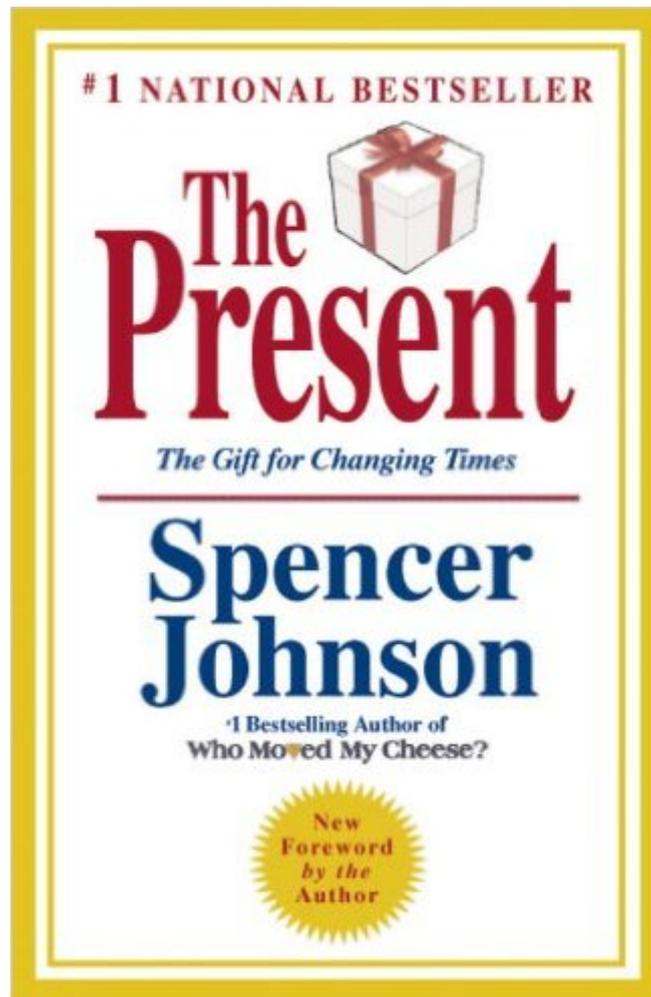


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# The Present: The Gift For Changing Times



## Synopsis

For over two decades, Spencer Johnson has been inspiring readers with his simple yet profound stories of the challenges we face in these times of unprecedented change. *The Present* is an engaging story of a young man's journey to adulthood, and his tireless search for The Present, a mysterious and elusive gift he first hears about from a wise old man. This Present, according to the old man, is the most valuable gift a person can receive. Why? Because it is the one thing that doesn't change in changing times. As the young boy becomes a man, he grows disillusioned with his work and his life. So he returns to ask the old man to help him find The Present. The old man responds, "Only you have the power to find The Present for yourself." Heeding the old man's advice, the young man embarks on a worldwide search for this magical gift that remains unchanging in a changing world, and holds the secret to personal happiness and lifelong success. It is only after the young man has searched high and low and all but given up his relentless pursuit that he discovers The Present "and all of the promises it offers." Like the young man, you may find that it is the best gift you can ever give to yourself "and to those you care about.

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I am in a time of my life where I have become stagnant. I was not "feeling." I picked up this book and found that when I just concentrated on "THE PRESENT IS A GIFT" philosophy that I discovered a renewed goal of living for the here and now!

This book is amazing, for when I was in high school my teacher read it to me but I didn't truly understand it until years later when I had flash backs. When I bought this book years later it all clicked and I rethink my life and it lead me to a path of success.

I'm confused. I have not bought this book, but I did buy the Precious Present in the 1980's that sounds exactly the same. Since it was by Spencer Johnson, I am assuming it is the same. If it is a republish, shouldn't they say so?

A quick read, enjoyable, easy, digestible....predictable. A good start for someone who has not been exposed to this kind of thinking or book before. It's very obvious and really just a 1-pager... expanded into a book.... Not the best value for a reader looking for challenge in the language of 2011. It feels like a 1990s book (and it probably is!). A good conversation starter. I'd give it to a junior staffer to get them thinking, perhaps a Gen Y, but not a "grown up"....

It was recommended by my counselor. I thought it was alright - a nice, short read. Surprisingly my husband thought it was great and read it before I did. So, for all of you women trying to make life better with a partner who doesn't seem to really care, leave this book out and see if he'll pick it up. It wasn't life changing like I had hoped it would be.

The book was good. Nothing really new in it. It definitely did not live up to the caliber of his great books, Who moved my Cheese, Yes or No, and Peaks and Valleys.

I got this for my office, and my boss absolutely loves it. We make it available to employees who want to grow, and it works very nicely for us.

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