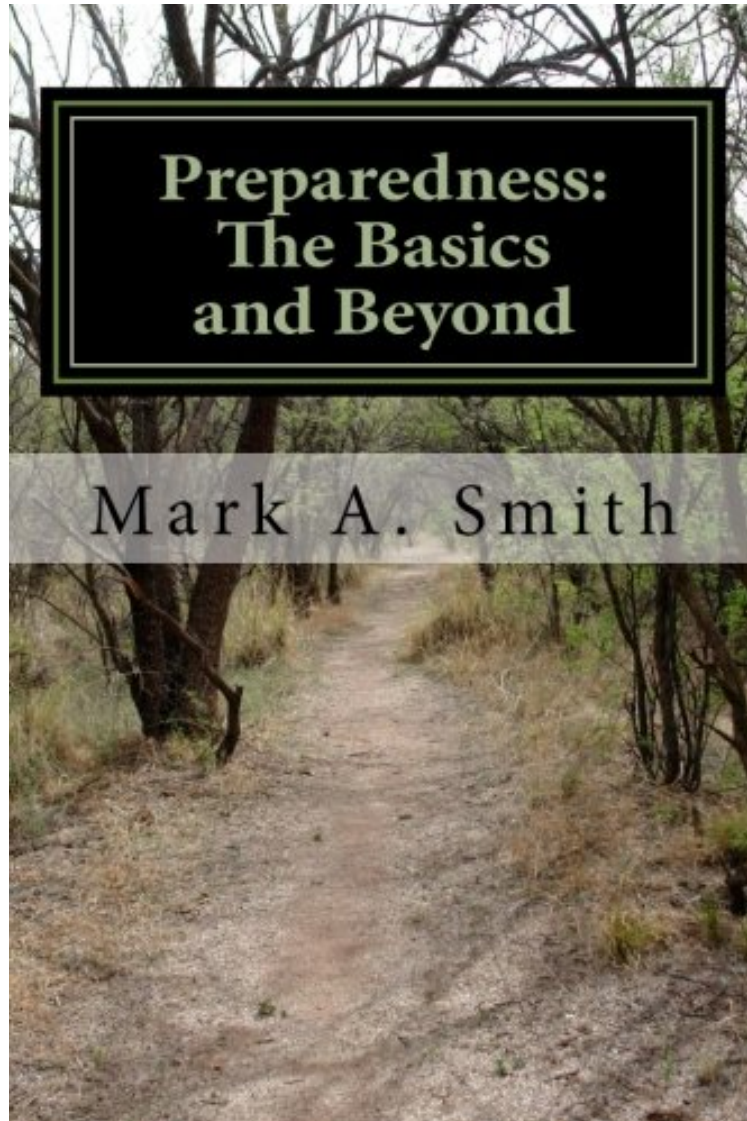


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author uses a common sense approach to everyday preparedness that makes sense. We thought we were all set, but this book has helped my wife and I to re-adjust some of our thinking and our plans. As I read I also decided that this is a great book to give to those we care about, whether family or close friends who are aware that they need to prep at some level but are riding the fence for some reason. So that being said, we ordered 5 more books to give out and maybe inspire some of these folks to do the right thing for themselves and their family. By them reading it in a well written book, they would take the idea of prepping more serious no matter where they live. Many thanks to the author for sharing his vast knowledge of self reliance and preparedness. 5 of 5 people found the following review helpful.

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Mark A. Smith knows his stuff. The former firefighter, security specialist, and Marine not only has lived the Prepared Lifestyle, he currently is a consultant to private companies and individuals about preparedness. This comprehensive and detailed book provides a concise guide to the skills and tools of preparedness -- all offered in an easy-to-read conversational style. Smith covers the basics -- food storage, water purification, health, and housing -- with tips that beginners and even seasoned preppers will find useful. He also addresses more advanced levels of preparedness, including a discussion of bug-out-vehicles and defensive firearms. In addition, he offers a detailed questionnaire to help readers intent on improving home security. The book includes pros and cons of various types of alternative power sources, lists of items to include in medical kits and bug-out-bags, a glossary of preparedness terms, 10-codes, and a set of online resources. From preparedness basics to advanced levels of knowledge, this book is ideal for the beginner, as well as the skilled prepper looking to improve his or her capabilities.

About the Author Mark A. Smith has been active in preparedness since 2001. He has been a speaker at multiple expos and safety conferences, as well as being a consultant to businesses and individuals. The former firefighter, security specialist and Marine is the owner of Southern Plains Consulting in Oklahoma, a preparedness firm.