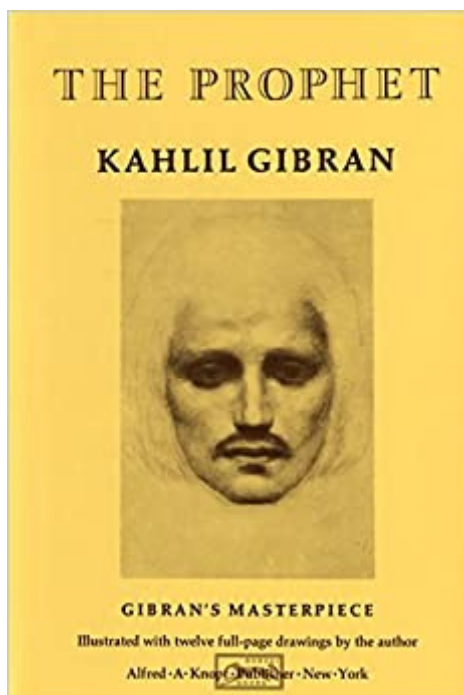


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# The Prophet (A Borzoi Book)



## Synopsis

Kahlil Gibran's masterpiece, *The Prophet*, is one of the most beloved classics of our time. Published in 1923, it has been translated into more than twenty languages, and the American editions alone have sold more than nine million copies. *The Prophet* is a collection of poetic essays that are philosophical, spiritual, and, above all, inspirational. Gibran's musings are divided into twenty-eight chapters covering such sprawling topics as love, marriage, children, giving, eating and drinking, work, joy and sorrow, housing, clothes, buying and selling, crime and punishment, laws, freedom, reason and passion, pain, self-knowledge, teaching, friendship, talking, time, good and evil, prayer, pleasure, beauty, religion, and death. Each essay reveals deep insights into the impulses of the human heart and mind. The *Chicago Post* said of *The Prophet*: "Cadenced and vibrant with feeling, the words of Kahlil Gibran bring to one's ears the majestic rhythm of Ecclesiastes . . . If there is a man or woman who can read this book without a quiet acceptance of a great man's philosophy and a singing in the heart as of music born within, that man or woman is indeed dead to life and truth." With twelve full-page drawings by Gibran, this beautiful work makes an incredible gift for anyone seeking enlightenment and inspiration.

## Book Information

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In a distant, timeless place, a mysterious prophet walks the sands. At the moment of his departure, he wishes to offer the people gifts but possesses nothing. The people gather round, each asks a question of the heart, and the man's wisdom is his gift. It is Gibran's gift to us, as well, for Gibran's

prophet is rivaled in his wisdom only by the founders of the world's great religions. On the most basic topics--marriage, children, friendship, work, pleasure--his words have a power and lucidity that in another era would surely have provoked the description "divinely inspired." Free of dogma, free of power structures and metaphysics, consider these poetic, moving aphorisms a 20th-century supplement to all sacred traditions--as millions of other readers already have. --Brian Bruya

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I did not personally see the book sent as I had it mailed directly to my friend. I trusted from the information, that the book was in the very good as described. My friend said the book arrived and did not express any problems. I do love this book and give it to people I value. I believe the message is timeless and actually very suited for today's world. All should read it

Do you want a simple solution for every question you have ever had about topics of love, marriage, children, giving, eating and drinking, work, joy and sorrow, houses, clothes, buying and selling, crime and punishment, laws, freedom, reason and passion, pain, self-knowledge, teaching, friendship, talking, time, good and evil, prayer, pleasure, beauty, religion, and death- then this is for you! Written in 1923, by Kahlil Gibran in the mountains of Lebanon. He kept the manuscript for 4 years because he said, "I wanted to be sure, I wanted to be very sure, that every word of it was the very best I had to offer." This is a polished piece of timeless literature, folks, that has enhanced many lives throughout history, and can enrich yours; TODAY! BUY IT! You won't regret it.

What can I say about this wonderful book that hasn't already been said by the millions of people who have read it? Read it and you won't be sorry. It touches humanity on so many different levels. I first read it 35 years ago, and I'm still reading it and quoting some of its passages. "On children" has some of the most touching words I've ever read on the subject. Just a wonderful book. Anthony Valera

This is one of my very favorite books and was very excited to get it. However I did not realize by the description that it was a "pocket" book. Should have looked closer at the picture.

I learn something every time! I've read the book at least 32 times. I have listened to my Album, over and over until my record player died. I have purchased at least a dozen of the books and a dozen of the cassette tapes for friends in need of his words, his explanations or given them just as gifts. I have worn out 2 cassette tapes and now have a third which I have put on a CD! Such beautiful words.

I love the Prophet and tend to buy copies to give to people who may need it's message. I don't ever loan mine out because it never comes back! This book speaks on all matters human! I've owned it since I was 14 and go back to it constantly. I especially love the sections on children, love and marriage. It's a wonder insightful read and I highly recommend it. It's also rather spiritual which is lovely. It's not like the bible, but easy to read and take in. It can give you peace when you need it. Please consider adding it to your library.

There is not a single sentence that isn't so filled with beauty it breaks your heart. Stunning insight into the dreams our hearts long to experience as reality in our lives, and much wisdom to be found here. His writing makes my heart sing and my spirit recognizes the truth in his words. This is one I will read again and again.

reading this again after 50 years brings home how important it is to meld the cultures of our world and how eternal and universal truth, beauty and love are. This book was not in great shape but was as described and will last at least as long as I do.

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