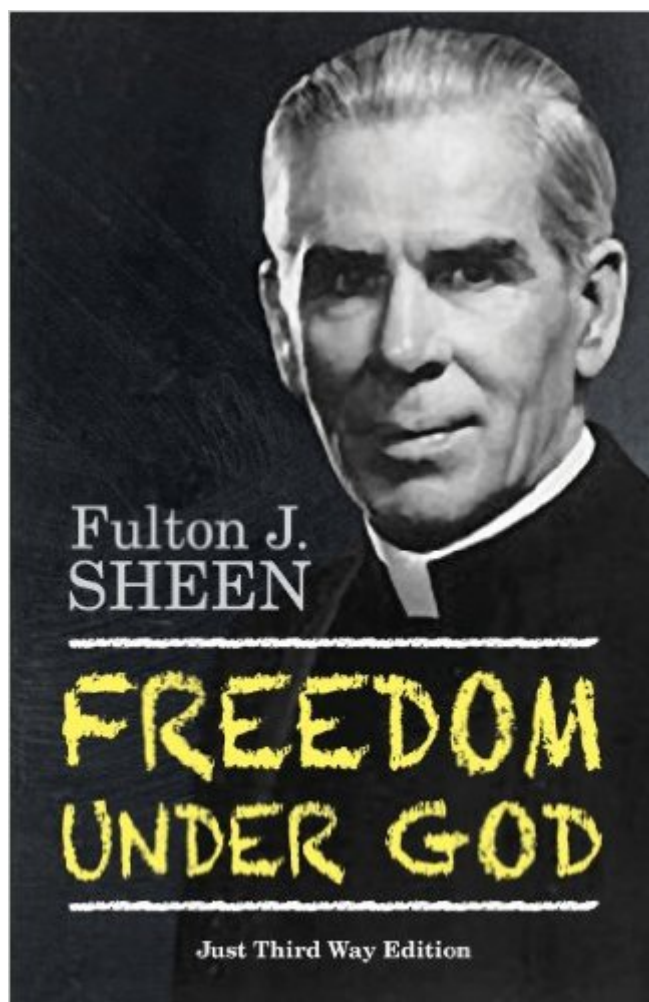


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# Freedom Under God



## Synopsis

In 1940, on the eve of the United States entry into World War II, the late Fulton J. Sheen (1895-1979) published *FREEDOM UNDER GOD*. This new, annotated "Just Third Way Edition" of a neglected classic includes an in-depth foreword, as well as a bibliography and index not included in the original. While *FREEDOM UNDER GOD* addresses the loss of true freedom throughout the world, Sheen's special concern was freedom of religion. This is under increasing attack today. Individual life as well as marriage and the family are also in grave danger as the State continues to expand its power to fill the vacuum left by the growing powerlessness of ordinary people. Speaking to people of all faiths and philosophies, albeit from a "Catholic" perspective, then-Monsignor Sheen traced the rise of totalitarian State power in the first half of the 20th century to the fact that fewer and fewer people in America and throughout the world owned capital - what Sheen called "creative wealth." As Sheen argued, only widespread private property in capital has the capacity to restore the foundation of true freedom. The world needs the wisdom of Fulton Sheen now more than ever. The republication of *FREEDOM UNDER GOD* helps introduce the work of this pivotal thinker to a new generation of readers and students.

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Guy Stevenson and the Center for Economic and Social Justice have done an excellent public service by republishing this book. Our nation could benefit from thousands of folks of good will, well-grounded in America's Principles, getting on the ballot at every level. We could turn our nation

back onto a better path very quickly. You won't regret reading FREEDOM UNDER GOD. Steve Schulin, candidate for City Council, North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina Election Day is November 5, 2013 "AMERICA'S PRINCIPLES WORK"

Fulton Sheen had clarity that is almost impossible to find these days. His observations in "Freedom Under God" would bring great relief to a suffering world, if that world only heeded his words.

I was quite taken back when I first read this book. It was hard to believe it was written in 1940. One hears so much talk today about false notions of "Freedom" and "Liberty" that the true definitions have been forgotten. The somewhat eerie and outright haunting parallels to the crisis of ignorance in today's culture I saw in Sheen's writing seems almost prophetic. The true nature of Liberty is the central theme of this book, although he threads the substantial nature of "person, purpose, and property" together and throughout. This should be required reading for every high school and college student, and examined as a refresher for all citizens of a free and democratic society.

I think every person from every nation, from every culture should read this book. The theology applies to the most progressive atheist to the most conservative traditionalist to the most communist-like to the most shariah-law loving because its TRUTH.

A wonderful, important book that is more timely now than when it was written more than 70 years ago. There is a quotation credited to Augustine of Hippo in Editor Mike Greaney's Foreword to this new edition, which sums things up nicely: "Charity is no substitute for justice withheld." But there is SO much more in this volume that I believe every thoughtful American, regardless of the faith he or she holds dear, should read (or re-read) this book. And then, each reader should contact the Center for Economic and Social Justice in Washington, DC to learn about how real economic justice may actually be achieved in America. David Kelly Valona, GA

Obviously Fulton Sheen is a genius. This work goes into every philosophical and moral aspect of liberty, property, and labor; with opportunities for revelation and reflection throughout. Not a fast read for serious thinkers seeking to understand and improve this broken world, but I found it enjoyable. I am also glad I didn't skip over the republication editor's foreword and footnotes, which contrast the contemplative theme of the book with a specific plan to transform economies quickly using Sheen's (and I believe God's) principles.

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