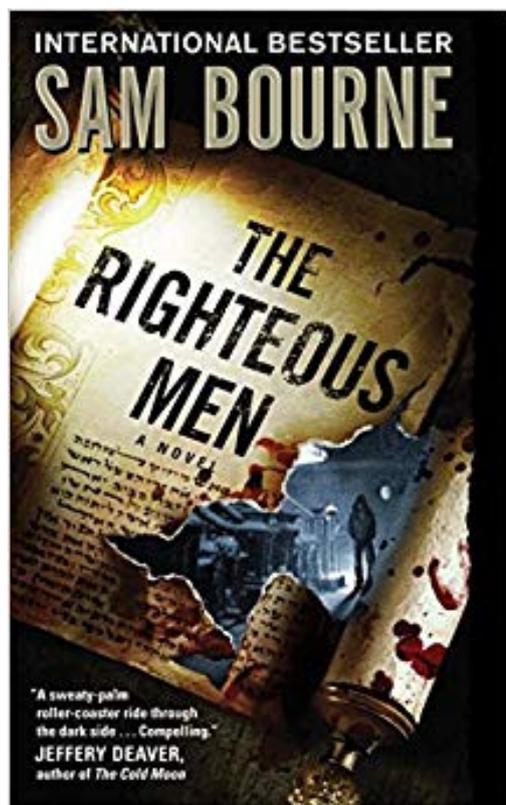


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A teenage computer prodigy is strangled in Mumbai. A far-right extremist is killed in a remote cabin in the Pacific Northwest. A wealthy businessman is murdered in Thailand. A pimp in Brooklyn is found stabbed to death and mysteriously covered by a brown shroud.

What connects the victims is an ancient prophecy that foretells the end of everything. Now it's up to fledgling New York Times reporter Will Monroe to prevent it. But his investigation could cost Monroe the woman he loves, as it leads him into a dangerous shadow world of fundamentalist religion, mysticism, and biblical prophecies—and toward a set of ancient texts that could save humankind . . . or destroy every man, woman, and child on the face of the Earth.



Reviews of the **Righteous Men** *by* Sam Bourne

Fearlesshunter

In many ways this Book was extremely interesting. All of the reality based situations and beliefs of Jewish mysticism made me want to finish the book. But there were times, especially at the beginning to the middle, that I was so bored I almost gave up on it and discarded the book to the electronic graveyard. It comes down to an author with a great idea (ala The DaVinci Code) but without the talent to hold the reader's attention as he plods through the long "beginning" which takes over half the book before it gets interesting. I also have to say I have seldom read a story with a less admirable lead character. "Will" is as dense as a log, not seeing the obvious, torturously arriving at conclusions the reader saw after a few hints. And he is so consumed with fear, anxiety, panic, and downright stupidity that he comes off as a wimpy dolt, not a hero.

Quphagie

This book was a great surprise. Far exceeded my expectations. It was an intricately planned adventure that was challenging and intriguing with every turn of the page. You travel all over the world and visit multiple people s. Best read with out exception.

Onetarieva

This story is hailed as a successor to Dan Brown's Robert Langdon series. In addition the description starts with the murder of a teenage hacker in Mumbai. Unfortunately, this story does not live up to either of these two descriptions.

Indeed, the story does build upon ancient mysticism, in this case Hasidic mysticism rather than Christian mysticism of Dan Brown's books. And, indeed, a young hacker in Mumbai is one of the victims of the story - not the first or even a major part of the story. In short the book doesn't live up to the descriptions.

The story itself is quite dull in places. The reader is more than halfway through the book before the ancient mysticism at the focus of the story even begin to be revealed. The reader has to go even much further before the story is truly revealed. And while interesting it isn't much of a story. Perhaps this is why the author felt it necessary to drag out the story as he did.

Finally, the book is categorized as a thriller. Unfortunately, the book doesn't quite live up to this description either. Sure, there are some mysterious elements, however, they are not completely unpredictable. The author does indeed manage to weave a few surprise elements into the story. However, the two biggest elements did not really come as much of a surprise.

And then their is the story's climax. The defining part of every story. In short, this story's climax falls completely flat. In the best thrillers even the build up to the climax are difficult to put down - the climax itself is impossible. Not so for "The Righteous Men". In fact, I did have to put down the book once I had reached the climax - and I didn't think twice about it.

Maveri

I enjoyed the book and will be reading more books by Sam Bourne.

Jothris

Easy read! Enjoyed it! Learning and thinking a little bit about some areas of religious faith I don't know a lot about. Will have to look at some of it closer.

Nahn

Quite frankly this is an unusual book for me to read I don't usually read books relating to religion. Or the Jewish faith either as I'm not interested with it. But this book kept me interested throughout and I couldn't wait to find out the ending.

inetserfer

I learned about the righteous men watching the TV show Touch and was intrigued so I found this book and thoroughly enjoyed it. Worth the read!!!

Excellent

Couldn't put it down. I think the TV program Touch with keifer Sutherland was loosely based on this idea.

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