

***The American Miracle* by Michael Medved**

**Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 10AM**

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Chapter One: Three of our first four presidents to die all died on July 4<sup>th</sup>. What was Medved's argument regarding this coincidence?
2. Chapter Two: Medved depicted Squanto as a Christ figure of sorts for the early Pilgrims. How was Squanto a "special instrument sent from God"? (47)
3. Chapter Three: What was the divinely providential role that weather played in the Revolutionary War?
4. Chapter Four: How did God divinely protect George Washington so as to make him "indispensable" and "indestructible?"
5. Chapter Five: What happened during the constitution process that might have been of divine nature?
6. Chapter Six: How was the Louisiana Territory a providential purchase?
7. Chapter Seven: How was the Battle of New Orleans an improbable triumph?
8. Chapter Eight: How did God work in Sam Houston and in spite of Sam Houston to bring about "lone star luck?"
9. Chapter Nine: What was so divine about the timing of the California gold discovery?
10. Chapter Ten: Why was Lincoln's rise to the presidency so unlikely that it almost had to have been from God?
11. Chapter Eleven: What was Lincoln's key theological belief about God that undergirded his leadership before and during the Civil War?
12. Chapter Twelve: How was Lincoln a martyr and was it divine fate that he was assassinated?
13. Chapter Eleven: Medved argues throughout the book that God's divine hand has been with America for centuries. What does this mean as our country faces its future?