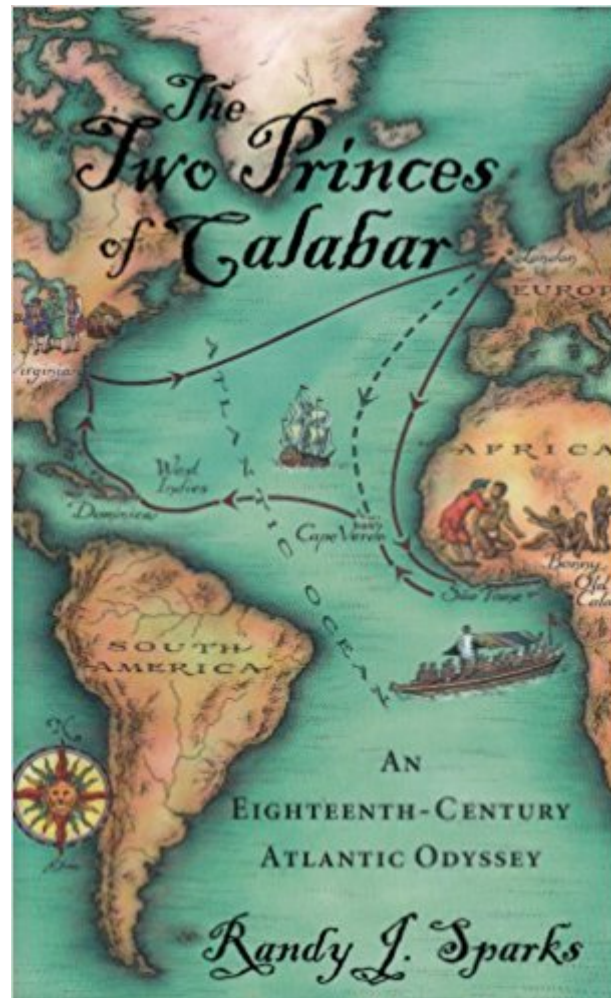




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In 1767, two "princes" of a ruling family in the port of Old Calabar, on the slave coast of Africa, were ambushed and captured by English slavers. The princes were themselves slave traders who were betrayed by African competitors--and so began their own extraordinary odyssey of enslavement. Their story, written in their own hand, survives as a rare firsthand account of the Atlantic slave experience. Sparks made the remarkable discovery of the princes' correspondence and has managed to reconstruct their adventures from it.

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Required reading for a graduate course on Atlantic World History. Sparks' tale follows two "Atlantic Creoles" from Calabar (SSE present day Nigeria) on their unexpected journey through the Atlantic. Prior knowledge of West African culture is not needed as Sparks will provide the prerequisite background. Overall good, quick read for anyone, not just students (though this is does have scholarly backing).

I read this book because my middle school daughter's teacher recommended for her. It is a great

book, full of history from a first hand account. For anyone searching and wanting to know more about the African Slave trade, read this book.

I purchased this book for a US History class (required for course) It describes a different point of view to the the slave trade over three and a half centuries. Not bad, overall.

Good

almost untouched

What a wonderful story, Im sure there are other stories to tell such as this moving tale of two brothers!

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