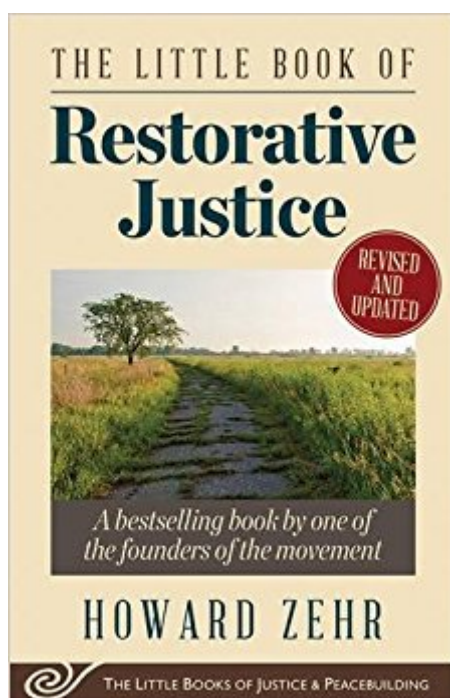


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# The Little Book Of Restorative Justice: Revised And Updated (Justice And Peacebuilding)



## Synopsis

Howard Zehr is the father of Restorative Justice and is known worldwide for his pioneering work in transforming understandings of justice. Here he proposes workable principles and practices for making Restorative Justice possible in this revised and updated edition of his bestselling, seminal book on the movement. (The original edition has sold more than 110,000 copies.) Restorative Justice, with its emphasis on identifying the justice needs of everyone involved in a crime, is a worldwide movement of growing influence that is helping victims and communities heal, while holding criminals accountable for their actions. This is not soft-on-crime, feel-good philosophy, but rather a concrete effort to bring justice and healing to everyone involved in a crime. In *The Little Book of Restorative Justice*, Zehr first explores how restorative justice is different from criminal justice. Then, before letting those appealing observations drift out of reach into theoretical space, Zehr presents Restorative Justice practices. Zehr undertakes a massive and complex subject and puts it in graspable form, without reducing or trivializing it. This resource is also suitable for academic classes and workshops, for conferences and trainings, as well as for the layperson interested in understanding this innovative and influential movement.

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Howard Zehr directed the first victim offender conferencing program in the U.S. and is one of the original developers of restorative justice as a concept. A prolific writer and editor, speaker, educator, and photojournalist, Zehr has spoken and trained others throughout North America and in more than

25 other countries, including Brazil, Japan, Jamaica, Northern Ireland, the Ukraine, and New Zealand, where a restorative approach in the juvenile justice system has led to a dramatic drop in youth crime. Zehr is Distinguished Professor of Restorative Justice and co-director of the Zehr Institute for Restorative Justice at Eastern Mennonite University (Harrisonburg, Virginia). Zehr received his B.A. from Morehouse College, his M.A. from the University of Chicago, and his Ph.D. from Rutgers University. He lives in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Professor Zehr is an icon in the field of Alternative Dispute Resolution and is the father of the Restorative Justice movement. His book, while small in stature, is chock full of theories, discourse, useful comparison tables/lists, and Zehr's thoughts on the fundamentals of a new (and much needed) approach to resolving "wrongs" in our society. This book is one of the core materials I use in a masters level conflict resolution program and is always one of the most favored of the class. Just to be clear, Prof Zehr doesn't provide the reader with a roadmap to Restorative Justice instead, he compares/contrasts the basic theories and procedures of the traditional justice system versus what he is proposing and allows the reader to fill in the structure.

This book is a great way to approach reaching justice. The principles of RJ can be used in all types of conflict and offense, from parenting, to school discipline, to adult conflict in the workplace and off course as an alternative to the traditional way of handling criminal offenses. I do wish there were some examples of the encounter conversations or discussion on how long these processes can take, but it would have been a much longer book then. This book does a good job at staying focused on explaining the foundations and guiding principles of RJ instead of Telling people how it should be practiced.

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Great book! Just getting into the field of Restorative Justice this revised edition has given me the information I needed in an easily digestible format. A great reference guide.

I have this on my kindle. It's wonderful to be able to refer to it in its electronic version when I am conferencing with students or staff.

A short book on the history of justice, the theory of restorative justice and different philosophy's on

how such a justice system could be implemented.

Excellent beginning into understanding and becoming involved in Restorative Justice Practices.

It's a great book. I just wish there were ways I could personally put it into practice. The book does a great job at suggesting how to apply the concepts.

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