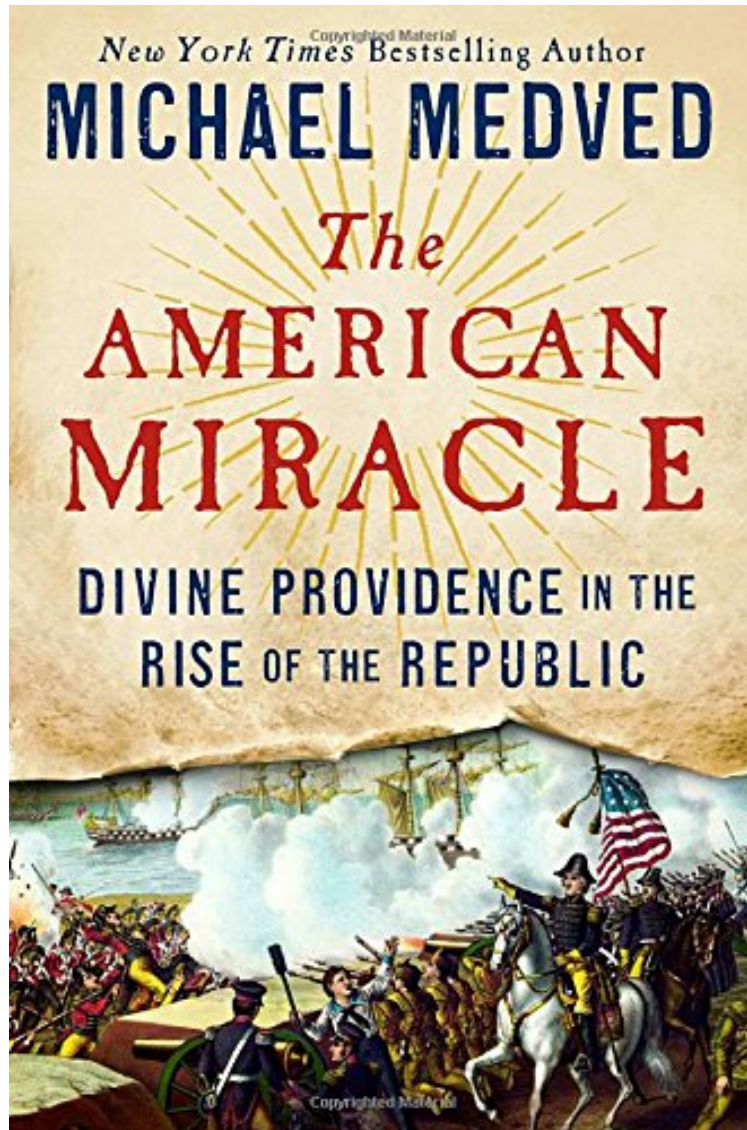


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63 of 68 people found the following review helpful. Divine Providence Indeed By Big Daddy Just as God commanded Joshua to have the Israelites build a pile of rocks to remember what he had done for him, The American Miracle is a metaphorical pile of rocks, reminding the reader of how divine providence played a role in building this nation and how those truths are now being ignored and undermined by those who do not want the truth to be known. This book brings to life many of the stories of divine providence that have either been forgotten or are simply ignored in the regular history books. I enjoyed history as a student, but many of the things in this book were just ignored in history class. It's an interesting read. You will learn from it and will be amazed and encouraged by parts of it. 5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Great book. By GG at RPV True to Medved's style of portraying history in very human terms. Great book. 7 of 8 people found the following review helpful. More Luck than We Deserve By Vince Dittrich The premise of the book is that the United States has been guided and protected by Divine Providence beginning with the pilgrims landing in North America. The book ends with Abraham Lincoln's assassination. Along the way enough events and personalities are explored so as to put our nation's first centuries into historical perspective and leave the reader appreciating each highly improbable event in view of the individuals and circumstances leading up to it. While the skeptic may mock by saying that Medved cherry picks his evidence and/or he puts too much emphasis on what the skeptic sees as simply a chain of fortuitous coincidences. The open minded will recognize that a pattern of coincidences is still a pattern which begs for an explanation. Even if you can't accept Medved's divine providence theme, the book is still an excellent read for its treatment of the history of our nation's infancy. One can hardly read the book without coming to the opinion that our founding depended on more luck than we've a right to expect.

LUCKY... OR BLESSED? The history of the United States displays an uncanny pattern: At moments of crisis, when the odds against success seem overwhelming and disaster looks imminent, fate intervenes to provide deliverance and progress. Historians may categorize these incidents as happy accidents, callous crimes, or the product of brilliant leadership, but the most notable leaders of the past four hundred years have identified this good fortune as something else a reflection of divine providence. In The American Miracle, bestselling author and radio host Michael Medved recounts some of the most significant events in America's rise to prosperity and power, from the writing of the Constitution to the Civil War. He reveals a record of improbabilities and amazements that demonstrate what the Founders always believed: that events unfolded according to a master plan, with destiny playing an unmistakable role in lifting the nation to greatness. Among the stirring, illogical episodes described here: A band of desperate religious refugees find themselves blown hopelessly off course, only to be deposited at the one spot on a wild continent best suited for their survival George Washington's beaten army, surrounded by a ruthless foe and on the verge of annihilation, manages an impossible escape due to a freakish change in the weather A famous conqueror known for seizing territory, frustrated by a slave rebellion and a frozen harbor, impulsively hands Thomas Jefferson a tract of land that doubles the size of the United States A weary soldier picks up three cigars left behind in an open field and notices the stogies have been wrapped in a handwritten description of the enemy's secret battle plans a revelation that gives Lincoln the supernatural sign he's awaited in order to free the slaves When millions worry over the nation losing its way, Medved's sweeping narrative, bursting with dramatic events and lively portraits of unforgettable, occasionally little-known characters, affirms America as fortune's favorite, shaped by a distinctive destiny from our beginnings to the present day.

Absolutely spectacular. This book is must-reading for anyone not yet fully convinced that God's hand has been on America from the very beginning. The stories in it are genuinely staggering, fascinating, eye-opening, and deeply inspiring. Please do yourself a favor and read this book! Eric Metaxas, New York Times bestselling author of Bonhoeffer and If You Can Keep It Whether it was God or the gods, some crucial moments in American history have turned on providential events that defy rational explanation. Medved has a keen eye for such semi-supernatural stories, and tells them with his customary clarity. Joseph J. Ellis, Pulitzer Prize and National Book Award winner; Author of Founding Brothers Michael Medved does a beautiful job of piecing together the most providential parts of our history from the story of indestructible George Washington to the miracle of Lincoln. And I can't help but agree with his argument: To believe America is exceptional is simply to be grateful for what God has given us. Paul Ryan, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Michael Medved's wonderful new book makes a compelling case for two beliefs that many of us hold dear that God's hand is in history, and that America is a divinely favored country. Given the dark mood of the moment, The American Miracle could not be more timely. Joseph I. Lieberman, former U.S. Senator from Connecticut; Democratic nominee for Vice President Without denying the difficulties our nation faces, Medved reminds us that we have faced problems in the past and endured because of our national ideals, and that the same principles that have driven American exceptionalism in the past can help light the way out of our present darkness. Read this book to renew your hope in America. Dr. Arthur C. Brooks, president of American Enterprise Institute; author of The Conservative Heart "This is a brisk, joyous romp through some of the most critical providential moments that made America an exceptional nation, told by a Yale-trained historian who writes with brio and

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If you love reading American history, or any history written like a page-turning novel or just love great writing
the artistry of words that often read more like poetry than prose you will love this book. The fact that Michael Medved gives the reader all of these makes this a must read.
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Michael Medved has written an engaging, affectionate and historically compelling book about America
The American Miracle is a source of knowledge, a source of comfort, a source of inspiration. After reading it you'll know America better, and treasure her more.
Peter Wehner, White House aide to Presidents George Bush and George W. Bush; Senior Fellow, Ethics and Public Policy Center
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[a] fascinating and provocative book. Commentary
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