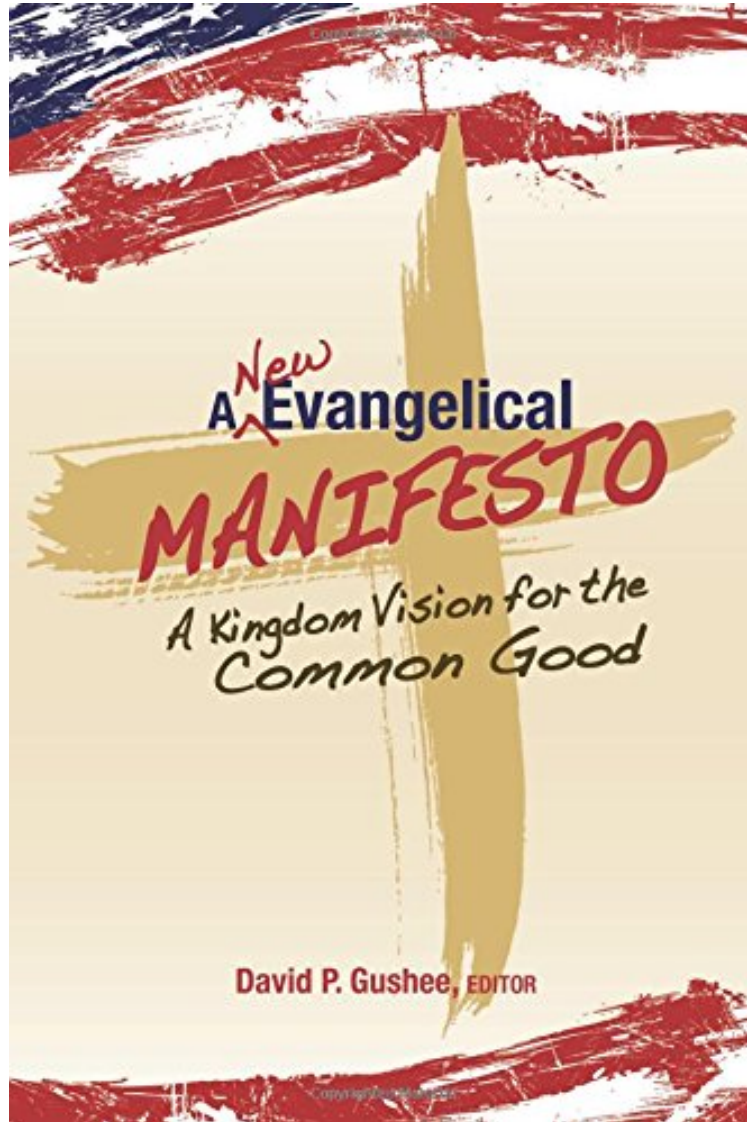


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From Chalice Press : A New Evangelical Manifesto: A Kingdom Vision for the Common Good before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised A New Evangelical Manifesto: A Kingdom Vision for the Common Good:

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volume very uneven. The chapters were written by 12 or 15 different writers, all involved in one way or another with a liberal form of evangelical Christianity and an aspect of citizen activism. Some of the chapters presented a case for a particular Christian response to a problem and specific ways Christians might respond to the problem. Others were more theoretical and not always very deep or helpful. I think good intentions were certainly behind the creation of this book, but the editor should have been more careful in choosing the writers and editing the submissions. 1 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Refreshing, encouraging read By Robert Ballew For years I felt alone in my beliefs and have been encouraged to find that there is a community of believers that have a world view that mirrors mine. This scholarly work is recommended for the many who have been edged out of what has become known as the Evangelical Right but who retain their conservative Christian beliefs. Well done. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. New but not liberal By Clayton Todd Kirk Overall, this is a good introduction to the current state of affairs in the small new Evangelical Movement. As I gather this is the branch of Evangelicalism that is opposed to the co-opting of Christianity by the political Right and the literal fundamentalists. I enjoyed reading it even though I am not particularly attached to their cause, which I will explain more about below. There is actually a lot of diversity in the book. Everything from the hot button issues like War and Abortion to more mundane (but important) things like the pragmatics of theology and the future of the Church. Perhaps my favorite parts were the authors who began their topic with a personal story. Some of these are quite interesting in and of themselves such as the article by Richard Cizik, former leader in the National Association of Evangelicals. I will confess that I got this book for free and so didn't really know what it was until I dove into it, and as I opined above, I am glad I did. However, I do not agree with the ideological thread of the book which seems to be something like Evangelical Christianity can be saved through adjustments. Although I certainly prefer this new brand of Christianity to the know-nothing fundamentalists that have infiltrated the churches, I still do not think it gets at the core problem. The real problem for Christianity isn't just the interpretation of the Bible and Politics, it is the CORE MYTH that is the problem. Thomas Altizer was closer to a real solution when he suggested in 1965 that the God of the bible was dead to our culture. The central myth was no longer believable to modern humans. Thus this isn't really a book about the liberals of theology in the turn of the century sense or the Spong/Borg sense (to cite modern examples). These are basically theological conservatives with certain uncommonly held interpretations of Christianity which they believe impinge upon the personal and political sphere. In sum, it is a good and enjoyable book. It is also a useful book IF you hold to the theology of the authors outlined above.

Being religiously conservative does not necessarily mean being politically conservative. There is a significant, emerging segment of conservatively theological Christians who agree with politically liberal counterparts while staying true to their own faith regarding a wide variety of political issues in contemporary America. It is time for a new look at faith and politics in America. It is time for A New Evangelical Manifesto. Written by authors, theologians, and instructors affiliated with the The New Evangelical Partnership for the Common Good (NEP), the aim of A New Evangelical Manifesto is to introduce the work and vision of the New Evangelical Partnership and other leaders gathered who think differently about how conservative faith relates to politics. The New Evangelical Partnership for the Common Good (NEP) exists to advance human well-being as an expression of our love for Jesus Christ, which is itself a grateful response to his love for us and for a good but suffering world. A New Evangelical Manifesto discusses many "hot button" issues such as human trafficking, healthcare, race, abortion, nuclear weapons, war, global poverty, Christianity, the church, and theology. Contributors: David P. Gushee, Jennifer Crumpton, Charlie Camosy, Jim Ball, Tyler Wigg-Stevenson, Paul Alexander, Timothy W. Floyd, Adam Phillips, Scott Claybrook, Lisa Sharon Harper, Rick Love, Andi Thomas Sullivan, Steven Martin, Glen Stassen, Richard Cizik, Paul Markham, Cheryl Bridges Johns, and Brian McLaren

The word prophetic is tossed around rather promiscuously these days, but A New Evangelical Manifesto truly deserves to be seen in light of that long tradition of calling religious people to reflection, responsibility and action. It gathers together an extraordinarily thoughtful group of men and women who consider the central political questions with both eloquence and clarity. --E. J. DIONNE, syndicated columnist and author of Our Divided Political Heart An urgent, important manifesto. You need not agree with everything here to recognize this volume as a ringing summons to more faithfully follow Jesus' call to radical discipleship. Precisely those who confess that Jesus is true God and true man must always be eager to repent of ways that fallen culture has seduced Christians into abandoning Jesus' radical teaching. This book helps us do that. --RONALD J. SIDER, Eastern University and Evangelicals for Social Action Not only a sweeping view of the profound changes among America's evangelicals but also a vision of how social change should proceed that is nothing less than an inspiration for all America... It should once and for all dash stereotypes of evangelicals. Indeed, those interested in policies leading to a less fractious and violent future must seriously consider the ideas in this book. --MARCIA PALLY, New York University, author of The New Evangelicals: Expanding the Vision of the Common Good About the Author David P. Gushee is the Distinguished University Professor of Christian Ethics at Mercer University. Raised in Virginia, he earned his Bachelor of Arts at the College of William and Mary (1984), Master of Divinity at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (1987) and both the Master of Philosophy (1990)

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