

# Activism, War, and Keeping the Faith: An Inside Look at the Mormon Church's Response to the Vietnam War

The Vietnam War was a defining moment in American history, and its impact was felt far and wide, including within the Mormon Church. In this groundbreaking book, author Matthew Bowman provides a comprehensive and nuanced examination of the Mormon Church's response to the war, shedding light on the complex interplay of activism, faith, and the pursuit of peace.

Drawing on extensive research, including interviews with key figures and analysis of archival materials, Bowman paints a vivid picture of the Mormon Church's response to the war. He explores the ways in which the Church's leadership navigated the delicate balance between supporting its members who served in the military and advocating for peace. He also examines the role of Mormon activists who challenged the Church's stance on the war, and the impact of their activism on the Church's decision-making process.



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Bowman's analysis is both insightful and balanced, providing a nuanced understanding of the Mormon Church's response to the war. He shows how the Church's leaders were deeply conflicted about the war, and that their decisions were often influenced by a variety of factors, including their religious beliefs, their political allegiances, and their desire to maintain the Church's unity.

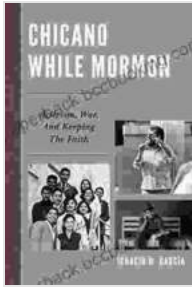
Ultimately, Bowman argues that the Mormon Church's response to the Vietnam War was a complex and multifaceted phenomenon, reflecting the Church's own internal debates about the role of religion in society and the pursuit of peace. His book is a valuable contribution to our understanding of the Mormon Church's history, and it provides important insights into the ways in which religious institutions can navigate the challenges of war and peace.

Activism, War, and Keeping the Faith is an essential read for anyone interested in the Mormon Church's history, the Vietnam War, or the intersection of religion and politics. It is a well-written and thought-provoking book that sheds new light on a complex and important topic.

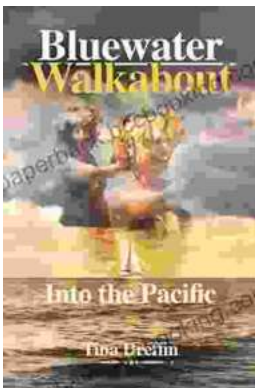
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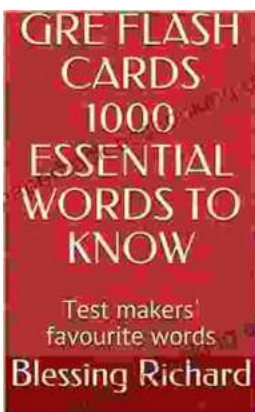


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