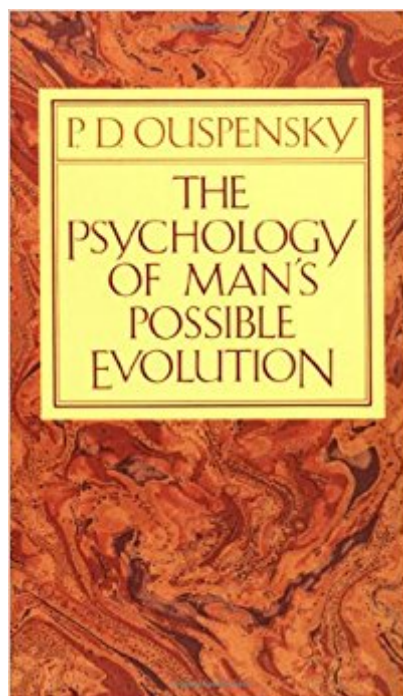


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The Psychology Of Man's Possible Evolution



Synopsis

This edition of *The Psychology of Man's Possible Evolution* includes a lecture, not previously published, in which Ouspensky gives some details of the "School of the Fourth Way," with which he was connected, and an account of some of its fundamental principles, methods, and rules. The psychology Ouspensky sets forth in this introductory lectures has existed in one form or another for thousands of years and, unlike modern psychology, studies man from the point of view of what he may become. Once a man realizes how little control he has over his reactions to external circumstances and internal stimuli, he may wish to find a way to become free of this mechanical way of living. Ouspensky describes how a man must work simultaneously on his knowledge and his being to find inner unity and why although his development depends on his own efforts, this is very difficult to achieve without guidance from a "School."

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Studies man in view of what he may become. Describes how a man must work simultaneously on his knowledge and his being to find inner unity.

P.D. OUSPENSKY was a Russian mathematician and esotericist known for his expositions of the early work of the Greek-Armenian teacher of esoteric doctrine George Gurdjieff, whom he met in Moscow in 1915. Ouspensky studied Gurdjieff's system for 10 years before traveling and studying independently across western Europe. He died in Surrey in 1947 and *The Psychology of Man's*

Possible Evolution was published shortly after his death, together with In Search of the Miraculous. Ouspensky's papers are held at Yale University Library's Manuscripts and Archives department.

This book can provide a glimpse into the works of G.I. Gurdjieff. For anyone who is interested further following the reading of the book, The Fourth Way by P.D. Ouspensky is bound to keep you engaged and offer much more insight into these ideas. It is part of my 'necessary books' collection, along with many other Gurdjieff books and some by Gurdjieff students. A must have for the would be seeker.

"If a man could understand all the horror of the lives of ordinary people who are turning round in a circle of insignificant aims, if he could understand what they are losing, he would understand that there can only be one thing that is serious for him - to escape from the general law, to be free. What can be serious for a man in prison who is condemned to death? Only one thing: How to save himself, how to escape: nothing else is serious." - G.I. Gurdjieff

One of a kind. His explication of the Gurdjieff method is clear, accurate and easy to understand. Highly recommended for those who want to know more about how to "wake up."

If you want an unemotional (in the ordinary sense), compact overview of the Gurdjieff Work from a non-standard psychological viewpoint, this is powerful stuff. Best combined with other sources to get a broader picture.

This is a good book that deal with mans state of mind and becoming true human beings instead of acting like machines. Seeking to achieve Authenticity.

Great introduction to Ouspensky and his more complete presentations "In Search of the Miraculous" & "The Fourth Way" This tradition continues, can be found and practiced currently, in a practical Fourth Way approach to awakening. (Enlightenment)

Great book!

Not for the weak minded. The book brings up many interesting notions. It is helpful to understanding

self-observation and self-remembering. It leaves us flat in the end as no school is listed or recommended and the importance of a school is stressed.

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