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wants, Melania gets. The former director of special events at Vogue and producer of nine legendary Met Galas, Stephanie Winston Wolkoff met Melania Knauss in 2003 and had a front row seat to the transformation of Donald Trump's

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then girlfriend from a rough-cut gem to a precious diamond. As their friendship deepened over lunches at Manhattan hot spots, black-tie parties, and giggle sessions in the penthouse at Trump Tower, Wolkoff watched the newest Mrs. Trump

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raise her son, Barron, and manage her highly scrutinized marriage. After Trump won the 2016 election, Wolkoff was recruited to help produce the 58th Presidential Inauguration and to become the First Lady's trusted advisor.

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Melania put Wolkoff in charge of hiring her staff, organizing her events, helping her write speeches, and creating her debut initiatives. Then it all fell apart when she was made the scapegoat for inauguration finance irregularities.

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takes you into Trump Tower and the White House to tell the funny, thrilling, and heartbreaking story of her intimate friendship with one of the most famous women in the world, a woman few people truly understand. How did Melania react

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extraordinary emergence of
citizen-centered city-
states transformed Greece
into a society that
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Persian Empire. Yet Philip

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and Alexander of Macedon
were able to beat the
Greeks in the Battle of
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victory made possible by
the Macedonians'
appropriation of Greek

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innovations. After
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hardened warlords fought
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of sin? Against the AntiChrist, the
False Prophet, and their demons?
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smell that evil feeds upon, and evil
has no conscience. The prophecy of*

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