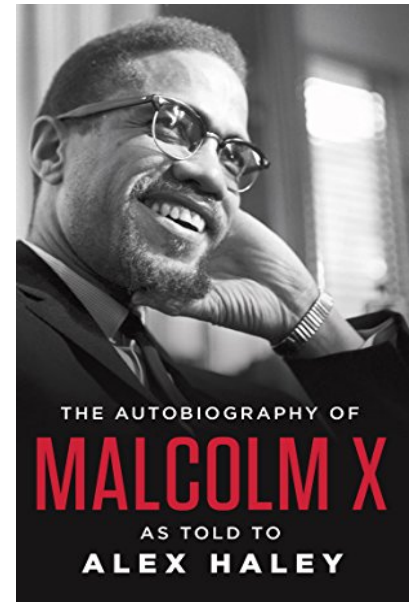


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Why This Book Matters:

The Autobiography of Malcolm X recalls the story of how one man redeemed his past actions through humanitarianism.

The Big Takeaways:

1. **Malcolm's parents both died when he was young.**
 1. If Malcolm was put into foster care and separated from his siblings as a result.
2. **Malcolm struggled in school because of racism, but Boston proved to be different.**
 1. Malcolm struggled to get along with his white peers, but when he visited his half-sister, Ella, he finally saw black people accepting themselves.
3. **Malcolm lost his job and eventually turned to crime in Harlem in the 1940s.**

1. He eventually realized he that was not the right path for him.
4. **He wound up in prison and had an epiphany about life.**
 1. In prison, Malcolm began reading books and found a pathway to Islam.
5. **On his visit to Mecca, he learned of the Muslim brotherhood.**
 1. He tried to rally African countries to make as much effort in supporting African-Americans as black South Africans.

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