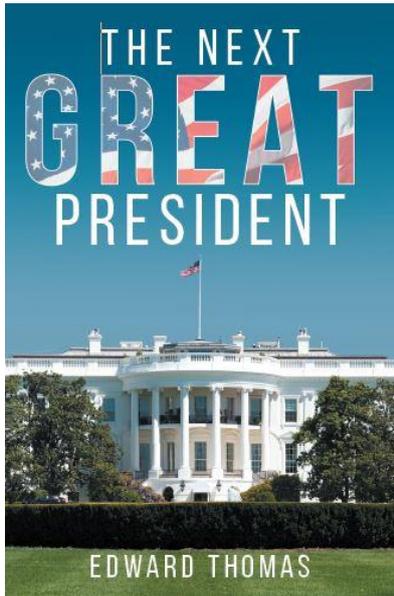


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THE NEXT GREAT PRESIDENT

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George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and Franklin Roosevelt—what made these three men our greatest Presidents? An analysis of U. S. Presidents' rankings shows these three men consistently ranked as the best presidents. What do they have in common? Who will be the next great President?

In *The Next Great President*, author Edward Thomas examines the history, leadership, legacy, personality traits, parallels, and challenges of our greatest U.S. Presidents. History shows America faces a steady 80-year cycle of crisis in which the leader of our country was tested in a crucible of fire and showed his true mettle. The greatness of our first three great presidents coincides with three great historical events—the Revolutionary War, the Civil War, and the Second World War. Each of these crucial events occurred approximately 80 years apart, with the last great event occurring about 80 years ago. If history continues to follow this cycle, *The Next Great President* predicts our next great president is either currently in office or will be elected in 2024 or 2028.

According to Thomas, key identifiable attributes of prior great presidents include:

- Ambition: that driving desire to succeed and be admired and respected by your peers
- Courage: the intestinal fortitude to face your fears with dignity and grace
- Empathy: the ability to show compassion to others in their time of need and distress
- Intelligence: a foundation of knowledge that provides the basis for good decision making
- Leadership: a skill that often marks the difference between success and failure

Perhaps the global pandemic, social inequities, voting rights, threat of a nuclear terrorist attack, or climate change will define our next great president. Does the crisis make the man, or does the man prove himself through his handling of the crisis? Could President Biden, if he successfully mitigates the crises he faces while in office, be our next great President?

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