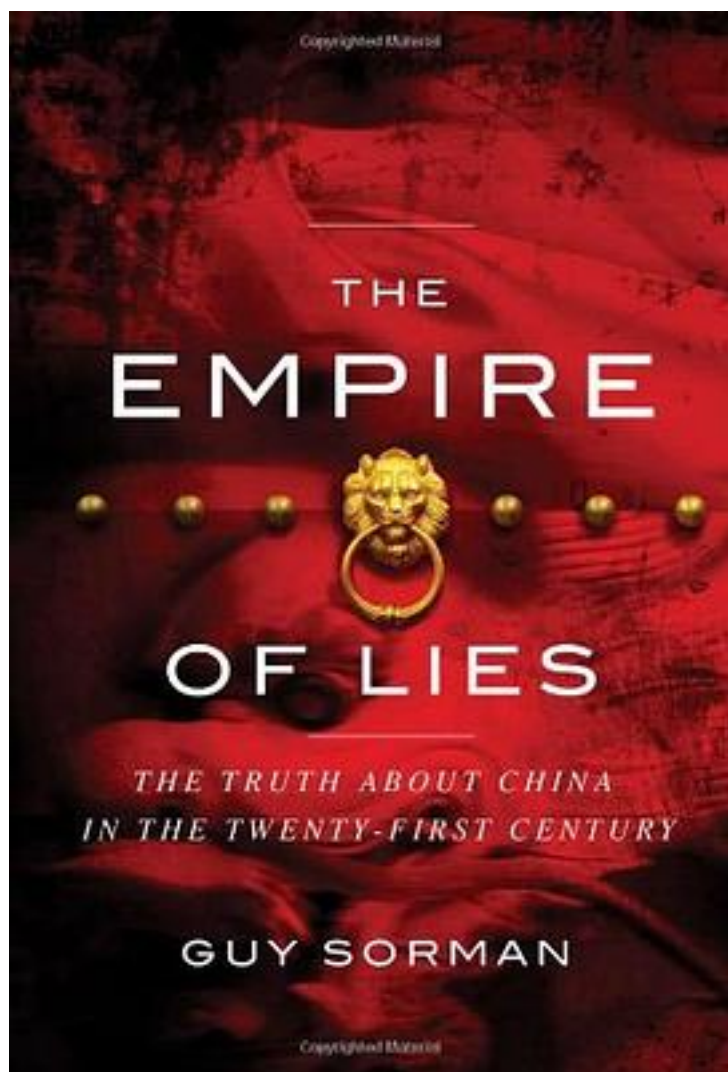


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The Western press these days is full of stories on China's arrival as a superpower, some even warning that the future may belong to her. Western political and business delegations stream into Beijing, confident in China's economy, which continues to grow rapidly. Crowning China's new status, Beijing will host the 2008 Olympic Games.

But as Guy Sorman reveals in *Empire of Lies* China's success is, at least in part, a mirage. True, 200 million of her subjects, those fortunate enough to be working in an expanding global market, enjoy a middle-class standard of living. The remaining one billion, however, are among the poorest, most exploited people in the world. Popular discontent simmers, especially in the countryside, where it often flares into violent confrontation with Communist Party authorities. In truth, China's economic miracle is rotting from within.

In this extraordinary book, Sorman explains how the West has conferred greater legitimacy on China than do the Chinese themselves. He has visited the country regularly for forty years and spent most of the past three years exploring her teeming cities and remotest corners. *Empire of Lies* is the culmination of these travels and perhaps the only book on China that lets the Chinese people speak for themselves.

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18 (18) 十几年前的书了，通篇的论断，丝毫没有详实的数据支撑，基本上立足于我跟高层有过交流的口吻下确定了一切，事实上，所有人都知道有问题，我们更关心的是具体发生了什么，确切的问题在哪里，但书中除了找到几个早年就已经流落海外的运动人士之外，没给出现今时代的关联项，哪怕这个社会会有不可言之变动，与那些已经脱

离环境很久的海外分子也不会有太大关系，我也不相信他们会给这个社会有什么先进的解答，最后关于经济发展的论断倒是第一次看见，我经济知识薄弱，补补课再思考吧。

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