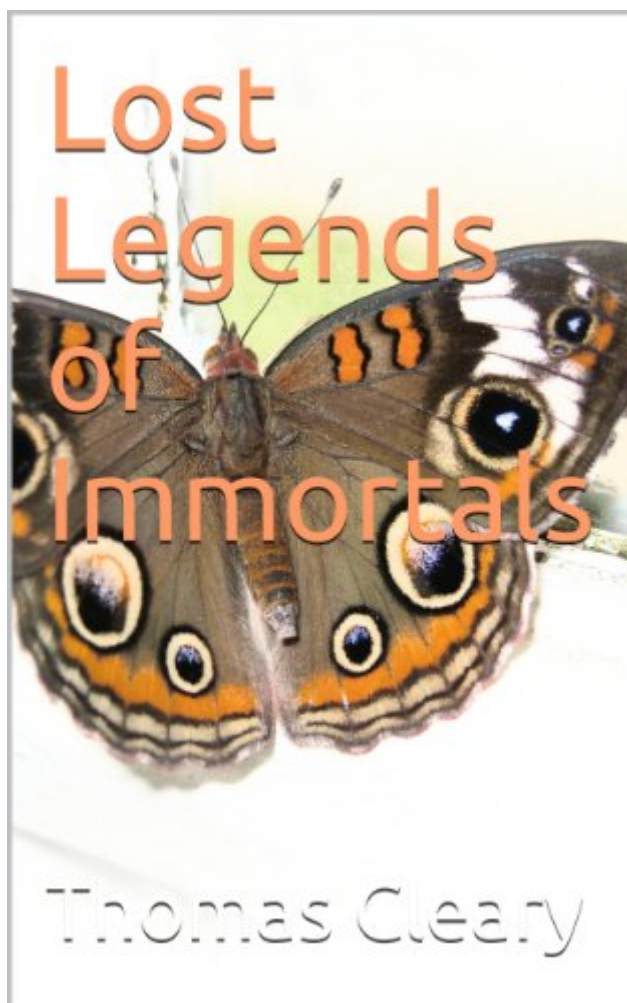


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Customer Reviews

Of course I am unable to judge the accuracy of the translation, but I trust any translation by Thomas Cleary, based especially on having read various translations of the Tao Te Ching, with their associated translators' commentaries. I am at best an interested amateur in this area, and while I assume that Cleary's voluminous output means a towering reputation, I really am not familiar with the scholarship in the field. So if even making remarks like this is tantamount to saying something

like, 'Gee, that John Marshall, who was Chief Justice many years ago, seems like he knew a thing or two about law' then I apologize. This particular item contains a translation of a collection or anthology of brief biographical sketches of early Taoist adepts. Cleary occasionally adds a commentary. Which items he chooses to comment on and which not seems almost whimsical, but the commentaries themselves, few as they are, are often more interesting than the anecdotes.

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