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Acclaimed for his writing on Malcolm X, Martin Luther King, Jr., Tupac Shakur, and many more, Michael Eric Dyson has emerged as the leading African-American intellectual of his generation. This collection gathers the best of Dyson's vast and growing body of work from the last several years: his most incisive commentary, the most stirring passages, and the sharpest, most probing and broadminded critical analyses. From Michael Jordan to the role of religion in public life, from Toni Morrison to patriotism in the wake of 9/11, the mastery and ease with which Dyson tackles just about any subject of relevance to black America today is without parallel.

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LaShana Claude says

A really good reader to have on hand if for no other thing but inspiration. He is brilliant. I am fascinated by the way he walked in and got his Phd with no hassle. There's also a debate, I think in the reader where he describes affirmative action and inequality in terms of a house. That is my favorite part. I read Come Hell or High Water too but I am not going to review. I'll just say both are really good.

Darrell says

the man is a giant - a Baptist preacher who is brave enough to explore the homoeroticism of the Bible and shake his head at homophobia, a historian, a feminist, a film critic, a public intellectual, on Tavis Smiley's couch and Davey D's radio show like he was a fixture, a liberal from my parent's generation who listens to and can appreciate hip hop.

this was a great read that was made better by a majority of the brothers at my place of work being familiar with it....

Stephen Matlock says

It's a compendium of interviews and essays from someone who is just very, very smart on a lot of topics. Not shy about himself.

Elke says

this man is a genius.

i couldn't finish this book before the library wanted it back and i couldn't renew it because someone else wants it.

EDIT:

guess who's coming to georgetown (to be a professor)?!?

<http://explore.georgetown.edu/news/?I...>

Dyson in person at Politics and Prose Bookstore on July 19

YAY!

Latasha says

There are a lot of good points to take from the book. I found myself using the dictionary to look up words Dyson had used which is typical when I read any of his books. A quote from the book I liked.

"One must constantly evolve and regenerate, stretching the boundaries of identity in a way that permits you to integrate new strains, new molds, new themes, and new ideas into the evolving self-awareness that occupies your heart and mind".

I forgot the year I bought this book and finished it.

House Turner says

A fascinating read for me to comprehend Mike D's elaboration of prose and grammar. After the first chapters, my eyes adjusted to the length and structure of his rhythmic patterns and my mind grew exponentially. This was truly a challenge to get through, but I'm glad I was able to absorb such a masterful piece of black literature.

Derek says

Amazing and dense. I was lucky enough to hear Dr. Dyson speak when I was in college and thoroughly enjoyed every second. This book was a prep for the lecture. It was nice to revisit this again. I'd forgotten how cerebral his material is!

Ellen says

Michael Eric Dyson is our favorite social commentator. He always adds to the conversation. His essays are important and they help broaden the conversation about race in America.

Andrew says

When I first read a Michael Eric Dyson book, I was a bit nonplussed. What was the big deal?

Then I get to see the full range of his thought on display, and fuuuuck. Like few others (Camus being one stand-out), this is a man who just kind of soaks it all up and spins it around inside a constantly, actively working head. A self-made man who doesn't come off as self-righteous (well a bit, how can you not be, but way less so than I'd be), a Baptist minister I can actually accord some respect to, and a man who writes quite well about Michaels Jackson, Jordan, and Foucault (yes I know the last one's a Michel, I just couldn't resist completing the set). I can't recommend books like this highly enough.

Jeannie says

This may have been one of the most information packed books I've ever read. I thought it would be some fairly light reading but I ended up needing a highlighter for all of the interesting quotes and monologues. It really showcased Mr. Dyson's strong views on topics like apartheid, anti-semitism, and the hip hop's role in today's language and writing. He's another Cornel West.

Prince Samuel says

A collection of essays that digs in to the challenges of modern society, looking into the issues of race, class, culture & multiculturalism. I strongly recommend it.

Carol Storm says

Imagine if Ta-nehisi Coates were all grown up. And educated. The best writing I've ever seen about the OJ Simpson case, and the essays on Michael Jackson are pretty good too. Though Dyson never really comes to terms with the repeated child-abuse charges and all that plastic surgery.

Warner says

A very heavy book. Deep

Jonathan Hunn-Broadnax says

Love it. A continued reference for all kinds of topics.

Tam says

I have to say that when I first picked up this book I was uber excited. However, getting through it was a bit tough. After awhile just felt like I was at church for hip hoppers.
