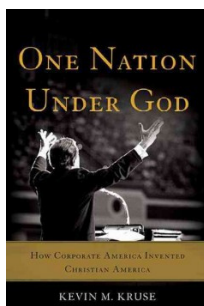


Further Reading

One Nation Under God (Apr 2015)

by **Kevin M. Kruse**

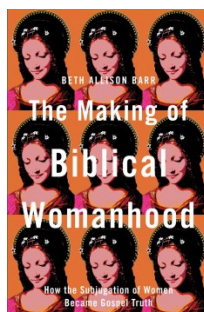
Looks at the idea of America as a formally Christian nation, arguing that this view of the country largely started as an initiative by conservative religious leaders and businesses reacting against the New Deal, which became entangled with politics in the 1950s under Eisenhower.



The Making of Biblical Womanhood (Apr 2021)

by **Beth Allison Barr**

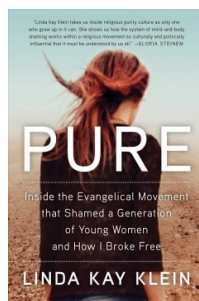
Historian Beth Allison Barr shows that "biblical womanhood" isn't biblical, but arose from a series of clearly definable historical moments. She presents a better way forward for the contemporary church.



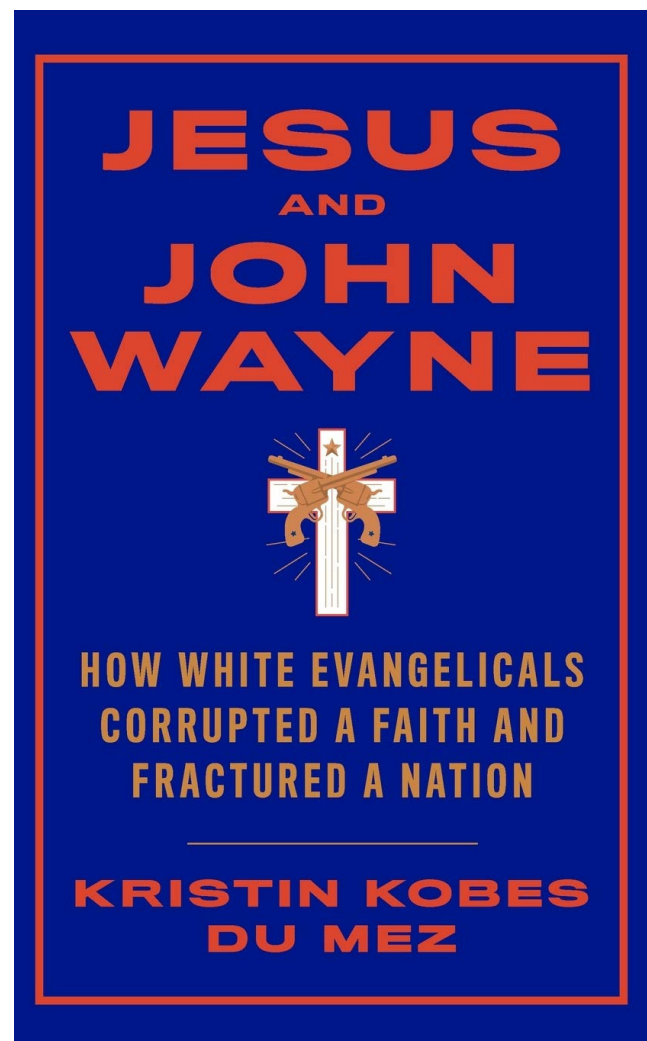
Pure (Sept 2018)

by **Linda Kay Klein**

An insider's assessment of the devastating effects of evangelical Christianity on a generation of young woman describes the extreme, shame-oriented tactics of the religious "purity" cultures of the 1990s and her own subsequent journey of investigation and healing.



BOOK DISCUSSION



Discussion Questions

- 1) Jesus and John Wayne centers the role of consumer culture in creating evangelical identity. Looking at the list of examples on p. 7, have you participated in any part of this evangelical consumer culture? What additional examples would you add?
- 2) Historians think a lot about both continuity and change. Was there anything that you found surprising in the longer history presented in the first chapter of the book?
- 3) Evangelical masculinity isn't just a story about men. How have women helped prop up patriarchal Christianity and militant ideals of Christian masculinity, both past and present?
- 4) Were you aware of the increasingly militant masculinity that came to characterize post-9/11 American evangelicalism? What connections between gender and foreign policy are apparent in this era?
- 5) Have you observed this embrace of militarism and the US military within American evangelicalism? What are some of the implications of this alliance?

6) Do you remember the Promise Keepers? What did you think of PK at the time? How was the evangelical men's movement of the 1990s different from what came before, and after?

7) Evangelicals like to write about sex. A lot. Why do you think that is? What patterns do you see in this chapter (and also in chapter 3) that point to broader implications of evangelical teachings on sex, both personal and political?

8) What are your thoughts on Chapter 16, and how do you see it connecting to the rest of the book?

9) Where do you find hope in this story?

10) Why do you suppose the author took the tone that they did for this book? Would you have chosen a different subtitle?

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