



Light and Liberty

By Thomas Jefferson

Random House USA Inc, United States, 2005. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 198 x 127 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Were Thomas Jefferson alive to read this book, he would recognize every sentence, every elegant turn of phrase, every lofty, beautifully expressed idea. Indeed, every word in the book is his. In an astonishing feat of editing, Eric S. Petersen has culled the entirety of Thomas Jefferson s published works to fashion thirty-four original essays on themes ranging from patriotism and liberty to hope, humility, and gratitude. The result is a lucid, inspiring distillation of the wisdom of one of America s greatest political thinkers. From his personal motto-- Rebellion to tyrants is obedience to God --to his resounding discourse on life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness in the Declaration of Independence, Jefferson defined the essential truth of the American spirit. In the essays that Petersen has crafted from letters, speeches, and public documents, Jefferson s unique moral philosophy and vision shine through. Among the hundreds of magnificent sentences gathered in this volume, here are Jefferson s pronouncements on Gratitude: I have but one system of ethics for men and for nations-- to be grateful, to be faithful...



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