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Former U.S. Army Ranger Chuck Holton shows how God oversees our training and gives each of us specific skills to accomplish the mission He has for us in this great spiritual war. The rigor of becoming an Airborne Ranger is exceeded only by the challenge of being one--but those who join their ranks find fulfillment in something bigger than themselves. In the same way, pursuing God's objectives energizes our everyday lives. In this riveting book, you will be issued potent spiritual ammunition for your daily battles from the perspective of a seasoned Special Operations soldier. Life is combat. From the instant the alarm clock signals the beginning of your day, you're jumping into a zone of uncertainty and your survival depends on having a clear focus. Your objective: Get on mission as an elite soldier and become part of something bigger than yourself. God will lead you through the danger zone of today's insecurity, equipping you to make a difference. Heart-pounding accounts of

the courageous men, elite methods, and deadly moments that make up daring special ops missions. They are the strongest, best-trained and most powerfully equipped soldiers in the world. The select few who overcome near-impossible odds. The special ops forces. Presenting real-life stories that read like fictional thrillers, Warrior Elite recounts over two dozen of modern warfare's most riveting, dangerous, and infamous missions. From support amid the lethal chaos of major combat operations, like the rescue of Private Jessica Lynch in Iraq, to targeted military strikes against rogue enemies, like the Navy SEAL sniper shots that saved Captain Richard Phillips from Somali pirates, these are the missions that test the gut level of even the bravest soldier. Warrior Elite brings readers into the heart of the battle to experience the hectic horror of Black Hawk Down, the blind terror of Tora Bora cave warfare, and the triumphant success of MIA rescue missions deep in Laos. PFC Franklin Miller arrived in Vietnam in March 1966, and saw his first combat in a Reconnaissance Platoon. So began an odyssey that would make him into one of the most feared and respected men in the Special Forces elite, who made their own rules in the chaos of war. In the exclusive world of the Military Assistance Command, Vietnam, Studies and Observation Group, Miller ran missions deep into enemy territory to gather intelligence, snatch prisoners, and to kill. Leading small bands of battle-hardened Montagnard and Meo tribesmen, he was fierce and fearless -- fighting army policy to stay in combat for six tours. On a top-secret mission in 1970, Miller and a handful of men, all critically injured, held off the NVA in an incredible Alamo-like stand -- for which he was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. When his time in Southeast Asia ended, he had also received the Silver Star, two Bronze Stars, an Air Medal, and six Purple Hearts. This is his incredible story. **ACHIEVE THE SAME GOLD STANDARD OF FITNESS UPHELD BY THE PROS!** Over the past decade, Special Ops fitness has morphed into a new fitness genre along with military, police, and firefighter fitness called tactical fitness. Developed by a former Navy SEAL and building upon Special Ops fitness techniques, Tactical Fitness is designed to train you to perform to the

rigorous physical training standards at the same level of excellence required of these Heroes of Tomorrow. At the core of this program is the Tactical Fitness Test which measures 12 standards for your physical capacity, including: cardiovascular conditioning, strength, muscle coordination, and stamina. Tactical fitness means having the skills needed to save lives and extend the limits of your endurance whether you are in the military, police, firefighting professions, or just an everyday hero. Designed for both men and women, Tactical Fitness presents a series of scaled workout plans—programs based in calisthenics, cardio, and swimming—supplemented with weights, full-body exercises, and functional athletic movements. Unique skills presented also include rope climbing, grip strength, carries, wall climbs, and much more. With Tactical Fitness, you will:

- Reach your absolute physical peak with the same workout techniques used by Special Forces military, firefighters, and police
- Follow a rigorous fitness curriculum designed to help you exceed the limits of your strength, speed, and endurance
- Benefit from all the teaching expertise of former Navy SEAL Stew Smith
- Be ready for whatever life throws at you

Tactical Fitness sets a standard of excellence that does more than meet the minimum requirement—it allows you to reach your full physical potential! From the Trade Paperback edition. Recounts the story of how the author overcame a tough and abusive childhood to fulfill his dream of joining the exciting and dangerous world of the Navy SEALs by becoming a Special Forces sniper. By the authors of SEAL Team Six. Original. The untold story of the Ya'mas, Israel's special forces undercover team that infiltrated Palestinian terrorist strongholds during the Second Intifada. It was the deadliest terror campaign ever mounted against a nation in modern times: the al-Aqsa, or Second, Intifada. This is the untold story of how Israel fought back with an elite force of undercover operatives, drawn from the nation's diverse backgrounds and ethnicities--and united in their ability to walk among the enemy as no one else dared. Beginning in late 2000, as black smoke rose from burning tires and rioters threw rocks in the streets, Hamas, Islamic Jihad, and Arafat's Palestinian Authority

embarked on a strategy of sending their terrorists to slip undetected into Israel's towns and cities to set the country ablaze, unleashing suicide attacks at bus stops, discos, pizzerias--wherever people gathered. But Israel fielded some of the most capable and cunning special operations forces in the world. The Ya'mas, Israel National Police Border Guard undercover counterterrorists special operations units, became Israel's eyes-on-target response. Launched on intelligence provided by the Shin Bet, indigenous Arabic-speaking Dovrim, or "Speakers," operating in the West Bank, Jerusalem, and Gaza infiltrated the treacherous confines where the terrorists lived hidden in plain sight, and set the stage for the intrepid tactical specialists who often found themselves under fire and outnumbered in their effort to apprehend those responsible for the carnage inside Israel. This is their compelling true story: a tale of daring and deception that could happen only in the powder keg of the modern Middle East. INCLUDES PHOTOGRAPHS AND MAPS

U.S. Marines have evolved into American Icons, the world's Warrior Elite. In this book the reader finds their history: the blood stripe, battle colors, the creeds, the commandants, the Marine fighting history. Professional. No profanity. This "second edition" has been replaced with a new "third edition." Samurai Warriors illustrates the truth about the fighting men that are iconic in Japanese culture. Comprehensive historical text on the samurai separate myth from fact in chapters detailing their history, from formation to decline, their political role and social structure, and their warfare. Photographs, artwork, and maps illustrate their fighting style and strategy, and depict battles, weapons, and armor. For a period of over fifty years, the samurai helped rule Japan, but these fighter still represent the power and prestige of the warrior. NATIONAL BESTSELLER In this definitive account of the conflict, acclaimed war correspondent and bestselling author Bing West provides a practical way out of Afghanistan. Drawing on his expertise as both a combat-hardened Marine and a former assistant secretary of defense, West has written a tour de force narrative, rich with vivid characters and gritty combat, which shows the consequences when strategic theory meets tactical reality.

Having embedded with dozens of frontline units over the past three years, he takes the reader on a battlefield journey from the mountains in the north to the opium fields in the south. A fighter who understands strategy, West builds the case for changing course. His conclusion is sure to provoke debate: remove most of the troops from Afghanistan, stop spending billions on the dream of a modern democracy, and insist the Afghans fight their own battles. Bing West's book is a page-turner about brave men and cunning enemies that examines our realistic choices as a nation. Rangers, Green Berets, SEALs, Delta Force, LRRPs, Force Recon— and the struggle of the best and the bravest to keep America free. They're some of the toughest and most highly trained fighting men in the world—going where no ordinary soldier would go and doing what no ordinary soldier would dare. Outnumbered and outgunned, operating in small teams of five or six-deep in enemy territory far from help, they rely on their wits, their skills, and each other to get out alive. Blood Warriors is a penetrating, no-holds-barred account of the training, missions, and history of the military elites who mold America's most dangerous and highly skilled warriors . . . from the navy's SEALs and the Marine Corps' Force Reconnaissance to the U.S. Army's Delta Force, Rangers, and Special Forces. Here's an in-depth look at each unit's methods and standards: what's required and what it takes to survive and succeed. Whether gathering intelligence, capturing prisoners, executing raids and ambushes, or just creating havoc in enemy territory, these men know that death is their constant companion—and one small misstep could mean body bags for everyone. Maybe that's why America calls them heroes. A practical manual for sniping "A confident One Thousand and One Nights for our present . . . Furious pop entertainment—full of sex, passion, violence, and magic" (Slant Magazine). The sultan Bokhari Al-Bokhari of Bessa has 365 concubines—until a violent coup puts the city in the hands of the religious zealot Hakkim Mehdad. Hakkim has no use for the pleasures of the flesh: He condemns the women first to exile and then to death. Cast into the desert, the concubines must rely on themselves and each other to escape from the new sultan's fanatical pursuit. But their goals go beyond mere

survival: With the aid of the champions who emerge from among them, they intend to topple the usurper and retake Bessa from the repressive power that now controls it. The assassin, Zuleika, whose hands are weapons. The seer, Rem, whose tears are ink. The wise Gursoon, who was the dead sultan's canniest advisor. The camel-thief, Anwar Das, who offers his lying tongue to the concubines' cause. Together, they must forge the women of the harem into an army, a seraglio of steel, and use it to conquer a city. But even if they succeed, their troubles will just be beginning—because their most dangerous enemy is within their own number. "The Steel Seraglio is not a work of feminist or utopian theory. Nor is it a historical fantasy, a romance, a thriller, a poem, an allegory, or an epic. Rather, somehow, it is all of these things." —Neon Magazine "A masterful, engaging and utterly fascinating story by three wonderful writers." —SF Revu This book is different. It presents both a practical and psychological approach to trading the world? financial and stock markets. In it, the market is viewed as a battleground upon which only a few great warriors are victorious. And it is these warrior traders who make the level of profits we all desire from the markets. Warrior Trading is aimed at accelerating your understanding of how the enemy thinks and behaves, buys and sells. Success in markets is about moving from the ?bserver?to the ?bserved? Only then can one act with a timeliness and rapidity of action that assures a victorious, profitable and safe homecoming, time and time again. This is the path of the warrior trader. Influenced by Eastern philosophy, the book is based on the author's own experience in the ?attlefield? Know the terrain; choose your weapon; be the warrior trader. Be victorious! A compelling account of Australia's intelligence organisations and special forces - from the early days of the commandos during World War II through to the SAS of today and the cyber wars of the future. From the co-author of SAS Sniper. Warrior Elite is a unique and compelling account of Australia's special forces and intelligence operations - ranging from the early special forces of World War II to the establishment and development of the SAS and Commando Regiments as the elite fighters of today, and from the Australian Security

Intelligence Service to the Australian Signals Directorate and ASIO. It is an authoritative, gripping and thoroughly up-to-date account of both the history and current state of our special forces and intelligence bodies - and gives a unique glimpse into the warfare of the future. Our future. Robert Macklin has conducted dozens of exclusive interviews and uncovered incredible, daring and sometimes heartbreaking stories of the elite troops that guard our nation and engage in secret operations around the world. He has had significant cooperation from numerous sources within the special forces and the various intelligence agencies. Both thoroughly researched and colourfully written, Warrior Elite will attract the reader of action memoirs as well as those interested in broader military history and espionage. Today's global financial markets are every bit as vicious psychologically, and sometimes even physically, as the battles the great warriors throughout history have faced. Just as the warriors of old rode out to battle with the confidence and knowledge to conquer new lands and foes, so do the warriors of the market who thrive on the battleground of the trading floor. In Warrior Trading, Clifford Bennett, one of today's leading currency forecasters, outlines a path to trading success by highlighting the characteristics, the knowledge and skills, and the psychological state of mind required to be a true warrior trader. You'll be introduced to some fresh and unique perspectives regarding the markets, by looking at fundamental and technical analysis, as well as discovering how best to trade within the markets as an individual. Most importantly, you'll learn how to take advantage of those moments when the perceptions of most traders (the herd) are at odds with the underlying reality - moments when fear, greed, and other emotions wreak havoc on the ordinary trader's ability to operate objectively. Divided into three comprehensive parts, Warrior Trading will show you how to develop the focus, attitude, and mental discipline of a top trader so that you can make the most out of your time in the markets. Warrior Elite Series Book 1 I thought being kidnapped by heartless scientists was the worst thing that could happen to me. I was wrong. Being rescued by a massive teal alien alpha covered in spikes

was worse. So much worse. The scientists only wanted to experiment on me. He wants to ruin me. **This story is not for the faint of heart. It is a dark action-packed Omegaverse story set in a world where violence and sexual situations occur. Scenes are not glossed over. Sensitive readers please abstain.** the story is about a young man named Roger Sumter and his adventure to become an Elite Warrior learn how he must overcome bullying and judgmental eyes due to his sexuality while he is in this boxing tournament. Written to coincide with a large-scale 60 Minutes feature, an insider's account of the world of elite Navy SEAL military canines traces the author's international search for eligible dog combat unit candidates with whom SEAL handlers eventually forged close bonds and saved countless lives. If you travel for business, you live in a whole other world most simply don't understand. They think it's an easy and glamorous life. But the road can be hard. It can be difficult to be both productive and effective. It's a challenge to stay healthy and it's a battle to stay connected with those you love back home. Too many business travelers are on auto-pilot and just plain burned out. But it doesn't have to be this way. You want to be at your best no matter where you are but especially on the road but rarely are we taught how to master the business travel life. Until now. The Elite Road Warrior is written for the business traveler by a business traveler who understands the real challenges to becoming elite in the areas that matter most: your work, health, and home life. In this book, you will learn: How to Increase Results Without Working Non-Stop* How to Get Fit on the Road Without A Lot of Time / How to Actually Eat Healthy on the Road Without Coming Close to Starving / How to Rest to be at Your Best on the Road Without Sacrificing Productivity / How to Invest in You Without Affecting Your Work Only Improve It / How to Stay Connected With Those Back Home Without Reacting All the Time. Free Audiobook Included with the purchase!!! This book is available in North America ONLY. If you live elsewhere in the world and would like to read this book, please see Elite 66: The Spartans. This book is identical in content and price only the cover differs. Although Sparta's early history is not clear, by the end of the 8th century most of

the other cities of Lakedaimon had been reduced to subject status. The Lakedaimonians were the only full time army in ancient Greece and were thus truly an elite force. The institutions of the state and the system of education were organised with a view to creating superbly trained soldiers. Nick Sekunda examines this unique military machine in this book describing the organisational systems of the Spartan army through the Hellenistic period, how they were trained, the battles they fought, and the society that produced them. We follow the story of a young man named Roger Sumter who is trying to fit in this world even though he is different than everyone else (homosexual) learn how he rises through the bullying and judgmental eyes of the world. During the reigns of Philip II and Alexander the Great, the Macedonian Army (the phalangites) were reformed and drilled into an invincible fighting force with unique tactics and weaponry. The Macedonian warrior during his service would march over 20,000 miles in the most diverse climates and terrains, fighting in four of the epoch battles of the time. This book examines their initial training, rise to an elite unit under Alexander the Great, and eventual defeat at the battle of Pydna, 168 BC. The daily life, weaponry, experience, and motivations of these men are detailed, using primary sources and anecdotal material. The riveting story of how a young boy's upbringing with outlaw culture and charismatic role models forged him into an elite Marine and a decorated Pararescueman. "Absence of self is my sword" comprises the final line in "The Warrior's Creed," a 14th century poem written by an unknown Japanese Samurai, and this is the code Master Sergeant Roger Sparks embodied as a Recon Marine turned Alaskan Pararescueman. A living legend in the military, Sparks first made a name for himself within elite Marine Reconnaissance units. He went on to become an instructor where he trained future Reconnaissance Marines with unorthodox and ancient indigenous warrior techniques. A decade later, the same methods would keep him and others alive, when he hoisted into a maelstrom of violence to rescue an embattled platoon in the rugged mountains of eastern Afghanistan. Introduced to a tough code of honor, family, and brotherhood from birth, Roger Sparks rose to

become a distinguished instructor in Marine Reconnaissance and a Silver Star recipient as an Alaska Pararescueman. A raw and exhilarating tale of guts, grit, and heart, Warrior's Creed recounts the hidden side of special operations training, heroic and heartbreaking Alaskan wilderness rescues, and the surreal and deadly rescues during Operation Bulldog Bite in Afghanistan's Watapur Valley. This powerful and inspirational story is as much of a self-help book as it is an edge of your seat military memoir. Warrior's Creed reveals a motivating and mindful approach to overcoming the odds, facing the impossible, and finding mercy and grace in the aftermath. This brief but comprehensive history looks at the emergence and development of a warrior elite in Japanese culture prior to the rule of the samurai. As the country moved from a hunter-gatherer society to a mainly agricultural one, fighting warrior bands formed to protect the new settlements and farmlands. As these grew over time, powerful clans would emerge and through political wrangling, open rebellion and outright war, the country would see numerous shifts of power. Local chieftains became subjects of an all-powerful Imperial Family, who in turn saw their influence gradually decline in favour of leading courtiers. Meanwhile, provincial warrior clans honed their skills on the battlefield and gradually increased their holdings until by the latter half of the twelfth century, the Minamoto Clan were able to seize control of the country for themselves and usher in the age of the samurai. To be the best, you must learn from the best. Drawing on exclusive interviews with former members of the U.S. Special Forces and leading sales professionals from a variety of industries, executive coach Bill Hart shows you how to develop the mindset, habits, and disciplines to elevate your sales performance to become the elite of your industry. With Hart's proven tips and practical tools, you'll learn:

- How to train for any situation you'll encounter in the field
- How to overcome fear and channel it into productivity
- How to leverage failures for personal growth
- How to find your "why" and keep it alive
- How to build your team's shared vision, purpose, and goals

Get inspired by these real stories from the very best in action, and discover why "The Way of the Warrior" will put

your success within reach. WARS CHANGE, WARRIORS DON'T We are all warriors. Each of us struggles every day to define and defend our sense of purpose and integrity, to justify our existence on the planet and to understand, if only within our own hearts, who we are and what we believe in. Do we fight by a code? If so, what is it? What is the Warrior Ethos? Where did it come from? What form does it take today? How do we (and how can we) use it and be true to it in our internal and external lives? The Warrior Ethos is intended not only for men and women in uniform, but artists, entrepreneurs and other warriors in other walks of life. The book examines the evolution of the warrior code of honor and "mental toughness." It goes back to the ancient Spartans and Athenians, to Caesar's Romans, Alexander's Macedonians and the Persians of Cyrus the Great (not excluding the Garden of Eden and the primitive hunting band). Sources include Herodotus, Thucydides, Plutarch, Xenophon, Vegetius, Arrian and Curtius--and on down to Gen. George Patton, Field Marshal Erwin Rommel, and Israeli Minister of Defense, Moshe Dayan. Major John L. Plaster recalls his remarkable covert activities as a member of a special operations team during the Vietnam War in a "comprehensive, informative, and often exciting...account of an important part of the overall Vietnam tragedy" (The New York Times). Before there were Navy SEALs, there was SOG. Short for "Studies and Operations Group," it was a secret operations force in Vietnam, the most highly decorated unit in the war. Although their chief mission was disrupting the main North Vietnamese supply route into South Vietnam, SOG commandos also rescued downed helicopter pilots and fellow soldiers, and infiltrated deep into Laos and Cambodia to identify bombing targets, conduct ambushes, mine roads, and capture North Vietnamese soldiers for intelligence purposes. Always outnumbered, they matched wits in the most dangerous environments with an unrelenting foe that hunted them with trackers and dogs. Ten entire teams disappeared and another fourteen were annihilated. This is the dramatic, page-turning true story of that team's dedication, sacrifice, and constant fight for survival. In the "gripping" (Publishers Weekly) Secret Commandos, John Plaster vividly

describes these unique warriors who gave everything fighting for their country—and for each other. Introduction / Christopher Marsh -- Russian military special forces / Alexey Ramm -- Russian special operations forces: eight years and three wars / Alexey Nikolsky -- Ukrainian special operations forces / Anton Lavrov -- French special operations forces / Ruslan Pukhov -- German special forces / Sergey Denisentsev -- Italian special operations forces / Mikhail Barabanov -- Polish special forces / Ruslan Pukhov -- Iranian special forces / Yuri Liamin -- Israeli special forces / Mikhail Barabanov -- Jordanian Joint Special Operations Command / Maxim Shepovalenko -- From Akinjis to Maroon Berets: an assessment of the Turkish Special Forces Command and other elite units in Turkey / Metin Gurcan and Alexander Vasilyev -- Chinese special operations forces / Vasily Kashin -- At the edges of a spear's tip: Singapore's Special Operations Task Force / Graham Ong-Webb -- Colombian special operations forces / Nikita Lomov -- Algerian special operations forces / Akram Kharief

Chronicling America's elite units from the late 17th century to the present day, this gives an informative and interesting examination of the men who comprised the U.S. military elite. During Japan's Warring States period, centuries of strife had left the country divided and leaderless. Those who filled the power vacuum were the daimyo, warlords who ruled over the clans and provinces of Japan. Serving their daimyo, the samurai were the ultimate warriors at a time when military prowess won out over hereditary power and position. The nature of warfare itself changed, romantic ideas of mounted duels and battlefield decorum became as rare as aristocratic samurai leaders. Marching in to replace them were the common foot soldiers, the ashigaru, armed with pikes and matchlock rifles. "A must read for anyone who wants to understand the new American way of war." — General Michael V. Hayden, former Director of the Central Intelligence Agency and the National Security Agency A former special operations member takes us inside America's covert drone war in this headline-making, never-before-told account for fans of Zero Dark Thirty and Lone Survivor, told by a Pulitzer Prize-winning Wall Street Journal writer and filled

with eye-opening and sure to be controversial details. For nearly a decade Brett Velicovich was at the center of America's new warfare: using unmanned aerial vehicles—drones—to take down the world's deadliest terrorists across the globe. One of an elite handful in the entire military with the authority to select targets and issue death orders, he worked in concert with the full human and technological network of American intelligence—assets, analysts, spies, informants—and the military's elite operatives, to stalk, capture, and eliminate high value targets in al-Qaeda and ISIS. In this remarkable book, co-written with journalist Christopher S. Stewart, Velicovich offers unprecedented perspective on the remarkably complex nature of drone operations and the rigorous and wrenching decisions behind them. In intimate gripping detail, he shares insider, action-packed stories of the most coordinated, advanced, and secret missions that neutralized terrorists, preserved the lives of US and international warriors across the globe, and saved countless innocents in the hottest conflict zones today. Drone Warrior also chronicles the US military's evolution in the past decade and the technology driving it. Velicovich considers the future it foretells, and speaks candidly on the physical and psychological toll it exacts, including the impact on his own life. He reminds us that while these machines can kill, they can also be used productively to improve and preserve life, including protecting endangered species, work he is engaged in today. Joining warfare classics such as American Sniper, Lone Survivor, and No Easy Day, Drone Warrior is the definitive account of our nation's capacity and capability for war in the modern age. In The Finishing School, former Navy SEAL Dick Couch, author of the acclaimed Warrior Elite, follows SEALs on the ground and in the water as they undergo SEAL Tactical Training. In America's new war, the first guns in the fight are special operations forces, including the Navy SEALs, specially trained warriors who operate with precision, swiftness, and lethal force. In the constantly shifting war on terror, SEAL units—small in number, flexible, stealthy, and efficient—are more vital than ever to America's security as they take the battle to an elusive enemy around the globe. But how are Navy SEALs made? In Warrior Elite, Couch

narrated one SEAL class's journey through BUD/S training, the brutal initial course that separates out candidates with the character and stamina necessary to begin training as Navy SEALs. In The Finishing School, Couch follows SEALs into the next levels of training—SEAL Tactical Training—where they master combat skills such as precision shooting, demolitions, secure communications, parachuting, diving, and first aid. From there, the men enter operational platoons, where they subordinate their individual abilities to the mission of the group and train for special operations in specific geographic environments. Never before has a civilian writer been granted such close access to the training of America's most elite military forces. The Finishing School is essential reading for anyone who wants to know what goes into the making of America's best warriors. Looks at thirty-one special operations missions throughout history, including the battle of Tora Bora, the Falklands War, the raid on Entebbe, and the killing of Osama bin Laden. In the Way of the SEAL, ex-Navy Commander Mark Divine reveals exercises, meditations and focusing techniques to train your mind for mental toughness, emotional resilience and uncanny intuition. Along the way you'll reaffirm your ultimate purpose, define your most important goals, and take concrete steps to make them happen. A practical guide for businesspeople or anyone who wants to be an elite operator in life, this book will teach you how to:

- Lead from the front, so that others will want to work for you
- Practice front-sight focus, the radical ability to focus on one thing until victory is achieved
- Think offense, all the time, to eradicate fear and indecisiveness
- Smash the box and be an unconventional thinker so you're never thrown off-guard by chaotic conditions
- Access your intuition so you can make "hard right" decisions
- Achieve twenty times more than you think you can
- and much more

Blending the tactics he learned from America's elite forces with lessons from the Spartans, samurai, Apache scouts, and other great warrior traditions, Divine has distilled the fundamentals of success into eight powerful principles that will transform you into the leader you always knew you could be. Learn to think like a SEAL, and take charge of your destiny at work, home and in life. With a

postscript describing SEAL efforts in Afghanistan, *The Warrior Elite* takes you into the toughest, longest, and most relentless military training in the world. What does it take to become a Navy SEAL? What makes talented, intelligent young men volunteer for physical punishment, cold water, and days without sleep? In *The Warrior Elite*, former Navy SEAL Dick Couch documents the process that transforms young men into warriors. SEAL training is the distillation of the human spirit, a tradition-bound ordeal that seeks to find men with character, courage, and the burning desire to win at all costs, men who would rather die than quit. When the Navy sends their elite, they send the SEALs. When the SEALs send their elite, they send SEAL Team Six—a secret unit made up of the finest soldiers in the country, if not the world. This is the dramatic tale of how Howard Wasdin overcame a tough childhood to live his dream and enter the exciting and dangerous world of Navy SEALs and Special Forces snipers. His training began with his selection for Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL (BUD/S)—the toughest and longest military training in the world. After graduating, Wasdin saw combat in Operation Desert Storm as a member of SEAL Team Two. But he was driven to be the best of the best—he wanted to join the legendary SEAL Team Six, and at long last he reached his goal and became one of the best snipers on the planet. Soon he was fighting for his life in Africa, hunting the Somali warlord Aidid. But the mission fell apart when his small band of soldiers found themselves cut off from help and desperately trying to rescue downed comrades during a routine mission. The Battle of Mogadishu, as it became known, left 18 American soldiers dead and 73 wounded. This is Howard Wasdin's story of overcoming numerous obstacles to become an elite American warrior. At the age of eighteen, Aaron Cohen left Beverly Hills to prove himself in the crucible of the armed forces. He was determined to be a part of Israel's most elite security cadre, akin to the American Green Berets and Navy SEALs. After fifteen months of grueling training designed to break down each individual man and to rebuild him as a warrior, Cohen was offered the only post a non-Israeli can hold in the special forces. In 1996 he joined a top-secret, highly

controversial unit that dispatches operatives disguised as Arabs into the Palestinian-controlled West Bank to abduct terrorist leaders and bring them to Israel for interrogation and trial. Between 1996 and 1998, Aaron Cohen would learn Hebrew and Arabic; become an expert in urban counterterror warfare, the martial art of Krav Maga, and undercover operations; and participate in dozens of life-or-death missions. He would infiltrate a Hamas wedding to seize a wanted terrorist and pose as an American journalist to set a trap for one of the financiers behind the Dizengoff Massacre, taking him down in a brutal, hand-to-hand struggle. A propulsive, gripping read, Cohen's story is a rare, fly-on-the-wall view into the shadowy world of "black ops" that redefines invincible strength, true danger, and inviolable security. The epic story of one of America's greatest soldiers, Ranger Hall of Fame member Gary O'Neal, who served his country for forty years Chief Warrant Officer Gary O'Neal is no ordinary soldier. For nearly forty years, he has fought America's enemies, becoming one of the greatest Warriors this nation has ever known. Part Native American, O'Neal was trained in both military combat and the ways of his native people, combining his commitment to freedom with his respect for the enemy, his technical fighting skills with his fierce warrior spirit. From his first tour in Vietnam at seventeen to fighting in both Gulf wars, O'Neal was nothing less than a super soldier. A minefield of aggression bordering on a justice-seeking vigilante, O'Neal kept fighting even when wounded, refusing to surrender in the face of nine serious injuries and being left more than once. O'Neal earned countless military honors as a member of the elite Army Rangers corps, a founding member of the legendary first Department of Defense antiterrorist team, a member of the Golden Knights Parachuting Team, and more, devoting his life to training the next generation of soldiers. His unbelievable true stories are both shocking and moving, a reminder of what it means to be a true American hero. In O'Neal's own words, he "wasn't born a warrior"—life made him one. *American Warrior* will serve as inspiration for American men and women in uniform today, as well as appeal to the countless veterans who served their country alongside

O'Neal.