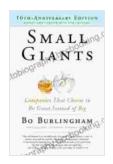
# Companies That Choose to Be Great Instead of Big: 10th Anniversary Edition

#### By Jim Collins and Morten T. Hansen

In the business world, it's easy to get caught up in the pursuit of size and growth. But what if there was a better way? What if companies focused on becoming great instead of big? That's the premise of *Companies That Choose to Be Great Instead of Big*, a book by Jim Collins and Morten T. Hansen.



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In this 10th anniversary edition, Collins and Hansen revisit the concepts of greatness and provide new insights into what it takes to build a truly great company. They argue that greatness is not about size or growth, but about creating a company that is built to last. A great company is one that has a clear purpose, a strong culture, and a commitment to excellence.

Collins and Hansen identify eleven key characteristics of great companies. These characteristics include:

- Level 5 leadership: Great companies are led by Level 5 leaders who are humble, determined, and results-oriented.
- **First Who... Then What**: Great companies focus on getting the right people on the bus before they figure out where to drive it.
- Confront the Brutal Facts: Great companies are not afraid to face the harsh realities of their business.
- The Hedgehog Concept: Great companies understand their core strengths and focus on what they can do best.
- A Culture of Discipline: Great companies have a strong culture that emphasizes discipline and accountability.
- Technology Accelerators: Great companies use technology to accelerate their growth and innovation.
- The Flywheel: Great companies build momentum over time by consistently delivering on their promises.
- Clock Building: Great companies focus on building a strong foundation that will last for generations.
- Preserve the Core/Stimulate Progress: Great companies are able to preserve their core values while still adapting to change.
- Good to Great and the Social Sectors: Great companies can be found in all sectors, including the social sector.
- Beyond the Numbers: Great companies are not just about financial performance. They are also about creating a positive impact on the

world.

Companies That Choose to Be Great Instead of Big is a must-read for any business leader who wants to build a truly great company. Collins and Hansen provide a clear and concise roadmap for achieving greatness, and they offer plenty of real-world examples to illustrate their points. This book is a valuable resource for any entrepreneur or CEO who wants to create a company that will stand the test of time.

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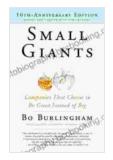
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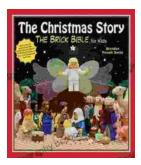
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