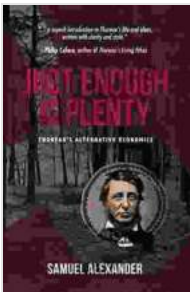


Just Enough Is Plenty: Thoreau's Alternative Economics for a Sustainable Future

In his classic work, *Walden*, Henry David Thoreau famously wrote, "I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not, when I came to die, discover that I had not lived." Thoreau's words have resonated with generations of readers, inspiring them to question the dominant economic and social values of their time and to seek a more simple, sustainable, and fulfilling way of life.



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In his new book, *Just Enough Is Plenty: Thoreau's Alternative Economics*, author Scott Reynolds Nelson argues that we can learn a great deal from Thoreau's writings about economics and sustainability. Nelson shows how Thoreau's ideas can help us create a more sustainable and just world today.

Nelson begins by exploring Thoreau's critique of the dominant economic system of his time, which he saw as based on greed, exploitation, and materialism. Thoreau argued that this system was unsustainable and that it was leading to the destruction of the natural world. He also believed that the system was unjust, as it led to a great deal of poverty and inequality.

In contrast to the dominant economic system, Thoreau advocated for an alternative economics based on the principles of simplicity, sustainability, and equity. He believed that we should live simply, consume less, and appreciate the natural world. He also believed that we should work together to create a more just and equitable society.

Nelson shows how Thoreau's ideas can be applied to a wide range of contemporary issues, including climate change, economic inequality, and resource depletion. He argues that Thoreau's insights can help us create a more sustainable and just world for ourselves and for future generations.

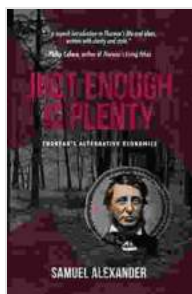
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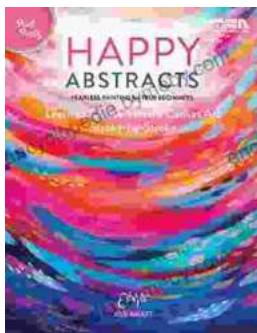


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