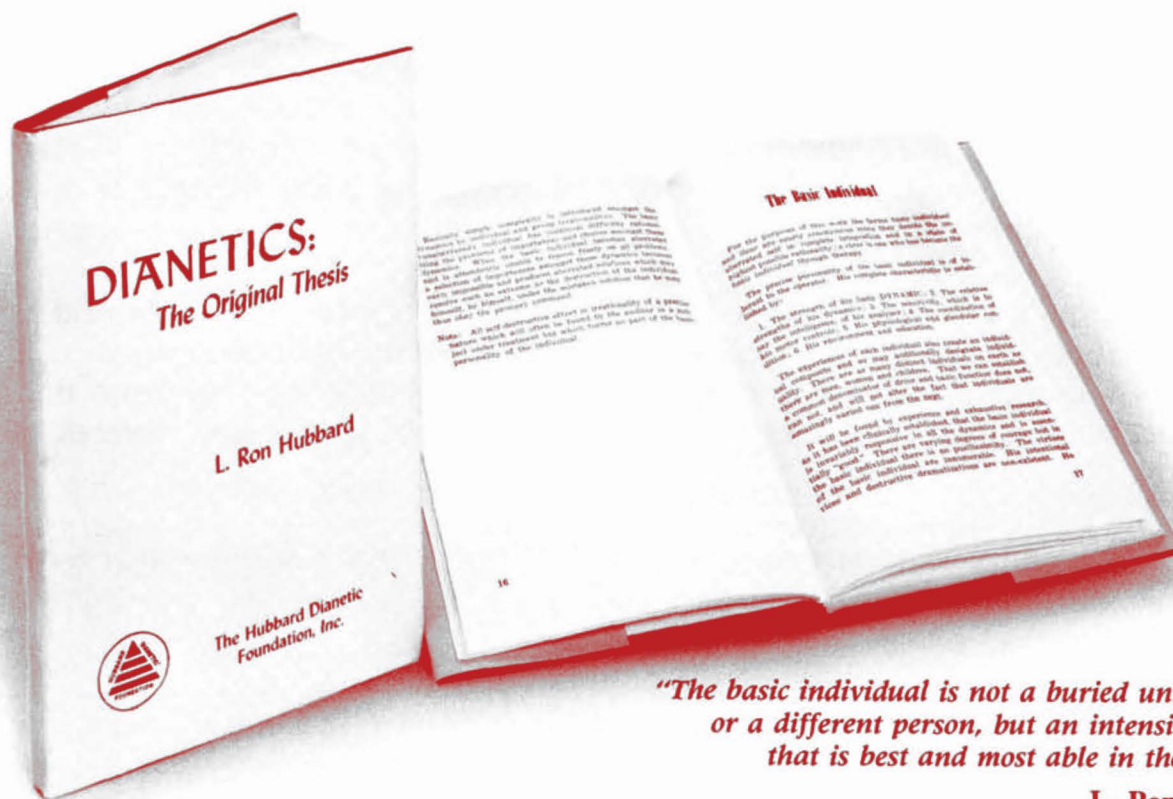


# DIANETICS: THE ORIGINAL THESIS

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***“The basic individual is not a buried unknown or a different person, but an intensity of all that is best and most able in the person.”***

**L. Ron Hubbard**

*Dianetics: The Original Thesis* was written by Ron in 1947, fifteen years after he began his studies of the mind. The book was written as the first formal record of his research and extraordinary discoveries on the function of the human mind.

Originally titled *Scientology: A New Science*, the book was retitled *Abnormal Dianetics* when it was offered to the medical and psychiatric professions in early 1948. The work was not utilized by these professions; it was, however, accepted broadly by the public at large. Tens of thousands of copies of it were circulated all over the world, mostly by the public themselves duplicating it, mimeographing it, even typing it with many carbons.

The startling popularity of the thesis brought publishers to offer a contract for a popular work on the subject. In response,

Ron wrote *Dianetics: The Evolution of a Science* and *Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health*, which were published in 1950.

After their release and the tremendous public interest that followed, there was popular demand for the original thesis to be made broadly available to all. To meet this demand, the first hardcover edition, titled *Dianetics: The Original Thesis*, was published in Wichita, Kansas, in December 1951.

In 1983 the book was newly released with an updated title: *The Dynamics of Life*.

The book covers the basic tenets of Dianetics and Scientology. Its publication was a milestone in the history of mankind, and its popularity and relevance have not diminished.