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#### **Editorial Review**

#### From Booklist

In the latest installment in the Safehold series (whose popularity seems to grow with every new novel), the fate of the newly liberated Republic of Siddermark—see the previous book, How Firm a Foundation (2011)—takes center stage. The republic is dying, its people starving, its social structure collapsing. This is bad news for the Charisian Empire, whose quest for independence from the Church of God Awaiting continues unabated (Charis is a naval power but not so strong on dry land), and for the Church itself, for whom the loss of Siddermark would mean the loss of a vital source of cash. If none of this makes a grain of sense to you, then this is probably not the place to begin reading the Safehold series (of which this is the sixth book). If, on the other hand, you're a Weber fan—and there are a great many of them—you'll already be lining up for this one. Weber's grand-scale storytelling is a big draw, as are his many parallels (some more subtle than others) to the terrestrial history of warfare and his ever-so-slightly-larger-than-life characters. Weber's rather more distracting habits continue, too: his tendency to use ordinary names with unorthodox spellings (Wahlys, Domynyk, Irys, Tympyltyn), and his assumption that readers are almost encyclopedically versed in the previous books in the series (a little more backstory and bringing-up-to-speed might help). But why mess with success? Weber's found a winning formula in the Safehold books, and it's difficult to imagine that his legion of fans will be anything less than thrilled. --David Pitt

#### Review

"Superb!" ?Booklist, starred review, on By Schism Rent Asunder

"A brillant new saga... Its focus remains on the people who embody the strengths and weaknesses of a flawed but ever hopeful humanity. Highly recommended" ?Library Journal, starred review, on By Schism Rent Asunder

"Like its predecessors in the Safehold series, the novel paints a vast, stunningly complex political and military tapestry, with wonderful battle scenes." ?Kirkus Reviews on By Heresies Distressed

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"Effortlessly exceeds the magnificence of its predecessor...I cannot emphasize how much I want to read the next chapter in the Safehold saga." ?Fantasy Book Critic on By Schism Rent Asunder

"Fantastic in every sense of the word-the kind of book that makes you sit back and think about this reality that we call life. Who can ask for more than that?" ?R. A. Salvatore on Off Armageddon Reef

#### About the Author

**David Weber** is a science fiction phenomenon and the author of the Safehold series, including *By Schism Rent Asunder*, *By Heresies Distressed* and *A Mighty Fortress*. His popular Honor Harrington and Honorverse novels-including *Mission of Honor*, *At All Costs*, and *Torch of Freedom*-are *New York Times* bestsellers and

can't come out fast enough for his devoted readers. His other top-selling science fiction novels include *Out of the Dark*, the Dahak books and the Multiverse books, written with Linda Evans. He has also created an epic SF adventure series in collaboration with John Ringo, including *We Few*. His novels have regularly been Main Selections of the Science Fiction Book Club. Weber has a bachelor's degree from Warren Wilson College, and attended graduate school in history at Appalachian State University. He lives in South Carolina.

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