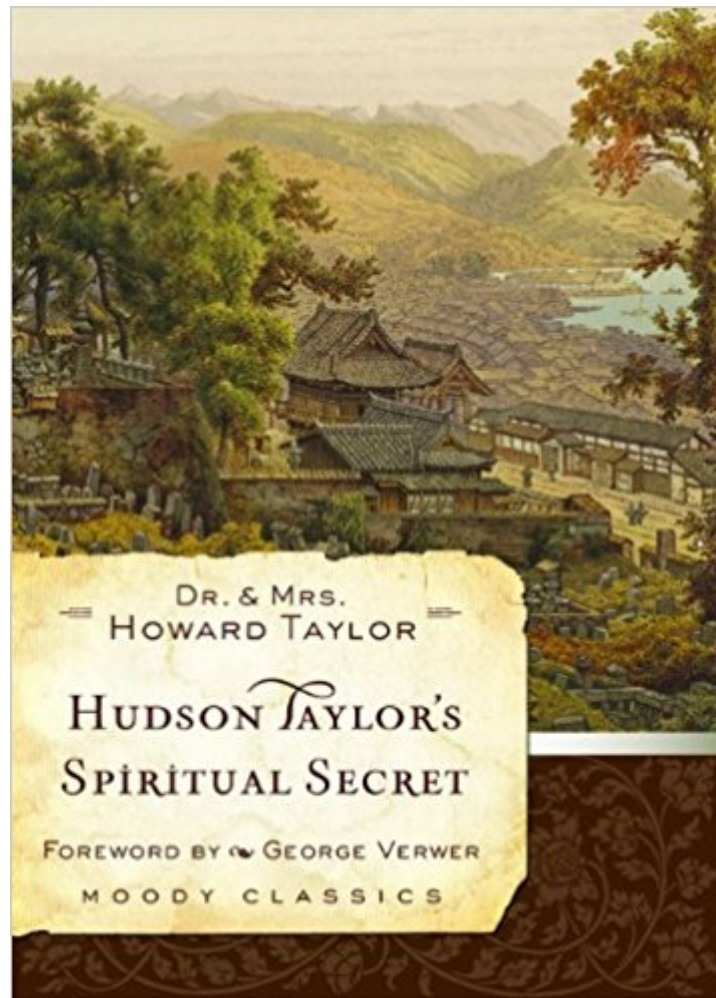




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# Hudson Taylor's Spiritual Secret (Moody Classics)



## Synopsis

A spiritual biography of the "father of modern missions," Hudson Taylor's *Spiritual Secret* poses one question: What empowered Hudson Taylor's ministry in China? The answer is unfolded in these pages. Written by Taylor's son and daughter-in-law, it shows us a man with a fierce faith who believed that God truly would fulfill all He promises in Scripture. For Christians longing for the inward joy and power that Hudson Taylor had, they can find the secret to it here. The secret, it turns out, is available to any who call on Christ's name. "An easy, non-self-denying life will never be one of power," Taylor said. "Fruit-bearing involves cross-bearing. There are not two Christs—an easygoing one for easygoing Christians, and a suffering, toiling one for exceptional believers. There is only one Christ. Are you willing to abide in Him, and thus to bear much fruit?" Now with a new foreword by George Verwer

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God Will Meet Your Every Need! It is possible to live a life that is totally dependent on Christ for everything. The many miraculous answers to prayer that missionary Hudson Taylor experienced are exciting testimonies of God's gracious provision. His life illustrates: "What is needed to endure trials" "How faith is strengthened" "How to rely on the promises of God" "The rewards of sacrifice and perseverance" "How to discern God's purpose for your life Through Hudson Taylor's example, discover how you, too, can overcome hardships, experience miracles, and enjoy

a life of contagious faith and joy. By following scriptural principles, you can know the fulfillment of God's perfect will for your life. "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee; because he trusteth in thee." (Isaiah 26:3) --This text refers to the Kindle Edition edition.

DR. FREDERICK HOWARD TAYLOR (1862-1946) was a British missionary to China and the son, James Hudson Taylor, the founder of China Inland Mission. He completed his diploma at the Royal London Hospital in 1888 Howard and his wife, GERALDINE, wrote several books about his father's ministry and their own experiences in China. GERALDINE TAYLOR (1862-1948) was born in London and as a young lady had a burden for the downcast and depressed girls who worked in the factories in the east end of London. For a number of years she had a very fruitful ministry among the factory girls helping to elevate the downtrodden. In 1888 she felt the call of God to missionary service and, under the China Inland Mission, went to China. It was here that she met and married Howard Taylor and embarked on a very rich, long ministry in China and around the world. They were greatly used of the Lord to challenge people for missions, particularly missions in China.

We see the struggles, parks, and victories Hudson Taylor experienced in his missionary journey. What lessons, what character, what encouragement! As a missionary, I'm encouraged by his work. Because I'm reading this biography, I'm mailing it a goal to eat at least 2 more biographies of the great missionary leaders.

Still in the process of reading but it is a great book of Hudson Taylor's spiritual journey. I had never heard of him until last year. He is one of the great saints of our faith.

I've heard various parts of Hudson Taylor's story over the years. However, this account, written by his daughter-in-law, gave me a new perspective on the founder of the China Inland Mission (now OMF). This book details the development of Hudson Taylor's faith from his teenage conversion to his last day on earth. One of the highlights for me involved reading about how Taylor grew to understand faith in everyday decisions, such as even doing without butter and milk, before God could guide him to the next step. Another involved learning how Hudson Taylor had to experience his own time in a "cave" (see 1 Samuel 22:1-2) before emerging as the great missions leader we celebrate today. Perhaps most inspiring for me was the record of Taylor's paralysis experience in 1874-1875, when he maintained his focus and determinedly kept up with his mounting

correspondence through dictating to others. This book is not as neatly written as I would have liked. Also, I must agree with what has previously been written about the Kindle edition. However, this work did succeed in inspiring me to grow in my prayer life and seek the life of faith and perseverance that Hudson Taylor demonstrated in the most trying of circumstances.

I recommend this book to any who are counting the cost of following Christ and obeying his command to preach the gospel to every creature! Though some of Taylor's choices are difficult to swallow, it is hard to argue with God's provision in his life in response to his faith and prayers

This book, along with the Autobiography of George Müller, are two great testimonies to men and women of faith who were called by God to works much bigger than themselves. Their stories of simple obedience and trust are both inspiring and convicting.

The first few chapters were pretty rough to get through in the old style of writing and not very interesting but once the story gets moving, I was blessed by the example this great man left us. Get through the first few chapters like digging for buried treasure. You will not be disappointed.

His life was a life consecrated to God with the single focus of bringing the gospel to China. This is an inspiring read and highly recommended.

A wonderful testimony of God's grace power and love. A strong call onward to greater trust, faith, and perseverance in Christ Jesus and His power and ways. May we ever seek Him for a greater move of His Holy Spirit to save souls and bring us to greater levels of holiness in Himself! He is worthy and He is ever faithful! May we follow Him in the ways He chooses for us! Not my will but Thine be done!!

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