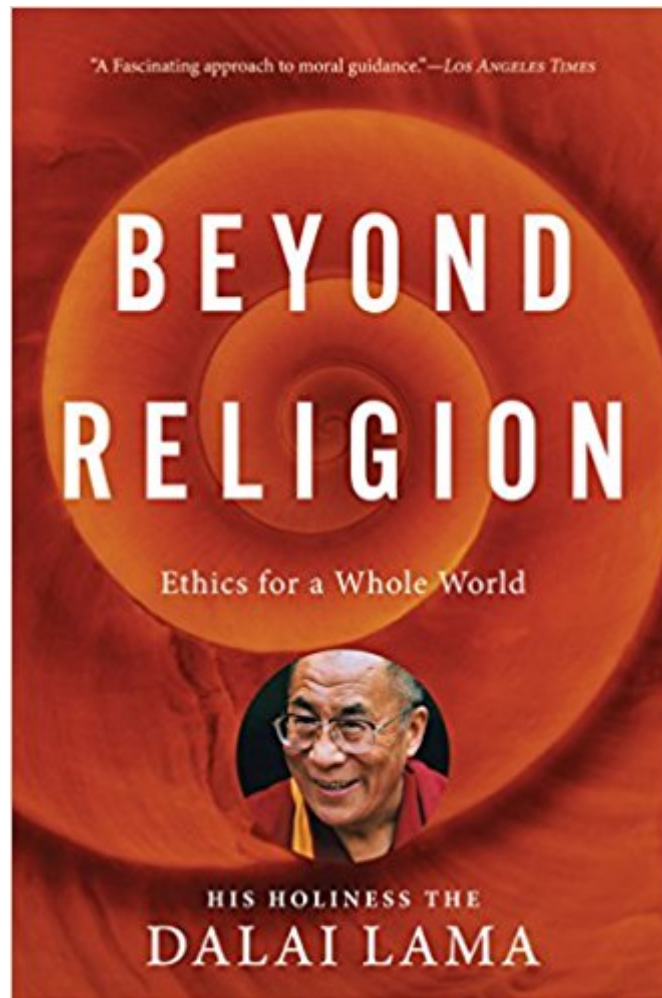




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"An impressive guide for teaching religious tolerance and respect to readers of all ages."--Kirkus Reviews "This wise, humane book, an original work rather than a collection of talks, is an incisive statement of His Holiness's thinking on ways to bring peace to a suffering world.

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An unprecedented event: a beloved world religious leader proposes a way to lead an ethical, happy,

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This is the third book I have read by the Dalai Lama. Each time, I'm kinda thinking... will this book really have anything new that I haven't read in the previous books? And then I discover that the answer is unequivocally... yes. This Dalai Lama is a thinker and spiritual leader who has added greatly to my understanding and appreciation of life.

"So long as people give priority to material values, then injustice, corruption, inequity, intolerance, and greed—
all the outward manifestations of neglect of inner values—
will persist." The book quote suggests that we cannot sit by idly and must invest our love and care.

I hear HH The Dalai Lama speak on the subject of secular ethics when he was visiting Atlanta a few years ago. I was intrigued to learn more about this concept, which compelled me to finally order this book and take the time to read it. Clearly explains his view that we need a base concept of how to treat people and live in the world amongst each other, that transcends religious beliefs (or lack of a religious belief system.)

Really enjoyable read though some of the passages did take a bit of rereading to fully understand.
Really really excellent

This book cuts through all the us vs them in our world and talks about how it is possible to agree on a universal set of ethics that is not contradictory to any religion but also not necessary to have a

religion. My favorite quote is when the Dalai Lama compares the relationship of ethics and religion to water and tea. Water is the basic essential component of tea and the different varieties of tea add different flavors. In the same way, ethics, is the basis of all religions and the different traditions are like the flavored tea. I am using this book in a summer curriculum I have written for my teenage son. The curriculum focuses on coming of age but the goal is not for him to tell me 'what' he wants to be when he grows up, but 'WHO' he wants to be. This book is helping him understand the importance of the inner world rather than the outer.

I bought this book for an Ethics class I am taking. It arrived in excellent condition and on time. I am only on the second chapter but it is proving to be an enjoyable and easy to read book. The Dalai Lama writes in a language we can all understand. If we all strove to reach his understanding of our fellow man there would be no more war. I plan to order his first book and read it too.

good transaction good book

Finally someone has said the obvious: You don't need religion to do good deeds and love other people. BRAVE Dalai Lama. Maybe it takes true enlightenment to state the obvious truth that the time for "religion" may have passed and humans may be ready to do good things simply because they help others to be successful and happy! This is a truly enlightened man who can realize even his own faith is no longer needed, but yet he has the wisdom to keep the wonderful, useful and sustaining knowledge behind it intact for the benefit of mankind.

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