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The Annotated Book of Five Rings Lake Union Publishing  
Translation and commentary by Hidy Ochiai  
Although it was written more

than 300 years ago as a treatise on strategy and combat, Musashi's *The Book of Five Rings* is treasured today as a classic work that speaks with equal power to the modern businessperson, philosopher and martial artist. In *A Way to Victory*, Ochiai - a legend in the martial arts world - provides a new translation with notes that clarify the original's lessons for the contemporary

reader. With an in-depth analyses of the book's themes, this is a perfect compliment to Musashi's work.

Saratoga and the American Revolution Vintage  
THE REPUBLIC Plato's Republic is widely acknowledged as one of the most influential works in the history of philosophy. Presented in the form of a dialogue between Socrates and three different interlocutors, it is an

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inquiry into the notion of a perfect community and the ideal individual within it. During the conversation, other questions are raised: what is goodness; what is reality; what is knowledge; what is the purpose of education? With remarkable lucidity and deft use of allegory, Plato arrives at a depiction of a state bound by harmony and ruled by 'philosopher kings'. **THE REPUBLIC** The Republic is a philosophical dialogue about the nature of justice and the order and character of the just city-state and the just individual. The dialogues, among Socrates

and various Athenians and foreigners, discuss the meaning of justice and examine whether or not the just man is happier than the unjust man, by proposing a society ruled by philosopher kings and the guardians. **THE REPUBLIC** In this intellectually and historically influential work of philosophy and political theory, Plato discusses the theory of forms, the immortality of the soul, and the roles of the philosopher and of poetry in society. **THE REPUBLIC**  
**Nineteen Eighty-Four**  
Haymarket Books  
"We have just ended a century

dominated by a multitude of failed prophecies from those who looked to be raptured out of a collapsing world at any moment. The dawning of a new millennium will hopefully cause the Church to pause and consider whether these discredited prophets should be hooted off the stage. Victory in Jesus: The Bright Hope of Postmillennialism offers a sober and faithful examination of Scripture while clearly demonstrating that Christians have every reason to expect the victory of Jesus and the triumph of the gospel as the Great Commission is fulfilled on earth. The first three chapters (edited from lectures delivered by Dr. Bahnsen), offer a simple and easy to understand

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presentation of eschatology in general and especially postmillennial eschatology. These chapters are foundational and provide an excellent start for the person who wants a survey of the topic without too much technical or theological language. The last two chapters build on this foundation and layout a more advanced and in-depth explanation of the postmillennial position"--Back cover.

### The Death of Expertise

Penguin

The must-read summary of Rodney Stark's book: "The Victory of Reason: How Christianity Led to Freedom, Capitalism, and Western

Success". This complete summary of "The Victory of Reason" by Rodney Stark, a prominent American sociologist of religion, presents his argument that Christianity and its institutions are responsible for the most significant breakthroughs of the past millennium. In his book, the author explains how Christianity is what led to the success of the West. Added-value of this summary: • Save time • Understand how Christianity contributed to the founding of Western civilization • Expand your

knowledge of politics and religion To learn more, read "The Victory of Reason" and discover why the West owes all of its successes to Christianity.

The Jungle Ubiquity Press

“ Surprising and remarkable... Toggling between big ideas, technical details, and his personal intellectual journey, Greene writes a thesis suitable to both airplane reading and PhD seminars. ” —The Boston Globe Our brains were designed for tribal life, for getting along with a select group of others (Us) and for fighting off everyone else (Them). But modern times have forced the world ' s tribes into a shared space,

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resulting in epic clashes of values along with unprecedented opportunities. As the world shrinks, the moral lines that divide us become more salient and more puzzling. We fight over everything from tax codes to gay marriage to global warming, and we wonder where, if at all, we can find our common ground. A grand synthesis of neuroscience, psychology, and philosophy, *Moral Tribes* reveals the underlying causes of modern conflict and lights the way forward. Greene compares the human brain to a dual-mode camera, with point-and-shoot automatic settings ( “ portrait , ” “ landscape ” ) as well as a manual mode. Our point-and-shoot settings are our emotions—efficient, automated

programs honed by evolution, culture, and personal experience. The brain ’ s manual mode is its capacity for deliberate reasoning, which makes our thinking flexible. Point-and-shoot emotions make us social animals, turning Me into Us. But they also make us tribal animals, turning Us against Them. Our tribal emotions make us fight—sometimes with bombs, sometimes with words—often with life-and-death stakes. A major achievement from a rising star in a new scientific field, *Moral Tribes* will refashion your deepest beliefs about how moral thinking works and how it can work better. The Compleat Victory Princeton University Press  
This book takes a look at who

Satan is and how he operates in the lives of people. It examines our journey with Christ and as we grow in maturity we naturally walk in victory as a result. The Campaign against Established Knowledge and Why it Matters Primento A tense drama, which twists and turns through early Cold War history. Dedicated and passionate Marguerite Low journeys from Paris to Prague to Moscow in an attempt to locate her missing husband, Jacques, a famous construction engineer, who left Paris before the end of World War II. All Marguerite knows is that her husband had an assignment to investigate a

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production problem for the German occupiers. Overcoming false leads, skepticism, bureaucratic ineptness, and Cold War conflicts, she learns Jacques' probable fate and whereabouts. As the victors of World War II quarrel, her personal victory will be unique, one victory in a world of endless conflagrations. Resistance Random House Finally the Truth about the Rise of the West Modernity developed only in the West—in Europe and North America. Nowhere else did science and democracy arise; nowhere else was slavery outlawed. Only Westerners invented chimneys,

musical scores, telescopes, eyeglasses, pianos, electric lights, aspirin, and soap. The question is, Why? Unfortunately, that question has become so politically incorrect that most scholars avoid it. But acclaimed author Rodney Stark provides the answers in this sweeping new look at Western civilization. How the West Won demonstrates the primacy of uniquely Western ideas—among them the belief in free will, the commitment to the pursuit of knowledge, the notion that the universe functions according to rational rules that can be discovered, and the emphasis on

human freedom and secure property rights. Taking readers on a thrilling journey from ancient Greece to the present, Stark challenges much of the received wisdom about Western history. How the West Won shows, for example: · Why the fall of Rome was the single most beneficial event in the rise of Western civilization · Why the “ Dark Ages ” never happened · Why the Crusades had nothing to do with grabbing loot or attacking the Muslim world unprovoked · Why there was no “ Scientific Revolution ” · Why scholars ’ recent efforts to dismiss the importance of battles

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are ridiculous: had the Greeks lost at the Battle of Marathon, we probably would never have heard of Plato or Aristotle. Stark also debunks absurd fabrications that have flourished in the past few decades: that the Greeks stole their culture from Africa; that the West's "discoveries" were copied from the Chinese and Muslims; that Europe became rich by plundering the non-Western world. At the same time, he reveals the woeful inadequacy of recent attempts to attribute the rise of the West to purely material causes—favorable climates, abundant natural

resources, guns and steel. How the West Won displays Rodney Stark's gifts for lively narrative history and making the latest scholarship accessible to all readers. This bold, insightful book will force you to rethink your understanding of the West and the birth of modernity—and to recognize that Western civilization really has set itself apart from other cultures. A 21-Day Devotional on Living a Victorious Life Colchis Books With the success of open access publishing, Massive open online courses (MOOCs) and open education practices, the open approach to education has moved from the periphery to the

mainstream. This marks a moment of victory for the open education movement, but at the same time the real battle for the direction of openness begins. As with the green movement, openness now has a market value and is subject to new tensions, such as venture capitalists funding MOOC companies. This is a crucial time for determining the future direction of open education. In this volume, Martin Weller examines four key areas that have been central to the developments within open education: open access, MOOCs, open education resources and open scholarship. Exploring the tensions within these key arenas, he argues that ownership over the future direction of openness is significant to all of

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those with an interest in education.  
Victory in Jesus Random House  
Trade Paperbacks

The Art of War is an enduring classic that holds a special place in the culture and history of East Asia. An ancient Chinese text on the philosophy and politics of warfare and military strategy, the treatise was written in 6th century B.C. by a warrior-philosopher now famous all over the world as Sun Tzu. Sun Tzu's teachings remain as relevant to leaders and strategists today as they were to rulers and military generals in ancient times. Divided into thirteen chapters and written succinctly, The Art of War is a must-read for anybody who works in a competitive environment.  
Revelation Createspace

Independent Publishing Platform  
Presents a groundbreaking investigation into the origins of morality at the core of religion and politics, offering scholarly insight into the motivations behind cultural clashes that are polarizing America.

The Art of War Createspace  
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“ [A] landmark book . . . Solnit illustrates how the uprisings that begin on the streets can upend the status quo and topple authoritarian regimes ” (Vice). A book as powerful and influential as Rebecca Solnit ’ s Men

Explain Things to Me, her Hope in the Dark was written to counter the despair of activists at a moment when they were focused on their losses and had turned their back to the victories behind them—and the unimaginable changes soon to come. In it, she makes a radical case for hope as a commitment to act in a world whose future remains uncertain and unknowable. Drawing on her decades of activism and a wide reading of environmental, cultural, and political history, Solnit argues that radicals have



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a long, neglected history of transformative victories, that the positive consequences of our acts are not always immediately seen, directly knowable, or even measurable, and that pessimism and despair rest on an unwarranted confidence about what is going to happen next. Now, with a moving new introduction explaining how the book came about and a new afterword that helps teach us how to hope and act in our unnerving world, she brings a new illumination to the darkness of our times in an

unforgettable new edition of this classic book. “ One of the best books of the 21st century. ” —The Guardian “ No writer has better understood the mix of fear and possibility, peril and exuberance that ’ s marked this new millennium. ” —Bill McKibben, New York Times – bestselling author of *Falter* “ An elegant reminder that activist victories are easily forgotten, and that they often come in extremely unexpected, roundabout ways. ” —The New Yorker  
Summary: The Victory of Reason

## BEYOND BOOKS HUB

This classic includes the following chapters: First Word: Anger Second Word: Envy Third Word: Lust Fourth Word: Pride Fifth Word: Gluttony Sixth Word: Sloth Seventh Word: Covetousness  
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WAR IS PEACE FREEDOM IS SLAVERY IGNORANCE IS STRENGTH Winston Smith is a good worker. He supports the Party. He is good at his job rewriting history to Government specification.

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Big Brother watches him, but there is nothing to see. Winston's struggle against the totalitarian world he inhabits is a closely guarded secret. It exists only in his mind until he begins a secret love affair with Julia, a fellow worker. Is this enough to push him to revolution? Or is it the beginning of his downfall? A masterwork of dystopian fiction, *Nineteen Eighty-Four* is harrowingly prescient, and its impact has stretched around the globe. With a new introduction by political editor and writer Ian Dunt,

this brand new edition of a science fiction classic is a must-have for any collector.

Hope in the Dark  
InterVarsity Press

World War II is usually seen as a titanic land battle, decided by mass armies, most importantly those on the Eastern Front. Phillips Payson O'Brien shows us the war in a completely different light. In this compelling new history of the Allied path to victory, he argues that in terms of production, technology and economic power, the war was far more a contest of air and sea than land supremacy. He shows how the Allies developed a predominance of air and sea power which put unbearable

pressure on Germany and Japan's entire war-fighting machine from Europe and the Mediterranean to the Pacific. Air and sea power dramatically expanded the area of battle and allowed the Allies to destroy over half the Axis' equipment before it had even reached the traditional 'battlefield'. Battles such as El Alamein, Stalingrad and Kursk did not win World War II; air and sea power did.

Capitalism and Freedom  
Youcanprint

In the late summer and fall of 1777, after two years of indecisive fighting on both sides, the outcome of the American War of Independence hung in

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the balance. Having successfully expelled the Americans from Canada in 1776, the British were determined to end the rebellion the following year and devised what they believed a war-winning strategy, sending General John Burgoyne south to rout the Americans and take Albany. When British forces captured Fort Ticonderoga with unexpected ease in July of 1777, it looked as if it was a matter of time before they would break the rebellion in the North. Less than three and a half months later, however, a combination of the Continental Army and Militia forces, commanded by Major

General Horatio Gates and inspired by the heroics of Benedict Arnold, forced Burgoyne to surrender his entire army. The American victory stunned the world and changed the course of the war. Kevin J. Weddle offers the most authoritative history of the Battle of Saratoga to date, explaining with verve and clarity why events unfolded the way they did. In the end, British plans were undone by a combination of distance, geography, logistics, and an underestimation of American leadership and fighting ability. Taking Ticonderoga had misled Burgoyne and his army into

thinking victory was assured. Saratoga, which began as a British foraging expedition, turned into a rout. The outcome forced the British to rethink their strategy, inflamed public opinion in England against the war, boosted Patriot morale, and, perhaps most critical of all, led directly to the Franco-American alliance. Weddle unravels the web of contingencies and the play of personalities that ultimately led to what one American general called "the Compleat Victory." Perseverance and Victory in the Book of Revelation Createspace Independent Publishing

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## Platform

Paul Kennedy's classic naval history, now updated with a new introduction by the author This acclaimed book traces Britain's rise and fall as a sea power from the Tudors to the present day. Challenging the traditional view that the British are natural 'sons of the waves', he suggests instead that the country's fortunes as a significant maritime force have always been bound up with its economic growth. In doing so, he contributes significantly to the centuries-long debate between 'continental' and 'maritime' schools of strategy over Britain's policy in times of

war. Setting British naval history within a framework of national, international, economic, political and strategic considerations, he offers a fresh approach to one of the central questions in British history. A new introduction extends his analysis into the twenty-first century and reflects on current American and Chinese ambitions for naval mastery. 'Excellent and stimulating' Correlli Barnett 'The first scholar to have set the sweep of British Naval history against the background of economic history' Michael Howard, Sunday Times 'By far the best study that has ever been done on

the subject ... a sparkling and apt quotation on practically every page' Daniel A. Baugh, International History Review 'The best single-volume study of Britain and her naval past now available to us' Jon Sumida, Journal of Modern History  
One True God  
M.N.\Mekaelian  
Examines the nature of the relationship which exists between a society based on competitive capitalism and the political and economic freedoms of its citizens  
THE REPUBLIC Yearling  
Passing by the speculations and concentrating more on the spiritual

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truths behind the prophecy, The One Who Overcomes presents the book of Revelation in an easy to understand and practical manner. This is not an analysis of how current events line up with Biblical prophecy. Instead, this is a look at Revelation in terms of what the believer can use NOW in his or her spiritual journey. Nonetheless, this is not typical Revelation fare! There are some interpretations here that go quite differently from traditional teachings. If you already have strong opinions about the book of Revelation, this may not be for you. However, you will find lots of Biblical support for the views here. It is obviously not the final word on Revelation, but it will bring insights that you may not have

considered before.  
Victory Diamond Pocket Books Pvt Ltd  
From renowned journalist and master storyteller Roger Lowenstein, a revelatory financial investigation into how Lincoln and his administration used the funding of the Civil War as the catalyst to centralize the government and accomplish the most far-reaching reform in the country ' s history Upon his election to the presidency, Abraham Lincoln inherited a country in crisis. Even before the Confederacy ' s secession, the United States Treasury had run out of money. The government

had no authority to raise taxes, no federal bank, no currency. But amid unprecedented troubles Lincoln saw opportunity—the chance to legislate in the centralizing spirit of the “ more perfect union ” that had first drawn him to politics. With Lincoln at the helm, the United States would now govern “ for ” its people: it would enact laws, establish a currency, raise armies, underwrite transportation and higher education, assist farmers, and impose taxes for them. Lincoln believed this agenda would foster the economic opportunity he had always sought for upwardly

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striving Americans, and which he would seek in particular for enslaved Black Americans. Salmon Chase, Lincoln's vanquished rival and his new secretary of the Treasury, waged war on the financial front, levying taxes and marketing bonds while desperately battling to contain wartime inflation. And while the Union and Rebel armies fought increasingly savage battles, the Republican-led Congress enacted a blizzard of legislation that made the government, for the first time, a powerful presence in the lives of ordinary Americans. The impact was revolutionary. The activist

37th Congress legislated for homesteads and a transcontinental railroad and involved the federal government in education, agriculture, and eventually immigration policy. It established a progressive income tax and created the greenback—paper money. While the Union became self-sustaining, the South plunged into financial free fall, having failed to leverage its cotton wealth to finance the war. Founded in a crucible of anticentralism, the Confederacy was trapped in a static (and slave-based) agrarian economy without federal taxing power or

other means of government financing, save for its overworked printing presses. This led to an epic collapse. Though Confederate troops continued to hold their own, the North's financial advantage over the South, where citizens increasingly went hungry, proved decisive; the war was won as much (or more) in the respective treasuries as on the battlefields. Roger Lowenstein reveals the largely untold story of how Lincoln used the urgency of the Civil War to transform a union of states into a nation. Through a financial lens, he explores how this second

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American revolution, led by Lincoln, his cabinet, and a Congress studded with towering statesmen, changed the direction of the country and established a government of the people, by the people, and for the people.