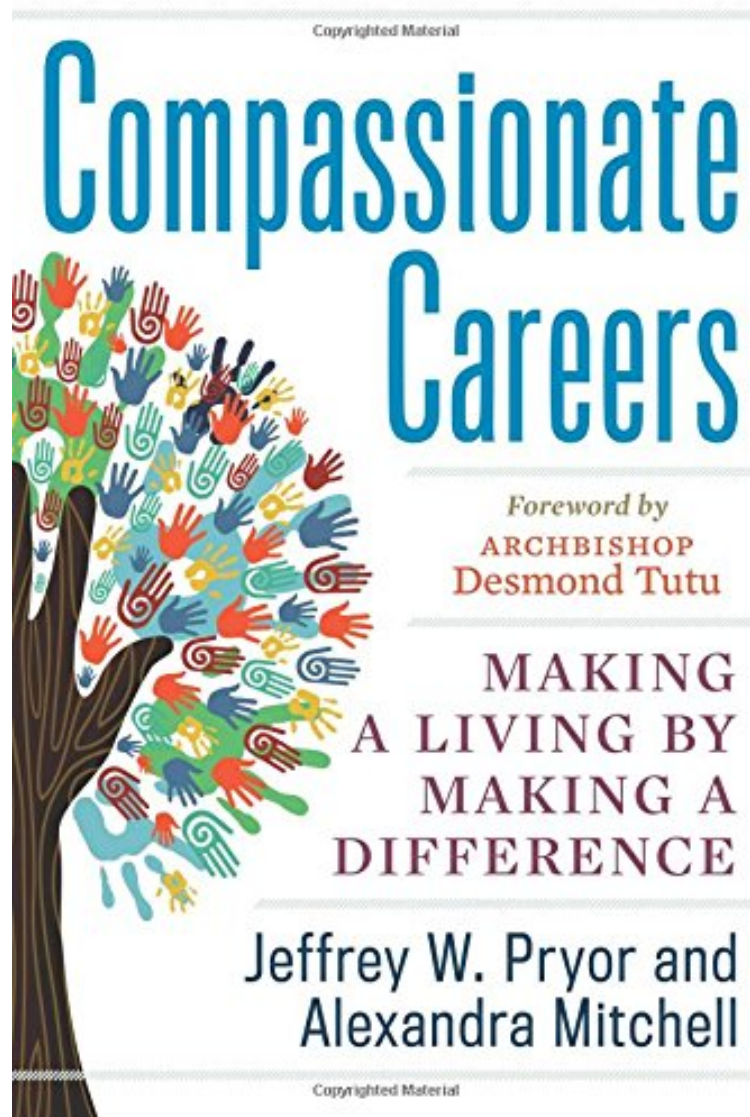


## Compassionate Careers: Making a Living by Making a Difference

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before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Compassionate Careers: Making a Living by Making a Difference:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. An Inspirational and Practical Guide By Rebecca Dashevsky In the foreword to this book, Archbishop Desmond Tutu says, You and I are created for goodness. I invite you to dedicate your life to this goodness to have an impact on the world. Compassionate Careers resounds with that invitation and

shows us many and diverse ways to fulfill it. The book recounts stories of people of all ages much in their own words who have followed the path with heart. Most are just regular folks, while others are well-known figures, such as Jimmy Carter, Sandra Day O'Connor, Pete Seeger, and Carlos Santayana. In these often troubling times, it is a welcome light to read about the uplifting, impactful work being done by educators, entrepreneurs, doctors, CEOs, activists, and young people about to enter the peace corps and work in such places as Rwanda. People who are working to help the disadvantaged, the poor, the elderly, or the environment, and people who have created or joined organizations that work for peace and social justice. The common thread found in the many stories is the feeling of joy that each person finds by accepting the invitation to dedicate their life to goodness. For to follow the path with a heart is truly just to follow your heart. Along with these personal stories, the authors provide a broad and open-eyed look at the ways for making a living by making a difference, and even include a step-by-step guide to getting started. The end result is a book that is as helpful and practical as it is inspirational. A great gift book for graduates, retirees, mid-life career changers, or anyone looking for a way to work with more meaning.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. You are never too old to make a difference! By Karen Barrocas Such an inspiring book! After gaining knowledge of how others are doing extraordinary things; it makes me believe in myself that I can take on whatever I want to do to make a difference and I WILL find a way to make it happen! This book smacked me on the side of the head and made me realize that of course this won't magically happen overnight. I need to plan and take action. Making a difference will naturally evolve from holding a vision, planning setting achievable goals and committing to taking action on those goals. Thank you for gathering all of this wisdom and sharing guidance for making a difference! You're never too old to make a difference in this world! I highly recommend this book for people everywhere - young and old! 3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. If only I had this book then... By Neil Gordon Getting a job out of college was a struggle, let alone getting a job that helped me to fulfill my purpose. Had I recognized the potential of a cause-focused career back then, I would never have floated around professionally as I did. I would have just gotten to work. If only... Compassionate Careers provides a series of compelling stories to help the reader recognize the opportunities to be found in cause-driven work and the book even provides a number of helpful ideas in which direction they can go. The resources that help the reader to get started are worth the price of admission alone. But the story about how Bill Clinton learned how to cut carrots? Priceless.

What I see when I look into the eyes and hearts of the people who serve is joy. My invitation to you is to join them on compassionate careers. -Archbishop Desmond Tutu Life's too short for you not to wholeheartedly pursue your gifts and passions. If you find the right mission and the right role within that mission, that's such a powerful thing. But Compassionate Careers also does a favor for people in that it's not candy coated. There are real tradeoffs, and it helps people think about how to navigate that path. -Jonathan Reckford, CEO of Habitat for Humanity It's no accident that the world's happiest and most successful people all seem to have one very important thing in common—they chose a life of passion and purpose, not just a paycheck. Compassionate Careers is an intimate look into how many fascinating people have achieved the well-balanced life and how you, too, can reach the same plateau. If you want to turn your career into the vehicle you ride into an amazing future, this book is for you. -Jeff Hoffman, cofounder of Priceline.com In interviewing people for Compassionate Careers, the authors felt that Dr. Goodall's words captured a common theme expressed by many: I'm a hopeful, optimistic person and I want to help people understand that it's not too late to save the world if we all get involved, roll up our sleeves, and do something about it ourselves. We've got to realize that our own life and the choices that we make actually make a difference. Young people have so much to offer, and the time for action is now. -Jane Goodall, founder of the Jane Goodall Institute, and United Nations Messenger of Peace Many young people today are seeking something more—purpose, meaning, a cause. Compassionate Careers is filled with examples of people who have meaningful jobs in cause-focused organizations. These stories capture their spirit, intelligence, imagination, and heart. The book is an inspira

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