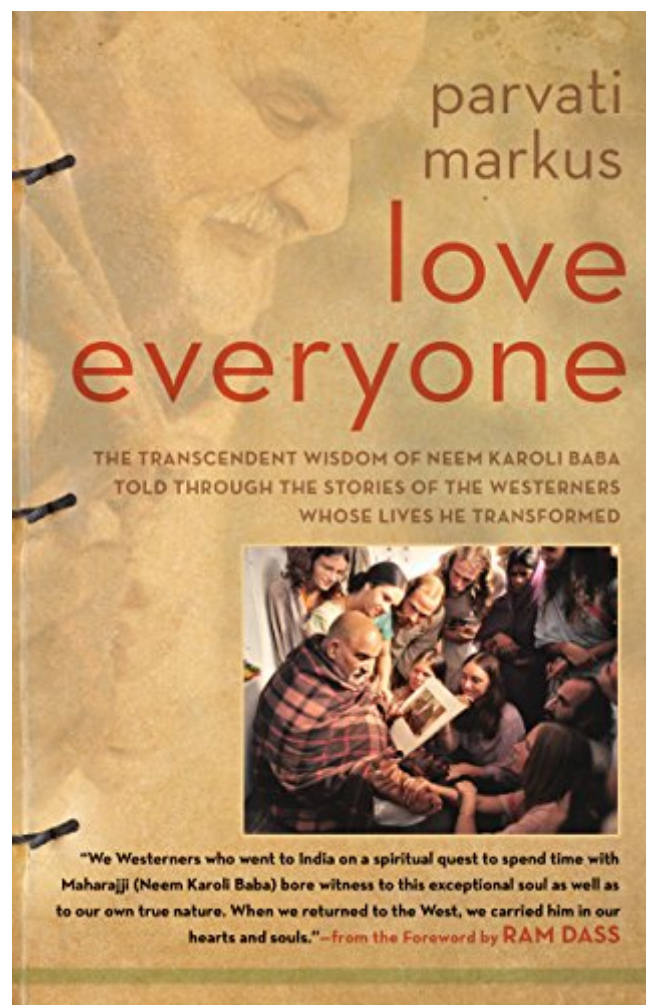




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Love Everyone: The Transcendent Wisdom Of Neem Karoli Baba Told Through The Stories Of The Westerners Whose Lives He Transformed





Synopsis

A celebration of Neem Karoli Baba, one of the most influential spiritual leaders of our time, the divine guru who inspired and led a generation of seekers—including Ram Dass, Daniel Goleman, and Larry Brilliant—on life-changing journeys that have ultimately transformed our world. In 1967, Baba Ram Dass—former American Harvard professor Richard Alpert—left India to share stories of his mysterious guru, Neem Karoli Baba, known as Maharajji. Introducing idealistic Western youth to the possibilities inherent in spiritual development, Ram Dass inspired a generation to turn on and tune in to a reality far different from the one they had known. From the spring of 1970 until Maharajji died on September 11, 1973, several hundred Westerners had his darshan (in Hinduism, the beholding of a deity, revered person, or sacred object). Those who saw him formed the Maharajji satsang—fellow travelers on the path. Love Everyone tells the stories of those who heard the siren call of the East and followed it to the foothills of the Himalayas. The ways they were called to make the journey, their experiences along the way, and their meeting with Maharajji form the core of this multicultural adventure in shifting consciousness. The contributors share their recollections of Maharajji and how his wisdom shaped their lives. All have attempted to follow Maharajji's basic teaching, his seemingly simple directives: Love everyone, feed everyone, and remember God. All have found their own way to be of service in the world and, in so doing, have collectively touched the hearts and souls of countless others.

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Customer Reviews

I brought "The Book" along with me to Brasil to read during the time I am working here at the Casa de Dom Ignacio helping John of God. I cannot begin to tell you just how much I am enjoying it. It is sort of being taken back in time to that period when I was around Maharaji, immersed in his unconditional Love. So many of the others' stories seemed to be a part of my own story as well, Somehow.

This WONDERFUL book by Paravati Markus has opened up my heart in such a way that with every page and every story told by these remarkable and fearless devotees of Neem Karoli Baba I cry and laugh at the same time... It's one of those books you want to read slow because you don't want it to end... It's such a joy to read... My heart has literally exploded! Thank you Paravati for getting this book out and somehow into my hands... :)

A brilliantly written book about the people and the time and the experience that they all had individually and shared with Neem Karoli Baba, Mahara Ji in India. These initial experiences happened in the late 1960's and early 1970's and are still profoundly effecting people today from the initial group and many new devotees throughout the years. An excellent book by Parvati Markus!

This is the most extraordinary book. Filled with love. So easy to read. The stories of all the amazing beings who were blessed to visit their Guru Neem Karoli Baba. The impact He had on their lives which made them give back to society in so many different ways. It is absorbing and beautifully written. I couldn't stop reading it and, in these intense times, it is a joy to feel uplifted! I felt I was there by osmosis without having to travel to India! Thank you Parvati Markus for putting this together so masterfully. And thanks to the phenomenal Ram Dass and all the devotees who not only had the courage to go to India but to return and to make the world a better place - to love, serve and remember! Thank you Ram Dass! Thank you all.

I am grateful to Parvati Marcus for writing this brilliant book about the wonder and magic of Neem Karoli Baba and the Westerners who sat at his feet, drank in his simple and loving teaching of love everyone, serve everyone and remember God. The reason for my gratitude is that I missed the '60s and early '70s since I lived in Japan during that time of social upheaval, revolution and dramatic change in America. I heard from afar that young people were going to India to meditate and seek out their own special gurus but it's only now that those spiritual journeys have come to life in this special and illuminating book. I enjoyed reading the stories in their own words of the young people who learned to love not only Maharaja but each other thanks to his open heart. I was also moved by how they carried his teachings throughout their lives to make the world a better place. I recommend this book to anyone who honors and believes in the beauty of spiritual awakenings.

This is an incredible collection of stories told by those young men and women who traveled to India to find their guru... they found him!! And through them, the West was introduced to Maharaji. Great stories and photos give life to what it must have been like to be there in the 60s and early 70s. It was not all positive, however, as some of them contracted hepatitis and other diseases and experienced many challenges. However, they all came away with something unshakeable.... the unconditional love of Maharaji. The book itself is delightful, even down to the front and back inner covers done as Maharaji's blanket. All in all, a poignant, wonderful read that inspires and makes me jealous that I wasn't there to be a part of it!

I strongly recommend this book to all spiritual seekers. Neem Karoli Baba has been my guru since the early seventies even though I never met him in his physical body. As I read through the stories in this book of the westerners that were there with him in India in the late sixties or early seventies, I had the feeling that I was there with them as part of the satsang. It was like I was actually present for all of the events that were described in the book. I was overcome by tremendous emotion as my heart was opened by the author's exquisite storytelling skills. Parvati Markus has given a gift to the world in the book "Love Everyone." Within these stories of the young people who traveled to India all those years ago to be in the presence of this great Indian saint, is a lesson that is true today for those of us who were not able to be there before he left his body. His darshan can be accessed today just as much as it was 45 years ago by the devotees whose stories are chronicled in "Love Everyone". Parvati Markus is a messenger of the love that is Neem Karoli Baba. It is a story of God's love for humanity. To be held by that love is all that we could ask for in life.

The way Parvati's writing conveys the devotion and love of Maharaj-ji's devotees is unique. A great insight into a time and place for those of us who were not there to see.

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