

# Poor Folk by Lucy Walker: A Heartbreaking and Unflinching Look at Poverty in America

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Walker tells the stories of poor people from all walks of life, including a single mother struggling to make ends meet, a homeless veteran, and a disabled woman who is denied access to healthcare. Through these stories, Walker shows how poverty is not simply a matter of individual misfortune, but rather a systemic problem that is caused by a lack of opportunity, inequality, and discrimination.

Walker argues that poverty is a violation of human rights, and she calls for a fundamental change in the way we think about and address poverty in

America. She believes that we need to invest in programs that help people escape poverty, such as affordable housing, healthcare, and education. We also need to change the way we talk about poverty, and to stop blaming poor people for their own circumstances.

*Poor Folk* is an essential read for anyone who wants to understand the true cost of poverty in America. It is a heartbreaking and unflinching look at the lives of poor people, but it is also a call to action. Walker's book shows us that poverty is not inevitable, and that we have the power to change it.

## **About the Author**

Lucy Walker is an award-winning journalist and author. She has written extensively about poverty, homelessness, and social justice. Her work has appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, and *The Guardian*. She is the author of the book *The Lost Children of Wilder*, which was a finalist for the National Book Award.

## **Reviews**

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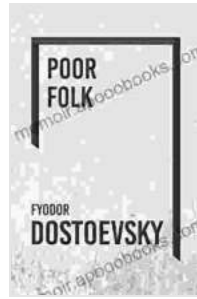
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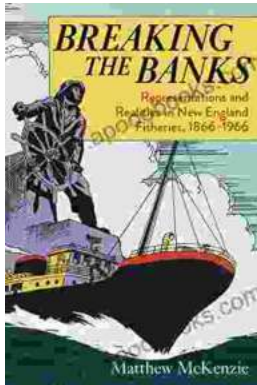
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