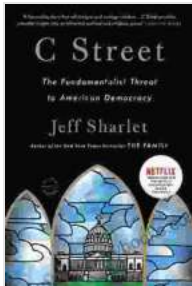


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In *Street Christians: The Fundamentalist Threat to American Democracy*, Chris Hedges takes a hard look at the rise of fundamentalism in the United States. Hedges argues that fundamentalism is a dangerous threat to American democracy, and he offers a chilling glimpse into the future if this movement is not stopped.

Hedges defines fundamentalism as "a form of religious extremism that seeks to impose a rigid and literal interpretation of scripture on society." He traces the history of fundamentalism in the United States, from its roots in the early 20th century to its resurgence in recent years. Hedges argues that fundamentalism is a response to the social and economic changes that have taken place in the United States in recent decades. He writes:

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“Fundamentalism is a product of the anxieties and dislocations of late capitalism. It offers a simple and reassuring worldview in a time of uncertainty and change. It provides a sense of community and belonging to people who feel lost and alone. And it offers a scapegoat for the problems that people face, blaming them on immigrants, minorities, and other outsiders.”

Hedges argues that fundamentalism is a serious threat to American democracy because it is intolerant of dissent and seeks to impose its own values on others. He writes:

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“Fundamentalism is a threat to democracy because it is based on the belief that there is only one true way to live. This intolerance of dissent leads fundamentalists to demonize those who disagree with them and to seek to impose their own values on others.”

Hedges offers a chilling glimpse into the future if fundamentalism is not stopped. He writes:

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“If fundamentalism continues to grow, it could lead to a theocracy in the United States. This would be a government

that is based on religious law and that would impose its values on all citizens. Such a government would be a threat to our freedom of speech, our freedom of religion, and our democracy itself."

Hedges' book is a timely and important warning about the dangers of fundamentalism. It is a must-read for anyone concerned about the future of American democracy.

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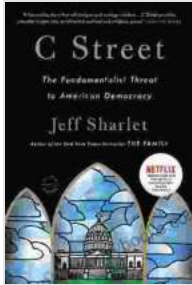
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