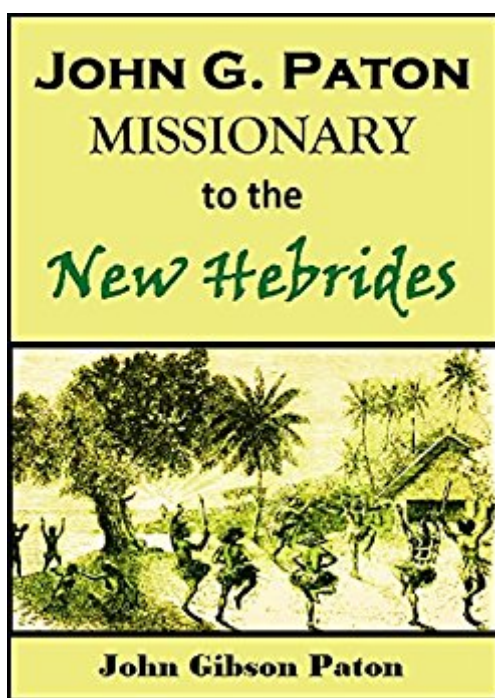




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Synopsis

The autobiography of John G. Paton contains everything necessary to make it a missionary classic. Born into a Christian family near Dumfries in 1824, Paton's early years were marked by a struggle against poverty. He was self-educated, and the training ground for his life's work was the slums of Glasgow where he laboured with success as a city missionary. With 'the wail of the perishing heathen in the South Seas' continually sounding in his ears, he prepared himself to serve overseas and was ordained as a missionary to the New Hebrides in 1858. This group of thirty mountainous islands, so named by Captain Cook, with its unhealthy climate, was then inhabited by savages and cannibals. The first attempt to introduce Christianity to them resulted in John Williams and James Harris being clubbed to death of his wife and child within months of their arrival. Against the savagery and the superstition, despite the trials and the tragedies, Paton persevered and witnessed the triumph of the gospel in two of these South Sea islands. His life is almost without parallel in missionary annals and his account of it is moving and gripping. This book published in 1889 has been reformatted for the Kindle and may contain an occasional defect from the original publication or from the reformatting.

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This book gives an insight into the sacrifice commonplace in the lives of missionaries in their quest to bring "Light" to the world. It gives us a glimpse of Christian suffering and the spiritual empowerment that guides these men and women through these unimaginable deprivations. My prayer is that our hearts and souls be revived for lost souls like it was in the life of men and women like Paton.

God saved this man from the cannibals so many times. This book is a testament to missionaries going to places the gospel has not been in before.

I'd highly recommend to serious readers. Very inspiring story of a humble servant of God. I now want to be updated on the New Hebrides.

Paton is testimony to what it means to fully trust ones life to God. In every threat to his life, to live or die was acceptable because he knew His God would be glorified.

Absolutely amazing, what he endured to win the natives to Christ. A lesser man would have quit early on.

Wonderful biography, would definitely recommend this to a friend.

Good rating for amazing content. A star off for repetition and chronology issues - written by the lead character, and not meant as a modern-day, polished saga.

Be utterly amazed by the story of John Paton, who constantly risked his life to bring JESUS to the people of the New Hebrides islands.

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