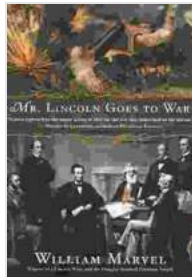


Mr. Lincoln Goes to War: The Great Emancipator's Role in the American Civil War



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Abraham Lincoln is one of the most revered presidents in American history. His leadership during the Civil War helped to preserve the Union and end slavery. In *Mr. Lincoln Goes to War*, historian Doris Kearns Goodwin provides a gripping account of Lincoln's presidency during this tumultuous period.

The Outbreak of War

Lincoln was elected president in 1860, just as the nation was on the brink of civil war. Seven Southern states had already seceded from the Union, and more were threatening to do so. Lincoln was determined to preserve the Union, but he was also committed to avoiding war.

However, the Confederate bombardment of Fort Sumter in April 1861 forced Lincoln's hand. He called for 75,000 volunteers to put down the

rebellion. The Civil War had begun.

Lincoln's Leadership

Lincoln faced many challenges during the war. He had to raise and equip an army, finance the war effort, and keep the Northern public united behind his cause. He also had to deal with the constant threat of foreign intervention.

Despite these challenges, Lincoln proved to be a gifted wartime leader. He was a master of strategy and diplomacy, and he had a deep understanding of the American people. Lincoln's leadership was essential to the Union victory in the Civil War.

The Gettysburg Address

One of Lincoln's most famous speeches was the Gettysburg Address, which he delivered on November 19, 1863, at the dedication of the Soldiers' National Cemetery in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. In this speech, Lincoln defined the war as a struggle to preserve the Union and to ensure that "government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

The Gettysburg Address is one of the most eloquent speeches in American history. It is a powerful reminder of the ideals that the United States was founded on, and it has inspired generations of Americans.

The Emancipation Proclamation

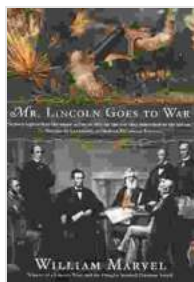
One of Lincoln's most important acts as president was the Emancipation Proclamation, which he issued on January 1, 1863. This proclamation declared that all slaves in the Confederate states were free. The

Emancipation Proclamation was a major turning point in the war, and it helped to ensure that the Union would emerge from the conflict as a free nation.

The End of the War

The Civil War ended in 1865 with the surrender of the Confederate army at Appomattox Court House. Lincoln's leadership had been instrumental in the Union victory, and he is widely regarded as one of the greatest presidents in American history.

Mr. Lincoln Goes to War is a fascinating and informative account of Lincoln's presidency during the Civil War. Goodwin provides a vivid portrait of Lincoln as a wartime leader, and she offers a fresh perspective on the events of this tumultuous period. Mr. Lincoln Goes to War is a must-read for anyone interested in American history.



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