. It makes some good points and goes further than Ishmael did. It really is one of those life changing books. It challenges you to think about the modern world. It does a good job of showing that the stock market and SUVs won't help to stop humanity from destroying itself. It does a good job of showing how religion has aided in the degradation of the earth. There is also a very cool interpretation of the nature of the anti-christ in the book. Somebody with more religious convictions than I would probabally find this book more troubling, but I would recommend it to anybody. Read Ishmael and then read the Story of B. You may hate it (probabally not), but it will make you use your brain.

Kurzbeschreibung The Story of B combines Daniel Quinn's provocative and visionary ideas with a masterfully plotted story of adventure and suspense in this stunning, resonant novel that is sure to stay with readers long after they have finished the last page. Father Jared Osborne--bound by a centuries-old mandate held by his order to know before all others that the Antichrist is among us--is sent to Europe on a mission to find a peripatetic preacher whose radical message is attracting a growing circle of followers. The target of Osborne's investigation is an American known only as B. He isn't teaching New Age platitudes or building a fanatical following; instead, he is quietly uncovering the hidden history of our planet, redefining the fall of man, and retracing a path of human spirituality that extends millions of years into the past. From the beginning, Fr. Osborne is stunned, outraged, and awed by the simplicity and profundity of B's teachings. Is B merely a heretic--or is he the Antichrist sent to seduce humanity not with wickedness, but with ideas more alluring than those of traditional religion? With surprising twists and fascinating characters, The Story of B answers this question as it sends readers on an intellectual journey that will forever change the way they view spirituality, human history, and, indeed, the state of our present world.

From the Trade Paperback edition.

From Booklist Continuing the thought-provoking philosophical construct that he set up in Ishmael (1991), Quinn provides an even deeper and more wide-ranging story: Is the guru known as B the Antichrist? Jared Osborne is a priest of the Laurentian order, one of whose religious tasks is to identify the Antichrist. He is sent to Germany to ingratiate himself with B and divine his mission. Not surprisingly, Jared is soon in much deeper than he could possibly have imagined, questioning every facet of his own beliefs. Like his previous book, Quinn's new novel is heavily structured as philosophic instruction; here the topics are religions based on animism versus those based on salvation, the nature of society, and the destruction of the planet. Although this sounds like heavy going (and occasionally it is), the book is also enormously readable, with several shocking plot twists that help mold what could have been just a treatise into a good story. A must for fans of Ishmael, this disturbing, intelligent book will also attract new readers.

Ilene Cooper From Kirkus s Loose sequel to Quinn's debut novel, Ishmael (1992), the odd and controversial winner of the \$500,000 Turner Tomorrow Award. In Ishmael, a young neophyte more or less accidentally apprenticed himself to a great talking ape, allowing Quinn to string together a series of Socratic dialogues on mankind's woes. Here, the device is much the same. We meet a young Laurentian priest, Jared Osbourne, who notes early on that the Laurentians still observe an old injunction: to watch for the appearance of the Antichrist. Jared is sent by his superior to investigate an itinerant European preacher known as B, a.k.a. Charles Atterley. Atterley isn't satanic in the least, however, nor even very religious, so the ``Antichrist" tag is just a platform for Quinn to do his own preaching, which is reminiscent of the ape's declamations in Ishmael. When B is assassinated for his views, it makes little sense in terms of the plot, since all

B does is talk (and talk)--he doesn't cast spells or plot world dominion. He talks about how primitive cultures were divided up into ``Leavers" and ``Takers," how these ancient archetypes are still working themselves out, and how overpopulation will, in the next century, come near to obliterating us all. Modern agriculture, which Quinn thinks of as ``totalitarian" because it's so divorced from nature, will not address the needs of 12 billion people (the UN estimate of how many of us there will be by 2040). The novel's format is artificial and far-fetched, but no matter: The author writes a facile, clear prose, and the ideas he wants to discuss are admittedly important. Quinn is a provocative thinker. Imagine a combination of Robert M. Pirsig for style, Ayn Rand for cardboard characters on soapboxes, and the Unabomber for a nature-centered but slightly menacing feel. The combination equals Quinn, and makes for a helluva rant. -- Copyright 1996, Kirkus Associates, LP. All rights reserved.