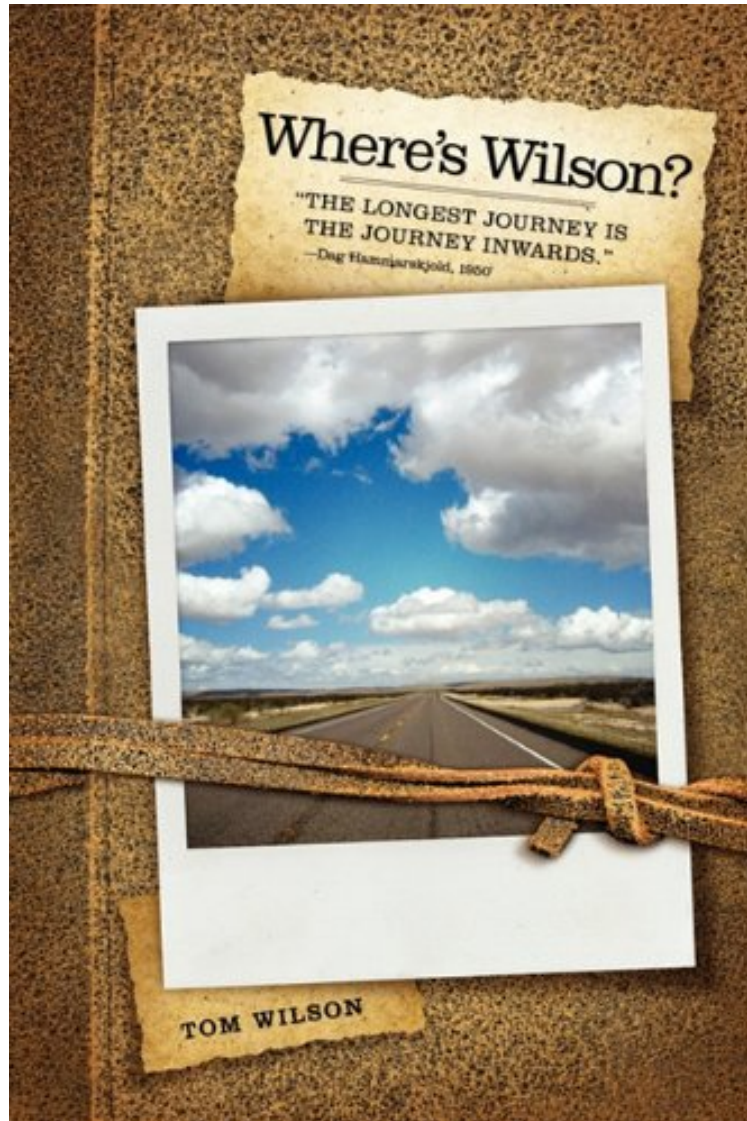


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The planning started the previous summer, as I wound up the sale of my half of the business ... the trip was intended as a chance to clear my mind of all the problems and frustrations of the past year. An opportunity to forget the negative feelings about the people I'd worked with who had been so prominent in my mind for so long. It was a chance to get away on my own and see some country that I had missed; a pleasure trip driving around the perimeter of the United States. A complete circle. What could be a more meaningful route for an engineer turned salesman. In the entire geometrical world there is nothing as pure as a circle. No beginning, no end, just an endless ribbon that allowed a person to think, reminisce, and plan for the future. "Through emails sent during the journey and expanded narrative about events that unfold, Tom Wilson offers a fascinating account of sights he witnessed and insights he gained via a circuitous route around America. While Old Josie was his long range transport, the best of his journey came when he stepped out of the Jeep to meet fascinating characters and grasp intuitive insights gained from their stories. Time heals all wounds. Time makes the heart grow fonder. Time proved both of the axioms for Tom Wilson, but the time involved in this unforgettable journey along America's interstates and back roads also delivered the liberty and reprieve to dig deep inside himself, to learn that letting go didn't mean giving up. Instead, letting go meant getting more." -J. RHINE