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## Happy Birthday from China

Jing Cao

Dear Herman,  
When Thomas Berry's 94th birthday is coming, today I received a comment on *The Great Work* from one of my husband's friends. The comment was found by the friend on a website and the original comment in Chinese with my English translation is below. The author of the comment valued the book with five stars, the highest degree in the book value rank.

The comment in Chinese:

我至少买了十本送朋友。因为这是建立我们这个时代价值观之必读。非常好的小书，值得每个活的人认真地读，他带你的思考让你醍醐灌顶。

My English translation: "I have bought at least ten copies of this book to present my friends because the book is a must for us to read in order to build up the values in our time. It is a very good small book and is worth reading by everyone who lives seriously. You will be overwhelmed by the thought that the book is going to bring to you."

Again wish Thomas Berry a happy 94th birthday! Also, again thank you for everything you have done for me!

Yours respectfully,  
Cao Jing  
P.R. China