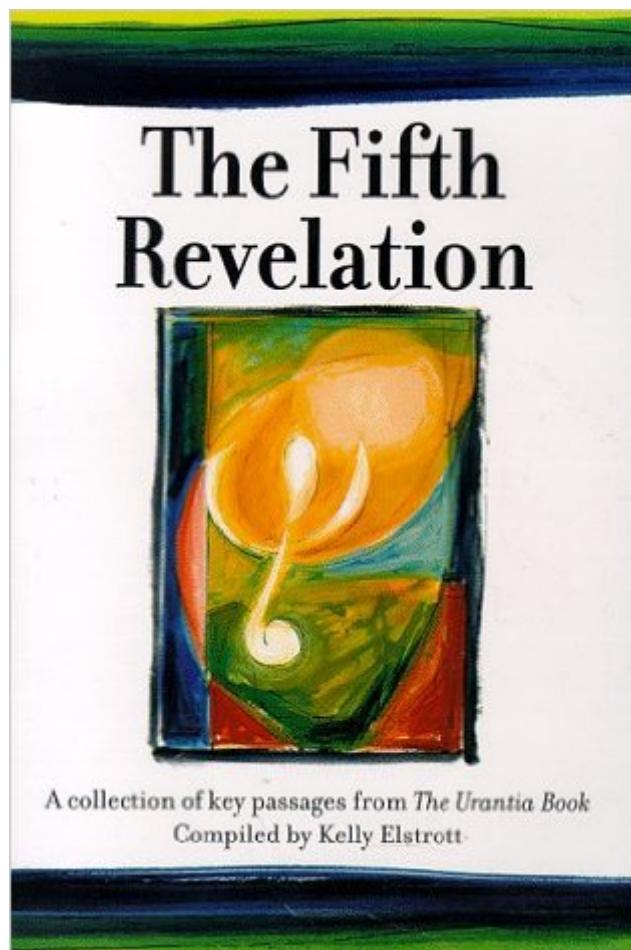


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From the formation of the galaxies and earth itself, through the birth of Adam and Eve, to the present time of epochal change, *The Fifth Revelation: Key Passages from The Urantia Book* encapsulates millennia in three hundred fascinating pages. In 1971, when author Kelly Elstrott discovered *The Urantia Book* his life was changed forever. Almost thirty years later, as a successful chemical engineer, father of six children, including eight-year-old triplets, he compiled *The Fifth Revelation* in gratitude for the way *The Urantia Book* has guided and enriched his life. Seekers of spiritual truth and students of comparative religion will be familiar with *The Urantia Book* as an epic 2,000-page anthology first published in 1955 from papers indited by superhuman personalities in the 1930s. Now *The Fifth Revelation* - so called because *The Urantia Book* was the fifth time the Word of God was given to the people of earth - offers readers an illuminating sneak preview of the uplifting life teachings recorded in the original text, as well as a stand-alone volume of spiritual strength and beauty. Illustrating the book are sixty black-and-white prints of the world's greatest art, including Mary Cassatt's *The Bath* in a chapter about family love. Elstrott's personality and sensibility further enliven the reading experience with introductions to each chapter and careful notations guiding the reader to the original text. The wise reader will turn early on to the series of appendices at the back of the book, including an excellent glossary and index. From the beginning, the reader is drawn into a universe startlingly reminiscent of George Lucas' "Star Wars" with countless inhabited planets. The good guys of earthalso known as Urantiaforge their way to perfection through the path of love and beauty and integrity, while the bad guys, who have rejected God's plan of brotherhood, perennially try to sabotage the way back to God, unwittingly serving as testers of faith. Spiritual Oscar winners Melchizedek, Ikhnaton, Isaiah, and Jesus himself, known as the Creator Son, cheer every member of the human race as we step slowly and steadily toward freedom under the watchful eye of a benevolent God. *The Fifth Revelation* is a perfect introduction to *The Urantia Book*, and will fill a long-overdue place on bookshelves of all spiritually committed inhabitants of this sector of the galaxy.

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Several years ago, someone introduced me to The Urantia Book. I had intended to read the entire 2000 plus pages of it, but never did as it was just too much. Recently, I ran into this book made up of "a collection of key passages from The Urantia Book" compiled by Kelly Elstrott. At 300 or so pages, it contains mostly passages from The Urantia Book and some brief commentary. This sounded like a way to get a flavor of the whole book in a lot less time, so I gave it a try. Much of what I read really spoke to me. Maybe it will to you too. I would recommend trying this shorter version if 2000 pages seems like a lot. There is some controversy over the source of the Urantia materials. I don't claim to understand all the hoopla and think it not necessary to go there. Here's one of my reasons for feeling this way, quoting from page 303 of The Fifth Revelation: "Like all other sacred texts, the contents should not be evaluated by relying on claims of authorship or authority, but rather upon the 'fruits of the spirit' which they produce. The new reader might explore the book as a fascinating piece of religious literature until such time as its spiritual quality authenticates its message and its source." This is really similar (if you look closely at least) to Matthew 7:15-20 if you prefer a biblical source: "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles? So, every sound tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears evil fruit. A sound tree cannot bear evil fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Thus you will know them by their fruits."

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