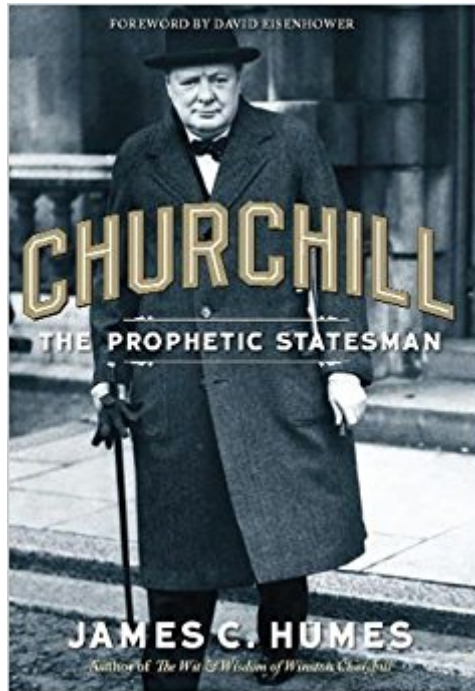


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I never knew all these things about Churchill. He was truly a prophet. I love his describing the tank, a tractor with armor.

Interesting read of a great man who appeared at the right time in history. It also shows how God provides.

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my dad has read many Churchill books (pretty much all of them you can think of) so I was not only pleased that he hadn't read this yet when I gave it to him, but also that this book provided many facts that are not included in other works! This book introduced a side of Churchill that he had not known about and was very pleased. five stars!

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