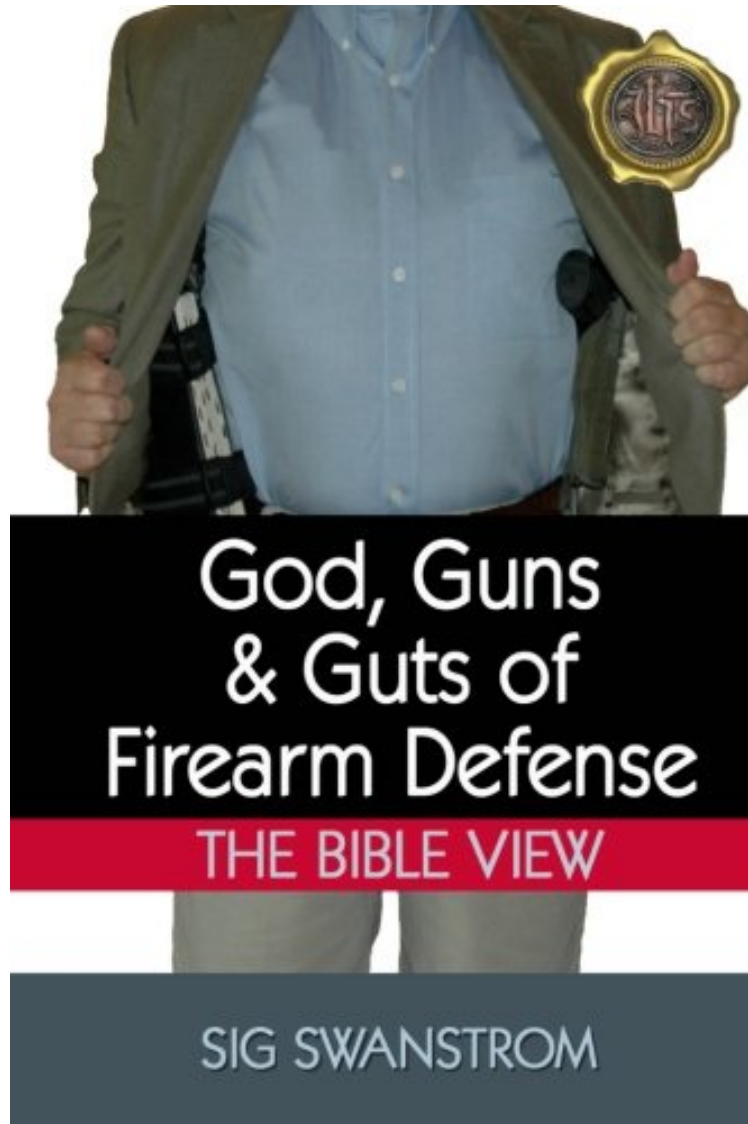


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RobideauMr. Swanstrom does a fantastic job of laying out scriptural commands, examples, and precedents that logically prove that armed, effective self-defense is not condemned by the Bible but rather promoted. Throughout the book, the author used scripture to back up all his arguments. To quote the author: "I wanted answers which I could count on to be right, so the Bible was my only totally trustworthy resource."He starts out by explaining the Bible principle of personal responsibility, then quickly moves on to the words, attitude, and actions of Jesus Christ himself.He even draws practical, tactical tips from the actions of Jesus Christ when he scourged the temple:"Jesus was not in an angry, uncontrolled rage. And, His actions were not an out-of-control response to the situation. Rather, He was completely in control of His emotions, and He was very strategic in the use of overwhelming violence of action. This is an example of "tactical Jesus," and we need to learn from Him the importance of shrewd, strategic thinking and acting."I have been looking for a book like this for quite some time. I love the tone in which this book is written. It is not inflammatory or in-your-face. There is no name-calling or extraneous political commentary. The author merely offers up the relevant arguments and their supporting scriptures.I did find it a bit distracting to have multiple translations in the book each time a scripture was referenced. In one particular section, six different translations of the particular passage were listed. In the end, I was glad that the KJV was used for every scripture.The final chapters of the book on the law, politics, and crime statistics were not so relevant to the main subject of the book, but they were thankfully placed at the end and in no way hinder the presentation of the primary content, the scriptural arguments. The information is good, but didn't seem as relevant as the earlier chapters. Just look at them as bonus content!I would absolutely recommend this book to anyone with questions about whether or not armed self-defense has a biblical basis.I also recommend this book for Christians who may already have the right point of view on this subject, but want to make sure they know the scriptural basis so that they can properly explain and defend their position biblically.If you enjoy this book as much as I have, you will definitely enjoy Tactical Bible Stories: Personal Security Tips from the Bible!5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. ... book I read by Sig Swanstrom was Selecting the Best Gun for Self DefenseBy steven ShulmanThe first book I read by Sig Swanstrom was Selecting the Best Gun for Self Defense. It was a straight-forward, practical read which included a lot of technical information I either forgot or didn't know. It is well written and I would highly recommend that book for those looking for some good information regarding self defense the right weapon for the right circumstances. It reads very fast and if you are truly looking for information on self-defense this is a great book for you. I preface my comments about this book first, because immediately after reading this book I read God, Guns, and Guts of Firearm Defense.Before reviewing the book I must confess I know Sig Swanstrom. Though we only communicate once in awhile, live about 1300 miles and three States apart my review is honest. Sig and I attended the police academy together many years ago and worked together in uniform for a few years. In fact we carpooled to the academy with two other classmates, Rich and Clyde. After recently speaking to Sig, he told me about writing the two books and was interested in my take on both, but particularly on God, Guns...I've known Sig to be spiritual his entire life. We've had a number of discussions about religion but not for many years because we just don't chat that much living far apart. Sig has always been profoundly interested in guns, self-defense, and Christ. He is a good, honest, and very intelligent, articulate guy. From reading God, Guns, I also learned our politics are very much aligned. Sig is as cynical about our government as I am! Reading his book was like understanding him far better than I ever did before. I found Sig to be a very good writer and despite not sharing the same faith, I was able to relate to the passages in the old testament. I can relate to the intent of the passages as it relates to self defense and the responsibility Sig proclaims when he says we must have a right to bear arms.I wasn't sure I would enjoy the book(s) when I told Sig I would buy them. First, because I'm Jewish and can't relate to Jesus Christ the same way Sig does. This book would give me an insight into what Sig is thinking, and more importantly how he was going to draw a comparison between God and Guns... I was drawn into the comparisons between the bible and our present state of affairs in the world. Having served almost 30 years in law enforcement it made me contemplate our future more than I do.I was curious how Sig would use the bible and tie all this together. Sig does a remarkable job of putting it all together.The book also caused me to contemplate and consider the differences between things like revenge, retaliation, and retribution, and why there is a distinct difference between the three. I particularly liked Sig sharing his feelings about politics yet didn't preach, but gave you his opinion, always supported by facts. He asks the reader what he/she would do under certain circumstances after discussing them. It's a great way to pause and contemplate ones actions.I thoroughly enjoyed the book and find Sig to be extremely qualified to write it, especially since I personally know his background.If you have an interest in God and guns, have an interest in Sig's point of view about our future, and where you might fit in, I would highly recommend taking a day or two to read this book. You may walk away with a completely different perspective than the one you have now.Steve S2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Scripture Supported Self-DefenseBy JB\_BB Sig outlines the scriptures that support the ownership and use of guns for protection and sport, which is contrary to the current political thinking surrounding gun ownership, preparedness and self-defense. If only law-abiding citizens are stripped of their gun ownership rights (See 2nd Amendment to the U.S. Constitution for reference), then only governments and criminals will have guns. Placing this important topic squarely within the perspective of biblical principles gives a whole new rationale for survival through preparedness. The use of deadly force is a very serious issue in today's violent society, but when

beliefs and value systems based on Jesus' perspective are followed, a clear picture of reality emerges. Sig has captured the essence of this reality in a way that is compelling for any reader, whether for or against the use of a gun for self-defense.

This isn't a feel-good churchy pie-in-the-sky treatment of this subject. It's a needed exposé of what the Bible actually teaches about these sometimes controversial topics. It also focuses on the Bible beliefs and faith of the Founding Fathers of the United States, and the original meaning of the Constitution and Bill of Rights. In the process, it brings greater clarity to these much debated topics. You won't be subjected to gory details in this book, but you will be exposed to the difficult choices which surround firearm defense. Importantly, you'll be given the biblical tools needed for making hard, life and death moral choices. You've probably never heard a pastor or church leader teach on this topic. Yet it is critically important for us to understand what the Bible actually has to say about these timely issues. Subjects such as our God-given Right of self-defense, firearm ownership, concealed carry, castle doctrines, the use of deadly force, and shoot-to-kill or shoot-to-wound, are all pivotal issues for us today. Many are shocked to learn that these topics are addressed in the Bible. This book explains the Bible viewpoint, and what Jesus taught on these subjects which today are taboo in most churches. Bible passages are cited throughout, and hundreds more are included in footnotes, keeping the focus on the Bible not personal opinion. The author, SIG SWANSTROM, is a former police detective and SWAT team operator who worked in the Los Angeles area. During his years of service, he personally had many deadly force encounters with armed criminals, so his writing is real world. And today, as the owner of a highly acclaimed firearms training academy in Texas, SIG has also learned how to capture the interest of his audiences as he teaches practical skills in the unique context of biblical truth.

About the Author SIG SWANSTROM is a former police officer and police SWAT team operator who worked in the Los Angeles area. During his years of service, he personally had many deadly-force encounters with armed criminals, so his writing is real-world practical. And today, as the owner of two highly acclaimed firearms training academies, SIG has also learned how to capture the interest of his audiences and teach them practical real-world skills. Armed with a university degree in criminology, and his practical experience as a police detective and crime scene investigator (CSI), SIG has had the opportunity to probe many criminal cases in which firearms were used against innocent people. And, he has also investigated incidents where law abiding citizens used guns against their attackers. Since taking an early retirement from law enforcement, these experiences were further enhanced by living with terrorism and guerilla warfare for several years in Guatemala. During that country's bloody civil war, SIG's compound was attacked by guerrillas on three occasions, and on one deadly evening it was overrun. His family was with him at the time. So he also understands these issues from a WTSHTF perspective of widespread mayhem and revolution. Recognition: During SIG's law enforcement career he was named "Police Officer of the Year," was a "Commendation for Valor" recipient, and he received the Mayor's Commendation, U.S. Attorney General's Commendation (Ed Meese), and numerous other awards and citations. He was also the personal bodyguard of president Ronald Reagan during the period after Reagan was governor of California but before he announced his candidacy for president of the United States. Today, SIG is the owner of Texas Republic Firearms Academy ([www.TXRFA.com](http://www.TXRFA.com)), a firearms self-defense school based near San Antonio, Texas, and co-owner of Camp Barkeley Tactical ([www.CampBarkeleyTactical.com](http://www.CampBarkeleyTactical.com)) in Abilene, Texas. These provide training in handgun, tactical shotgun and rifle to the general public, as well as training for law enforcement and security-force personnel, both nationally and internationally. For more about the author, visit: [www.SigSwanstrom.com](http://www.SigSwanstrom.com)