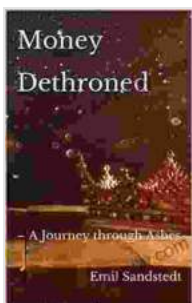


Money Dethroned: Journey Through Ashes - A Book Review

Money is a strange and powerful thing. It can buy us things we need and want, but it can also control us and make us unhappy. In his book *Money Dethroned: Journey Through Ashes*, author John Bellamy Foster argues that money has become a destructive force in our society, and that we need to find a new way to organize our economic system.

Foster begins his book by tracing the history of money from its origins in ancient Mesopotamia to the present day. He shows how money has evolved from a simple medium of exchange to a complex system of credit and debt that dominates our lives.

Foster argues that the problem with money is not that it is inherently evil, but that it has become divorced from its original purpose. In the past, money was used to facilitate trade and commerce. But today, it is used primarily to make money. This has led to a system where the wealthy few control the vast majority of the world's wealth, while the rest of us struggle to make ends meet.



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by Emil Sandstedt

★★★★☆ 4.8 out of 5

Language : English
File size : 4612 KB
Text-to-Speech : Enabled
Screen Reader : Supported
Enhanced typesetting : Enabled
Word Wise : Enabled
Print length : 155 pages



Foster believes that we need to dethrone money from its position of power. He proposes a number of alternative economic systems that could replace capitalism, including socialism, communism, and anarchism.

Part 1: The Rise of Money

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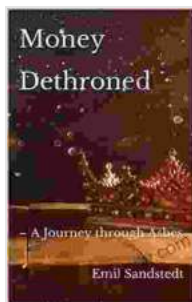
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Money Dethroned: Journey Through Ashes is a powerful and important book. Foster provides a clear and concise analysis of the problems with money, and he offers a number of thought-provoking alternatives to the current system. This book is a must-read for anyone who is interested in the future of our economy.

John Bellamy Foster is a professor of sociology at the University of Oregon. He is the author of numerous books on environmental sociology, including **The Ecological Rift** and **Ecology Against Capitalism**.

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