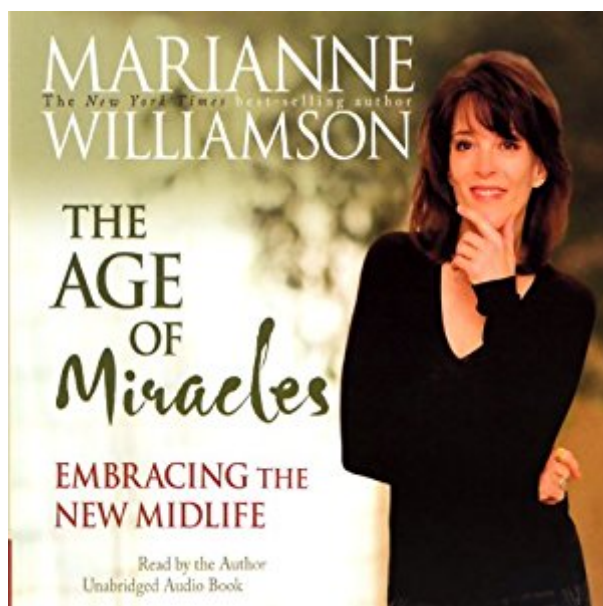


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The Age Of Miracles: Embracing The New Midlife



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From THE AGE OF MIRACLES Sometimes what we appear to have lost is simply something it was time to leave behind. Perhaps our system just lets something go, our having moved through the experience and now needing it no more. A friend of mine was sitting once with two of his best friends, a couple he'd partied long and hard with during the 1960s. At about ten in the evening, the couple's twentysomething daughter came home, saw them on the couch, and admonished them, "You guys are so boring! You never go out!" To which all three responded in unison, "We were out, and now we're in." The mind is its own kind of dance floor. If in fact the highest, most creative work is the work of consciousness, then in slowing down we're not doing less; we're doing more. Having slowed down physically, we're in a better space to rev up psychically. We are becoming contemplative. We are shifting from the outer to the inner not in order to begin our demise, but to reseed and regreen the consciousness of the planet. And that's what is happening now: We're going slower in order to go deeper, in order to go faster in the direction of urgently needed change in the world. - Marianne Williamson --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Marianne Williamson's The Age of Miracles: Embracing the New Midlife is really about that most human of dreams--The Second Chance. All of us want to believe that we can change what we don't like about ourselves, that we can recover from past mistakes and bad breaks. If we're fortunate, we discover that all we need to become someone other than what we are resides inside us, in the beautiful, mysterious spirit. Williamson has been helping people learn this simple truth and act on it

for two decades, and never has her message been more tender and personal. "It's time to re-enchant ourselves," she writes, and as she shares her own efforts, she makes it seem so sweet and tangible for the rest of us! I love her heartbreaking, inspiring anecdotes about her relationship with her daughter (who cannot identify with both parties when we read about a little girl who misses her mommy even when she's home?). Most of all, I love Williamson's vulnerability and her honesty. Even for her, life has created surprises that were not always wonderful. She is sadder in these pages, and more tender, and she is also more desirable and compelling than she has ever been. As we grow older, it's natural, if we still feel anything at all, to feel more vulnerable. The good news is that this is really progress and not a falling down. We learn as we age to take a little more time, which can be taking greater care with everything. We listen better, and we're not as quick on the judgment draw. We're more compassionate, and more in synch with the universe's life-giving energy. Millions of baby boomers are discovering these truths every day now, and Marianne Williamson has just presented us with our first formal acknowledgment and fabulous Guide.

I just finished reading "The Age of Miracles". Because I have read her other books, I can say, without reservation, that Marianne Williamson's heartfelt prose is better than ever and that, in this instance, you can judge the book by its beautiful and inspirational cover! This is a deeply personal book that will resonate with baby boomers. Marianne's honesty regarding her highs and lows, her family life, her career, and, most importantly, her spiritual journey will move you in surprising ways. Her wisdom, compassion, and intellect will take you to your younger years and back, while providing you with insight, instilling you with courage, and helping you understand where you have been and where you may be going. While reading this book over the last couple of days, I grieved for lost opportunities and love, I became more grateful for the lessons that I have learned, I became energized to take better care of myself, and I felt more thankful for my partner, parents, siblings, friends, co-workers, fellow-activists, and all I have encountered who have provided me with glimpses of the face of God. As a spiritual leader and companion, Marianne's books have shown us the way to love ourselves, those who like us, and those who don't like us ("A Return to Love"), to pray in an uplifting, holistic, and global manner ("Illuminata"), to be engaged citizens ("Healing the Soul of America"), to live peaceful, purposeful, and hopeful lives ("Everyday Grace"), and to become our true selves ("The Gift of Change"). Now, rather than "retire" and simply fade away, "The Age of Miracles" shows us the way to "refire" so that we may use our talents, advantages, privileges, and experience to heal, lead, mentor, and create peace.

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