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Chapter 1 : Book Review: Mrs. Dunwoody's Excellent Instructions for Homekeeping | Stray Thoughts

Today we wanted to share a little gem of a book that we have run across on homemaking that we know you will enjoy-it is Mrs. Dunwoody's Excellent Instructions for Homekeeping.

Some time back I found this quote somewhere online I forgot to note where from a book titled Mrs. In these notes, I have endeavored to impart knowledge necessary for keeping a neat, well-ordered home. But beyond that, I wish for you to understand the larger issues of homekeeping - creating an environment in which all family members grow and thrive, a place where each member may evolve to the full extent our Creator intended. She started her journal notes on homemaking in , and would spend the next 50 years to complete her notes. When I received it and started looking through it, though, I found that it was not written by a real s Mrs. At first I was sorely disappointed. But then as I began reading, I realized that I still did like the philosophy of housekeeping represented. She believed that the ordinary acts we practice every day at home are of more importance to the soul than their simplicity might suggest. Taking care of our home enables us all to feel nurtured and safe; it brings comfort and solace both in the fruits of our labor and in the freedom it affords to experience life to its fullest. She taught that women were not just doing chores, they were creating - creating a home, a place of security, warmth, contentment, and affection p. Home reflects the creativity, serenity, and beauty we hold dear p. Homekeeping is a fine art. It grasps with one hand beauty, with the other utility; it has its harmonies like music, and its order like the stars in their courses. I fear really good homekeeping - which exhibits itself not in occasional entertainment or a handsome parlor, but in good housekeeping which extends from the attic to the cellar, and through every hour in the year - is far from common p. Organization has more benefits than mere efficiency-Knowing your life and home are in order reduces strife and anxiety, and increases confidences. In short, establishing your own routine for tackling domestic chaos makes the task less burdensome. And everyone feels the effects of that p. Homekeeping is an ongoing art, a process, not an end product. But home is meant to be lived in, in the fullest, most potentially filling way for everyone in it. That means that every room does not need to be picture perfect and waiting for a perfect display, but rather, each room has a sense of order and calmness to it. The home looks like someone lives there, without appearing messy or cluttered p. The rest of the book is filled with household tips and snippets of wisdom on everything from laundry, etiquette, health, garden, what to do for spring cleaning, etc. In some parts of the book she sounds a little too rigid with her routines for my taste: I think an overly rigid housekeeper who only tolerates things done in specified ways and at specified times can make her household and guests as miserable as the lax housekeeper. We women do have our little treasures around the house, but I would not call them sacred. I prefer to think in terms of stewardship:

Chapter 2 : Book Review~Mrs. Dunwoody's Excellent Instruction for Homekeeping - Blessed Beyond A Do

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Chapter 3 : The Soul of the Shoe: Mrs. Dunwoody's Excellent Instructions for Homekeeping

*Mrs. Dunwoody's Excellent Instructions for Homekeeping: Timeless Wisdom and Practical Advice [Miriam Lukken] on calendrierdelascience.com *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. Mrs. Dunwoody is a character based on the author's great grandmother and other traditional Southern women who believe in the importance of making a house a home.*