The Naked Communist
Synopsis

The Naked Communist has sold almost two million copies. It found its way into the libraries of the CIA, the FBI, the White House, and homes all across America and the world. The Naked Communist contains a distillation of more than a hundred books and treatises on communism, many written by Marxist authors. We see the communist the way he sees himself - stripped of propaganda and pretense. Explained here is the amazing appeal of communism, its history, and its basic and unchanging concepts - even its secret timetable of conquest. This audiobook has been called "the most powerful book on communism since J. Edgar Hoover's 'Masters of Deceit'". In one clarifying and volume, the whole incredible story of communism is graphically told. It includes the tragic story of China, Korea, Russia, the UN, Alger Hiss, Whittaker Chambers, Elizabeth Bentley, General MacArthur, and others. In 1961, Skousen added the 45 goals of communism. Today, all but one of those goals is fulfilled as detailed in Chapter 13. Among the many questions The Naked Communist answers are: Is communism taking over the United States of America? What is the progressive agenda? Who gave America's nuclear secrets to the Russians? Why did the West lose 600 million allies after World War II? What is communism's great secret weapon? Is there an answer to communism? What can I do to stop communism? But the most important question of all that this book answers is how to stop communism and how to do it without a major war. National broadcaster Paul Harvey at CBS said, "I have never given any volume such an unqualified endorsement."

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Customer Reviews
I got this book as a gift from my brother, stemming from a conversation in which I said, ‘communism isn't really such a horrible thing, it's just not a practical form of government because greed and corruption will never allow people to share things equally’. I was given this book to correct that misunderstanding. And this book did that brilliantly. Skousen begins with a description of the Marxist mindset, delving even into the lives and times of Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, Marx’s colleague and probably his only friend. Such insight lays the groundwork for understanding Communism and its reasons for being, which at best are selfish and demeaning. Using proto-communists’ own words, whether from the Communist Manifesto or from correspondence among Marx and others, Skousen shows that the very philosophical foundations of Marxism and Communism are flawed and misleading. For myself, I began to understand that Marx’s bitterness about his own station in life and his seeming inability to function in a competitive, capitalist world led him to a philosophy that claimed it could undo all the so-called iniquities of that capitalist world. Thus the myth of Communism as a great equalizer was born. Many people, myself once included, tend to think that that is all there is to Communism: everyone is equal and all possessions are shared equally. Others claim that the Bible provides support for this way of life and that the communal life described therein is an early example of Communism. Still others might claim that our founding fathers would have approved of Communism because of its purported equality. Skousen aptly debunks these and other misconceptions surrounding Communism and Marxist theory.

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