

Dr. Ben Carson's Book Hits No. 1 on 'New York Times' Lists

Dr. Ben Carson's *America the Beautiful: Rediscovering What Made This Nation Great* ranked high in three categories of the *New York Times* best-sellers list for the week of March 17.

Released January 2012, the book was No. 1 on the Paperback Nonfiction and Paperback Combined (Nonfiction Print and E-Book) lists, and No. 3 on the Nonfiction Hardcover list. Since its release, *America the Beautiful* has appeared 23 times on the *New York Times* best-sellers list.

In *America the Beautiful*, Carson, a highly regarded neurosurgeon, examines how the U.S. changed the world, and ways to reclaim its standing as a free and prosperous nation.

"What an honor it is to know that *America the Beautiful* resonates with so many readers today," Carson said. "This says to me that the state of our nation is not going unnoticed and citizens want our political leaders to lean on God's Word for answers, not their own. I truly believe that America's best days are still ahead, and we must use our God-given talents to improve our lives, communities and our world."

Zondervan Vice President and Publisher of Trade Tracy Danz added: "We are thrilled with the success of this title and the continued support Ben is receiving across this nation. His desire to live a life that God calls him to lead is inspirational to me, and I truly believe that this book can help change lives."

Carson drew cheers last month at the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C., when he criticized the Obama

administration's tax policies and healthcare overhaul as the president observed. Carson was also the featured speaker at the 2013 Conservative Political Action Conference, held March 14-16 in Oxon Hill, Md., where he hinted at political aspirations that could even include running for the presidency.