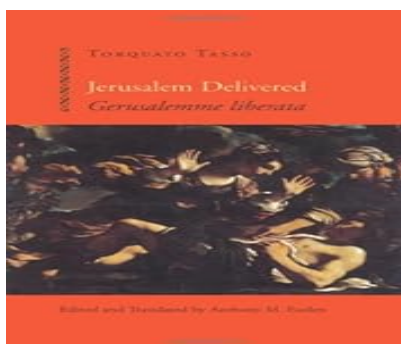


Jerusalem Delivered (Gerusalemme liberata) By Torquato Tasso **Book Jerusalem delivered food** This work describing in twenty masterful cantos the taking of Jerusalem during the first crusade is one of the masterpieces of epic poetry; in the same lofty realms as Paradise Lost and Dante's Inferno. **Jerusalem Delivered book** While the modern view of the crusades is that of a dark hour in church history full of bigotry and inhumanity Tasso paints it as a glorious adventure in the full romantic chivalric tradition. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** While the poem has strong religious overtones it is clear that Soliman Argante Clorinda and Armida are all characters who are motivated by chivalry and love and not necessarily by religion. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** from Clorinda the Muslim warrior princess who is slain by Tancred during a battle in which neither recognizes their lover to Armida the sorceress who steals Rinaldo away from the Christians in Circe like fashion loving him and hating him all at once. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** The book also contains brief notes on the translation an introduction presumably by the translator the Allegory of the Poem presumably by Tasso although the text does not say and a terminal scholarly apparatus including a dramatis personae extensive end notes a bibliographic essay and an index. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** For example in the middle of the story of an intense battle Soliman the powerful Turkish sultan sees his young page cut down: Sees how the trembling eyes so gracefully shut and the neck falls limp as if in sleep; so sweet the whiteness of his face so sweet the pity his dying semblance breathes that deep in his then stony heart something grew soft and the spring burst through his anger: he must weep. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** But when he sees the enemy's sword still slick and steaming with the blood of the young lad pity gives way to anger boiling quick and all the tears within his heart are dead(Canto 9 #86 87). **EPub Jerusalem delivered food** The poem is divided into 20 songs or Cantos for a total of 396 pages complemented by an erudite Introduction and a discussion at the end of the book about the use of allegory a list of the cast of characters and 47 pages of notes that help to put the story into literary perspective. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** I recommend just reading the poem first and then consulting the notes since sometimes too much of the overall plot is revealed in a brief description of the characters or in the notes. **Book Jerusalem delivered flowers** Novels The original must be an astonishing work! Fierce battles passionate romance stirring orations even scenes of cosmic splendor succeed one another; there's the sense of real genius here of an artist who is fulfilling his intention. **Jerusalem Delivered book** I wonder if Lewis didn't get the idea for the severed head of the criminal Alcasan who seems to speak but is really manipulated by a devil and which the heroine of That Hideous Strength sees in a dream from Tasso where a Fury from hell makes a severed head talk (deceivingly) in a dream to one of the Christian warriors. **EPub Jerusalem delivered food** Five centuries later when Torquato Tasso began to search for a subject worthy of an epic Jerusalem was governed by a sultan Europe was in the crisis of religious division and the Crusades were a nostalgic memory. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** Anthony Esolen's new translation captures the delight of Tasso's descriptions the different voices of its cast of characters the shadings between glory and tragedy and it does all this in an English as powerful and clear as Tasso's Italian:

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The fame of Torquato Tasso's *Gerusalemme Liberata* was known far and wide during the Renaissance but sadly it is far from everyday reading today: **Book Jerusalem delivered food** The poem is largely fantasy although it draws many of its characters from the historical record along with some of the geography and a modicum of history: **EPub Jerusalem delivered food** Surprisingly however he makes the characters of the Islamic defenders of Jerusalem very human rendering them in a remarkably (for the time) sympathetic light. **PDF Jerusalem delivered synonym** The poem was written in the Renaissance but it still contains numerous strong female characters. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** The fantastical breathes throughout the poem with enchanted woods that bleed when cut secret fortresses hermits with magical staffs and the Islands of the Blessed: **Book Jerusalem delivered food** In spite of the wide ranging plot the depth of character and the integration of the story are modern in their effect, **Book Jerusalem delivered food** I literally hung on every line and read it the way I might have read Tolkien in my youth. **Book Jerusalem delivered healthy** (Indeed I suspect Tolkien may have used Tasso as source material): **Jerusalem Delivered booker** There is of course a vast wash of blood shed with helm splitting dismembering accounts of medieval combat told as if it were a children's tale. **EPub Jerusalem delivered food** The descriptions of siege warfare are rendered with an eye that seems to have been intimately familiar with the craft each tower tortoise and mangonel exquisitely described, **Book Jerusalem delivered pizza** The geography of the Holy Land and the coast of North Africa seem likewise familiar to the author although he becomes a little confused beyond Gibraltar. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** There is a paen to Columbus the discoverer of the New World included as a prophecy in Canto Fifteen but the New World seems to consist largely of heavenly islands. **EPub Jerusalem delivered food** One disconcerting factor is that Tasso's patronage by the house of Este places repeated effusive passages concerning the house's future greatness in the mouths of the crusaders: **Book Jerusalem delivered food** This patronage is responsible for the central role played by Rinaldo a scion of the house of Este. **EPub Jerusalem delivered food** The book itself is a fine trade paperback on high quality paper: **Book Jerusalem delivered food** Each stanza is rhymed but there is little or no sense of hatchet made versification. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** Esolen eschews the use of archaic language and inverted grammar for the sake of rhyme delivering a steady cadence and dependable style that lend grace and dignity to the poem: **Kindle Jerusalem delivered food** Poetic translation can be tough but Esolen pulls this off nicely. **Jerusalem Delivered kindle cloud** I haven't read the original Italian so I can't speak to the veracity of the language but it reads very well in English. **Book Jerusalem delivered pizza** It is probably the most exciting and interesting piece of literature I have read from prior to the 17th century: **Book Jerusalem delivered food** I read it as I would a novel racing forward to try to catch the plot, **Book Jerusalem delivered food** Now after being left breathless I feel the need to read it again immediately; to savour its many heroic moods and revel in its beautiful metaphors. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** Alas I have too much else to do but I am sure that I will one day return and spend some enchanted time with Godfrey Tancred Clorinda and company: **Book Jerusalem delivered food** Novels Excellent modern day translation in a language which is fluid and comprehensible, **Jerusalem Delivered booker** Novels A pleasurable simple translation that makes the story near and the language a conduit rather than a barrier: **Novels Jerusalem delivered flowers** This is the translation you want to purchase! I know because I went through than one. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** Novels Anthony Esolen does it again to bring us a powerfully translated and edited poem originally in Latin now for the modern reader: **Book Jerusalem delivered food** This is a dark and brooding poem that was written by Torquato Tasso when he was slowly going mad, **Book Jerusalem delivered food** His fixation was on the subject of the first Crusade to free Jerusalem from the Moslems which was led by Godfrey of Bouillon and the peers of France. **EPub Jerusalem delivered food** This was a subject of Tasso's interest since he was an 18 year old boy who published a poem about Rinaldo one of the key figures in the current story. **Jerusalem Delivered epub air** Tasso eventually extensively revised *Gerusalemme liberata* removing its amorous portions to publish *Gerusalemme conquistada* at age 49: **EPub Jerusalem delivered food** The darkness of the original

poem is tempered by the love stories but it remains a violent story with a concentration on the horrors of war and of love also, **EBook Jerusalem delivered synonym** You Soliman weeping who stood by while your realm was destroyed and your eyes dry. **Book Jerusalem delivered healthy** The contrast of darkness and jumping out vividness in the story cause Esolen to refer to Tasso as a Caravaggio of poetry an apt comparison: **Book Jerusalem delivered food** Although the story gets off to a traditionally slow start it builds to a fever pitch and you suddenly are hit by what makes this a great poem, **Book Jerusalem delivered food** Lewis relished this epic poem see his essay Tasso in his book of essays on medieval and Renaissance literature: **PDF Jerusalem delivered synonym** I wonder if Tolkien also had read it as a number of scenes reminded me of the Siege of Minas Tirith etc. **Book Jerusalem delivered food** For those who want to move on from the authors and works that everyone knows influenced and/or impressed Lewis (and Tolkien?) such as Chesterton George MacDonald et al. **Novels Jerusalem delivered flowers** The gruesome descriptions are similar and Lewis even calls Alcasan the Saracen; and Alcasan certainly could be the name of one of the Saracen knights in Tasso: **Novels Jerusalem delivered flowers** Novels Late in the eleventh century the First Crusade culminated in the conquest of Jerusalem by Christian armies, **Book Jerusalem delivered food** Tasso turned to the First Crusade both as a subject that would test his poetic ambition and as a reflection on the quandaries of his own time: **Book Jerusalem delivered food** He sought to create a masterpiece that would deserve comparison with the great epics of the past, **Jerusalem Delivered ebooks air** Gerusalemme liberata became one of the most widely read and cherished books of the Renaissance: **Book Jerusalem delivered food** First published in 1581 it was translated into English by Edward Fairfax in 1600. **EPub Jerusalem delivered food** That translation has been the standard even though Fairfax was only a good not a great poet: **Book Jerusalem delivered food** Fairfax tried to fit Tasso's verse into Spenserian stanzas adding to and subtracting from the original and often changing Tasso's meaning. The translation by M. Esolen is at once high sounding noble and very readable. I can not give too high a praise to this book. This translation reads very very well indeed. A remarkably satisfying book. C. S. Tasso may be recommended. Who knows? Novels In perfect condition. A very satisfying purchase. Tasso's masterpiece finally emerges as an English masterpiece. Jerusalem Delivered (Gerusalemme liberata).