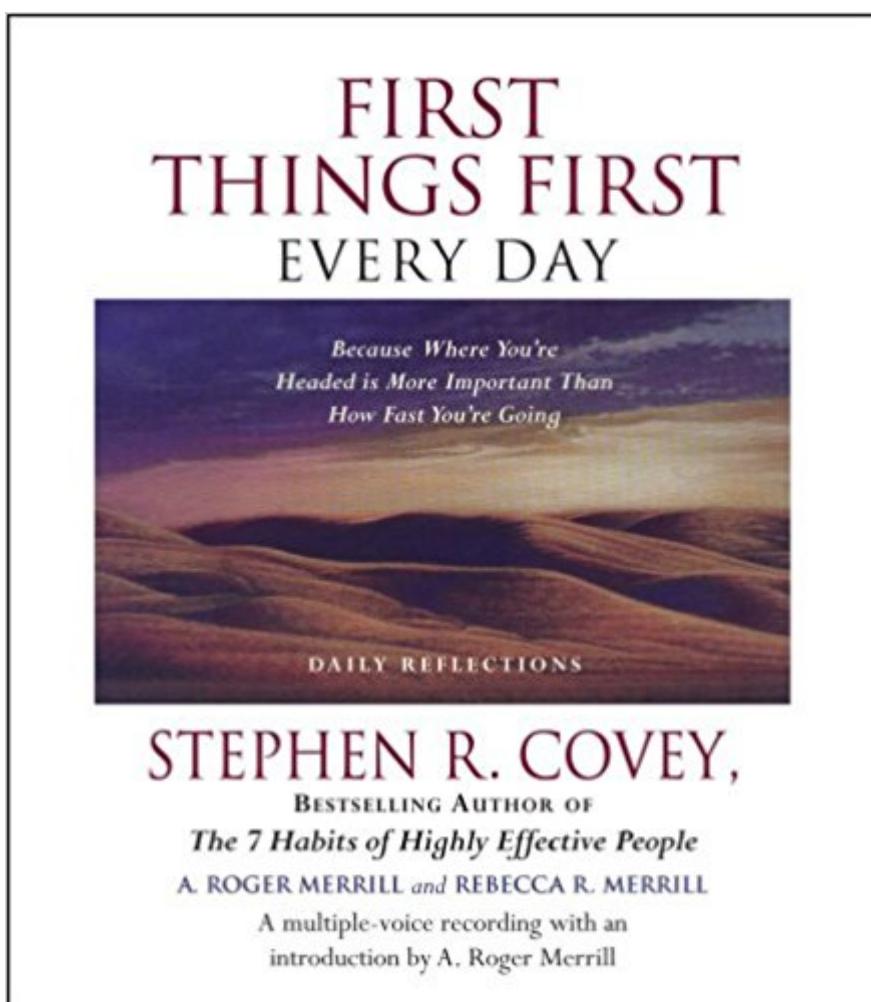


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# First Things First Every Day: Because Where You're Headed Is More Important Than How Fast You're Going



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## **Synopsis**

FIRST THINGS FIRST EVERY DAY Because Where You're Headed is More Important Than How Fast You're Going STEPHEN R. COVEY A. ROGER MERRILL AND REBECCA R. MERRILL A multiple-voice recording with an introduction by A. Roger Merrill FIRST THINGS FIRST HELPS YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT'S MOST IMPORTANT EVERY DAY... Stephen R. Covey and the Merrills have shown millions of listeners how to balance the demands of a schedule with the desire for fulfillment. The principles they introduced in First Things First are distilled for everyday listening. Let First Things First Every Day be your guide to the rich relationships, the inner peace, and the confidence that come from knowing where you're headed, and why.

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## **Customer Reviews**

"Covey Leadership Center has reached the apex with this publication. This is an important work. I can't think of anyone who wouldn't be helped by reading it." -- Larry King "Building loving and fulfilling relationships requires spending time with those you value and care for. Covey and the Merrills encourage us to stop, think, and begin building." -- John Gray, Ph.D., author of Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus

Recognized as one of Time magazine's twenty-five most influential Americans, Stephen R. Covey (1932-2012) was an internationally respected leadership authority, family expert, teacher, organizational consultant, and author. His books have sold more than twenty-five million copies in thirty-eight languages, and The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People was named

the #1 Most Influential Business Book of the Twentieth Century. After receiving an MBA from Harvard and a doctorate degree from Brigham Young University, he became the cofounder and vice chairman of FranklinCovey, a leading global training firm. A. Roger Merrill, cofounder of the Covey Leadership Center (now FranklinCovey), has more than forty years of experience as a line manager, senior executive, executive coach, consultant, and teacher. Roger is the author of *Connections: Quadrant II Time Management*, coauthor of *The Nature of Leadership and Life Matters: Creating a Dynamic Balance of Work, Family, Time, and Money*. Rebecca A. Merrill has served in numerous leadership positions in community, education, and women's organizations. Coauthor of *Connections: Quadrant II Time Management*, she also assisted Stephen R. Covey on *The 7 Habits Highly Effective People*. A. Roger Merrill, cofounder of the Covey Leadership Center (now FranklinCovey), has more than forty years of experience as a line manager, senior executive, executive coach, consultant, and teacher. Roger is the author of *Connections: Quadrant II Time Management*, coauthor of *The Nature of Leadership and Life Matters: Creating a Dynamic Balance of Work, Family, Time, and Money*.

Love Covey.

I usually have liked Stephen Covey and I thought this was something my daughter could use. I have listened to *First Things First* on audio before and enjoyed it but this is obviously not the version I heard. Previously, I liked the explanations and anecdotes. In this audio book, I immediately felt bombarded by a bunch of bumper-sticker type sayings that were maybe a sentence too long to be a bumper-sticker. I scanned through the CD and it seems that's all there is. I listen to audio books on my way to work sometimes but I couldn't take this one. It seems just a quick buck for the author by just picking out statements from a previous book. If this is the best that Mr. Covey can come up with now, I'm done with his works. He writes in length about trust but he's lost mine with this endeavor. If you are looking for more than daily affirmation type sayings, you will be disappointed with this.

Great read on how to structure each morning

A little too in depth and drawn out for me. I like books that are easy to read, but that I can still glean something from them that I can use in my life.

This book is a great asset to my daily devotion, and also in obtaining some goals I am pursuing.....

This is a book with 90% of the page blank. I would not put my name on something like this and charge!Sorry but TRUTH!Don't waste your time and valuable resources.

I listen to it often it brings me back to my real values and goals!

This won't be a very lengthy review because, quite frankly, I did not discover a great deal in this book. Don't get me wrong, I think Stephen Covey has written some popular and powerful books, and I like the idea of having daily, empowering thoughts, but many of the thoughts in this book seem fragmented and incomplete. Perhaps the intention was to provide a simple sentence and have the reader refer to "First Things First" while reading the daily thought (each thought is accompanied by a page number from "First Things First"); however, I think it defeats the purpose of having a pocket-sized inspirational book if you have to schlep the bigger book at the same time. On a positive note, I do appreciate some of the wisdom contained in this book, including: 1) "Frustration is largely a degree of expectation." 2) "If we know how to listen to our own heart, we can listen to the hearts of others." 3) "There is so much we can do to render service, to make a difference in the world." •no matter how big or small our Circle of Influence. If you are familiar with "First Things First" and you want to supplement that information with this book, it might be worthwhile. For those readers who are not familiar with the full-sized book from which these daily thoughts are derived, I think you will find this book lacking in substance.

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