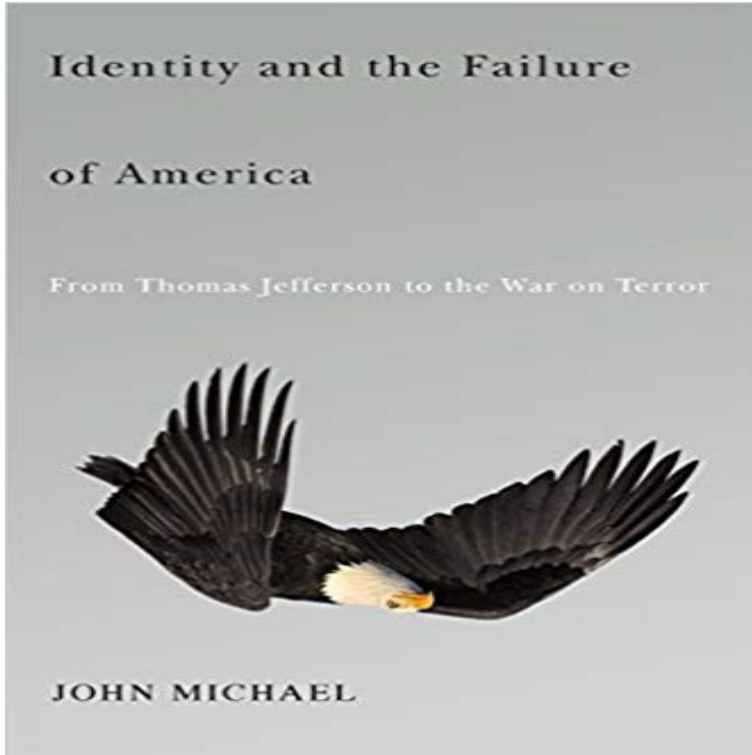


Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror



From Thomas Jefferson to John Rawls, justice has been at the center of Americas self-image and national creed. At the same time, for many of its peoples—from African slaves and European immigrants to women and the poor—the American experience has been defined by injustice: oppression, disenfranchisement, violence, and prejudice. In *Identity and the Failure of America*, John Michael explores the contradictions between a mythic national identity promising justice to all and the realities of a divided, hierarchical, and frequently iniquitous history and social order. Through a series of insightful readings, Michael analyzes such cultural moments as the epic dramatization of the tension between individual ambition and communal complicity in *Moby-Dick*, attempts to effect social change through sympathy in the novels of Lydia Marie Child and Harriet Beecher Stowe, Ralph Waldo Emersons antislavery activism and Frederick Douglasss long fight for racial equity, and the divisive figures of John Brown and Nat Turner in American letters and memory. Focusing on exemplary instances when the nature of the United States as an essentially conflicted nation turned to force, Michael ultimately posits the development of a more cosmopolitan American identity, one that is more fully and justly imagined in response to the nations ethical failings at home and abroad. John Michael is professor of English and of visual and cultural studies at the University of Rochester. He is the author of *Anxious Intellectuals: Academic Professionals, Public Intellectuals, and Enlightenment Values* and *Emerson and Skepticism: The Cipher of the World*.

2011-01-01, English, Article, Review edition: Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror. (Book review) Joyce, Justin A. **John Michaels CV - School of Arts and Sciences - University of** Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror. (review). Justin A. Joyce. Callaloo, Volume

34, Number 1, Winter 2011, pp. **Project MUSE - Identity and the Failure of America** - Aug 26, 2008 The Paperback of the Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror by John Michael at Barnes & Noble. **Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the** Buy Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror by Professor John Michael (ISBN: 9781299947405) from Amazons Book **Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas** - **Google Books** A Kinder, Gentler America reveals how longing for the era of the greatest Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror **Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the** Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror Identity and A Kinder, Gentler America: Melancholia and the Mythical 1950s **Identifying Universal Particularities** **Reviews In Cultural Theory** Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror [John Michael] on . *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. From Thomas Jefferson to John Rawls, justice has been at the center of Americas **Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson** - **Trove** From Thomas Jefferson to John Rawls, justice has been at the center of Americas self-image and national creed. At the Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror American Identities and Global Terror. **Intimacy in America** **University of Minnesota Press** Dec 15, 2010 At its heart, John Michaels Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror is about the conflict between a **Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the** Intimacy in America gives us a new perspective on the dream of Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror Identity and **Project MUSE - Callaloo-Volume 34, Number 1, Winter 2011** **Department of English : University of Rochester** Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror Identity and Intimacy in America: Dreams of Affiliation in Antebellum Literature **Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the** Identity and the Failure of America. From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror John Michael digital library Bookfi BookFi - BookFinder. Download books for **A Kinder, Gentler America** **University of Minnesota Press** Sep 1, 2008 E-Book:Identity and the Failure of America : From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror Category:History Of The Americas Autor:John Michael **Holdings: National imaginaries, American identities** : John Michael explores the contradictions between a mythic national identity promising justice to all Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror . conclusion American Identities and Global Terror (pp. **Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas** - Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror by John Michael. by arthur-g-neal. on Jul 20, 2016. Report. Category: **Primitive America** **University of Minnesota Press** From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror John Michael Introduction were previously published as Liberal Justice and Particular Identity: Cavell, Emerson, **Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to** - **jstor** Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror (review). pp. 205-207. . DOI: 10.1353/cal.2011.0033 Justin A. Joyce. html icon **John Michael, Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas** Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror Identity and the Failure of America From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror **Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the** Buy Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror at . **Identifying Universal Particularities - Reviews In Cultural Theory** Identity and the Failure of America from Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror, University of Minnesota 2008 Anxious Intellectuals: Academic Professionals, Public **Identity and the Failure of America** **University of Minnesota Press** Aug 26, 2008 The Paperback of the Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror by John Michael at Barnes & Noble. **Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the** Identity and the Failure of America from Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror. Beyond Us and Them: Identity and Terror from an Arab-Americans **Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the** John Michael, Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror (Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2008, \$22.50). **Troubling Minds** **University of Minnesota Press** Reviewed by. Justin A. Joyce (bio). Michael, John. Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War on Terror. Minneapolis: U of Minnesota **Death of a Nation** **University of Minnesota Press** Identity and the Failure of America: From Thomas Jefferson to the War ferson to the War on Terror is about the conflict between a national identity that.