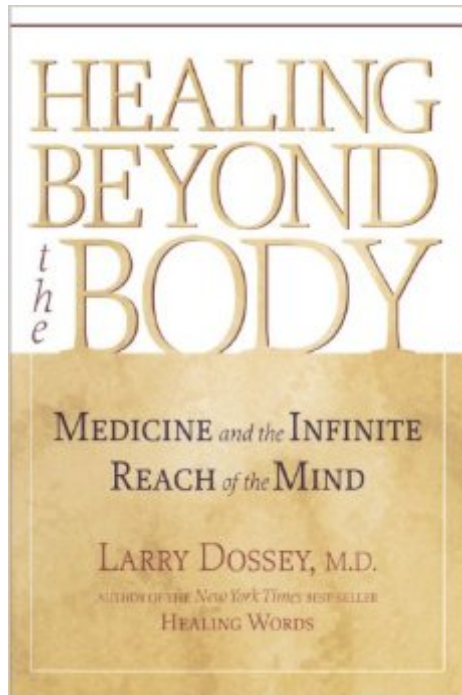


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Healing Beyond The Body: Medicine And The Infinite Reach Of The Mind



Synopsis

Does the mind produce consciousness or transmit it? Can machines detect love? Why has job stress become a worldwide epidemic? Why do objects sometimes seem to have minds of their own? Could war be a biological condition? Dr. Larry Dossey, one of the most influential spokespersons for the role of consciousness and spirituality in medicine, tackles all these questions and more with clarity and wit. In this book, he explores the relationship often documented in extensive research between science and "unscientific" topics such as prayer, love, laughter, war, creativity, dreams, and immortality.

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This collection of essays examines how thoughts and emotions affect our bodies and the bodies of others at a distance. It is an insightful look at the relationship between science and "unscientific" topics like prayer, love, laughter, work, creativity, dreams and more, an examination of consciousness and spirituality in medicine. Everybody knows that something vital is missing in modern allopathic medicine - the role of the human mind. The author points out the deep level of ignorance within science about the origin, function and destiny of human consciousness. But at last we are moving toward a vision of consciousness that liberates the mind from its identification with the physical brain and body. Of course, the implications for medicine are vast. He refers to the ideas of Jung, Ken Wilber, Erwin Schrödinger, David Bohm and Rupert Sheldrake and makes a valid

case for the fact that our power to heal and be healed extends beyond our physical bodies. The essays fall into the three categories Meaning, Mind and Nonlocality, and the book concludes with a bibliography, a section on sources and an index. This is a classic and I recommend it to all who are interested in holistic or spiritual healing and those who want to take responsibility for their own health.

Larry Dossey discusses the mystery of life and how consciousness is related to all of the physical things in the world. He does a superb job in explaining the wonders of the soul. Although his work is always inspiring, this book is especially so. It tells us that everything including consciousness is connected in a convincing way. For another astonishing book with a slightly different take on the subject, I'd highly recommend "The Ever-Transcending Spirit" by Toru Sato. It is also a tremendously insightful book!

Larry Dossey is a prolific writer and researcher on holistic healing, and in this book he assembles a number of articles and essays in support of a cohesive concept. Dossey invites the reader to explore the power of consciousness for healing transformation. The different sections in the book sometimes refer to scientific theories and research, some of which would usually be considered in the realm of parapsychology, such as remote influencing, healing with prayer, non-local telepathic communication, etc. However, the focus is more on how these concepts can be applied in our lives to bring about healing. Dossey helps us peer beyond the veil of illusion we call "reality" to help us connect with the source of our being and the power of mind/consciousness to transform. Having practiced mind-body/energy medicine approaches such as hypnosis, reiki, and neuromodulation techniques, I have experienced the power of the non-local consciousness to create healing shifts in a manner that would appear magical or unbelievable to those convinced of the solid, objective nature of perceived reality. It is much easier to "bend spoons" when one lets go of the illusion that there is any objective spoon in the first place! Enjoy this book and begin to put into practice the ideas and methods that unlock the power of consciousness.

I am very disappointed with the book. It is like cramming together of different ideas from the books/articles the author read. And a lot of them are the same old saying. If you really want to have a serious understanding on healing. You can pass this one.

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