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Twilight's Last Gleaming: How America's Last Days Can Be Your Best Days



Synopsis

Never in recent history have Christians been more discouraged and fearful about our country's future. Economic chaos, immorality, terrorism and global turmoil have convinced many that we are living in the twilight days of America. Dr. Robert Jeffress agrees. But this is not the end of the story, he writes in *Twilight's Last Gleaming*. Although we cannot prevent America's eventual demise, we can delay it . . . and make a difference for eternity at the same time. For everyone who wonders what can be done right now "within our culture, our churches, in the voting booth and our neighborhoods" Jeffress answers with biblical insight and real-world clarity, showing Christians how to seize this unprecedented opportunity and point people to our only Hope. Includes a foreword by Mike Huckabee.

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Customer Reviews

Wow. Dr. Robert Jeffress has written a book that is sure to evoke strong emotions within any reader, whether they agree or disagree with his views. As in his previous books, Jeffress pulls no

punches in Twilight's Last Gleaming. Conservative Christians will likely find this a welcome mission statement for their involvement with politics, liberal Christians may find much to dispute in how Jeffress applies Scripture to political issues, and non-Christian readers will hate Dr. Jeffress's willingness to apply the Bible literally to contemporary society. I appreciate the strong stance Dr. Jeffress takes on major topics, and his exhortation to hold strong to Christian positions on moral issues was well received. It is good for Christians to be reminded of God's hatred for sin, and it is sometimes necessary to be rebuked for our willingness to shrink from publicly declaring our beliefs and applying them to our political views. This book does that well, and it provides a good starting point for a Christian to consider their involvement with politics, including four questions to ask about every candidate before casting your vote. Two changes would have greatly improved my opinion of the book: I wish Jeffress had included near the beginning a section explaining why Israel's experience with God can be analogized to America's, so that I would not have had so much cognitive dissonance as he frequently applied Old Testament passages to contemporary politics. Additionally, a more structured approach would have helped the book become a cohesive philosophy of how Christians should engage with politics and kept it from seeming like a dozen disjointed chapters. One warning: Chapter Two includes an incredibly graphic transcript describing abortion procedures!

To be upfront with you, I asked to review this book because I have strong and mostly negative views of Christian leaders who use their pulpits for political influence and based on what I'd seen of Pastor Jeffress in the news and the title of the book I was seeing red flags. After reading the book, though, most of the alarms were false. Christian leaders who set aside their faith for political expediency and influence are more than a pet peeve for me - they are a hindrance to the Gospel of Christ. For instance, when Christian leaders, so-called champions of "Family Values," endorse Newt Gingrich, an admitted adulterer who has been married three times instead of others in the primary who also claim to be Christian and happen to have been married to the same wife for decades like Ron Paul or Rick Santorum something smells bad. And the non-Christians out there see the hypocrisy and see nothing in Christianity worth their time. In the news, all I'd seen from Pastor Jeffress were his comments about Muslims and Mitt Romney's Mormonism tied to his endorsement of Rick Perry. Frankly, he was portrayed as an attention grabbing, right winger. I admit that I bought into that a bit because of my preconception that most pastors, when they step out on to the national stage and start talking politics, are focused more on politics than God. Along with a title talking up the end of America, all the evidence seemed to put the pastor squarely into that same box. But what

I found - and this shouldn't come as much of a surprise - is that the media has not been fair at all to the pastor. And, possibly, pastor Jeffress hasn't been very fair to himself either.

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