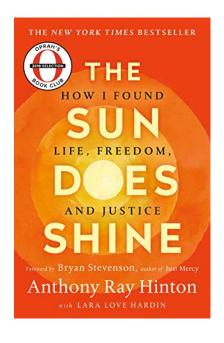
# The Sun Does Shine Book Summary (PDF) by Anthony Ray Hinton, Lara Love Hardin

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## Why This Book Matters:

The Sun Does Shine tells the exhilarating story of an honest man who fought for his freedom from prison after being found guilty of killings he did not commit.

## The Big Takeaways:

- 1. Hinton, a black man in Alabama, lived his childhood in racial discrimination in the 1970s.
  - 1. If Hinton stole a car in 1975 to avoid hitchhiking and was arrested for it two years later.
- 2. Two white police officers arrested him for murders he did not commit.
  - The police told him it didn't matter if he did it or not because another black man did. A polygraph proved his integrity, but the results were not

used in court.

- 3. Hinton lived on death row and was denied any sense of self-worth.
  - He appealed his biased sentence but was denied freedom.
- 4. Hinton learned that others on death row had more in common with him than originally thought.
  - His white friend on death row was executed for the death of a black man, which was significant to the world, but to Hinton it meant he lost another friend.
- 5. A Supreme Court ruling provided Hinton with what he had been hoping for during his sentence.
  - The ruling stated that Hinton's lawyer did fail him, and the state of Alabama must reconsider whether these failures produced a biased conviction. The charges were dropped, and Hinton walked free.

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