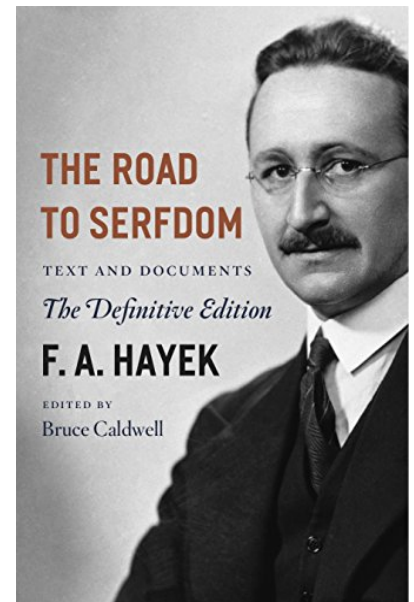


The Road To Serfdom Book Summary (PDF) by Friedrich August von Hayek

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Why This Book Matters:

The Road to Serfdom explains the doom that would inevitably follow the implementation of socialism.

The Big Takeaways:

1. The ideas Nazis held fizzled after World War II, but a worrisome set of ideas took their place.
 1. If A desire for socialism grew following the war, an idea that may be threatening to the freedoms of individuals.
2. The ideas tied to socialism often highlight a desire to be free while maintaining a level playing field for all people, regardless of their background.
 1. Though socialism seems like newfound freedom, it is only a road to serfdom.

3. **A planned economy could shut down an already established democracy.**
 1. Everyone has their ideas of what should be valued; therefore, a planned economy within a democracy would only create large disagreements, leading to nowhere.
4. **Socialism eliminates freedom.**
 1. When a planned economy is put into place, people lose their freedom to choose.
5. **Socialism creates a structure that can quickly be taken over by a dictatorship.**
 1. In an ideal world, the people making the decisions for others would be kind and have the best interest of everyone at heart, but realistically, that is not likely to be the case.

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