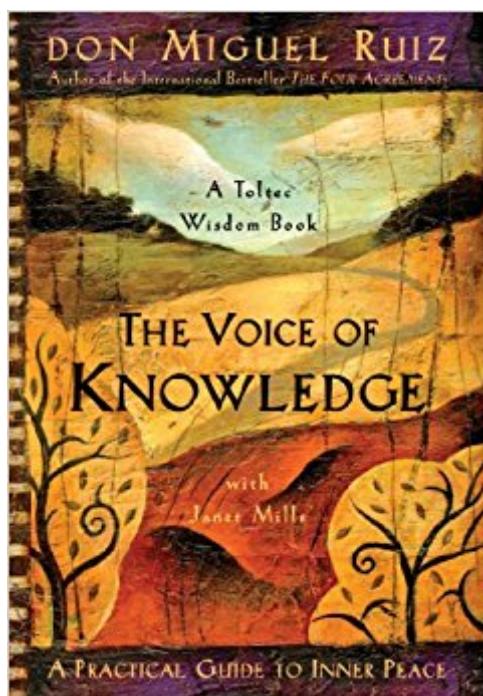


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# The Voice Of Knowledge: A Practical Guide To Inner Peace



## Synopsis

In *The Voice of Knowledge*, Miguel Ruiz reminds us of a profound and simple truth: The only way to end our emotional suffering and restore our joy in living is to stop believing in lies — mainly about ourselves. Based on ancient Toltec wisdom, this breakthrough book shows us how to recover our faith in the truth and return to our own common sense. Ruiz changes the way we perceive ourselves, and the way we perceive other people. Then he opens the door to a reality that we once perceived when we were one and two years old — a reality of truth, love, and joy.

“We are born in truth, but we grow up believing in lies. . . . One of the biggest lies in the story of humanity is the lie of our imperfection.”

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As little children we know how to live in the moment and be completely authentic. But then something damaging happens to us, according to author Don Miguel Ruiz: we are given "knowledge" about how to live in the world. Parents tell us how to behave in order to be a "good" boy or girl. Teachers tell us what it takes to be a "winner" or a "successful" adult. This collective "voice of knowledge" is not only false--it is often poisonous, explains Ruiz, bestselling author of *The Four Agreements*. It makes us believe that "I am not the way I should be; it is not okay to be me." Drawing upon the story of Adam and Eve, Ruiz refers to the forbidden tree of knowledge and likens the abandonment of the true self to the fall from heaven. What Ruiz calls "the voice of knowledge" others spiritual teachers might call ego--the hidden and carefully defended belief system that

prevents us from living and expressing who we really are. "The structure of our knowledge makes us feel safe&#x85;. When we discover that we are not what we believe we are, the foundation of our entire reality begins to collapse." In the Toltec tradition, Ruiz says every human is an artist, "and the supreme art is the expression of the beauty of our spirit." He explains that there are two kinds of artists: "the ones who create their story without awareness, and the ones who recover awareness and create their story with truth and love." The recovering of awareness is what this fourth book in the Toltec Wisdom series is all about. This makes for a good bedside spiritual growth book. Each chapter closes with "Points to Ponder"--summary thoughts to sleep upon as you create the more authentic story of your life. --Gail Hudson

With more than 2.7 million copies of his *The Four Agreements* sold, Ruiz returns to readers with a new volume that presents his latest thoughts on the ways and means of inner knowledge and healing. Written in the first person with frequent apostrophic addresses ("You need to challenge every belief that you use to judge yourself, to reject yourself, to make yourself little"), the book moves gracefully and anecdotally from "Adam and Eve: The Story from a Different Point of View" to "The Tree of Life: The Story Comes Full Circle," with 10 chapters in between, including "The Lie of Our Imperfection," a chapter that covers "emotional pain as a symptom of abuse" and one on "Writing Our Story with Love," with frequent stops for "Points to Ponder." For Ruiz, life can be a matter of storytelling, to ourselves and to others. His reflections on the process of how people tell these stories, and how they can change their narratives, draw on the lore of his native Mexico and feel both centered and earned. Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

Reading spiritual enlightenment books frees my soul. I like to read don Miguel Ruiz, or his sons' books. They kick started my spiritual journey back in August 2016. I highly recommend these books for your collection so you can read, and re-read as needed. Do you want to time travel? Then READ! Get lost in the NOW...or should I say found.

Amazing book! Everything I have studied and believed for the past 30 years is all here in this book. Thanks for sharing this truth with the world.

It could drastically reduce judgementalness and division, I believe. If we each would get the concepts in this book... that each life tells their own story and learn to embrace that diversity (your

own and other's), instead of comparing, fearing , or shunning it, imagine how much more harmony and peace there could be. I found it very helpful that each chapter gave points to ponder.

I like the way the author chooses to enlighten the reader through his artistic view. I recommend this book to all seeking a fuller richer view of life. The review I gave is due to the discovery process I personally went through while reading.

I loved how this book is easy to understand due to how the author relates his stories to every day Life. The points to ponder at the end of the chapters help to enforce the ideas that were focused on. A must read meditation book. I will apply many lessons that were written about.

This book is a simple yet powerful concept that helped me understand where the real truth is within me and how it is layered over with all of the unnecessary and poisonous "knowledge " that we are programmed with from our parents, teachers, religion, politicians etc. We adopt dogma and confuse it as truth. Our true selves are who we are before we consume these poisonous fruits of "knowledge". Returning to my child heart is really where my true self awaits my return, heaven on earth.

Interesting - the kind of book where you re-read and get a different perspective each time.

The book is just okay to remember what "the four agreements" and "the mastery of love" teach. For people familiar with these books it can be quite repetitive. For the ones who start with the author, it's just fine.

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