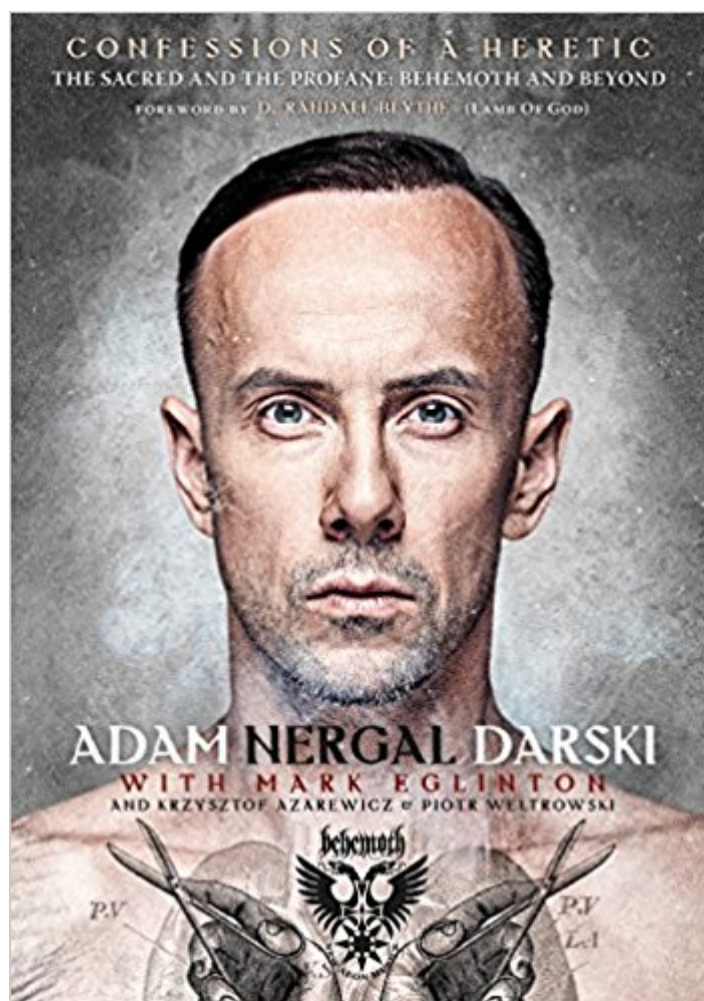


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Confessions Of A Heretic: The Sacred And The Profane: Behemoth And Beyond



Synopsis

"Rebellion is a part of youth. Sometimes it's dangerous. Instead of a sword, I hold a guitar in my hands. I'm in the same, rigid world but instead of Molotov cocktails, I've got a computer. It's a much more powerful weapon." Confessions Of A Heretic is the forthright and erudite memoir of the front man and driving force behind the Polish heavy-metal group Behemoth, currently at the top of their game following the release of their 2014 US Top 40 album The Satanist. Presented as a series of interrogations by friends and associates, the book reveals a complex man of great contrast--a health-conscious, highly personable intellectual known for his extreme views and even more extreme music--lifting the lid on everything from his clashes with the Polish Catholic church to appearing as a judge on the Polish edition of The Voice to his recent battle with leukemia.

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Customer Reviews

Born in Gdynia in 1977, Adam Nergal Darski is a Polish musician and singer best known as the leader of the international renowned black metal group Behemoth, with whom he has recorded ten studio albums across three decades, the most recent of which is The Satanist. This is his first book. Mark Eglinton is a bestselling author and ghostwriter. Specialising primarily in memoir and non-fiction, his books include Official Truth: 101 Proof--The Inside Story Of Pantera with bassist Rex Brown, widely acclaimed as one of the most honest music memoirs of recent years.

This autobiographical book (which takes the form of an interview) of Behemoth's lead singer, Adam

Nergal Darski, was as interesting as I'd hoped, perhaps more. Coincidentally, as with several books I've read recently, it doesn't follow a strict chronology, instead moving deftly from topic to topic in an almost stream-of-consciousness way. I didn't really have any preconceptions about Nergal, but he came off very intelligent and pragmatic, qualities I admire a lot in others. You could almost say that he is a man after my own heart (or vice versa?). After many years of struggling to find a place for religion and faith in my life, I feel like I've found a kindred spirit in Nergal. As for the book itself, it was translated from Polish to English. I thought the English was overall very well done, with only a few grammatical oddities/errors. Highly recommended for Behemoth fans in particular, but also anyone who enjoys celebrity autobiographies.

I loved reading this book from front to back. From hearing a second-hand account of Nergal's audacious side to later reading about how his complex personality shifts a full 180° turn because of his adoration for one of his girlfriends, the whole book is a great mix of informative and entertaining tidbits about Nergal himself. 5/5 stars; would recommend this to anyone interested in reading this

If you are a fan of metal, this book is definitely worth the read. Nergal covers everything from the early years to his time with supermodels and everything else in between. This is the music book of the year in my opinion. It is well written and easy to follow. Insights from other metal musicians gives this book an overall inside look at not only Nergal, but Behemoth themselves and the whole extreme metal scene of the past 25 years or so. Also a lot of really great pictures!

This is an incredible book, even if you're not a fan of Behemoth. The views that Nergal has and his description of what he went through while fighting leukemia and his attitude towards it is very impressive. I found it to be invigorating and also made me question some of my own views, inspiring me to look deeper into my own thoughts. Very good read

Not so much an autobiography as a look into the man's mind. I always enjoy Nergal's philosophical and anti-religious insight. You learn a lot more about the public Nergal too, star in Poland, than we normally do here in the States. Of course there's the epic bout with cancer as well, highlighting his courage through deepest adversity. Nothing shakes Nergal's worldview (although some of his views on women still could use a little refining).

Lessons learned from Adam 'Nergal' Darski, there is always a human behind the corpse paint, the main point of the book is to 'stick to your ideals' no matter what. Totally recommend

First of all, I am reading this book on Kindle edition and it is fantastic, no issues at all with the format or so. Still i am thinking on buying the paper edition so (maybe) I could have it signed by Nergal on one of their shows. Regarding the book itself, loved it. Must read for any Behemoth fan, but also fantastic reading for any person who is interested on knowing and learning from a guy that has experienced all kind of things in his life.

This man is truly amazing. What a great read.

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