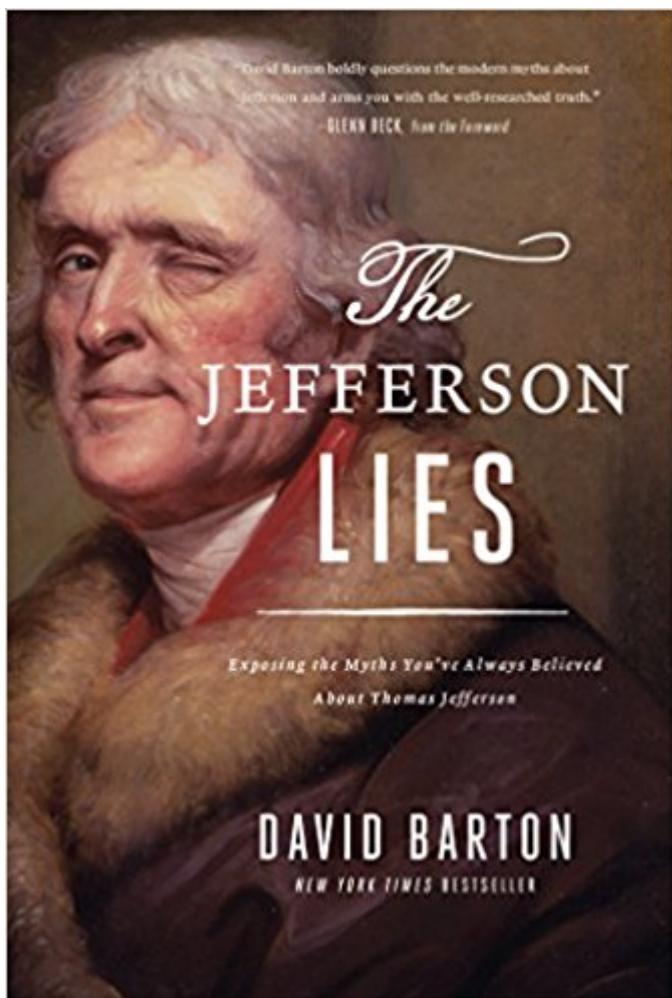


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# The Jefferson Lies: Exposing The Myths You've Always Believed About Thomas Jefferson



## Synopsis

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.

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"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 Americans 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"

David 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.

As a long time student of Thomas Jefferson and his life and philosophy, I was very impressed by Barton's book. Although I am a Deist, and don't share Barton's faith this is the most accurate book about this great man. Barton smashes the leftist lies said about Jefferson: racist, sexist, pervert, hypocrite and all the other leftist canards to tear a great man down. Barton uses extensive quotes along with notes and footnotes. He lets Jefferson speak for himself. Jefferson is truly one of the greatest men ever, and a true American hero. Barton does Mr. Jefferson and this great country a true service with this book.

This is the best book by far on Jefferson. I have several books on Jefferson and have been to

Monticello 2-3 times. His record has been distorted and this book sets the record straight. No, there is no proof that he fathered any of Sally's children. The DNA early claims were a disgrace to science and the record was later cleared but the nation didn't read it. Jefferson was not an atheist and he did not write his own Bible because of things in the Bible he didn't like. If you like history and like it super-documented, you will like this book. Over 77 pages of notes.

Out standing book, exposes the truth about how Jefferson was a true Christian that spent time and money spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ. He also fell that the government should put tax dollars behind spreading God's word to make better citizens. The the separation of church and state as it's practiced now is nothing like the founder's intended. I highly recommend this book!

Changed my prospective on his history for the good

Barton does what revisionist historians NEVER do - he went to the original source documents, to find out the truth. It is a refreshing change from the philosophical fictions that masquerade as history.

David Barton does a great job addressing the Thomas Jefferson lies. Approach this book with investigative lens and examine how detailed David Barton explains why those assumed facts are not necessarily true and you will gain the most from this book.

This book is a must for anyone who wants to know the truth about Jefferson. The recent brouhaha made by supposed intellectual (and liberal) professors was a lie in itself. This book answers their issues with the original book that caused it to be taken off the shelves. Unlike Barton, who did his own original research using original documents, these professors simply read the works of other professors, none of whom read the original documents. They were a circular mutual admiration society, and none of them cared to find the truth. Barton, however, included the references to the original documents, showing that the professors were all wet. They should be ashamed of themselves. Like I said, if you want to know the truth about Jefferson, his role in the formation of our country, and his views on God's role in the country, this is the book to read. The Jefferson Lies: Exposing the Myths You've Always Believed About Thomas Jefferson

Excellent, thanks to David for his thorough, meticulous research...his critics can complain and baulk

all they want but they can't erase history. I am proud to own both this book and the original.

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