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   Author: Todd S. Brown
   July 2007
   ISBN: 978-1780390451

   This gripping journal of a company commander from 2003 to early 2004 in some of the most dangerous areas of post-Hussein Iraq discusses tactics, techniques, and procedures as they evolved in the struggle to maintain order and rebuild the country. The journal tells of the dichotomy of combat operations versus nation building. It vividly captures the stresses of combat and corresponding emotions as they accumulate over time in a combat outfit. It reinforces the ideal of camaraderie among soldiers and deals with the emotional impact of losing friends in battle. Understanding these could prove invaluable to those who courageously serve our nation and will continue to endure them in this and future conflicts.
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8. An Unknown Future and a Doubtful Present: Writing the Victory Plan of 1941
   Author: Charles Kirkpatrick
   April 2005
   ISBN: 978-1410222008

   A striking feature of World War II was America's ability to raise and equip a modern army seemingly overnight. Emerging from its negligible base in 1941 and competing with the needs of the other services and Allies, the Army stood in just forty-eight months at 8 million men with equipment second to none. Such a prodigious feat owes much to sound military planning, as The Victory Plan of 1941 carefully demonstrates. But this study also underscores the fact that even in 1941 warfare had become so vast in scope, so expensive, and so technologically complex that nations could never again afford to maintain in time of peace the armies needed in time of war.
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9. **Made to Stick: Why Some Ideas Survive and Others Die**  
   Author: Chip Heath & Dan Heath  
   January 2007  
   ISBN: 978-1400064281  
   
   While at first glance this volume might resemble the latest in a series of trendy business advice books, ultimately it is about storytelling, and it is a how-to for crafting a compelling narrative. Employing a lighthearted tone, the Heaths apply those selfsame techniques to create an enjoyable read. They analyze such narratives as urban legends and advertisements to discover what makes them memorable. The authors provide a simple mnemonic to remember their stickiness formula, and the basic principles may be applied in any situation where persuasiveness is an asset. The book is a fast read peppered with exercises to test the techniques proposed. Some examples act as pop quizzes and engage readers in moments of self-reflection. The book draws on examples from teachers, scientists, and soldiers who have been successful at crafting memorable ideas, from the well-known blue eye/brown eye exercise conducted by an Iowa elementary school teacher as an experiential lesson in prejudice following the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., to conversations among Xerox repairmen.  
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10. **Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln**  
    Author: Doris Godwin  
    October 2005  
    ISBN: 978-0684824901  
    
    Historian Doris Kearns Goodwin illuminates Lincoln’s political genius in this highly original work, as the one-term congressman and prairie lawyer rises from obscurity to prevail over three gifted rivals of national reputation to become president. Lincoln as president brought his disgruntled opponents together, created the most unusual cabinet in history, and marshaled their talents to the task of preserving the Union and winning the war. This book views the long, horrifying struggle from the vantage of the White House as Lincoln copes with incompetent generals, hostile congressmen, and his raucous cabinet.  
    From: Book cover.

11. **The Top Ten Mistakes Leaders Make**  
    Author: Hans Finzel  
    October 2007  
    ISBN: 978-0781445498  
    
    I originally wrote The Top Ten Mistakes Leaders Make in the early 1990s. I had just turned forty and was relatively young in my leadership experience as a new CEO. The success of this book over the years has been encouraging, especially since most books by unknown authors never go into a second printing. I have heard from so many readers who could empathize with the issues I brought up. Most of the people I hear from suffer in some way under leaders who still don’t get it: the servant collaborative leadership style. They write to say thank you for giving them hope and new ideas of how to do leadership right. With all that has been written about empowering leadership styles, my observation still holds true that it is not a natural part of human nature. Unless leaders are out there learning and opening themselves to different ideas on how to lead, most will continue to default toward top-down leadership. From: Author Hans Finzel.
12. *The Next Generation Leader: 5 Essentials for Those Who Will Shape the Future*
Author: Andy Stanley
January 2006
ISBN: 978-1590525395

The Next Generation Leader has been challenging young Christians eager to learn, grow, and lead in ministry or in the marketplace since its original release in 2003. Now with an all-new look, this repackaged version continues to advance the mission of the first release. Mentoring young leaders as they face the unique issues of a changing world has been pastor and bestselling author Andy Stanley’s passion for more than a decade. Here he shares material from his leadership training sessions, developed to address essential leadership qualities such as character, clarity, courage, and competency. This is the perfect guide for any new leader—or for the mentor of a future leader! From: Amazon.com.

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13. *General Albert C. Wedemeyer: America’s Unsung Strategist in World War II*
Author: John McLaughlin
May 2012
ISBN: 978-1612000695

“…an excellent biography of little known general of World War II, Albert Wedemeyer. His biography is more relevant now, as we increasingly expect our general officers to make military recommendations that enhance national security policies, Wedemeyer served at a time when strict separation of the military and the political meant decisions were made that were not in the best interest of the nation… does an excellent job of telling Wedemeyer’s story in the backdrop of inter-allied politics, pro-isolationist domestic political pressures that would lead Wedemeyer to be dispatched to China and away from the British portion of the Combined General Staff who found his intellect threatening. Chapters cover an intimate look at his service in China, his handling of Chiang Kai Shek and his nemesis Mao. It also contrasts Gen. Joseph Stillwell and Wedemeyer’s approaches to China policy. From: DC Military .com

-Amazon Book Description
Darkness--emotional and literal--shrouded the land as the big 707 touched down and taxied toward the blacked-out terminal. The passengers were quiet, with looks of uncertainty and concern etched on their faces. This was it! Vietnam! War! Some of those youngsters and many others like them would be my “congregation” during the next twelve months. As I looked into the red, watery eyes of the mostly teenage soldiers, I closed my own eyes and uttered my first prayer in Southeast Asia: “Lord, make me equal to the task.” And I made a silent vow to mothers and fathers whom I would never meet: “As nearly as possible, this chaplain will stand by your son through it all.” From: author Walter Carter Tucker.
16. *The Miracle of Father Kapaun: Priest, Soldier, and Korean War Hero*
   Authors: Rot Wenzl and Travis Heying
   March 2013
   ISBN: 978-1586177799

“We need heroes to teach us how to live and decide in the concrete situations of our daily lives. Father Emil Kapaun is a figure whose heroism during the Korean War still serves as a lamp to guide our feet on the path of life. The Miracle of Father Kapaun will introduce you to this inspiring figure of a man for others. His care of the soldiers imprisoned with him inspired hope in them. I invite you to discover a priest, Army Chaplain, and hero on the pages of this book.” From: Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, Archbishop for the Military Services, USA.

-Amazon Book Description

17. *Roger Williams and the Creation of the American Soul: Church, State, and the Birth of Liberty*
   Author John M. Barry
   January 2012
   ISBN: 978-0670023059

Barry traces American separation of church and state back to earliest colonial days, when John Winthrop (1588–1649), first governor of Massachusetts Bay, and Roger Williams (1603–83), founder of Rhode Island, argued over whether government should enforce religious conformity, a dispute that eventuated in—besides such more immediately consequential things as banishment (and worse) for dissenters from colonial theocracies—Williams’ written formulation of the concept Jefferson boiled down to “wall of separation between church and state.” Barry likes to get to the roots of his subjects, so he delves farther back about Williams, in particular, to the inspiration he took from his patron Edward Coke, England’s greatest jurist, and Coke’s bitter rival in government, Sir Francis Bacon. From Coke, Williams garnered faith in the law and due process as well as, through Coke’s battles with James I and Charles I, the importance of maintaining the rights of Englishmen (Coke’s concept) against divine-right regimes, whether under king or, as in Massachusetts Bay, council. From: Ray Olson Booklist.

-Amazon Book Description

18. *Dereliction of Duty: Johnson, McNamara, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Lies That Led to Vietnam*
   Author H. R. McMaster
   May 1997
   ISBN: 978-0060187958

For years the popular myth surrounding the Vietnam War was that the Joint Chiefs of Staff knew what it would take to win but were consistently thwarted or ignored by the politicians in power. Now H. R. McMaster shatters this and other misconceptions about the military and Vietnam in *Dereliction of Duty*. Himself a West Point graduate, McMaster painstakingly waded through every memo and report concerning Vietnam from every meeting of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to build a comprehensive picture of a house divided against itself: a president and his coterie of advisors obsessed with keeping Vietnam from becoming a political issue versus the Joint Chiefs themselves, mired in interservice rivalries and unable to reach any unified goals or conclusions about the country’s conduct in the war. McMaster stresses two elements in his discussion of America’s failure in Vietnam: the hubris of Johnson and his advisors and the weakness of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. *Dereliction of Duty* provides both a thorough exploration of the military’s role in determining Vietnam policy and a telling portrait of the men most responsible. From: Amazon.com review.

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19. **Bonds That Make Us Free: Healing Our Relationships, Coming to Ourselves**  
Author: C. Terry Warner  
September 2001  
ISBN: 978-1573459198

Why do we get trapped in negative emotions when it’s clear that life is so much fuller and richer when we are free of them? Bonds That Make Us Free is a ground-breaking book that suggests the remedy for our troubling emotions by addressing their root causes. You’ll learn how, in ways we scarcely suspect, we are responsible for feelings like anger, envy, and insecurity that we have blamed on others. (How many times have you said, “You’re making me mad!”) Even though we fear to admit this, it is good news. If we produce these emotions, it falls within our power to stop them. But we have to understand our part in them far better than we do, and that is what this remarkable book teaches.

From: Book Cover.

20. **The Lucifer Effect: Understanding How Good People Turn Evil**  
Author: Philip Zimbardo  
March 2007  
ISBN: 978-1400064113

What makes good people do bad things? How can moral people be seduced to act immorally? Where is the line separating good from evil, and who is in danger of crossing it? Renowned social psychologist Philip Zimbardo has the answers, and in The Lucifer Effect he explains how—and the myriad reasons why—we are all susceptible to the lure of “the dark side.” Drawing on examples from history as well as his own trailblazing research, Zimbardo details how situational forces and group dynamics can work in concert to make monsters out of decent men and women.

From: Book Cover.
21. **On Killing: The Psychological Cost of Learning to Kill in War and Society**  
   Author: Lt. Col. David Grossman (Ret.)  
   June 2009  
   ISBN: 978-0316040938

Upon its initial publication, ON KILLING was hailed as a landmark study of the techniques the military uses to overcome the powerful reluctance to kill, of how killing affects soldiers, and of the societal implications of escalating violence. Now, Grossman has updated this classic work to include information on 21st-century military conflicts, recent trends in crime, suicide bombings, school shootings, and more. The result is a work certain to be relevant and important for decades to come.

From: Book cover.

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22. **Those Devils in Baggy Pants**  
   Author: Ross C. Carter  
   September 1985  
   ISBN: 978-0553251258

The book Those Devils In Baggy Pants is about the men of the 82nd Airborne—their own private war, a battle of hand-to-hand combat, diseases, and the death of so many buddies. You see them enter the war with fearful, young eyes, fuzzy checks and impatient strides. You see them leave the war with tired sagging faces, long beards and five years of age for every month of combat. You learn that Ross Carter, who lived and wrote the story, was one of these youngsters who faced death bravely and faced life with a grain of salt. He was an ordinary paratrooper, with ordinary buddies, whose every-day achievements lifted them to epic fame. From: Southwest Virginia Museum.

-Amazon Book Description
23. *Death Ground: Today's American Infantry in Battle*  
Author: Daniel P. Bolger  
January 1999  
ISBN: 978-0891416715  

Bolger documents the infantry's change, over the past 60 years, from a mass force of citizen soldiers to a small body of elite professionals. He presents each currently existing type of infantry paratroopers, air assault, mechanized, light, rangers and marines in recent action. For the paratroops, it’s the jump into Panama during Operation Just Cause. The helicopter-borne air assault battalions and the mechanized infantry are showcased, along with the rangers, in Operation Desert Storm. The light infantry’s finest hour was in Mogadishu, where its flexibility and fighting power saved a trapped American raiding party. The marines appear as peace enforcers in Liberia. In each case study, Bolger emphasizes the importance of quality and preparation, making it quite clear that will without skill and motivation without competence are certain routes to disaster. His style is colloquial and his tone triumph, but his message and his subtext are both clear: the grunt has evolved into a warrior, but the gain in expertise brings its own perils. While praising today’s infantry as the best the country has ever fielded, Bolger raises the prospect that the U.S. military, by emphasizing technology and economy, will leave the country with an elite infantry too small to sustain heavy losses and too specialized to be quickly replaced. From: Publisher Weekly Reed Business Information, Inc.  
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24. *Hope On A Strange Planet*  
Author: Chaplain Stephen Dicks  
May 2013  
ISBN: 978-1625104816  

Chaplain (CPT) Stephen L. Dicks climbed the ranks in the U.S. Army from Enlisted to an Officer with two extended tours in Iraq. Hope On A Strange Planet is told with the kind of humor he’s well known for, sometimes a touch of sarcasm, pride, and sorrow, along with a first-hand understanding of the hardships and sacrifices the soldiers and their families must make each day. From Baghdad and Mosul to the U. S. bases, Hope On A Strange Planet offers invaluable insight into the life and thoughts of a United States soldier deployed to a ‘strange planet’ in the middle of a combat zone. His stories impart hope to those thrust into some of life’s most brutal and inhumane scenes.  
*Amazon Book Description*  

25. *Fighting the Ideological War: Winning Strategies from Communism to Islamism*  
Editors: Katharine C. Gorka & Patrick Sookhdeo  

Fighting the Ideological War is the type of work that would be appropriate as a basis for further exploration in the field, though it certainly stands as a powerful achievement in its own right. The book is organized around seven essays, grouped under three subheadings, Identifying the Enemy After the Death of Bin-Laden, Learning from the Past and Winning the Ideological War, which logically connect the major points: Defining the enemy’s nature, identifying successful historical examples of dealing with such challenges. Developing an overall enemy threat doctrine and presenting a template for winning the war of ideas. It follows then that in order to triumph within such a paradigm, both aspects of Islamism must be defeated, with Fighting the Ideological War offering a reasonable winning strategic vision based upon historical fact, rather than the current policy which heavily relies upon gestures rooted in appeasement and willful ignorance.  
*Amazon Book Description*
26. **To Make the Earth Whole: The Art of Citizen Diplomacy in an Age of Religious Militancy**
   Author: Marc Gopin
   June 2009
   ISBN: 978-0742558625
   To Make the Earth Whole is a profoundly moving and gripping account of one man’s attempt to practice citizen diplomacy in an unlikely and dangerous environment. More than that, it is a brilliant brief for peacemaking by inspired practitioners able to heal shattered relationships by building new social and spiritual networks. Gopin’s tone is wise and personal: the voice of a modern sage. His book makes one understand that there is no real conflict between worldly realism and radical hope. From: Richard E. Rubenstein, Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution, George Mason University.
   [Amazon Book Description]

27. **Understanding Global Conflict and Cooperation: An Introduction to Theory and History**
   Authors: Joseph S. Nye Jr. and David A. Welch
   February 2010
   ISBN: 978-0205778744
   This text employs lessons from theory and history to examine conflict and cooperating among global actors and thus to provide readers with a durable analytical framework. From twentieth and twenty-first century wars to global finance and global governance, Understanding Global Conflict and Cooperation, expands substantially on a classic work and continues to deliver a thought-provoking survey of international relations today. From: Publisher Pearson Longman.
   [Amazon Book Description]
At a time when moral questions about armed force are at the forefront of the public’s attention, this volume offers insight on current challenges related to war, nationalism, and justice. Though recent publications on military ethics abound, this work adds to the debate by considering the historical background of just war theory in the Middle Ages, before going on to elucidating its contemporary challenges. The book covers a wide range of topics and raises issues rarely touched on in the ethics-of-war literature, such as environmental concerns and the responsibility of bystanders. From: CUAP publishers.

Bolger covers the major U.S. peacekeeping efforts—officially called OOTW (“operations other than war”)—since the early 1980s excellently. These have included successes such as aiding the Kurds after the Persian Gulf War and patrolling the Sinai, failures such as in Lebanon and Somalia, and efforts during which it became apparent that the most prudent course for the U.S. was to keep its distance, as in the former Yugoslavia. Both scholar and professional soldier, Bolger provides some of the best and most perceptive accounts of these frequently bloody, usually misunderstood actions, and he argues forcefully that OOTW are not susceptible to the classic American solution of substituting high-tech hardware for the low-tech infantryman who will not always return from keeping the peace in foreign lands. He makes a valuable contribution to contemporary history and the ongoing debate about post–cold war military force levels and foreign policy. From: Roland Green, Booklist

Tamim Ansary has written a truly superb history of the Islamic world. His excellent analysis provides the reader with an insightful understanding of how that world and its people were shaped by events. This is a must read for all those who want to understand the evolution of a significant global society and how it has interacted with the rest of the world. From: General Anthony C. Zinni, USMC (Ret)

An unprecedented land grab is taking place around the world. Fearing future food shortages or eager to profit from them, the world’s wealthiest and most acquisitive countries, corporations, and individuals have been buying and leasing vast tracts of land around the world. The scale is astounding: parcels the size of small countries are being gobbled up
32. **The Battle For God: A History of Fundamentalism**  
**Author:** Karen Armstrong  
**March 2000**  
**ISBN:** 978-0679435976

Former nun and A History of God iconoclast Armstrong delves deeply once again into the often violent histories of Judaism, Christianity and Islam, this time exploring the rise of fundamentalist enclaves in all three religions. Armstrong begins her story in an unexpected, though brilliant, fashion, examining how the three faiths coped with the tumultuous changes wrought by Spain’s late-15th-century reconquista. She then profiles fundamentalism, which she views as a mostly 20th-century response to the “painful transformation” of modernity. Armstrong traces the birth of fundamentalism among early 20th-century religious Zionists in Israel, biblically literalist American Protestants and Iranian Shiites wary of Westernization. Armstrong sensitively recognizes one of fundamentalism’s great ironies: though they ostensibly seek to restore a displaced, mythical spiritual foundation, fundamentalists often re-establish that foundation using profoundly secular, pseudo-scientific means (“creation science” is a prime example). From: Publishers Weekly Copyright © Reed Business Information

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33. **Faith-Based Diplomacy: Trumping Realpolitik**  
**Editor:** Douglas Johnston  
**February 2003**  
**ISBN:** 978-0195160895

For most of the twentieth century, the most critical concerns of national security have been balance of power politics and the global arms race. The attacks of September 11, 2001 and the motives behind them, however, demand a radical break with this tradition. If the United States is to prevail in its long-term contest with extremist Islam, it will need to re-examine old assumptions, expand the scope of its thinking to include religion and other “irrational” factors, and be willing to depart from past practice. A purely military response in reaction to such attacks will simply not suffice. What will be required is a long-term strategy of cultural engagement, backed by a deeper understanding of how others view the world and what is important to them. In non-Western cultures, religion is a primary motivation for political actions. Historically dismissed by Western policymakers as a divisive influence, religion in fact has significant potential for overcoming the obstacles that lead to paralysis and stalemate. The incorporation of religion as part of the solution to such problems is as simple as it is profound. It is long overdue. From: Book Back Cover.
34. **Pakistan on the Brink: The Future of America, Pakistan, and Afghanistan**  
Author Ahmed Rashid  
March 2012  
ISBN: 978-0143122838

Ahmed Rashid, one of the world’s leading experts on the social and political situations in Pakistan and Afghanistan, offers a highly anticipated update on the possibilities—and hazards—facing the United States after the death of Osama bin Laden and as Operation Enduring Freedom winds down. With the characteristic professionalism that has made him the preeminent independent journalist in Pakistan for three decades, Rashid asks the important questions and delivers informed insights about the future of U.S. relations with the troubled region. From: Book Cover.

-Author's Description

35. **It Was a Long way From Home & A long Time Ago But God Was There!**  
Author: Chaplain (Colonel) Roy N. Mathis  
2012  
ISBN: 978-0692018859

This is a book that grips one’s heart and moves your spirit. Some books challenge your intellect, while others entertain you on the light side of life. However, few books grip your inner being, moving your deepest emotions, climaxing with motivational inspiration that makes you love and appreciate others more fully. It captures the realistic emotions of war, bringing tears to the reader, and deep gratitude to our fighters for the freedoms we enjoy.

-From: Dr. Gil Stricklin, Chairman and CEO, Marketplace Ministries, Inc., Dallas, TX and an Army Veteran.

-Author's Description

36. **Militant Islamist Ideology: Understanding the Global Threat**  
Author: CDR. Youssef H. Aboul-Enein, USN  
June, 2010  
ISBN: 978-1591140016

By clearly defining the differences between Islam, Islamist, and Military Islamist, Aboul-Enein highlights how militant Islamist ideology takes fragments of Islamic history and theology and weaves them into a narrow, pseudo-intellectual ideology to justify their violence against Muslims and non-Muslims alike. In offering a comprehensive explanation of how Militant Islamists have hijacked the Islamic religion, Aboul-Enein provides a realistic description of the militant threat, which is different and distinct from Islamist political discourse and the wider religion of Islam. From: Book Cover.

-Author's Description