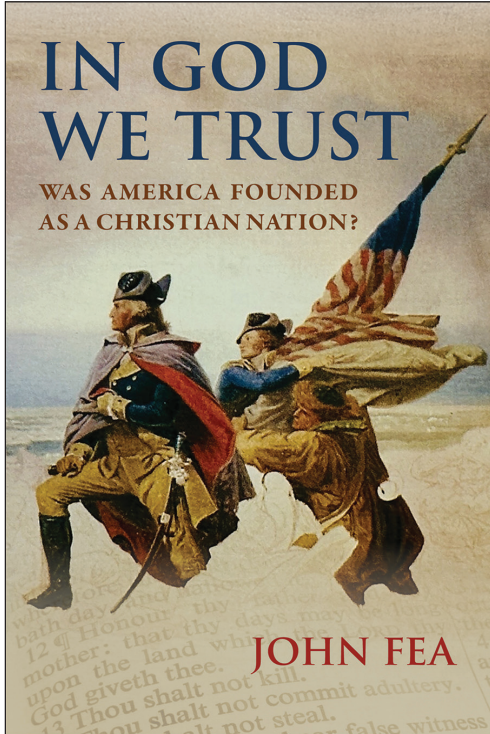


Book Club Questions for John Fea's *In God We Trust*



What do you remember learning about the history of the American founding and Christianity, whether in school, in church communities, from the news or popular culture, or elsewhere?

Was there one chapter in the book that particularly surprised you or upended something you thought you knew about Christianity and the founding of the U.S.?

How have you seen conversations surrounding the historical questions addressed in the book play out in our political world today?

Why do you think it's important that we have conversations about the historical facts presented in this book?

Where else in society do you see people interpreting the past through the lens of the present? How does this book help you to consider whether these other examples are helpful or unhelpful?

What have you learned from this book about what “good history” means, as laid out by the author in the introduction? What are some ways that being able to recognize good history can help you understand the past and how it relates to our current times?

What are one or two historical takeaways that will stick with you from the book? How would you describe what you've learned from reading this book to someone less familiar with history, and why history matters for our democratic society today?

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