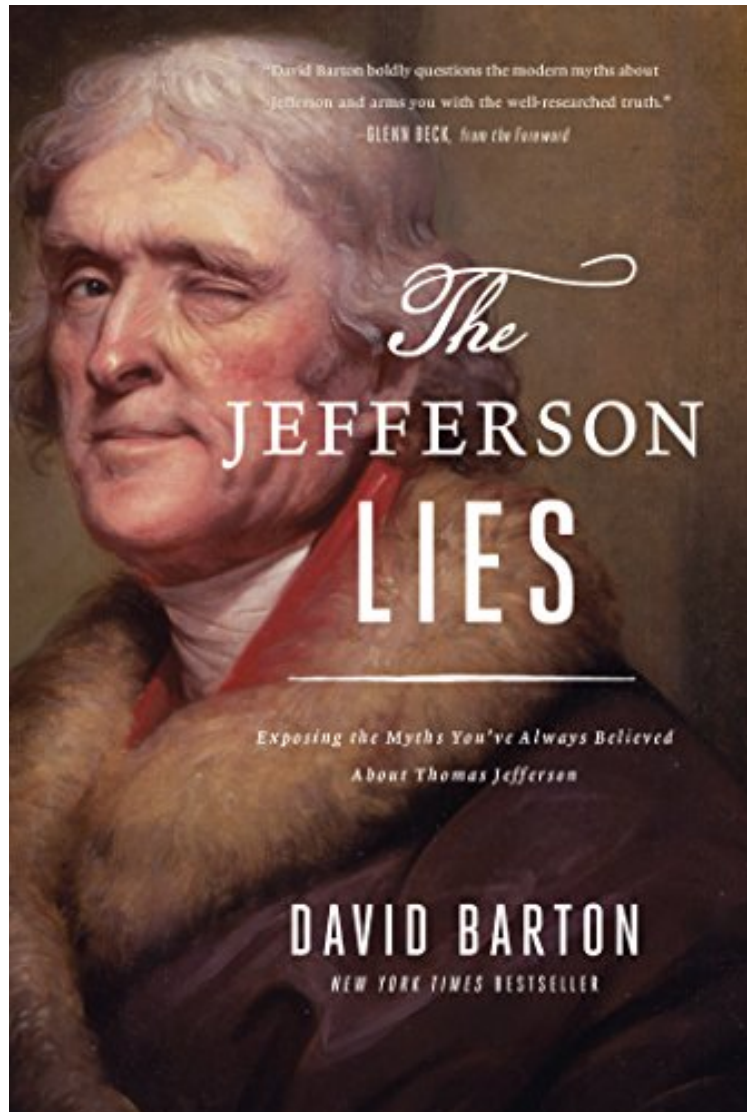


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The American public was nearly deprived of the opportunity to read this book. In 2012 popular historian David Barton set out to correct what he saw as the distorted image of a once-beloved Founding Father, Thomas Jefferson, in what became a New York Times best-selling book, *The Jefferson Lies*. Despite the wildly popular success of the original hardcover edition, or perhaps because of it, a campaign to discredit Barton's scholarship was launched by bloggers and a handful of non-historian academics. What happened next was shocking virtually unprecedented in modern American publishing history. Under siege from critics, the publisher spiked the book and recalled it from the retail shelves from coast to coast. *The Jefferson Lies* is thus a history book that made history becoming possibly the first book of its kind to be victimized by the scourge of political correctness. But more than three years later, it's back as an updated paperback edition in which Barton sets the record straight and takes on the critics who savaged his work. And that's just part of the story. Why did this book spark so much controversy? It could only happen in an America that has forgotten its past. Its roots, its purpose, its identity all have become shrouded behind a veil of political correctness bent on twisting the nation's founding, and its Founders, beyond recognition. The time has come to remember again. This new paperback edition of *The Jefferson Lies* re-documents Barton's research and conclusions as sound and his premises true. It tackles seven myths about Thomas Jefferson head-on, and answers pressing questions about this incredible statesman including: Did Thomas Jefferson really have a child by his young slave girl, Sally Hemings? Did he write his own Bible, excluding the parts of Christianity with which he disagreed? Was he a racist who opposed civil rights and equality for black Americans? Did he, in his pursuit of separation of church and state, advocate the secularizing of public life? Through Jefferson's own words and the eyewitness testimony of contemporaries, Barton repaints a portrait of the man from Monticello as a visionary, an innovator, a man who revered Jesus, a classical Renaissance man, and a man whose pioneering stand for liberty and God-given inalienable rights fostered a better world for this nation and its posterity. For America, the time to remember these truths is now.

"The Jefferson Lies is engaging and informative, a smart, well written and convincing defense of Jefferson. It is also a reminder of why so many American's consider Barton to be a brilliant historian and the guardian of our nation's most cherished ideals. It's one of the best books I've read in a long time." -- Bill Armstrong "Fmr. US Senator and President Colorado Christian University"About the AuthorDavid Barton is the founder and president of WallBuilders, a national pro-family organization that presents America's forgotten history and heroes, with an emphasis on our moral, religious, and constitutional heritage. He is the author of many best-selling books, including *Original Intent*, *The Bulletproof George Washington*, *American History in Black and White*, and *The Question of Freemasonry and the Founding Fathers*. He addresses more than four hundred groups each year. Barton was named by Time magazine as one of America's twenty-five most influential evangelicals, and he has received numerous national and international awards, including *Who's Who in Education* and *Daughters of the American Revolution's* highest award, the Medal of Honor. David and his wife, Cheryl, have three grown children.