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GOD IS NOT GREAT

Atlantic Books Ltd In god is Not Great Hitchens turned his formidable eloquence and rhetorical energy to the most controversial issue in the world: God and religion. The result is a devastating critique of religious faith god Is Not Great is the ultimate case against religion. In a series of acute readings of the major religious texts, Christopher Hitchens demonstrates the ways in which religion is man-made, dangerously sexually repressive and distorts the very origins of the cosmos. Above all, Hitchens argues that the concept of an omniscient God has profoundly damaged humanity, and proposes that the world might be a great deal better off without 'him'.

BLOOD THAT CRIES OUT FROM THE EARTH

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF RELIGIOUS TERRORISM

Oxford University Press on Demand As both a clinical psychologist and an authority on comparative religion, James W. Jones is uniquely qualified to address the increasingly urgent issue of religious terrorism. Research on the psychology of violence shows that several factors work to make ordinary people turn "evil." Authoritarian religion or "fundamentalism," Jones shows, is a particularly rich source of such ideas and feelings, which he finds throughout the writings of Islamic jihadists. Jones notes that not every adherent of an authoritarian group will turn to violence, and he shows how theories of personality development can explain why certain individuals are easily recruited.

PANDEMIC STROLLS BANGOR

ONE CITY IN THE YEAR OF COVID

A book of street photography all taken within the city limits of Bangor, Maine during the year 2020, offering a snapshot of what daily life looked and felt like in a tumultuous year.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN THE LIBERAL STATE

Oxford University Press The right of religious freedom in major English speaking nations is a complex and vast topic, full of controversy. Offering a comprehensive analysis, this book examines the key questions from both a liberal democratic and religious standpoint.

AMERICAN FASCISTS

THE CHRISTIAN RIGHT AND THE WAR ON AMERICA

Simon and Schuster Explores the political ambitions of the Christian right, discussing how their agenda gained momentum through alternative networks, schools, and publishers, and warns that another national crisis may enable the Christian right to seize political power.

THE OXFORD HANDBOOK OF SECULARISM

Oxford University Press The Oxford Handbook of Secularism offers a wide-ranging examination of secularism on a global scale, bringing together an international collection of views from prominent experts in a variety of fields. This volume reflects the impressive level of academic attention now given to

secularism across the humanities, social sciences, law and public policy, and international relations.

RELIGION IN SECULAR EDUCATION

WHAT, IN HEAVEN'S NAME, ARE WE TEACHING OUR CHILDREN?

BRILL In Religion in Secular Education Cathy Byrne explores the secular principle as a guiding compass for religions in state schools. Historical and contextual research and international comparisons explore the ideologies, policies, pedagogies and practices affecting national and individual religious identity.

REVOLUTION UNDER ATTACK

THE FORQAN GROUP OF IRAN

Springer During the revolution in Iran, a small, fanatical group called the Forqan used targeted assassinations of religious leaders to fight the Ayatollah Khomeini's plan to establish a theocratic Islamic state. Ronen A. Cohen examines what really happened behind the fog of revolution.

THE LIBERAL CONSCIENCE

POLITICS AND PRINCIPLE IN A WORLD OF RELIGIOUS PLURALISM

Columbia University Press "A new liberal theory awaits, one that properly acknowledges the fundamental values and commitments of theocrats and liberals alike."—from The Liberal of Conscience In recent years, the battle between liberalism and theocracy has taken center stage around the globe. To many it is a dispute that can only end in a confrontation of competing values and worldviews. In this bold new work, Lucas Swaine combines discussions of political philosophy and real-world events to provide solutions to this seemingly intractable conflict. By opening a dialogue between theocracy and liberalism and offering strategies for interacting with politically ambitious theocrats, Swaine offers new and vital perspectives on the role of religion in liberal, multicultural societies. Swaine begins by exploring the nature and development of theocratic communities and the moral and political challenges they pose to liberal societies. He argues that in their treatment of theocratic communities, liberal societies have failed to uphold their own stated principles of religious toleration. They have also neglected to formulate a suitable schema for treating theocratic communities ensconced in liberal democracies and to provide reasons for theocrats to affirm liberal institutions. Swaine calls upon liberals to redefine and reassert the fundamental importance of liberty of conscience. By doing so, liberal societies will reinvigorate their own traditions, while also assuaging religious conflict. In addition to philosophical arguments, Swaine proposes a new legal standard that offers theocratic communities quasi sovereignty within liberal democracies. Theocrats also have much to gain from embracing liberalism and the principle of liberty of conscience. Swaine argues that liberalism can be made more appealing to the values and concerns of theocrats if the liberal commitment to freedom of conscience is clarified and modified and if liberals take a fresh approach to conceptualizing and promulgating liberal principles, institutions, and laws.

STEEPLEJACKING

HOW THE CHRISTIAN RIGHT IS HIJACKING MAINSTREAM RELIGION

Ig Pub Shows how a strident theocratic minority is attacking - or steeplejacking - mainstream churches in order to eliminate progressive voices and take control.

THE DESTINY OF MODERN SOCIETIES

THE CALVINIST PREDESTINATION OF A NEW SOCIETY

BRILL Applying the idea of the destiny of societies or nations, the book argues, demonstrates, and illustrates the Calvinist societal "predestination", through the Puritan determination, of American society.

RELIGIOUS RIGHT

THE GREATEST THREAT TO DEMOCRACY

A.F. Alexander There is a deceptive movement to take over the government, courts, education system, media outlets, and American culture with stealth - and it's true. How is this possible? Find out in the pages of this expose, written by an insider who left the Religious Right fold, and now shares why they believe they are mandated to have dominion over every aspect of life in the United States. It reveals how their vision for America is not a democracy at all. - Understand the Religious Right network's blueprint for America. - Meet the Christian Reconstructionists and Dominionists. - Understand the Seven Mountains Mandate, which provides the strategy for a successful takeover. - See why Quiverfull is the template for a proper, traditional family. - Finally, understand the attacks on public schools and teachers. - Find out who the leaders of the movement really are and their successful tactics. - This book explains the rewriting of our nation's history. - Complete with interviews, research, and bibliography included. - Presentation is organized and systematic, while in plain English. - Shares how to get involved and make a difference in your community to protect your rights and preserve democracy.

KINGDOM OF NAUVOO: THE RISE AND FALL OF A RELIGIOUS EMPIRE ON THE AMERICAN FRONTIER

Liveright Publishing An extraordinary story of faith and violence in nineteenth-century America, based on previously confidential documents from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Compared to the Puritans, Mormons have rarely gotten their due, treated as fringe cultists at best or marginalized as polygamists unworthy of serious examination at worst. In Kingdom of Nauvoo, the historian Benjamin E. Park excavates the brief life of a lost Mormon city, and in the process demonstrates that the Mormons are, in fact, essential to understanding American history writ large. Drawing on newly available sources from the LDS Church—sources that had been kept unseen in Church archives for 150 years—Park recreates one of the most dramatic episodes of the 19th century frontier. Founded in Western Illinois in 1839 by the Mormon prophet Joseph Smith and his followers, Nauvoo initially served as a haven from mob attacks the Mormons had endured in neighboring Missouri, where, in one incident, seventeen men, women, and children were massacred, and where the governor declared that all Mormons should be exterminated. In the relative safety of Nauvoo, situated on a hill and protected on three sides by the Mississippi River, the industrious Mormons quickly built a religious empire; at its peak, the city surpassed Chicago in population, with more than 12,000 inhabitants. The Mormons founded their own army, with Smith as its general; established their own courts; and went so far as to write their own constitution, in which they declared that there could be no separation of church and state, and that the world was to be ruled by Mormon priests. This experiment in religious utopia, however, began to unravel when gentiles in the countryside around Nauvoo heard rumors of a new Mormon marital practice. More than any previous work, Kingdom of Nauvoo pieces together the haphazard and surprising emergence of Mormon polygamy, and reveals that most Mormons were not participants themselves, though they too heard the rumors, which said that Joseph Smith and other married Church officials had been “sealed” to multiple women. Evidence of polygamy soon became undeniable, and non-Mormons reacted with horror, as did many Mormons—including Joseph Smith's first wife, Emma Smith, a strong-willed woman who resisted the strictures of her deeply patriarchal community and attempted to save her Church, and family, even when it meant opposing her husband and prophet. A raucous, violent, character-driven story, Kingdom of Nauvoo raises many of the central questions of American history, and even serves as a parable for the American present. How far does religious freedom extend? Can religious and other minority groups survive in a democracy where the majority dictates the law of the land? The Mormons of Nauvoo, who initially believed in the promise of American democracy, would become its strongest critics. Throughout his absorbing chronicle, Park shows the many ways in which the Mormons were representative of their era, and in doing so elevates nineteenth century Mormon history into the American mainstream.

AMERICAN THEOCRACY

THE PERIL AND POLITICS OF RADICAL RELIGION, OIL, AND BORROWED MONEY IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Penguin An explosive examination of the coalition of forces that threatens the nation, from the bestselling author of *American Dynasty* In his two most recent bestselling books, *American Dynasty* and *Wealth and Democracy*, Kevin Phillips established himself as a powerful critic of the political and economic forces that rule—and imperil—the United States, tracing the ever more alarming path of the emerging Republican majority's rise to power. Now Phillips takes an uncompromising view of the current age of global overreach, fundamentalist religion, diminishing resources, and ballooning debt under the GOP majority. With an eye to the past and a searing vision of the future, Phillips confirms what too many Americans are still unwilling to admit about the depth of our misgovernment.

GOD WON'T SAVE AMERICA

PSYCHOSIS OF A NATION

In this highly topical, highly original and controversial book, George Walden shows why America's puritanical origins explain why she is the maddening country she is.

FAITH IN PUBLIC DEBATE

ON FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION, HATE SPEECH AND RELIGION IN FRANCE AND THE NETHERLANDS

Should a politician be free to fiercely attack the religion of a sector of the population? Should he be allowed to strongly reject the culture of a particular minority group? Should religious adherents be allowed to advocate the transition from a democratic to a theocratic state? Should a satirical magazine be free to mock religious figures and practices? These sort of questions concern 'the place of faith in public debate' and continue to dominate public discussion that has been fueled by a series of events, including: the terrorist attacks in New York, Madrid, and London * the assassination of Dutch film director Theo van Gogh * the affair of the Danish cartoons * the prosecution of Dutch politician Geert Wilders for his statements on Islam and Muslims * the terrorist attack on French satirical magazine Charlie Hebdo in Paris. The overarching questions triggered by these events concern the relationship between freedom of expression and the regulation of 'hate speech': Which forms of hate speech should the state prohibit? On what grounds? By which means? Notably, the restriction of hate speech uttered in the context of the public debate - about multiculturalism, immigration, integration and Islam, and of religious fundamentalism - has become a topic of lively discussion. This book constitutes the first international comparative study that provides a profound analysis of the law on hate speech in France and the Netherlands, as well as under European and international law. It thoroughly examines the national legislation, its drafting history, policy, and other legal documents and case law. (Series: School of Human Rights Research - Vol. 68) [Subject: International Law, European Law, Comparative Law, Human Rights Law, Religious Law, Politics]

MINORITIES WITHIN MINORITIES

EQUALITY, RIGHTS AND DIVERSITY

Cambridge University Press Most discussions of multiculturalism and group rights focus on the relationship between the minority and the majority. This volume advances our understanding of minority rights by focusing on conflicts that arise within minority groups and by examining the different sorts of responses that the liberal state might have to these conflicts. Groups around the world are increasingly successful in maintaining or winning autonomy. In light of this trend, a crucial question emerges: what happens to individuals within groups who find that their group discriminates against them? This volume brings together distinguished scholars who examine this question by weaving together normative political theory with case studies drawn from South Africa, the United States, India, Canada, and Britain. Classical liberalism, deliberative democracy, feminism, and associative democracy are among the theoretical frameworks used to offer solutions to the complex set of issues raised by minorities within minorities.

PRIVADOYGENEISM: A THEORY FOR A BETTER SOCIETY

Lulu.com

THE END OF FAITH: RELIGION, TERROR, AND THE FUTURE OF REASON

W. W. Norton & Company "The End of Faith articulates the dangers and absurdities of organized religion so fiercely and so fearlessly that I felt relieved as I read it, vindicated....Harris writes what a sizable number of us think, but few are willing to say."—Natalie Angier, *New York Times* In *The End of Faith*, Sam Harris delivers a startling analysis of the clash between reason and religion in the modern world. He offers a vivid, historical tour of our willingness to suspend reason in favor of religious beliefs—even when these beliefs inspire the worst human atrocities. While warning against the encroachment of organized religion into world politics, Harris draws on insights from neuroscience, philosophy, and Eastern mysticism to deliver a call for a truly modern foundation for ethics and spirituality that is both secular and humanistic. Winner of the 2005 PEN/Martha Albrand Award for Nonfiction.

ONWARD, CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS

THE GROWING POLITICAL POWER OF CATHOLICS AND EVANGELICALS IN THE UNITED STATES

Simon and Schuster Like a mighty army moves the church of God; Brothers, we are treading where the saints have trod. We are not divided, all one body we. One in hope and doctrine, one in charity. -- From the nineteenth-century hymn "Onward, Christian Soldiers" What keeps America a country of religious practice and traditional values? How has the U.S. avoided succumbing to total secularism? The answer to these provocative questions is found in the religious communities of America today: In the past thirty years, the religiously active voter has migrated to the Republican Party, and the story behind this shift, evidenced in the emergence of Evangelical dominance over mainstream Protestantism and the defeat of liberal Catholicism, is at the heart of this fascinating cultural history. In *Onward, Christian Soldiers*, the Washington insider who was at the vanguard of the sea change in religious and political history that propelled George W. Bush into the White House offers an intimate perspective on those remarkable years -- and their influence over the ones to come. Deal W. Hudson analyzes how, steadily over-coming age-old misjudgments and misunderstandings that separated them, conservative Catholics and Evangelical Christians drew together because of what they viewed as profound assaults on shared core beliefs. They became allies to battle the forces of secularization, relativism, and atheism. And together they forged a grassroots movement across America that astonished political activists and surprised commentators as well as members of traditional religious organizations. How, exactly, was this coalition achieved and who were its movers and shakers? What enabled them to deepen, enrich, and activate the resurgence of traditional values in society to make America radically different from the secularized Europe that was so widely believed to be on the verge of becoming the model for the United States? Deal W. Hudson details this phenomenon by examining the leading figures and institutions on both sides of the debate, exposing the dramatic encounters between those espousing fundamental Judeo-Christian beliefs and those heralding the "death of God" and the new age of secular humanism. Dealing with today's hot-button issues, *Onward, Christian Soldiers* provides an unprecedented look at the confrontation of the religious right with secularists in America, a confrontation that is not only timely but also timeless in its impact.

AMERICA'S GOD

FROM JONATHAN EDWARDS TO ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Oxford University Press Religious life in early America is often equated with the fire-and-brimstone Puritanism best embodied by the theology of Cotton Mather. Yet, by the nineteenth century, American theology had shifted dramatically away from the severe European traditions directly descended from the Protestant Reformation, of which Puritanism was in the United States the most influential. In its place arose a singularly American set of beliefs. In *America's God*, Mark Noll has written a biography of this new American ethos. In the 125 years preceding the outbreak of the Civil War, theology played an extraordinarily important role in American public and private life. Its evolution had a profound impact on America's self-definition. The changes taking place in American theology during this period were marked by heightened spiritual inwardness, a new confidence in individual reason, and an attentiveness to the economic and market realities of Western life. Vividly set in the social and political events of the age, *America's God* is replete with the figures who made up the early American intellectual landscape, from theologians such as Jonathan Edwards, Nathaniel W. Taylor, William Ellery

Channing, and Charles Hodge and religiously inspired writers such as Harriet Beecher Stowe and Catherine Stowe to dominant political leaders of the day like Washington, Jefferson, and Lincoln. The contributions of these thinkers combined with the religious revival of the 1740s, colonial warfare with France, the consuming struggle for independence, and the rise of evangelical Protestantism to form a common intellectual coinage based on a rising republicanism and commonsense principles. As this Christian republicanism affirmed itself, it imbued in dedicated Christians a conviction that the Bible supported their beliefs over those of all others. Tragically, this sense of religious purpose set the stage for the Civil War, as the conviction of Christians both North and South that God was on their side served to deepen a schism that would soon rend the young nation asunder. Mark Noll has given us the definitive history of Christian theology in America from the time of Jonathan Edwards to the presidency of Abraham Lincoln. It is a story of a flexible and creative theological energy that over time forged a guiding national ideology the legacies of which remain with us to this day.

RELIGION AND GOVERNANCE IN ENGLAND'S EMERGING COLONIAL EMPIRE, 1601-1698

Springer Nature This open access book explores the role of religion in England's overseas companies and the formation of English governmental identity abroad in the seventeenth century. Drawing on research into the Virginia, East India, Massachusetts Bay, Plymouth, New England and Levant Companies, it offers a comparative global assessment of the inextricable links between the formation of English overseas government and various models of religious governance across England's emerging colonial empire. While these approaches to governance varied from company to company, each sought to regulate the behaviour of their personnel, as well as the numerous communities and faiths which fell within their jurisdiction. This book provides a crucial reassessment of the seventeenth-century foundations of British imperial governance.

RELIGION AND MODERNITY IN INDIA

Oxford University Press, USA Modernity, which emphasizes the relegation of religion firmly to an individual's private life, is a challenging idea for any culture. In India it faces a particularly unusual problem: the persistence of numerous traditional and religious practices means that religion and modernity co-habit here in a complex, plural, transient, and historically evolving relationship. Religion and Modernity in India explores this complex relationship through a series of case studies on the quotidian experiences of people practicing a variety of religions. It presents the dynamically interacting textures of society engaging with modernity in divergent ways, both historically and in contemporary times. The essays in this collection consciously bring in the idea of inclusivity by factoring in the small and local contexts. They raise important questions about marginality and sexuality, and discuss the oral and cultural traditions of both mainstream and marginal communities such as tribal communities and women. In doing so, they put forward the perspectives of groups that represent difference but at the same time are linked to a larger whole.

THE DAWNING OF A NEW DARK AGE

A COLLECTION OF ESSAYS ON ISLAM

FOREWORD On September 11, 2001, Muslim terrorists launched an attack on the United States to punish it for being what Osama bin Laden considered 'the land of the infidels'! In fact, this attack was an attack on the entire Western world and, even more important, it was an attack on Western civilization, the underlying objective being to take civilization back fourteen hundred years to a time of great glory for the Islamic world. In the wake of the attack by young Muslim extremists, which resulted in the collapse of the twin towers of the World Trade Center in Manhattan, our leaders attempted to assure us that the terrorists did not represent the entire Muslim world. It was said that they were the actions of a minority, of an extreme fringe group. It was, and continues to be, troubling, however, that we have heard very little strong condemnation coming from the supposed moderate Muslim community. Who are these moderates? Why have they not spoken out more vociferously? Do they really exist? When will they speak out with moral indignation? Indeed, will they ever? For most Westerners Islam is thought to be just another world religion, equal to Christianity and Judaism. But is this really the case? Upon closer study, Islam seems to be far different from the other two religions. Certainly no one would accuse Muslims of being tolerant, non-judgmental, non-violent or peace-loving! While Muslims have been allowed to build hundreds of mosques in Western countries, Christian churches may only rarely be built, if ever, in Muslim countries! Indeed in some Muslim countries such as the Sudan, it is official government policy to demolish churches! In addition, it is difficult to believe that any world religion would advocate treating women as second-class citizens, and actually get away with it! The concept of brotherhood in Islam is strong. The posture advocated by Prophet Mohammed in the Koran toward non-Muslims, however, is to seek them out and annihilate them. The phenomenon of suicide bombers is at once both pathetic and chilling. On the one hand, it is pathetic that young Muslims are taught that they can gain entrance into paradise by taking people's lives in such a gruesome manner. Carnal pleasures, of course, await the males upon entrance into heaven! On the other hand, it is chilling to think that there are any people living in the 21st century ready to teach and encourage such savagery. What is the supposed theological justification for holding to such beliefs? Indeed, is there any such thing in Islam as theology in which the tenets of the faith are examined critically? Isn't it the case, rather, that the teachings of Prophet Mohammed are accepted literally, and without question? In his book, *The Dawning of a New Dark Age*, Mark Alexan

JOSEPH SMITH FOR PRESIDENT

THE PROPHET, THE ASSASSINS, AND THE FIGHT FOR AMERICAN RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Oxford University Press Though Joseph Smith's run for president is now best remembered for ending in his assassination, the renegade campaign was historic in the proposals it put forward. He called for a total abolition of slavery, the closure of the country's penitentiaries, and the reestablishment of a national bank to stabilize the economy. But most important was Smith's call for an expansion of protections for religious minorities. In a time when the Bill of Rights did not apply to individual states, Smith called for the federal government to be empowered to protect minorities when states failed to do so. In this book, Spencer W. McBride tells the story of Smith's campaign and how his calls for religious freedom through constitutional reform are essential to understanding how the American political system evolved to what we know today.

THE THEOCRATIC KINGDOM OF OUR LORD JESUS

THE CHRIST, AS COVENANTED IN THE OLD TESTAMENT, AND PRESENTED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

JESUS CHRIST FUNDAMENTALIST CHRISTIAN SLAYER

Lulu Press, Inc The second coming didn't work out exactly the way the Fundamentalists expected. Jesus is back and he's taking down religious wackos, nut cases and theocratic overlords obsessed with taking the world back to the dark ages. With his new apostles and a butt load of firepower he'll take down the theocracy. This time you die for your own sins! That was the description from the back of the book, *Jesus Christ Fundamentalist Christian Slayer*, has the feel of a good old fashioned B movie with a deep concentration of political and social commentary. As it states in the book, if any of the characters inside offend you, then don't act like them.

HANDBOOK ON RELIGION AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Edward Elgar Publishing This comprehensive Handbook examines the relationship between religion and international relations, mainly focusing on several world religions – Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, and Judaism. Providing a timely update on this understudied topic, it evaluates how this complex relationship has evolved over the last four decades, looking at a variety of political contexts, regions and countries.

ARTISTIC REPRESENTATIONS OF SUFFERING

RIGHTS, RESISTANCE, AND REMEMBRANCE

Rowman & Littlefield This collection features original essays that focus on the subject of art and suffering, including topics such as the representation of violence and the intersections of art and human rights.

MELVILLE'S 'MOBY-DICK, OR THE WHALE' - AN ATTACK ON CALVINISM

GRIN Verlag Seminar paper from the year 1994 in the subject American Studies - Literature, grade: 2.0, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz (Englische Philologie), course: The Forms of Melville's Fiction, language: English, comment: Well researched . abstract: 1. Introduction The publication of Melville's *Moby-Dick* or, *The Whale* in 1851 caused a vast range of attitudes toward the book, approaching the novel in various ways. Among those, central motives of creation and quest played an important role in interpreting the author's masterpiece as a work that sought to reach new fundamental religious

insights by challenging the Calvinist tradition of Melville's time. This paper is an attempt to show how far Melville's *Moby-Dick* succeeded in attacking the Calvinist principles of a theocratic and evil view of the world, constructing a literary scene of scepticism and bigotry that crosses the normal boundaries in its quest for what is beyond the universal system.

FREEDOM FROM RELIGION

RIGHTS AND NATIONAL SECURITY

Oxford University Press Although many books on terrorism and religious extremism have been published in the years since 9/11, none of them written by Western authors call for the curtailment of religious freedom and freedom of expression for the sake of greater security. Issues like torture, domestic surveillance, and unlawful detentions have dominated the literature in this area, but few, if any, major scholars have questioned the vast allowances made by Western nations for the freedoms of religion and speech. *Freedom from Religion* challenges the almost sacrosanct inviolability of these two civil liberties. By drawing the connection between politically-correct tolerance of extremist speech and the rise of terrorist activity, this book sets the context for its unique proposal that governments should introduce new limits on religious practice within their borders. To demonstrate the wisdom of this course, the author presents the disparate policies and security circumstances of five countries: the U.S., the UK, the Netherlands, Turkey, and Israel. The book benefits not just from the author's own counter-terrorism experience in Israel and the U.S. but also from an international advisory group of leading scholars from all five of the countries under review. This second edition includes significant new material analyzing the trial of Warren Jeffs, self-censorship in the face of religious sensitivity, religious extremism and violence in Israel, and the complicated tension in the Netherlands between speech and religion. In it, Guiora responds to public discussion and criticism provoked by the proposal presented in the first edition that governments impose limits on religious extremist practices and speech within their borders. In doing so, Guiora sheds new light on the existential and practical predicaments confronting civil democratic society: how much intolerance should the nation-state tolerate and to whom does government owe a duty.

CHRISTIAN NATION: A NOVEL

W. W. Norton & Company "They said what they would do, and we did not listen. Then they did what they said they would do." So ends the first chapter of this brilliantly readable counterfactual novel, reminding us that America's Christian fundamentalists have been consistently clear about their vision for a "Christian Nation" and dead serious about acquiring the political power to achieve it. When President McCain dies and Sarah Palin becomes president, the reader, along with the nation, stumbles down a terrifyingly credible path toward theocracy, realizing too late that the Christian right meant precisely what it said. In the spirit of Philip Roth's *The Plot Against America*, one of America's foremost lawyers lays out in chilling detail what such a future might look like: constitutional protections dismantled; all aspects of life dominated by an authoritarian law called "The Blessing," enforced by a totally integrated digital world known as the "Purity Web." Readers will find themselves haunted by the questions the narrator struggles to answer in this fictional memoir: "What happened, why did it happen, how could it have happened?"

WHEN ISLAM IS NOT A RELIGION

Simon and Schuster American Muslim religious liberty lawyer Asma Uddin has long considered her work defending people of all faiths to be a calling more than a job. Yet even as she seeks equal protection for Evangelicals, Sikhs, Muslims, Native Americans, Jews, and Catholics alike, she has seen an ominous increase in attempts to criminalize Islam and exclude Muslim Americans from those protections. Somehow, the view that Muslims aren't human enough for human rights or constitutional protections is moving from the fringe to the mainstream—along with the claim "Islam is not a religion." This conceit is not just a threat to the First Amendment rights of American Muslims. It is a threat to the freedom of all Americans. Her new book reveals a significant but overlooked danger to our religious liberty. Woven throughout this national saga is Uddin's own story and the stories of American Muslims and other people of faith who have faced tremendous indignities as they attempt to live and worship freely. Combining her experience of Islam as a religious truth and her legal and philosophical appreciation that all individuals have a right to religious liberty, Uddin examines the shifting tides of American culture and outlines a way forward for individuals and communities navigating today's culture wars.

MEDIA, CULTURE, AND THE RELIGIOUS RIGHT

U of Minnesota Press As the religious right has increased in both power and visibility, there has been a commensurate growth in the prominence of Christian media. The contributors to this book provide a broad overview of the organizations, history, and media influences of the Christian right.

ETERNAL HOSTILITY

THE STRUGGLE BETWEEN THEOCRACY AND DEMOCRACY

How should we respond to violence against abortion clinics and some of the lunatic, even comical pronouncements of individuals on the religious right? Frederick Clarkson makes it clear that behind the lone nuts who sometimes grace the headline news is a powerful and growing political movement. Drawing on years of rigorous research, Clarkson casts light on the wild card of the "theology of vigilantism" which urges the enforcement of "God's law."

POLITICS, PLURALISM AND RELIGION

Cambridge Scholars Publishing The chapters in this volume discuss the many facets of pluralism in a liberal democracy, as well as the interplay between religion and politics. Religion is a central theme in this book for two reasons. First, religions often claim to possess truths about the nature of God and the proper path to lead in order to achieve eternal life in heaven, or enlightenment or spiritual liberation. Unfortunately, different religions offer different sets of truths on these issues, which create an obvious competition and rivalry between religions. Historically, religious differences have produced countless wars, violent clashes, human rights violations and various forms of religious persecutions. Our record of coexisting peacefully in a religiously pluralistic world has been abysmal at best. Some chapters in this book discuss religious pluralism, the clash between science and religion and the role religious reasons should play in a public dialogue about public policy and law. The second reason why religion is a prominent theme is that, since religion is constitutive of the identities of so many individuals, its influence on politics, for better or for worse, is extremely significant. Many chapters explore the various ways in which religion can affect politics: From the dangers of theocracy, to Jihadist terrorism, to a Hindu approach to addressing terrorism, to a Unitarian Universalist perspective on ethical eating and to the Christian virtue of forgiveness applied to political dispute resolution. All in all, the chapters in this book represent a variety of approaches to understanding the interrelated problems associated with religion and politics in a pluralistic world.

FROM PERSECUTION TO TOLERATION

THE GLORIOUS REVOLUTION AND RELIGION IN ENGLAND

Oxford University Press on Demand This book reestablishes the importance of religion in the historical assessment of the Glorious Revolution and its consequences. The distinguished scholars who contributed to this volume explore a variety of themes, including the nature of religious dissent, the idea of freedom of conscience, and attitudes towards the Huguenot community. They examine not only Protestant dissent, but also Catholicism, Judaism, and Deism.

THE ENLIGHTENMENT AND ITS EFFECTS ON MODERN SOCIETY

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