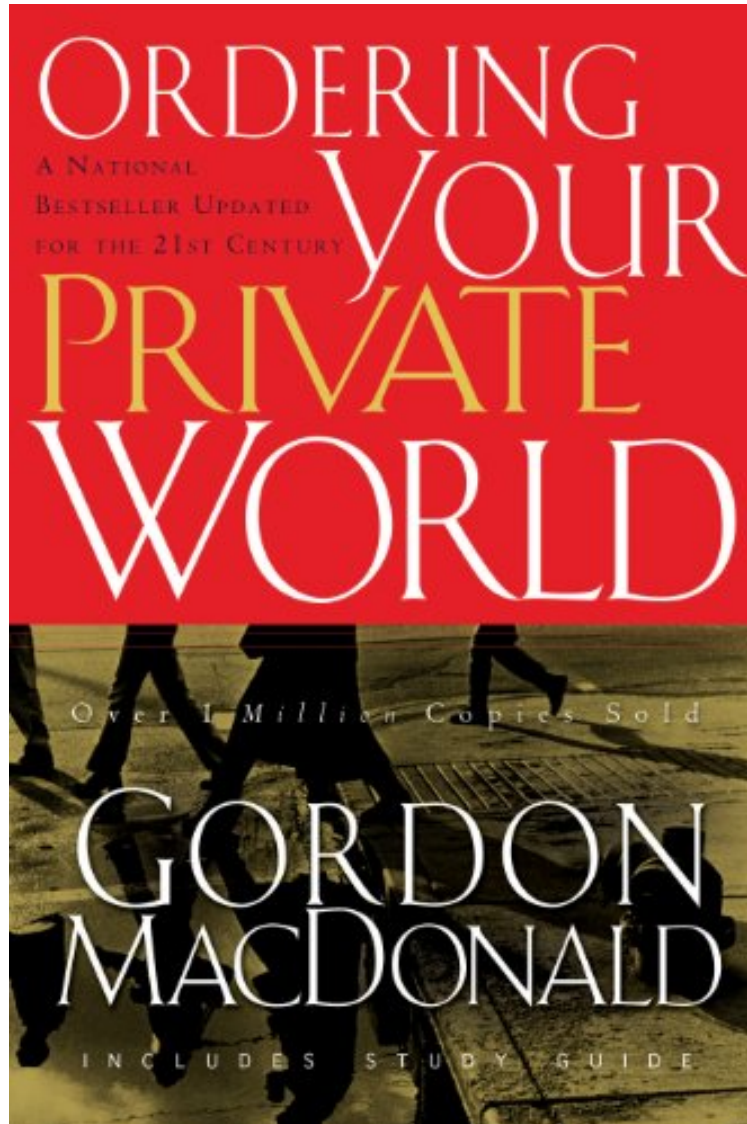


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**Von Gordon MacDonald : Ordering Your Private World** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Ordering Your Private World:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Life-changing book that you will want to read again againVon Ein KundeOther than the Bible, Ordering Your Private World has been the most influential book on my life and I read it (or reread favorite parts) at least once per year. All five sections of this book have influenced my life for the better: motivation, use of time, wisdom and knowledge, spiritual strength, and restoration. MacDonald starts out by dealing with our motivation in how we use our time. He

contrasts the life of the driven person with the life of the person who is called - and share distinct things about their life that you will notice. For example, a driven person is preoccupied with acquiring the symbols of accomplishment - while the called person focuses on good stewardship of what they have. Once MacDonald deals with the differences between being driven called, he deals with the use of time and shares some symptoms of poor time management. One of the most practical sections of the book, "MacDonald's Laws of Unseized Time" follows these symptoms - as the reader is shown how to budget their time for good use. Once that you see how to recapture the use of your time and control it - Gordon then discusses the last three sections - on wisdom and knowledge, spiritual strength, and restoration. One of my favorite parts of this book - are the memos that are at the beginning of every chapter. I will close with this one: "If my private world is in order, it will be because I am convinced that the inner world of the spiritual must govern the outer world of activity." 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Wonderfully Awesome! Von Rev. Phyllis Yvette Bolden If you are a Christian still trying to "find themselves" and need a little "fuel" "reassurance" "it's okay to be me" kind of push -- this is the literature for you! If you're afraid, timid or even the total opposite -- this is the book for you! If you're aggressive, overbearing, controlling and "never wrong" -- this is the book for you! This book crosses every barrier, every thought process, every reasoning mindset to the point of, "okay, I see myself." Don't miss this blessing that has changed the lives of the Connecticut State Missionary Baptist Convention's "Commission On Women In Ministry" and is still spreading, one disciple, Rev. Tracey Colette Chisholm-Penn brought it to class and taught from it giving full credentials to it's author and oh -- how our lives have changed! Deacon Renee' Womack went on to teach her women's group at the Community Baptist Church in Bayside New York after that session and oh! What a blessing! Wonderfully Awesome! 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Captaining the ship from the bridge. Von Ein Kunde ORDERING YOUR PRIVATE WORLD By Gordon Macdonald Reviewed by Lindsay Woods In this book, Gordon Macdonald looks at an aspect of our lives that is commonly overlooked, often with devastating results. He speaks of an area of our life apart from the external. If we think of our public life being filled with work, relationships and different achievements, then we might think of our private world a where we spend time with God and become spiritually refreshed. Gordon likens it to a bridge on a ship, where we assess our life for signs of impending crisis, or burnout. Where we access all information, on our current state. Our motivations, relationships, spirit, and calendar are all checked. He discusses the danger of unchecked motivation. One of the things he looks at is the person who is driven to achieve their goals, how to recognize them, and the things that suffer in their pursuit. He uses a case study to illustrate the point, detailing an individual who's aims were wealth, and prestige - external things. A person with no use for internal qualities like wisdom. The results being that he was receiving counsel to save his marriage. Gordon looks at the contrast between driven people and called people. The latter recognizing that they are stewards of the life that God has given them, and that any position that they have is from God therefore they needn't strive to achieve or equally to maintain. Our usage of Time is examined. Criteria for evaluating effective time usage, and guidelines for improving productivity. Symptoms like broken deadlines, dislike of work and self, and lack of intimacy with God point to poor time organization. Time is a gift from God, that must be used carefully. Gordon suggests that it must be budgeted much like money, and for the most part the budget adhered to. We must learn to do the most important things, not necessarily the most urgent. We should spend most of our time doing what we are best at. We need to at training our minds, in both knowledge and wisdom. Our minds should be sharp, going beyond accumulation of information, but working with that information in order to be able to answer to hard question that people face. We do this by listening, reading and studying. Gordon also looks at the importance of hearing from God, and the necessity of time spent in silence to be able to. He suggest keeping of a journal as a means of expression to God, keeping track of progress and answered prayer. He finishes by looking at restoration and the need for a Sabbath rest. This is differentiated form leisure. Leisure is the pursuit of interests, past times, whereas rest is actively getting spirit refreshed. Having a set aside with plenty of time for prayer, reading, walks, etc. I found this book held my interest. I particularly wanted to learn about ordering my time, as I don't seem to have much surplus. The section of the book dealing with this was very useful in suggesting the idea of budgeting time, in advance. I have started using my diary much more, to plan ahead. The main thing I am working on at the moment is sticking to the plans I make. This is not always straightforward. I am budgeting more time for prayer and reading, and fitting a Sabbath day into my calendar when my job takes over a Sunday. Also along the same lines, is the fact that my time can be swallowed up with my doing things that I am O.K. at, but which prevent me from giving more time to things that I am best at. I am trying to work out which things I should be letting go of at the moment. A lot of the things that he talked about seemed to be very sensible and helpful. I am working on applying them to my life.

Kurzbeschreibung We have schedule planners, computerized calendars, and self-stick notes to help us organize our business and social lives everyday. But what about organizing the other side of our lives the spiritual side? One of the great battlegrounds of the new century is within the private world of the individual. The values of our Western culture

incline us to believe that the busy, publicly active person in ministry is also the most spiritual. Tempted to give imbalanced attention to the public world at the expense of the private, we become involved in more programs, more meetings. Our massive responsibilities at home, work, and church have resulted in a lot of good people on the verge of collapse. In this timely update of his classic *Ordering Your Private World*, Gordon MacDonald equips a new generation to live life from the inside out, cultivating the inner victory necessary for public effectiveness. With much enthusiasm I recommend this book to all of you who, like me, need order in your private world. Charles Swindoll, Chancellor, Dallas Theological Seminary This book was the primary instrument that God used to motivate me to integrate spiritual disciplines into my daily walk with Christ . . . I shudder to think where I'd be today had I not read it. Bill Hybels, Senior Pastor, Willow Creek Community Church