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Sommario/riassunto	"Do you know if you are going to heaven?" Shortly after being appointed the first Director of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives-the "faith czar"-John J. Dilulio Jr. was asked this question. Suddenly Dilulio, a Catholic Democrat who pioneered programs for inner-city children, was acutely aware that he was no longer a private citizen who might have humored the television evangelist standing before him. Now he was, as he recalls in his introduction-"responsible for assisting the president in faithfully upholding the Constitution . . . and faithfully acting in the public interest without regard to religious identities." Using his brief tenure in the George W. Bush administration as a springboard, this lively, informative, and entertaining book leaps into

the ongoing debate over whether as a nation America is Christian or secular and to what degree church-state separation is compelled by the Constitution. Avoiding political pieties, Dilulio makes an impassioned case for a middle way. Written by a leading political scholar, *Godly Republic* offers a fast-paced, faith-inspired, and fact-based approach to enhancing America's civic future for one and all.
