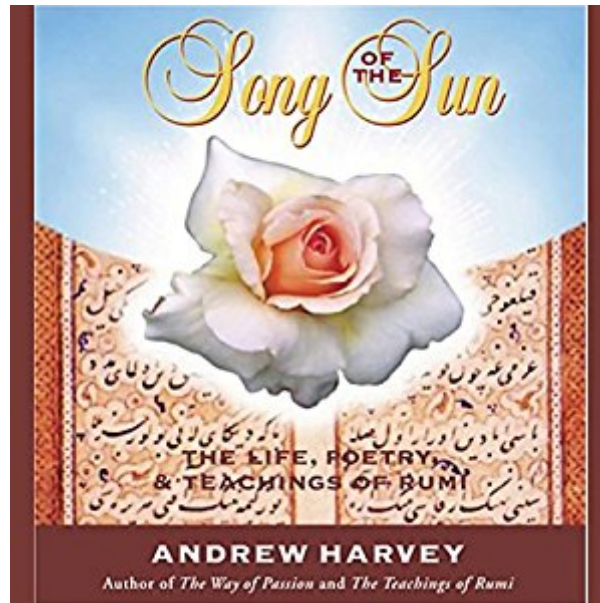


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# Song Of The Sun: The Life, Poetry, And Teachings Of Rumi



## Synopsis

It is customary, when referring to the life and work of a poet, to speak in academic terms. But with Jalal-ud-Din Rumi, this custom does not apply. His direct and indirect influence on both our spiritual lives and world literature over the past seven centuries has been immeasurable. Not only does his writing continue to set sales records, he is also remembered as the founder of Mevlevi Sufismâ •the whirling dervishesâ •whose followers in this century have numbered in the millions. Who was Rumi, and how does he continue to speak to us today? On Song of the Sun, Andrew Harvey, the Oxford-trained authority on Rumi and author of several modern spiritual classics, takes us inside the extraordinary life and teachings of this prophet and poet. Harvey sifts through the many legends and tales associated with Rumi's life, to reveal a rich and inspiring portrait of what a human being in love with and empowered by God can become. He mines the thousands of odes and quatrains composed by Rumi, and shares the most sumptuous and ecstatic works, all with clear relevance to our spiritual lives today. At a time when we are hungry for a divine vision of our world as it can beâ •and should beâ •Song of the Sun is an invitation to Rumi's most sacred and glorious feast.

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## Customer Reviews

Andrew Harvey has given us a passionate, loving homage to Rumi, as well as a reliable depiction of the mystical path, with its dangers and joys. Harvey is no mere 'academic'; he is an enthusiastic lover of Truth. In an age when Rumi's poems are available widely, this audiobook is a powerful reminder that there is a teaching/learning depth in Rumi that his mere popularity can't possibly

reflect. (Ridhwan students, especially: read or hear this book!)

Andrew Harvey is one of the few teachers who embodies the soul quality of Passion as it is expressed straight from the center of Divine Truth. His teaching on one of humanities' great mystic poets is filled with the passion and understanding of the mystical spiritual path as experienced by the great Sufi mystic, Rumi. Rumi is for everyone, regardless of your personal spiritual walk, and will flesh out and inform that spiritual walk in a way that can only expand your love for the Divine. Be ready to swoon and have your mind and heart filled with passionate love and understanding!

With great generosity of spirit and true humility, Andrew Harvey, authority on the life and poetry of Rumi, speaks to us in Song of the Sun. I am very grateful to Mr. Harvey for sharing so much more than his knowledge. He speaks in a deeply personal voice, telling us how he came to Rumi, and the impact of this encounter on his own spiritual journey. I am a great fan of Andrew Harvey's written work, and I felt that listening to these tapes was like a one-on-one encounter, where every question I had was answered well beyond my expectations. This is an uncommon and intimate work. And it is precisely this closeness, this intimacy, which proves Mr. Harvey to be a worthy ambassador, reaching out to us from the world of Rumi's colossal heart.

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