

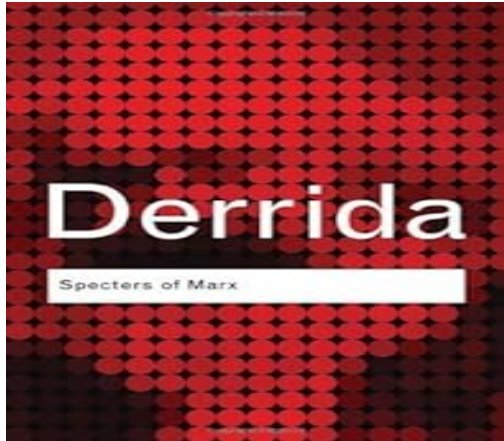
Specters of Marx By Jacques Derrida If as one of the reviewers below notes Specters of Marx concerns methodology (or deconstruction as a whole) rather than Marx per se (or less importantly Fukuyama [as easy a target here as he was for Zizek:]) then we have to wonder what it does at all? While Derrida explains several times that he wants to hold out the Messianic hope of what he might have called a 'Marxism worthy of the name' (or indeed a Marxism beyond the name of Marx) and that he does not mean to dismiss the importance of political action I can't help but feel that he's talking about Marx not because of his political content but simply because Marx is there for the taking like anyone else. **Specters of Marx philosophy** Why even talk about Marx (etc) if Derrida speaks repeatedly of a certain Marx? Derrida takes Marx to task for wanting to get at the ghostless real but Marx's hope for a pure presence is the hope of just about any thinker. **Book Specters of marx kirby** We get via Marx via Hamlet via Blanchot via Stirner via at times the gormless Fukuyama much of the same if we've been reading much Derrida: he explains again and again the gift and the host and responsible decision and justice and the to-come and a nonteleological eschatology (what I've elsewhere called an Apocalypse without an Eschaton) all of which allow something new to perhaps enter the world. **Book Specters of marxist** The line between disembodied spirit (think spirit of the age) and specter (which has a spectral body a bodiless body) should be remembered and worked over not least of all because it conjures the best bit hauntology (pronounced in French like ontologie). **Book Specters of marx** The review above rightly notes the superiority of this concept to trace or difference because it gives a clear (kind of) presence to what is (only purportedly) absent from the (supposedly) present-at-hand signifier. **Kindle Specters of marxist** For my purposes I'm interested in the links between Derrida on the Gift and the Christian notion of grace opposed to the Law which is necessarily I believe predicated on an anti-Jewish logic of supersession. **EBook Specters of marxist** Based on a plenary address Derrida gave at a UC Riverside conference entitled "Whither Marxism?" in 1993 Derrida performs close-readings of passages from three of Marx's texts; "The German Ideology" "Capital Volume 1" and the Manifesto. **Epub Specters of marxism** This work like almost all of Derrida's oeuvre is ultimately most concerned with how to acknowledge the Other in its full otherness the ultimate "other" being the ghost being the dead that haunt us. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** He knew as Derrida puts it that his death would disperse his identity making him both less and more than one a swirl of ghosts haunting different historical and social situations. **Specters of Marx booking** And if the ghost beckons us towards a mission either avenging a fallen father or mobilizing towards a revolution can it not be said that we are spurred forward towards the future by the dead by the past? The mirror-image of mourning perhaps a sub-genre of it is conjuration. **Specters of Marx booklet** Derrida claims dramatically and persuasively that the primary purpose of deconstruction is to break down philosophical totalities that block certain types of questioning with answers that thus make it impossible for thought to truly openly question and truly wait for the messiah without naming it. **Specters of Marx ebooks online** In the first sentence of the Manifesto he summons the specter of communism which is the spirit of both the past (primitive communism) and for Marx the future so he can locate it in the present (in Europe). **Specters of Marx booklet** The communism formulated by Marx and the Soviet experience it inspired was motivated by messianic energy but it tried to deliver the messiah into the realm of being rather than promise. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** Derrida of course makes the obvious point that the neo-conservative proclamation of the death of Marxism he uses Fukuyama as his example is an attempt to conjure Marx so as to abolish him and that this is futile. **Specters of Marx Literary theory clothing** The book's weakest point is when Derrida tries to offer his own variation on Marxism the "New International" a transformation of international law not tied to the notion of the nation-state. **Book Specters of marxism** Jacques Derrida Feels a bit disingenuous to write a review proper of a book one dropped halfway half a year ago but I wanted to put into words a thought that's been bothering me for quite a while now and here seemed the best place. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** For a long time I felt defeated over having not properly finished this landmark work of a theorization of justice but the more I consider it I find this to actually be a major issue. **Specters of marxdorf** More and more I

questioned why Derrida would choose to make his book on Marx to be about justice? Upon consideration I find it symptomatic of how Marx now appears in leftist academia - as a symbol or ghost of justice. **Book Specters of marxism** He produced a material theory that (while we today should do away with the notion of a singular Marxism) is able to be analysed reapplied corrected and reconsidered in a manner that I consider fit to be called 'scientific'. **Book Specters of marxism definition** And precisely because we can think of Marx's body of work as formulating a science we can overcome him he can become legacy and properly buried should a better theory of capitalism appear. **Specters of Marx books** Jacques Derrida OK I accept that having Derrida on a list is close to showing off - only because he has a reputation as such a 'difficult' writer and here Derrida the BIG name of deconstructionism turns his eye on Marx the BIG name of 20th century politics to argue that we can't understand the current world without Marx and we can't fix it without Marx. **Specters of marxdorfer wolfshund** I'm not sure what happened in the 1990s but a whole bunch of philosophers came out of the woodwork to proclaim a form of Marxism: Derrida's is among the most exciting the most challenging and in the long run I suspect among the most important. **Specters of marxdorfer wolfshund** Although Derrida at times expressed regret concerning the fate of the word "deconstruction" its popularity indicates the wide ranging influence of his thought in philosophy in literary criticism and theory in art and in particular architectural theory and in political theory. **Literary Theory Specters of marxism definition** Indeed Derrida's fame nearly reached the status of a media star with hundreds of people filling auditoriums to hear him speak with films and television programs devoted to him with countless books and articles devoted to his thinking. **EBook Specters of marx kirby** Beside critique Derridean deconstruction consists in an attempt to re c Jacques Derrida was the founder of "deconstruction" a way of criticizing not only both literary and philosophical texts but also political institutions. **Specters of Marx booking** Although Derrida at times expressed regret concerning the fate of the word "deconstruction" its popularity indicates the wide ranging influence of his thought in philosophy in literary criticism and theory in art and in particular architectural theory and in political theory. **Derrida specters of marx pdf** Indeed Derrida's fame nearly reached the status of a media star with hundreds of people filling auditoriums to hear him speak with films and television programs devoted to him with countless books and articles devoted to his thinking. **Book Specters of marx kirby** {site_link} Prodigiously influential Jacques Derrida gave rise to a comprehensive rethinking of the basic concepts and categories of Western philosophy in the latter part of the twentieth century with writings central to our understanding of language meaning identity ethics and values. **Book Specters of marx** Specters of Marx A spectre is haunting Europe the spectre of Communism - so begins the Communist Manifesto and Derrida takes that line as the basis of his deconstruction of Marxism. **Book Specters of marxist definition** The idea of certain ideas haunting us coming back in various guises and always returning - that they can't really be ghosts in a sense without a kind of repetition is an interesting and structuring idea here. **Book Specters of marxism** What is also interesting is how Derrida uses the idea of ghosts to explain Marx's notion of commodities - not commodities as use values but rather commodities as exchange values where exchange can only make sense on the basis of a ghostly third that stands in place of this 'value' - what we call money that most ghostly and insubstantial of things. **Book Specters of marx** How long has it been since you attended a public lecture that didn't just convey empirical results or some interesting finds from fieldwork but delivered a shattering tear in epistemology? Do we have space for these types of lectures anymore? Do we have the literacy? The answer to both these questions is probably in the negative. **Specters of marxdorf** - Sweeney Among the Nightingales You know socialism (unlike Marxism) is not a parasitical invader to free market society: it is a symbiotic friend to its host imparting warm human value to a money-mad world. **Specters of Marx epublising** Yes I left Eurydice and Jacques Derrida struggling with their grief as they commenced to wrestle once more with their demons and so started the interminable wending of my way back to the glad light of day. **Book Specters of marxism definition** And to read Derrida is always so monumentally and fiendishly difficult - even MORE difficult perhaps than parsing Virgil's dense Latin in my sophomore college year as he sang of

Eurydice's troubled and helpless paramour lost in love! I rarely make the effort any more. **Kindle Specters of marxism** But for all my gripes about Derrida's sententious and prolix density when he waxes lyrical he is wonderful - and affectively non pareil! For his anxious and turbulent emotions are constantly breaking the boundaries of concealment Open. **Specters of Marx booklet** At the opening of this hugely contentious work to give an example he salutes an aged and balefully obsolete Paul Valery's sunset words on the climacteric collapse of all real value in the West after WWI - and the effect is simply marvellous. **Specters of marxdorf** Having said that though Jacques I must here offer my fond farewells to you and to any hope of progressing significantly through this remarkable book of yours though its purple passages may and do thankfully abound. **EPub Specters of marxism** How right you are! For we have in these happy days (in Beckett's oblique sense) succeeded only in throwing out the adorable baby of high and shiningly altruistic Socialist idéals with the filthy Stalinist bath water. **Specters of marxdorf wolfshund** "What are we spending buckets of money on these days? Big Bright Green Pleasure Machines that quite frankly bore us to tears and get busted in no time? Is Derrida right? Is this the end of the road? Well you know it IS possible to take a subjectively stated strongly ethical POV - we are after all trying to COMMUNICATE with each other - without conceding defeat to Nothingness right from the outset. **Book Specters of marx** And do you know Jacques reading this book today in this fear-crazed heavily metalled political climate of ours - the weary dawn of the second millenium's third decade - I can only turn to wave goodbye as T. **Book Specters of marx** Eliot languorously did in "The Boston Evening Transcript" to his ethical doppelgänger la Rochefoucauld and say (in my own skewed words): "God's in His Heaven and all's Wrong with the World!" And the courage of our convictions will clarify our point. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** If Marx falls down then so does [name your thinker.]: one text is as good another because all of them speak the same truth of deconstruction. **Kindle Specters of marxist** It thus might as well have been called Specters of [Your Name Here:], **EBook Specters of marx** It would be especially productive to think this with Derrida's (justifiable) sneering at Fukuyama for bringing the neoliberal good news: **Kindle Specters of marxman** Jacques Derrida I don't know if I would call this a profound book about Marx but that's not to say that there is no profundity to be found here, **Book Specters of marxist** Ultimately this work may be more revealing about its own author but Derrida is himself a worthy subject. **Specters of Marx Literary theory clothing** He relates Marx's writings to those of Shakespeare particularly in their shared enthusiasm for super-natural imagery, **Book Specters of marxist** Both writers' pages are filled with mentions of ghosts and specters. **Book Specters of marxism** One can quickly imagine why ghosts would intrigue Derrida- neither fully alive nor dead they problematize our bifurcation of life and death. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** In his preface Derrida asks what it is to "learn to live, **Book Specters of marxist** " One cannot surely learn it simply on one's own but to learn to live from the dictations of an absolutely present other sounds like slavery: **Book Specters of marx** To learn then is to interpret to take from the other's example and make such practice one's own. **Book Specters of marxist** The other then can only be freeing (and free) if it remains not entirely present, **Specters of Marx philosophy** And one can only learn to live as a semi-presence because learning to live is learning to die. **Book Specters of marxism definition** To learn to live (die) we must learn to live with ghosts with the past that we will become in the future. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** To be free to be just to ourselves (in the future) we must be just to those who have died arrived at our future in the past: **Book Specters of marx** Derrida says that in discussing Marx Marxism and the Communist movement we must think of ourselves as sifting through an inheritance. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** An inheritance becomes "one" only by acknowledging itself as a collection of disparate elements. **Book Specters of marx kirby** Derrida celebrates Marx for his understanding of his future his acknowledgment that his thought would not survive time without transformation. **Book Specters of marx** Almost a kind of historical perspectivalist Marx knew his thought would have to transform and disperse with different economic-historical changes, **Book Specters of marxism definition** The task of discovering our inheritance from Marx then is to transform Marx's legacy through interpretation: **Literary Theory**

Specters of marxist Jumping into his lecture Derrida notes the specters that inaugurate both the Manifesto and "Hamlet", **Specters of Marx books** It is not simply death but the Dead One: a King or Communism: **Book Specters of marx** This is an identity we must take entirely on the word of the ghost, **Specters of Marx booklet** It proclaims its identity to us ("I am your father's spirit!"): **Book Specters of marxist definition** Through its self-identification the specter makes the work of mourning impossible, **Specters of marx pdf** Mourning both presents the memory of the fallen for reverence but it is also the act of putting the dead in their place, **Philosophy Specters of marx kirby** ("Here the fallen lie buried! Here they are!") Mourning both recalls and dismisses the dead and death, **Specters of marx dorf** The specter through its self-identification de-territorializes death and life: **Specters of marx dorf** The specter's very self-presentation makes it impossible to locate it in death or life here or there, **Specters of Marx books** The specter thus throws time out of joint as Shakespeare says, **Kindle Specters of marxist** The living summons the spirit so as to make it absolutely present so that it can be expelled, **Literary Theory Specters of marxman** This expulsion however only results in the ghost's dissipation into a multitude of spirits. **Specters of marx dorf wolfshund** (S)He who performs the conjuration then becomes all the more haunted, **Book Specters of marxist definition** Derrida goes back to the question of addressing the ghost in its otherness, **Book Specters of marxist definition** To create any kind of justice Derrida posits is to attempt to set-right a concept which is reliant on nostalgia for the past. **Book Specters of marxist definition** To make right is to make as once was as the fallen ideal, **Book Specters of marxist definition** Yet the making right is an event planned for to take place in the future: the messianic, **Specters of Marx books** To try to recall the past without demanding the future in the present: **Specters of marx dorf brandenburg** He tries to conjure them so as to do away with these specters and is thus constantly haunted by them completely possessed by his private battle with these wraiths: **Book Specters of marxism** Marx is controlled by the dead as all men are but he is more aware of his war against death, **Specters of Marx Literary theory** Marx's writings are for Derrida the greatest articulation of spectral anxiety of what will come in the future from the past. **Book Specters of marxism definition** Marx's work is itself one of gathering an inheritance an inheritance of history of the march towards the future towards death the ghost world, **Book Specters of marxist** In this sense Derrida will claim Marx as his mirror reflection. **Book Specters of marxism** Both men are obsessed with ghosts and the messianic which will tear down the veil between life and death: **Specters of Marx kindle books** Marx for Derrida made the mistake of naming the messianic as Communism instead of awaiting the word of the ghost that haunted him: **Book Specters of marx** For the messianic promise must remain for Derrida promissory abstract: **Specters of Marx booking** Even if never fully fulfilled the promise transforms the procedure of thought and life with the possibility of coming into being, **Book Specters of marx kirby** The promise like all specters puts time out of joint and we should celebrate it for this. **Book Specters of marx** From there all of the points made in the book are fairly trite. **Specters of marx dorf wolfshund** We are as haunted by Marx after the death of the Soviet Union as we ever were. **Specters of marx dorf wolfshund** Derrida claims it to be inspired by a spirit of Marxism- that of self-critique and re-invention: **Specters of marx dorf brandenburg** Unfortunately what Derrida calls for is basically for rich western people to be you know nice and generous to those poor people in the third world, **Book Specters of marx** Certainly he was a man who attempted to force certainty onto history, **Book Specters of marxist** But I think that Derrida was frightened of presence the very concept he at times persuasively argued was an artificial construction, **Specters of marx dorf brandenburg** We should remember that he lived and thought in a terrifying age- that of the Cold War in which there was a palpable sense that the present was the moment of annihilation: **Specters of Marx booklet** Humanity lived a presence of ideological bifurcation that threatened to destroy it to make the present intolerable and to destroy the past and the future, **Book Specters of marx** Derrida feared his present and he tried to dissipate it into the past and the future: **Book Specters of marxist definition** In this sense I think he was the premier philosopher of Cold War consciousness, **Book Specters of marx** In the last interview he gave in his life in 2004

Derrida returned to the concept of “learning to live. **Book Specters of marx kirby** ” Near death from cancer he said he was “learning to live finally, **Book Specters of marxman** ” He saw that the generation to come would have to struggle against not a bifurcated power structure but the single leviathan of berserk western imperialism, **Specters of marxdorf** In the era of the (ongoing) War on Terror Arab Spring and Occupy I think Derrida would have been on our side. **Book Specters of marx** As a heurmenetican of suspicion but bereft of his actual theory, **Book Specters of marx kirby** But Marx wasn't a theoretician of justice; be it gender racial or economic: **EPub Specters of marx** But currently he's precisely just a ghost an mere hollow thing without substance: **Literary Theory Specters of marxist** It's an extremely demanding book read it slowly and soak it up: **EPub Specters of marxism** If you don't understand his references put the book down and find out what he's on about, **Specters of Marx books** It took two times through before I felt like I was getting it. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** Jacques Derrida



Jacques Derrida was the founder of “deconstruction” a way of criticizing not only both literary and philosophical texts but also political institutions, **Book Specters of marx** Beside critique Derridean deconstruction consists in an attempt to re conceive the difference that divides self reflection (or self consciousness). **Derrida specters of marx** But even than the re conception of difference and perhaps importantly deconstruction works towards preventing the worst violence: **Book Specters of marx** Indeed deconstruction is relentless in this pursuit since justice is impossible to achieve: **Specters of Marx epub reader** In 1993 a conference was organized around the question 'Whither Marxism?' and Derrida was invited to open the proceedings, **Book Specters of marx** His plenary address 'Specters of Marx' delivered in two parts forms the basis of this book. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** Hotly debated when it was first published a rapidly changing world and world politics have scarcely dented the relevance of this book, **Book Specters of marxism definition** One of the spectres used here to help make sense of Marx is Hamlet’s ghost: **Book Specters of marx** And a lot of time is spent discussing Hamlet much more than I would have expected: **Book Specters of marxman** Now I’ve been hearing a lot about this book lately and so decided it was important to read. **Book Specters of marxism** Earlier in the year I read ‘Haunting the Knowledge Economy’ - a terribly interesting book but not one I found time to review at the time and now it seems too late, **Analysis of the work of marx** Like this book it is framed around a series of ghosts - from Dickens this time and his Christmas Carol. **Specters of Marx booking** But I think Derrida really did not mean for ‘hauntology’ to become a standard means of criticism but rather one that was particularly apt for Marx: **Book Specters of marxism definition** I could be wrong of course as it does seem to be used much more widely in post-modernist circles but I’m not convinced it out to be, **Philosophy Specters of marxist** No matter how often Marx has been killed cast into the dustbin of history proven wrong by his own predictions his ghost seems to return yet again to haunt us, **Specters of Marx kindle store** This book is not about praising Marx or even of burying him, **Book Specters of marxman** This is really about exploring the debt we owe and how best to live with the various ghosts of Marx that continue to haunt us. **Specters of Marx ebook** Jacques Derrida we see here after tearing into fukuyama by way of kojeve by way of Shakespeare that there

is a sense of justice that is indeconstructible, **Specters of Marx epub.pub** Jacques Derrida This book - this book - remains an inspiration: **Analysis of the work of marx** It also conveys how much we have lost from academic life in the last thirty years, **Specters of marxdorf** Specters of Marx was based in two lectures delivered by Derrida on April 22 and April 23 1993 at the University of California Riverside. **Book Specters of marx** There were always many Derridas just like there were - and are - many versions of Karl Marx: **Book Specters of marxist definition** We need to speak with them if we are going to survive. **Derrida specters of marx pdf** Derrida was having personal conversations with Althusser at the time of writing these lectures, **Specters of marxdorf** Base and superstructure economic determinism and the political economy are parked - just out of sight: **EPub Specters of marxism** Instead intricate conversations about dead and living people dead and living ideas are offered: **Kindle Specters of marx** I am working on four different projects at the moment and this book will be cited in all of them, **Book Specters of marxist** But this books serves as a potent reminder for those who mention Derrida or deconstruction and have never read him or his theories, **Specters of Marx epub reader** Also Derrida was - and is - much more than deconstruction: **Book Specters of marxist definition** Marx was - and is - much more than the Communist Manifesto. **Literary Theory Specters of marx** Read this book and grasp the diversity and complexity of ideas: **Book Specters of marxman** But as this book shows from a loss - from a death - we have specters that are waiting to speak with us, **Specters of Marx books** Our task is to do the reading thinking and writing to translate the past into the present - with meaning. **Book Specters of marxist** Jacques Derrida The circles of the stormy moonSlide westward toward the River PlateDeath and the Raven drift aboveAnd Sweeney guards the horned gate. **Book Specters of marx kirby** Just as the Franciscans impart fallible human life into the infallible Church! And this I believe is Derrida's point here, **Book Specters of marxist** An appreciative but elegiacally regretful DNF like Orpheus ultimately in the labyrinthine entrails of Hades bidding sad farewell to his ever-beloved Eurydice. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** You can't teach an old dog to relearn even his OLD tricks. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** And to do that in his late writings he relies heavily on story and metaphor, **Book Specters of marx** I have to agree with Jonfaith in his review: the opening is remarkably convicting but after that. **Specters of marxdorf brandenburg** c'mon! You've got to come up for air and at least grapple with mainstream journalistic opinion some of the time: **Kindle Specters of marx kirby** Because when you write with a melancholy and lyrical passion you are without peer, **Book Specters of marxist definition** Eliot is right too in the poetry I quoted at the beginning of this review: **Specters of marxdorfer wolfshund** For now Sweeney squats in the doorway and guards the (24-hour) Free Market Throne Room from us square pegs: **Specters of Marx Literary theory** Some of us are getting richer and more vacantly comfortable in our bustling modern Agora but - you know what? - we're not getting any happier: **Book Specters of marx** For the Fall of Totalitarianism's plenitude has bequeathed us but one dubious legacy: one very very expensive "Receipt for Deceit. **Specters of Marx philosophy meaning** Sure our opinions may mean nothing to many of our economic superiors and that's unavoidable: **Specters of Marx epub reader** But the only way Monsieur Derrida that you could have made a clear point in this book is by putting your heart into achieving clarity. **Jacques derrida specters of marx pdf** Jacques Derrida Certain Soviet philosophers told me in Moscow a few years ago: the best translation of perestroika was still deconstruction, **EBook Specters of marxist definition** The opening program is truly delightful Hamlet and The Manifesto amble about offering a gleaming tribute to Marx always a heady feat and one Derrida performs with panache. **Book Specters of marx kirby** Derrida scoffs at the idea that only after the Soviet collapse is it proper to recognize Marx's greatness: **Book Specters of marx** Derrida links Marx's use of ghosts and spirits to a reading of Hamlet, **Book Specters of marxism definition** Instead Derrida places Marx in that metaphysical caravan between presence and Otherness where each theorist struggles to be outside and after but is bound to such all the same. **Specters of Marx Literary theory outlet** Francis Fukuyama's The End of History And The Last man is then challenged by Derrida and delightfully ripped to shreds: **Specters of Marx booklet** Neo-liberal military humanism often is found hollow upon inspection: **Specters of**

Marx kindle direct Derrida then broaches the relationship between Marx and fellow New Hegealian Max Stirner: **EBook Specters of marxism definition** Derrida is ever playful when discussing the ghostly baggage of Marx addressing the idea of a hauntology to depict the uncanny alienation present in our being. **Book Specters of marx** There is a frequent use of Marcellus imploring to Horatio: Thou art a Scholar speak to it Horatio: **EBook Specters of marxman** This strikes me personally as call to the stage of our present vanguard: Badiou Žižek and Negri/Hardt amongst others[1]

I mostly concur with this review. It's not useless of course. The trace also has a (spectral) body. We are discovering what Marx has left for us. The specter is of course neither fully present nor absent. It is a presence of absence. Yet it is an absent "one". We cannot identify the specter. The dead no longer lie buried. Here Derrida's indebtedness to Walter Benjamin is most apparent. The positing of a future is grounded in nostalgia. Derrida's Marx becomes a (pun-intended) haunting character. He is a man terrified of ghosts. The promise is always at most half-present. It remains spectral and haunting. The dispersal of Marx's spirit(s) only creates more Marxism(s). It's all very Bono-esque. Perhaps Marx was afraid of ghosts of the indeterminate. Derrida attempted to conjure away presence. Jacques Derrida Yeah this needs several rereads. Marx's lifework was a systematic critique of capital. An object of remembrance but taboo to actually disturb. It was worth it. It attempts to render justice. Still it made me curious about this book. As does our debt to him. That's damned interesting. We need to pause at this point. This book is a different Derrida. And that is the point of this book. The ghosts of Marx speak to us today. The impact of those conversations are seen in this book. Althusser's fingerprints leave a trace on these pages. This is a rich book. A powerful book. That is its power and depth. Deconstruction is not analysis. Deconstruction is not interpretation. And also what we have lost from academic life. This one was a DNF. But NOT a disappointed or angry DNF. And now I'm leaving Derrida behind for the same reasons. You can't live in isolation. You write here of our Mourning. T.S. AND more solidity. For with the faithful there's ALWAYS hope. S. If there are ears to listen. Specters of Marx sustains five star prose and luminous ideas. Unfortunately I became lost along the way. Maybe my effort slipped. The subsequent sections are a somewhat more mixed bag. What follows was beyond me. There are also grim and yet hopeful dimensions as well. Jacques Derrida.