

Chapter 1 : Confessions of a Bad Meditator - Brave Over Perfect

Confessions of a Recovering Preppie is a compelling and well-written book, filled with wit and intelligence, that is sure to give outsiders a unique view into the mind and life of one of the nation's elite in the field of cryptography.

In , Robert Chambers walked out of prison, after 15 years, a free man, still pursued by his own infamy. He was 36, but people still remembered him from the summer of when he was His face was everywhere. And the story of how he strangled a beautiful year-old named Jennifer Levin in Central Park was the talk of the town. Fairstein prosecuted Robert Chambers, who became a suspect within hours of the murder. After police brought him in for questioning, he admitted killing Jennifer. He said it was an accident. I liked her very much! The story he told police seemed to blame Jennifer. It was shocking and graphic: Chambers demonstrating to police: I reached up and grabbed like this, and I grabbed like that and came down on my hand. She came over this way and landed right there, right next to the tree. When police undressed Chambers, they discovered more scratches on his chest. Chambers was charged with second-degree murder. His button-down costume covered up a life of crime and addiction. A videotape gave the public a peek at the real Robert Chambers, Fairstein believes. It was made at a party Chambers attended while he was on bail, surrounded by girls wearing lingerie. How did you feel when you saw that? I was horrified when I saw it, but in a way I was also glad that he showed himself for what he really was. So Fairstein made a deal. Chambers pleaded guilty to first-degree manslaughter. It was a step down from murder, but as part of the agreement, Chambers had to admit in open court that he intended to hurt Jennifer when he killed her. Despite all the evidence she had against Chambers, Linda Fairstein never could prove one crucial point: I can tell you as a matter of law that the prosecution does not have to prove motive. There is only one person alive who knows what happened that night. But Chambers felt by doing one major interview the media attention might ease up. And he also had a personal agenda. Robert Chambers wanted to talk about Jennifer Levin. As the afternoon passed, the interview would go on for four tense hours. I can never make up for the pain I caused her family. Am I a monster? Rehearsed lines from a con artist or genuine repentance, Chambers seemed to want the world that had condemned him to reconsider its judgment. Would I like the opportunity to apologize, with actions behind it, backing it up? His father, Robert Sr. His mother, Phyllis, an Irish immigrant, was a private duty nurse. It was her determination, not any family fortune, that gained Robert Chambers access to an exclusive world of privilege, possibility and private schools. She always worked hard. Robert Chambers bounced from one prestigious prep school to another in a blur of bad behavior and poor grades. He eventually graduated and went to college -- but just for a semester before he was asked to leave there, too. How do you do that? But along with the swelled ego came a far more serious problem: Unlike Chambers, most of the young people at the bar were heading for college. Young people full of hope and full of the future. Young people like Jennifer Dawn Levin. Jennifer Levin By all accounts Jennifer Levin was bright and ambitious, having succeeded in the same types of schools where Robert Chambers had failed so miserably. Some of her friends say Levin found Chambers intriguing, wanting more of a relationship than he was really interested in. And you were intimate with her? I was not a friend to her. But something awkward and unexpected came up. Chambers was dating another girl at the time and she was at the bar, too. When she saw him speaking with Jennifer Levin, she grew angry at Chambers and stormed out. The District Attorney would later suggest that argument so upset Chambers that it was a motive for murder. I guess the best way to say it is I was so shallow at the time that I lost a relationship. And she reached down and she grabbed my testicles. And after a couple of seconds of talking and fooling around, she squeezed and between the squeeze and possibly the nails, it hurt. And in pain, shock, even anger, I reacted. I made her fall to the side. And her eyes were open. And I knew something was wrong. Call an ambulance, call the police, if it was an accident? Jennifer Levin lay dead. And Robert Chambers inexplicably stayed there, staring at the young woman he told us, as he has always insisted, he killed by accident. And, I was just scared. As dawn broke, Chambers remained at the crime scene -- sitting quietly on a stone wall only a few feet away. Soon the police and an ambulance arrived. It seemed the whole world arrived. Police started clearing the crowd. For the rest of my life. It looked like she had been in a fight for her life. Cuts and bruises marked her body, and around

her neck were bright red hemorrhages indicating strangulation. Police officer at crime scene: The body was lying on the ground. Some of the clothing on her had been pushed to the upper portion of her body. The medical examiner estimated the time of death at approximately 6 a. He had deep scratches on his face and arms and injuries to both hands. Chambers first told police that the family cat had scratched him, but under questioning at the precinct later that day, he changed his story. And I have these marks. You had deep scratch marks on your face. And the one thing was that I did not take her seriously. And with that she scratched me. But I mean, was I in a rage? During the interrogation, Chambers would go on to tell detectives that Levin tied his arms behind his back with her panties. She molested me in the park. How did she molest you? I could have yelled. Would it have made a difference? Would it have helped me? You had your hands around her neck and you squeezed. The bruises that she sustained came when I struck her. There is nothing to change. And Jennifer had nails. A long one going in different direction, again a different direction, behind that another one. That tells us that she wanted him off her body. That tells us she wanted him to stop, to let go of her, to let her breathe. Bite marks on Robert Chambers hands 48 Hours And on Chambers hands, photographed the day Jennifer was killed, Fairstein says you can see bite marks. She believes Jennifer Levin bit Chambers when he put his hands over her mouth to stop her screaming. Just as they will when they see this. They will look at every time I move my thumb. The plea bargain required that Chambers admit in court that he intended to harm Jennifer Levin -- something he had and always continues to deny.

Confessions of a Recovering Preppie, the autobiography of cryptographer Michael de Mare, is less of an inside look at technical secrets than an overview of his life. The author mixes such diversities as The Big 80s, military service, computer science, conferences and travel plans, laced with enough stringent observation of preppie behavior to.

I was a high-achieving perfectionist so anxious, at times, that I had stress-induced asthma. Mulligan was not then, and is not now, a new-age spiritual seeker. He is a dyed-in-the-wool New England educator who, surprisingly, became a California cowboy. Picture a balding lacrosse preppy in khakis and a cowboy hat. I dutifully sat with my TM teacher and tried to focus on the mantra he gave me which, truthfully, I never really understood. I was too intimidated by the teacher to ask for clarification. I was told, and I believed, that if I could just practice TM twice daily, as instructed, after six days in a row I would experience a calm so profound I would no longer be stressed or exhausted. Boy, that sounded good. I stay interested in meditation and I keep trying it because scores of studies have shown the benefits to be broad and profound. Meditation lowers our stress and anxiety, helps us focus, and makes us more productive. And it makes us healthier. After meditating daily for eight weeks, research subjects were 76 percent less likely than a non-meditating control group to miss work due to illness. And if they did get a cold or a flu, it lasted only five days on average, compared to eight for everyone else. I believe in the benefits of meditation. Actually, I have done that as a part of a long meditation retreat, but never in my regular life. This disconnect is driving me crazy. It is a part of my life that, until recently, I had not figured out yet. This is my new insight: I am, on some deep level, afraid. Whenever we are faced with a behavior that defies both logic and desire e. A fear is a perceived risk or danger “ real or not. It turns out, more than I originally thought. Just the thought of not working, not accomplishing, not striving feels uncomfortable. I might understand intellectually the many benefits of meditation, but in the moment it feels better to me to check my email, to use all the time allotted for meditation skimming news about the latest Trump disaster, or to just plain start working first thing each morning. What if I am not good enough? What if I am simply not enough? I can always convince myself logically that I am enough; there is a mountain of evidence of this in my achievements. But deep down, as 30 years of avoidance has shown me, there is something more here. Somehow, my achievements are not enough for me to feel inner peace, they are never enough. Hospice caregiver Stephen Levine writes about how many people, sadly, feel this on their deathbed: Having not discovered their own great truth—they have settled for success. Whether their dream was stardom or starshine, their book published, their true love found, or their temper defeated, they believed that their life was incomplete. Meditation asks me to let go of all tributes to my worthiness, to my ego-based identity. To let go of those external and often status-based things that we think make us feel worthy “ because they amplify our feelings of unworthiness. Meditation asks me to cease “ for 20 minutes, twice each day “ being a mom, wife, lover, friend, sociologist, author, speaker, coach, teacher. To give up success, in favor of peace. I have struggled to meditate regularly for the last three decades because my belief that I should meditate is intellectual, cognitive. But my avoidance of it “ my fear of not being good enough “ is emotional. And emotions always trump logic. I know that I am not alone here. I know how to tame a fear. Name it to tame it. Give it a name. Fear of not being or doing enough. Start by exhaling deeply, which is the key to calming the nervous system. Now, think about what will make you feel safer. What can you do to soothe yourself right now? I know, a glass of chardonnay sounds good. You do not have to be good. You do not have to walk on your knees For a hundred miles through the desert, repenting. You only have to let the soft animal of your body Love what it loves. Take a baby step. Break the behavior you are avoiding doing into an action step so small that it no longer feels worth resisting. Meditation has become more a part of my daily life.

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An anonymous reader writes "Michael de Mare's, Confessions of a Recovering Preppie, has been sitting on my desk a long time, for good www.nxgvision.com say you can't always judge a book by it's cover but in this case, the unintentionally embarrassing front is perfect.

Indus Valley civilization pre-Aryan flourishes in Indus basin. Aryans invade India, Dravidian civilization of Indus valley destroyed. Aryan culture takes shape in Gangetic plains of North India. Rise of caste system, Vedic literature flourishes, no mention of Rama. Valmiki writes Sanskrit Ramayana with Rama as an ideal human hero, embodiment of chivalry, loyalty, patience and justice. Babar invades India, no historical evidence of him ever being in Ayodhya. Mir Baqi, a Mughal governor, builds the Mosque in honor of Babar. No account of destruction of any Hindu temple or association of Rama with the site in all Medieval literature. Jesuit priest Joseph Tieffenthaler suggests the birth of Rama is believed to be in the vicinity of the Masjid. First mention of Masjid as possible place of birth, offers no reference or evidence. Hindus call it a miracle. The Masjid is declared by the District Magistrate as a disputed property and is closed to Muslims. Muslims forbidden to get closer than yards to their own Masjid. Pandey, on behalf of Hindus to be able to perform public worship, Mr. Pandey the district judge, on recommendation of Mr. Pandey, the District Magistrate, grants Hindus the permission for general worship without regard to the Muslims opinion. In full glare of media and publicity the Masjid is handed over to Hindus. Proceedings televised to mobilize Hindu public opinion in favor of Congress government. It is rumored that Rajiv Gandhi backed the action to win back Hindu support for Congress. Conflicts flare between Muslims and Hindus. Long arduous legal and political battles ensue. Dispute is pending before the High Court and the Supreme Court, both want status quo. Muslims declare their willingness to accept the decision of the highest court of India. July 23, Prime Minister comes to agreement with Sadhus Hindu holy men to stop construction to enable him to find a solution. Chief Minister of UP assures status quo and protection of Masjid. Advani, the BJP leader, asserts that work on construction of temple would continue irrespective of Supreme Court decision. Police do not intervene. Babri Masjid, a place of Muslim Worship and a monument of history destroyed brick by brick. Would it be the last of the acts of Hindu extremist fanaticism or the beginning of a long design of death and destruction of minorities in India?

Chapter 4 : Michael de Mare (Author of Confessions of a Recovering Preppie)

Confessions of a Recovering Misogynist" by Kevin Powell March 26, In the past few weeks, I've had the opportunity to have very brief conversations with Kevin Powell. Confessions of a Recovering Misogynist" by Kevin Powell.

Originally running into four volumes , it has now been abridged , and put together in one volume by Orient Blackswain. The book dwells in short on his early life--how he had a inborn trait of suspicion. Once , he and his brothers and father are supposed to enter a underground room. He refuses , saying that somebody could murder them there The stellar part of the book is of course the way in which he won the throne , murdering all his brothers in the process , and imprisoning his father , the emperor Shahjahan after a series of epic battles. Such is the brutal tradition of Mughal emperors. The tragedy of the hapless prince Dara Shukoh is well brought out , as he is hunted down from pillar to post as he escapes from the battle , and is eventually captured and sentenced to death by learned kazis. His crime--he was too tolerant to hindus Most of them are drugged daily to convert them into idiots until they die a slow death. After winning the throne in this fashion , Aurangzeb does not spare his friends , those who helped him win the throne either--for who knows , one day these brave people might become too powerful , threatening the throne His success against the marathas has made him too powerful The killing of the last two is especially important , as they are hindu nobles who might form the main impediment to a project that Aurangzeb Alamgir that the title he has given himself has long been considering , a project that indeed is his dream And it is for the realisation of this project that he unleashes the jizya tax on hindus--something that his great grandfather Akbar had banished long ago. The hindus protest of course , carrying out huge anti-jizya rallies right upto the mughal court , but Aurangzeb orders his troops to attack and kill the protestors--he is unrelenting Having done this , Aurangzeb makes peace with Iran , which has held Kandahar in afghanistan , long cherished by the mughals and orders his army , strong to invade south India to complete another project of his--bringing the whole subcontinent under the mughal banner , right from Kashmir to Kanyakumari By force and bribes actually more by bribes he manages to conquer the muslim kingdoms of the deccan as his armies move south , levying tax as far as tiruchirapalli in tamil nadu. Above all , his troops capture alive maratha king Sambhaji , who is blinded by buring hot pincers put in his eyes , his skin is torn from his body while still alive , he is cut limb to limb and then fed to the dogs. Aurangzeb has reached the pinnacle of his ambition , and seemingly achieved his dreams--or has he?? For he soon discovers that his armies have yet to overawe the hardy inhabitants of the sahyadri ranges , those followers of Shivaji , whose impregnable fortresses elude capture by the mughals and whose armies disappear and appear at will , utterly confounding the slow mughals. Aurangzebs unwieldy army is unfit to fight against well motivated guerillas in mountainous jungle country , and his soldiers are reduced to hapless onlookers as the marathas wreak havoc in mughal territory. The almighty mughals have met their match , but one man prevents them from retreating--Aurangzeb himself For an astonishing two decades and a half , the army is forced to fight an unwinnable fight in the hills of maharashtra as the treasury is depleted , the other provinces of the empire are neglected , and an entire new generation of children reach their youth in camp--they have never seen the big city All his officers and men now want Aurangzeb to die so that the war would end , but his life is unusually prolonged. Aurangzeb laughs derisively at his sons who he knows are waiting for him to die , so that they can fight for the throne in time-honoured mughal fashion , but the old man simply refuses to croak off But Aurangzeb is really sad at the end of his life , as he realises the enormous mistake that he has done , and asks his sons to not fight after his death for the throne , though he knows nobody will heed his call As far as the marathas who brought him to this pitiable condition-- they are given their fair share in this book , and the entire life and campaigns of both Shivaji and Sambhaji along with other warriors like Santaji Ghorpade is articulated. All the ordinances that Aurangzeb brought out to enforce islam on an unwilling people are described in detail. Personally he led a simple life , stitching caps for a living. Verdict about the bookmasterpiece

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swirl of our overloaded lives toward the sweet spot of a happier and more meaningful one. Carter turns this assumption on its head by showing us how to be stronger and make life easier, both through her own experience and new research. The Sweet Spot is worth finding, and she teaches us how. Christine Carter has once again created the perfect blend of science and story, to give us practical tools for combating the overwhelm that seems to pervade modern life.

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