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A profound follow-up to the bestselling book and major motion picture, *The Ultimate Gift*. When Jason Stevens found out he had to jump through hoops to maybe get an unnamed inheritance from his billionaire grandfather, he was not amused. By the time he'd finished learning the lessons he'd become a different man. Ready to tackle the duties of running a multi-billion dollar trust, he is once again derailed, this time by his pugnacious family. Not content with their cattle ranches and oil fields, his aunts, uncles, and even his parents are determined to see every last dime entrusted to their own self-serving pockets.

With none of the reluctance he initially showed for the Gift, he eagerly accepts the challenge and pushes himself to prove not only to his family and the court but also to the world, that with determination and the simple tenets of the Gift, anyone can lead *The Ultimate Life*.

The Ultimate Life Details

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Debra says

This is the follow up book to The Ultimate Gift. I really liked this book. It's a bit corny at times, but the lessons it teaches are well worth the read.

Balu says

The Ultimate life is the story centers on fictional billionaire Red Stevens who has given his family an amazing life of material wealth but has spoiled them in the process.

Red has passed away and his heirs are eager to receive their inheritances.

For his grandnephew Jason Stevens the inheritance comes with significant strings attached.

He must complete a series of monthly tasks before he is to receive any of his inheritance.

It deals with how Jason succeeds in the tasks which are assisted to him, in this process he explains about his morals & values of life which he faced and overcome, as it starts well, some of the tasks are dragged with routine trial versions that happen in the court room

Jean Rabern says

Ultimate good reading.

I liked this book because it made me think about my life and the happiness that God has given me.

Nikhil Singhanian says

Better than Ultimate Gift,Read ultimate gift before reading this.

Rachel says

It was basically recap of books one, but with some additional details. The irritating part was the added details were things that were changed in the movie, not added details from book number one. The message continues to be a good one, but I was frustrated with the changes they made to match the movie that came out after book one.

Elton says

Interesting but lacked verisimilitude sometimes

Carol Arnold says

This book was an ok book but very much a repetition of The Ultimate Gift and very predictable in every way. However, there were several discrepancies between the two which were rather confusing. In the first book, Jason Stevens was the great nephew of billionaire Howard (Red) Stevens. In this second book, he somehow became the grandson. It was explained that originally Jason was embarrassed to be known as the grandson, however, there was no indication of that in the first book. Another discrepancy involved a little terminally ill girl, Emily, who he met in the park with her nurse. In the second book, she was with her mother, Alexia, who was now Jason's fiancé. No explanation given. There were other discrepancies including the terms of the will. So in this second book, we find that the entire family (who have received millions of dollars in the will) have somehow managed to get all Jason's assets frozen while they contest the will. Here is where I was very bewildered by the proceedings. Jason is the defendant in the case, however, he has to prove that he has met all the provisions of the will and is capable of handling the distribution of the billions of dollars of assets received in the will. He had already met all the conditions of the will in the first book and the will stated no further conditions concerning his ability to distribute the funds. So now he has to prove over the course of another year what his relatives want proven. Why is it not up to them to provide the proof. But nothing is said about that. They just proceed like this is perfectly acceptable and legal. The terms of the will concerning the other relatives has changed also. Just too many contradictions! I did read another reviewer state that this book seemed to be a sequel not to the book, The Ultimate Gift, but to the movie, The Ultimate Gift. The discrepancies which I pointed out above matched perfectly with the movie version. So you needed to watch the movie for it to make sense!!

Alvi Harahap says

You have to read the Ultimate Gift to really absorb the impact of this book as it is the sequel. There is a true foundation to this book and a lot to be learned about yourself and others.

This book really makes you appreciate what is important in life. Sometimes we get so caught up in the day-to-day stuff we forget. This puts it back in perspective without the religious tilt so often seen. It's a great book to read over and over.

Edit

Jenny says

This was ok but not as good as The Ultimate Gift.

Michelle says

This book is truly amazing!! I read the ultimate gift and thought it was amazing, this one is even better!!

Nona Peachey says

Life changing

Excellent read. Definitely plan to buy and share with all ages. Most importantly plan to take notes from this book and incorporate into my daily living to have a fuller life. Thanks.

Cody Neese says

Ultimate book

The author cleared many questions concerning the book and the movie and tied the ending together very well. The author did a terrific job at focusing on the main topics while adding humor to the mixture.

Honeybee says

This sequel to the book, *The Ultimate Gift*, is even better than the first one in the series. Picking up shortly after Jason Steven's 12-month quest for the "ultimate gift," under the guidance of his grandfather's attorney, Theodore J. Hamilton, a new drama unfolds in the courtroom of The Honorable Judge Stanford A. Davis. Jason's greedy, self-serving relatives--not satisfied with the millions of dollars in property, oil, livestock and other assets bequeathed to them by multi-billionaire Howard 'Red' Stevens--hire a "dream team" of lawyers from the firm Dudley, Cheatham and Leech to represent them in a suit to seize the holdings of a non-profit organization left by Red under the care of young Jason. Due to the language of Red's last will and testament, this soon becomes a "winner take all" contest with stakes too high for either party to lose. And Judge Davis must rely on all of his years of experience, plus the advice of his own mentor, to make a lawful and reasonable ruling.

The Ultimate Life reiterates the values of the twelve gifts Jason experienced in book 1. Over multiple hearings throughout the ensuing year in Davis' courtroom, Jason is forced not only to prove to the judge's discretion that he fulfilled the requirements of each lesson Red gave, but also that he was able to teach others the same value, as expected in his work with his grandfather's charitable organizations. Not only does Jason accomplish this, but he brings about changes in the community around the courthouse and in the judge's life, as well.

I love the humor Stovall introduced through the attorney, Theodore Hamilton. He takes great pleasure and latitude in taunting his opponent, L. Myron Dudley. My husband and I nearly busted a gut laughing so hard at the antics of these two lawyers in Judge Davis' courtroom. Moreover, we cheered and cried, as we heard the story unfold of how Jason--once a self-centered rich brat like his family--transforms the lives of ordinary working class and unprivileged people in the surrounding neighborhoods.

Even though it is a work of fiction, you'll find yourself getting attached to the characters as if they were real. Not only that, but it just may spur you to try some of Jason's ideas in your own community.

If you are looking for an easy, but delightful read that carries truly meaningful values with it, then this is an outstanding choice. Read it aloud to your kids and talk about how they, too, can make a difference by embracing these gifts themselves, and then passing them on to others. It will only take an afternoon of your time (or a couple of weeks, if you read a chapter per day), but the benefits may last a lifetime.

Joshua Hurlbut says

Once again, this book was inspirational!

If I could add anything it would be that there was more to the book so I could get more details! I have many thanks to give the author for such a great second part to the trilogy. I have already downloaded and will begin reading the second part of this book ASAP. I definitely recommend this book to any and all readers of any age. I would also like to add that I will be attempting to realize and utilize each of these gifts in my own life and I encourage any past, present, and future readers to do the same!

Nanette Edmonds says

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Another great book from Jim Stovall in the Ultimate Gift Series. This book was a lot of repetition from The Ultimate Gift book...the first in the series. It does provide a lot of information on Jason Stevens character though, so it is a valuable read. It doesn't take long to read, but the concepts and rules by which we should all consider living our lives still apply. Thank you, Mr Stovall, for these words and thoughts... Very life changing.
