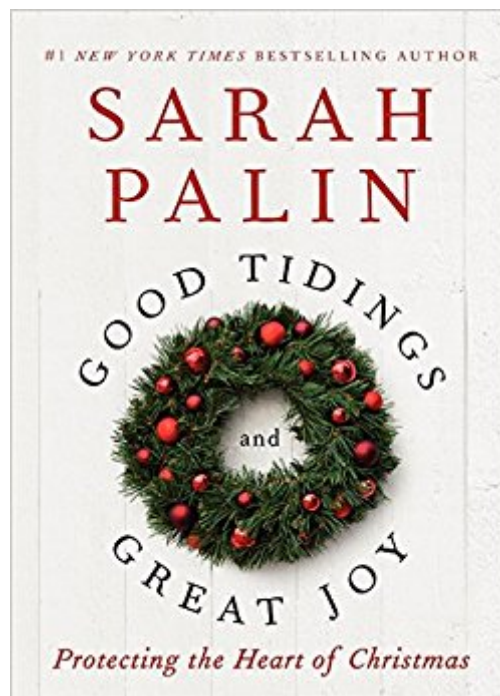




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Good Tidings And Great Joy: Protecting The Heart Of Christmas



Synopsis

In her New York Times bestsellers *Going Rogue* and *America by Heart*, Sarah Palin revealed the strong Christian faith that has guided her life and family. In *Good Tidings and Great Joy* she calls for bringing back the freedom to express the Christian values of the season. She asserts the importance of preserving Jesus Christ in Christmas—•in public displays, school concerts, pageants, and our expressions to one another—and laments the over-commercialization and homogenization of Christmas in today's society. Interwoven throughout are personal memories and family traditions, as well as more than a dozen family photos, which illustrate the reasons why the celebration of Jesus Christ's nativity is the centerpiece of her faith. Palin believes it is imperative that we stand up for our beliefs before the element of faith in a glorious and traditional holiday like Christmas is marginalized and ignored. She also encourages readers to see what is possible when we unite in defense of our religious convictions and ignore the politically correct Scrooges seeking to take Christ out of Christmas. *Good Tidings and Great Joy* is a call to action to openly celebrate the joys of Christianity, and say Merry Christmas to one another.

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Wish me a Merry Christmas. At a time when Christian values are challenged—•when the greeting "Merry Christmas" has been replaced by the supposedly less offensive "Happy

Holidays" – Governor Sarah Palin makes the case for bringing back the freedom to express the religious spirit of the season. In her bestselling books, *Going Rogue* and *America by Heart*, Palin has revealed how her strong Christian faith has guided her life and family. Now, in *Good Tidings and Great Joy*, she discusses one of Christianity's most sacred celebrations, and how the holiday has been robbed of its meaning and true tradition by the pressures of political correctness. Palin defends the importance of preserving Jesus Christ in Christmas – whether in public displays, school concerts, and pageants, or in our hearts – and delivers a sharp rebuke to today's society for the homogenization of the holiday season. Sharing personal memories from Palin Christmases – past, she – illustrates why she holds the celebration of Jesus Christ's Nativity so dear. *Good Tidings and Great Joy* revisits our traditional roots and the true meaning of Christmas. It is a call to action to readers to defend and openly celebrate the joys of their Christianity, and to say to one another, "Merry Christmas!"

Sarah Palin is the former governor of Alaska, the youngest and first woman elected to the office; the first woman Republican vice-presidential candidate in American history; and the author of the number one New York Times bestsellers *Going Rogue* and *America by Heart*. She was named one of Time magazine's "100 Most Influential People" in 2010, hosted TLC's *Sarah Palin's Alaska*, and is a Fox News contributor. The mother of five children and grandmother of two, she lives with her husband, Todd, in Wasilla, Alaska.

Finally! At long last someone has said what has needed to be said. One brave soul has trumpeted it from the rooftops. Forget about the Iraq War with their hundreds of thousands of innocents dead. Remove your mind from worrisome drone strikes hitting children and families in Afghanistan. Our returning soldiers--battered, maimed, wounded in every human way possible, and now, most likely jobless, could not have returned from a more glorious conflict than the War on Christmas. This annual melee, swift on the heels of the Satanic orgy of demon-worship and candy corn that is Halloween, should be front and center on the radar of every God-loving, red-blooded American. While women line up for their holiday abortions and those godless gays don their stylish gay apparel, Mrs. Palin has reminded us that the fight for Christmas is the fight for our very souls. As the Pilgrims exchanged gifts with the Indians, as Paul Revere rode up and down that night to warn us of the British plans to take our guns and Christmas trees, and as Ronald Reagan reminded the Soviets when he said, "Mr. Gorbachev, it's 'Merry Christmas!'", so we must take a stand against the liberazis who intend to topple the entire edifice of Western Civilization through their insistence on wishing one

and all a "Happy Holiday." Being a Christian nation, the celebration of the Divine Child born in Bethlehem that cold, snowy night is the cornerstone of our republic and our society--certainly not the anti-family liberal aggrandizement of unwed teenage mothers or families with two dads. In concise, two-syllable words and plenty of illustrations, Mrs. Palin calls us to battle, Constitution in hand, Bible in the other, and the Declaration of Independence in the other against the forces that would steal our Christmases and in doing so, return to the greater, snow-white America that we love. Mrs. Palin, I doff my tri-cornered hat to you and humbly lay my godless degrees in Bible, history, and theology at your Alaskan feet!

Really enjoyed the book. The recipes at the end the family are enjoying.

How do you annoy a Christian? Give him Sarah Palin's "Good Tidings and Great Joy: Protecting the Heart of Christmas." Giving it to an atheist will garner you a wink and a wide grin: it's purest atheist porn. Of course Palin is stupid enough to bring up Hitler, Stalin and Mao, and of course she asserts that only religion has god-given morals. Her single-digit IQ ensures fresh perspectives on common things, and it is exhilarating to read how she mixes guns with Christmas and the message of Jesus. Personally, I'm not sure she hasn't accidentally confused the Peacemaker with Jesus, but I digress. To her, the ACLU is a hate group, and the seculars are so godless (go figure) that they are personally responsible for the American disease of hyper-correctness that make people say "happy holidays" instead of "merry christmas." As expected, the book is a light read, consisting of only simple words, simpler ideas and only two colors: black (secular gun-hating peaceniks) and white (Sarah Palin). In her love for God & Guns, she quotes JFK slightly out of context and blithely forgets that he, I suspect, would probably also be gun-averse today. But, again, I digress. So, yes, in many ways, this book doesn't disappoint: Just like we expect her to, Sarah intellectually wanders the roads less traveled, and makes the arguments most people try to avoid. The laughs begin even before you can open the book: The cover shows an Advent wreath. If Sarah knows that the Advent wreath is an ancient pagan symbol that was lit around winter solstice in anticipation of spring, she sadly fails to point this out in her book. But she does make the point about Christmas being on solstice even though her wording mysteriously makes it sound as if she somehow managed to look down history

the wrong way: in her mind those godless liberals are trying to supplant holy christmas with a newfangled solstice celebration. There's something in there for everyone even the cynics get a good laugh and, they too, don't have to wait long: In a somewhat surreal introduction, Sarah first recounts how great and loving Christmas has been for her in the past, only to serve up the heart-warming story of Christmas 2012 when she gifted her husband a gun, finishing off this cute-as-a-bunny bon mot with a pun about her tits: [Quote] Last year, however, I think I was able to pull off a good one for him. To combat the anti-gun chatter coming from Washington, I surprised him with a nice, needed, powerful gun. I then asked him for a metal gun holder for my four-wheeler. Not only was this small act of civil disobedience fun, it allowed me to finally live out one of my favorite lines from a country song: "He's got the rifle, I got the rack." [End Quote] Jeez, that's Christmas's message of peace right there! Even better: that anti-gun chatter she was talking about? That was the backlash over the Adam Lanza school shooting that happened a week earlier and left over 20 children dead. Comic gold.

I got it mainly for the recipes. Very disappointing.

very good

great book

very good conditioned can't wait to read it.

Having lost my left eye in the First War on Christmas, it takes me a while to get through books. It took me even longer than normal to get through this one, however, because of the post traumatic stress disorder and flashbacks that it inspired. Picture yourself in my shoes, there on the battlefields of the Paramus Mall, the mist rising off the fields that but days before were fertile farmland, now smoldering in the aftermath of egg nog bombs and fruitcake. What's that sound? Incoming peppermint strike! The second one this morning. I dive underneath the nearest open sleigh just as the gingerbread mortars rained hellfire down on me and my platoon. Sons of bitches! The psy-ops teams are playing that godless Rudolph song through our comms radios. Damn you, Saturnalia! A gingerbread hits my buddy Ricky just to my right and he drops in a quivering heap. Riiiiiiiky!

NooooooO!! peek out behind the bough of a douglas fir and there.... I see it. Do you see it? Approaching on the horizon and rising out of the mist. So this is how it ends, eh, Claus? This is how you want to play? Fine. I can take so much, but I'm not going to die here on a frosted field, lights twinkling above me, without a final fight. I grab my tube of wrapping paper and charge out from my hiding spot, and a white-hot sensation rips through my skull. The tinsel! The tinsel! Arrrrrgh. Sorry.... need to focus on the here and now. For those of you who say there's no war on Christmas, I can only say that you don't know... you can't know... unless you were there. For those of us who survived, though broken and emptied of our humanity, it was all too real.

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