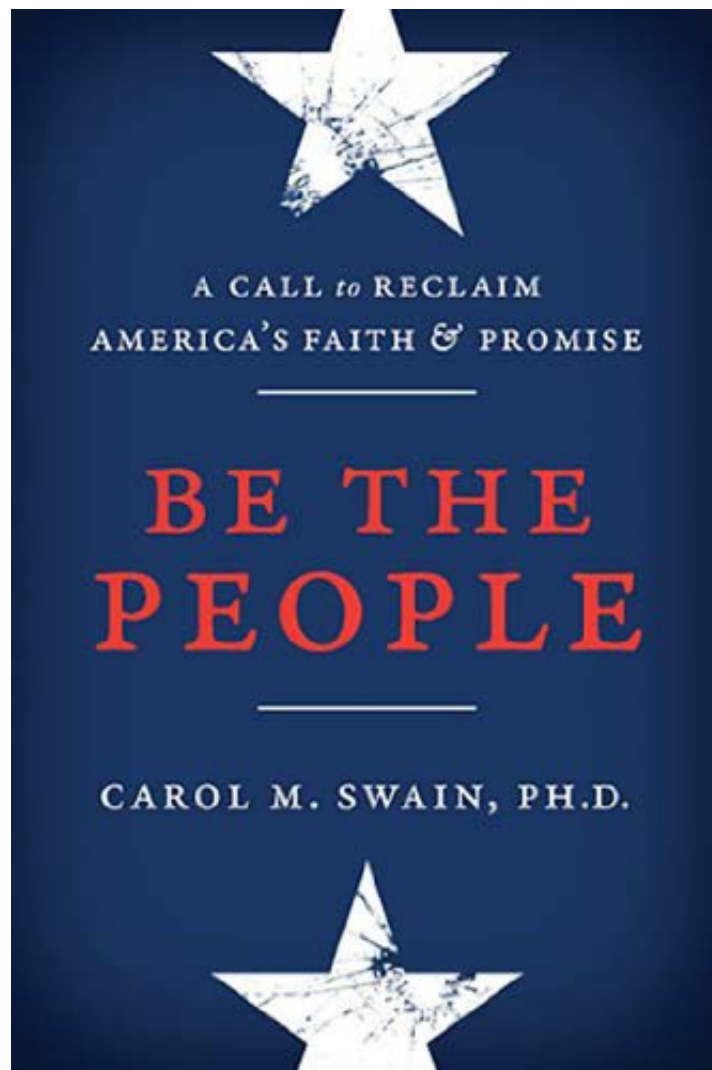


Be the People: A Call to Reclaim America's Faith and Promise

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Synopsis

Forces are rapidly reshaping America's morals, social policies, and culture—but how do we stop it? Learn how to make your voice heard and reclaim America's faith and values by reshaping our country's current trajectory. Cultural elites in the media, academia, and politics are daily deceiving millions of Americans into passively supporting policies that are harmful to the nation and their own best interest. Although some Americans can see through the smokescreen, they feel powerless to stop the forces inside and outside government that radically threaten their values and principles. Drawing on her training in political science and law, Dr. Swain thoughtfully examines the religious significance of the founding of our nation and the deceptions that have crept into our daily lives and now threaten traditional families, unborn children, and members of various racial and ethnic groups—as well as national sovereignty itself. Dr. Swain provides encouraging action items for the people of our country to make the political system more responsive. The book is divided into two sections: forsaking what we once knew and re-embracing truth and justice in policy choices. *Be the People* covers key topics including: The damage caused political correctness and its censoring of traditional Christian expression of thought America's shift to moral relativism and its religious roots Erosion of rule of law, national security, and immigration Abortion's fragile facade and the true toll it takes Racial and ethnic challenges How we can reclaim the future In *Be the People*, Carol takes a candid look at the problems our country faces but that we're often uncomfortable speaking honestly about, providing hope and actionable solutions to change the direction of America while we still can. "Be the People is a courageous analysis of today's most pressing issues, exposing the deceptions by the cultural elite and urging 'We the People' to restore America's faith and values." —Sean Hannity

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About the Author Carol M. Swain, PhD, is widely recognized as an authority on political science, law, race, and immigration. She has provided expert commentary about some of today's most complex issues, appearing on top national radio and television programs. Currently professor of both political science and law at Vanderbilt University, she is also a member of the James Madison Society at Princeton University, where she was a tenured professor. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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What people say about this book

Shannon, "Courageous, Positive, and Encouraging. I ordered this book because I've watched Dr. Carol Swain on several videos and she's an amazing woman with a wonderful story. I want THIS America that she's writing about. I wanted to read something positive. I'm tired of all the hatred coming from the media, Hollywood, and too many in the government trying to divide us. My advice: TURN OFF THE NEWS AND SOCIAL MEDIA AND READ THIS BOOK."

TC, "Thorough and very technical. Very good book but has a lot of quotes and references. Overall this is good I regards to backing up with evidence, but it makes the book very meaty and not one you can move through quickly. Reads like a University textbook."

S. Fisher, "Truth: Impressive, Well Written, Easy to Read. Carol Swain tells it like it is. Her logic is impeccable. She is an amazing woman whose credentials and personal background give her credibility that most people simply can't equal. This book should be on every high school and college reading list."

Mike Gallo, "This Nation must heed the call to "Be the People".. We as a nation are at a crossroads and Dr. Swain is pointing us in the right direction. She address the most important issues of our times with clarity and Faith!"

R. Christensen, "Wake Up People!. Be the People is a powerful call to action to the "78 percent of Americans who profess a belief in the Judeo-Christian God" to Wake Up! It's also a thoughtful series of constructive directions for public policy to enhance the quest for greater truthfulness and justice in modern society in areas as diverse and controversial as the family, immigration, national sovereignty, race, racism and racial politics. This is one very bold woman! She tackles all of the tough issues with compassion and clarity based in a deeply Biblical worldview. A well-researched book with tons of references, it is both easy and compelling to read. I personally was shocked and convicted while reading her analysis of Broken Vows - how as a nation we are forsaking what we once knew - and what she sees as almost the natural consequences of a nation turning against God. She writes of the Puritan belief in America as a covenant nation and how that led to the imperialistic Manifest Destiny notion. She asks "Is there still a God who judges nations?" - and, shockingly, answers not only "Yes" but that (just maybe) the Jihad attacks of 9/11 were aspects of God's judgement. Just as shockingly, she quotes Keith Richburg of the Washington Post, standing on a bridge in Somalia, watching corpses float by, and thanking God that his ancestors were lucky enough to be captured by a slave trader, to endure the horrific voyage and decades of slavery, so that he might now be standing on the bridge rather than floating under it. Being a Black American is a blessing as compared to living in Somalia (that probably doesn't go over very well in the faculty lounge). In the chapter "America'S Religious Roots" she takes on Kramnick and Moore, who wrote in "The Godless Constitution",

"God and Christianity are nowhere to be found in the Constitution, a reality that infuriated many at the time. The U. S. Constitution drafted in 1787 and ratified in 1788, is a godless document. Its utter neglect of religion was no oversight; it was apparent to all." With careful historical analysis, Dr. Swain refutes this claim and demonstrates that the primary issues of the time involved the establishment of a state religion (such as England's Anglican Church, or Germany's Lutheran church), and that the founders created a "secular" state in which all religions were free to express themselves, but which (it was a unanimous assumption and belief) actually required religion and morality among the citizens as well as elected officials. The freedom OF religion, not the elimination of religion from the public square, was clearly the intent of the First Amendment. Dr. Swain quotes Supreme Court Justice Joseph Story II (1883) "The real object of the amendment was, not to countenance, much less to advance Mahometanism, or Judaism, or infidelity, by prostrating Christianity; but to exclude all rivalry among Christian sects, and to prevent any national ecclesiastical establishment, which should give to a hierarchy the exclusive patronage of the national government. It thus cut off the means of religious persecution (the vice and pest of former ages) and of the subversion of the rights of conscience in matters of religion, which had been trampled upon almost from the days of the Apostles to the present age." She concludes this chapter with the ironic observation that "The removal of prayer from public classrooms across the nation censored the name of God in America's educational institutions and eroded an important foundation for teaching virtue and morality to America's youth. This is the same God whose name was emblazoned on our public buildings and our nation's currency and who continued to be publicly invoked for blessing by our nation's politicians." On abortion, the nuclear family, gay marriage, immigration and racism, Carol Swain presents the prevailing Politically Correct position and, as you would expect from a professor of Law, marshalls evidence, facts and logic to make her case for a more informed position that is grounded in reality rather than wishful thinking or discredited myths. Her arguments on immigration reform and immigration policy are excellent - a model for both sides of the debate (as Carol would say, if only they would open their minds to reasonable debate instead of loud propaganda, slander, and sound-bytes). As you can tell, I enjoyed the book. It challenged my thinking in many areas (especially immigration reform) and clarified issues that we hear about every day, during this another heated election cycle."

Atisa, "Must Read. Fantastic & informative book!"

Texan Roger, "Dynamite for the radical left. The media has kept us in the dark"

Timothy S. Reasoner, "Great read.. The book is great. Had a chance to meet Dr. Swain, couldn't find my hard copy so I bought this paperback. I hadn't opened this until I asked Dr. Swain to sign it. That's when we both discovered half of the appendix and index were bound at the beginning of the book. The title page where she signed is about forty pages past the front cover."

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