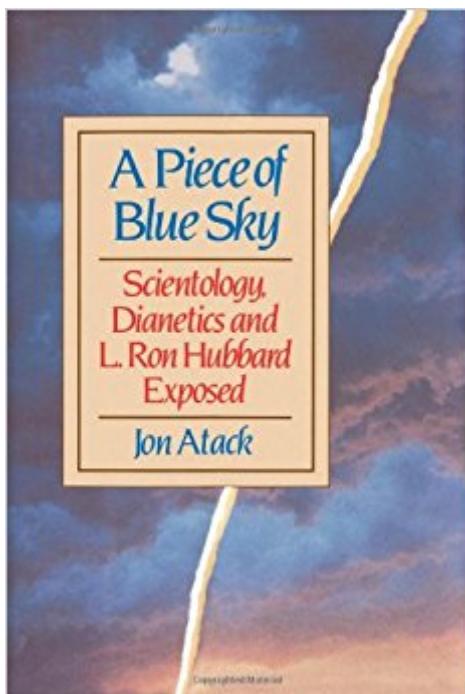


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A Piece Of Blue Sky: Scientology, Dianetics And L. Ron Hubbard Exposed



Synopsis

Attack exposes Hubbard's bizarre imagination and behavior, tracing the creation of Scientology in the years following World War II to perhaps its final schism following Hubbard's death in 1986. A shocking book that reveals all: the abuses, falsehoods, paranoia, and greed of Hubbard and his pseudo-military Scientologist henchmen.

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Customer Reviews

Author Jon Attack had cited the classic, The Scandal of Scientology, as one reason he had to write this 398-page opus of a book. A Piece of Blue Sky was published in 1990, but despite its age, it is a very revealing, albeit exhaustively jumbled, handbook on the inner workings of Scientology. Mr. Attack had acquired quite an archive of information at his disposal to present this information to the public. Attack himself had been in Scientology when he was 19 years old. The book starts with him and his beginnings through Scientology, up until his drifting away from the cult in 1984. He continues by giving you a history of - and a very meticulous one at that - L. Ron Hubbard's beginnings, including the start of Dianetics. We journey along to Hubbard's beginning from birth and childhood, which is very difficult to follow as it becomes clear that Hubbard was a pathological liar. Where his "imagination" begins and the truth ends is truly pondering to follow. We continue to get taken through Scientology itself, and what kind of movement it was and still is. We can take a gander that Hubbard was not all he had portrayed himself to be. As a science-fiction pulp writer, he was clearly imaginative. He was also very savvy and appeared to create Scientology to make money and to be worshiped. There is so much information in this book that I needed to take breaks in between. My only complaint would be that it was difficult to follow on occasion as it was sometimes jumbled, but

for the most part it was a very informative read. Many of these things have been written in earlier books, but its cohesiveness makes it a needed handbook to guide you through the maze of Scientology. It is necessary to mention that Scientology had also tried to stop this book from being published. They tried to argue that the book could not be published as it would discourage people from buying the original texts and that it was subject to copyright violation. Scientology did not win this fight however, and it was published with full quotations and all..com had de-listed this book for a bit in 1999, but due to public outcry, had then reversed the decision. I ask you, why, if Scientology is such a pure religion, do they try to ban anything that is written about them? What do they have to hide? Reading books such as this makes it very apparent why. © Diane Trautweiler.

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Very well-researched. A vast majority of what he said I knew from other sources. In other words, his information is independently verifiable and backed up by others, including FOIA-released FBI files. It is stunning that an obvious criminal enterprise has been allowed to flourish in our country. Many other countries have declared it an organized crime syndicate. Appropriately.

This was a "can't put it down" book for me. It was just fascinating to read. It gave the best insights one could have into this mafia-like racket. It was terrifying and at times so ridiculous as to make me laugh out loud to think that people actually are conned into this crazy world. This is not a religion, it is criminal activity. Everyone should read this book.

I got this book yesterday and am having trouble putting it down. Very well written and informative. This book shows how the historical facts of LR Hubbard's life as portrayed by the church of Scientology is so different from his actual past history in the Navy etc.....

Another classic book by Jon Atack on Scientology who is an expert in research in this subject. Easy to understand.

Very well written information on origins of Dianetics & Scientology. Jon Atack was one of CofS most central people who started to write an biography about Ron but became more and more disillusioned with the lies. A must read about the true history of Hubbard. In the last couple of years the vast majority of Scientologists have quit the 'Church' and are writing books about their experience. Available as a PDF on the internet. Blown for Good: Behind the Iron Curtain of

Good book! Very informative.

I have read at least a dozen books that look at Scientology. In the last couple of years they have been coming fast and each one is furious. This is the best researched one. I recommend it ahead of all the other commentaries.

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