

# Riggins International Rights Services, Inc.

**Providing Content from Inspirational Publishers  
Around the World to the World**



**Rights Catalog—Key New Client Releases  
June to December 2017**

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For fourteen years, Riggins International has served as the rights department for several inspirational publishers. We are a "business-to-business" service linking copyright owners selling book rights to other publishers acquiring rights for publication in other formats or languages.

Currently we are the exclusive rights representative for these publishers:

- Abingdon Press / United Methodist Publishing House / Common English Bible
- AMG Publishers / Living Ink
- B&H Publishing Group\*
- C&L Publishing
- Clear Day Media Group
- Georgie IV Publishing
- GLM Publishing
- Hendrickson Publishers— STARTING SEPTEMBER 2017
- National Council of Churches in the USA—RSV, NRSV, and RSV-CE
- New Growth Press
- New Hope Publishers
- No Greater Joy
- Our Sunday Visitor
- Pelican Book Group / Harbourlight / Prism / Pure Amore / Watershed / White Rose
- Raney Day Press
- Rose Publishing / Aspire Press / Roze Kids
- Upper Room Books / Discipleship Resources / Fresh Air
- Warner Press

We also represent these international publishers on a title-by-title basis:

- Creator Press (Hong Kong)
- Editora Mundo Cristao (Brazil)
- Fontis Verlag (Germany)
- Hermon Forlag (Norway)
- Scandinavia Publishing (Denmark)

\* No or limited domestic English rights

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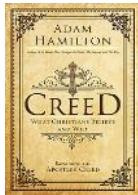
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# AWARDS & ACCOLADES



Our client's titles received **29 nominations** for the Christian Retailing's Best Awards!

**The 14 winners** are noted with a trophy icon.



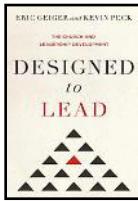
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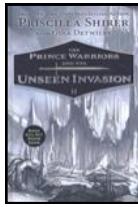
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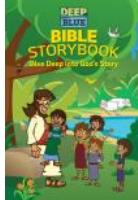
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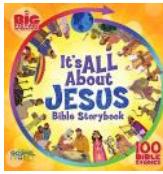
#### CHURCH AND CULTURE:

- ✓ [Fear of the Other: No Fear in Love](#), William H. Willimon (Abingdon)
- ✓ [Who Moved My Pulpit?](#), Thom S. Rainer (B&H Publishing Group)
- ✓ [Designed to Lead](#), Eric Geiger (B&H)



#### BIOGRAPHY:

- ✓ [Unashamed](#), Lecrae (B&H)



#### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

- ✓ [Hearts, Heads, and Hands](#), M. David Sills (B&H)

#### COLORING BOOKS:

- ✓ [Life Verse Creative Journal Set](#), Morgan Grace Magruder and Jana Magruder (B&H)

#### CHILDREN'S FICTION

- ✓ [Prince Warriors and the Unseen Invasion](#), Priscilla Shirer (B&H)

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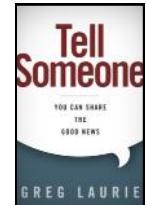
- ✓ [Deep Blue Bible Storybook](#), Brittany Sky and Daphna Flegal (Abingdon)
- ✓ [It's all About Jesus Bible Storybook](#) (B&H)

#### DEVOTIONALS:

- ✓ [Dwelling Places: Words to Live in Every Season](#), Lucinda Secret McDowell (Abingdon)
- ✓ [Faith, Hope, Love Devotional](#), Amy Parker (B&H)

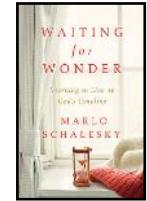
#### EVANGELISM:

- ✓ [Tell Someone](#), Greg Laurie (B&H Publishing Group)



#### FIRST TIME AUTHORS:

- ✓ [She Reads Truth](#), Raechel Myers, Amanda Bible Williams (B&H)



#### NON-FICTION/WOMEN:

- ✓ [Waiting for Wonder, Waiting to Live on God's Timeline](#), Marlo Schalesky (Abingdon)

#### RELATIONSHIPS:

- ✓ [Total Family Makeover: 8 Practical Steps to Making Disciples at Home](#), Melissa Spoelstra (Abingdon)



- ✓ [Between Us: A 52-Week Keepsake Devotional for Moms and Daughters](#), Vicki Courtney (B&H)

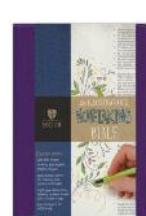
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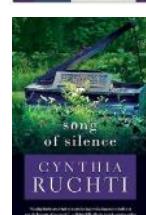
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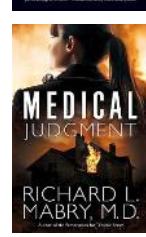
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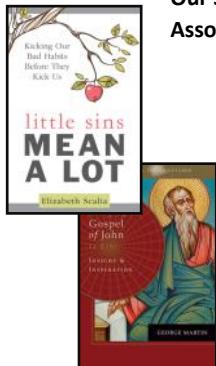
- ✓ [Song of Silence](#), Cynthia Ruchti (Abingdon)

#### FICTION/SUSPENSE:

- ✓ [Medical Judgment](#), Richard L. Mabry, M.D. (Abingdon)

# AWARDS & ACCOLADES

## 2017 Excellence in Publishing Award Winners



Our Sunday Visitor won two awards from the Association of Catholic Publishers:

- ✓ In the inspirational category, [Little Sins Mean a Lot](#) by Elizabeth Scalia
- ✓ In the scripture category, [Bringing the Gospel of John to Life](#) by George Martin.

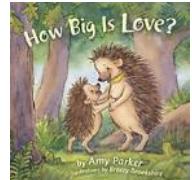
## Pelican Book Group Wins CSPA Award for Fiction

The Christian Small Publishers Association recently awarded [Forgiveness](#) by Marianne Evans (Pelican Book Group) as Romance winner!



## ECPA 2017 Christian Book Award Finalists

- ✓ [How Big is Love?](#) by Amy Parker (B&H) part of the Hope, Faith Love children's series
- ✓ [Half Truths](#) by Adam Hamilton (Abingdon),
- ✓ [Who Moved My Pulpit](#) by Thom S Rainer (B&H)



**Adventures of the Sea Kids**

Series has received 26 Awards!

*What a Bragger!*  
9780986360428

Melissa attempts to win friends by bragging but learns the sea kids love her for who she is and not what she has. Tears of sadness turn into joy at her surprise birthday party. Melissa says a prayer of thanks to Jesus for the things that matter most.

*Fast Freddy*  
9780986360411

Fast Freddy overcomes the ridicule of being different as he joins the swim team. The kids learn he is a great kid and he wins the championship overcoming Marcus, a formidable threat. He says a prayer of thanks to Jesus for being different and for his new friends.

*I'm Not Afraid!*  
9780986360442

Susie makes many excuses not to ride the Whale-Back Roller Coaster. After speaking with her mommy and saying a prayer to Jesus, she rides the ride and her fear turns into faith! She learns that praying to Jesus and having faith is all she needs to overcome her fears.

*A Servant Like Jesus*  
9780986360473

Charlie is a shy kid who hides behind the cleanup sink at school. However, after his teacher asks him to be her helper, he builds his confidence and decides it's more fun to be a helper than to hide! Charlie learns he can overcome his shyness and be a servant like Jesus.

*God's Gift*  
9780986360497

Christian and his sister Mary believe they get more presents at Christmas while Jacob and Jeremiah believe they get more presents on Hanukkah. The children learn that Christmas and Hanukkah are about celebrating the gift God has given to His children.

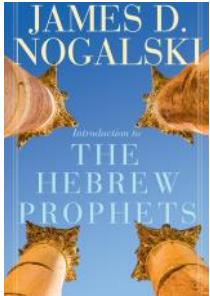
*God's Easter Miracles*  
9780997332513

The sea kids learn that Easter is not about the Easter bunny or candy. It is about Jesus Christ giving up His life for all of us, and how we are to sacrifice ourselves for others. Paul, Jimmy, and Lenny receive Easter miracles!

**Mom's Choice Award 2017**

*I'm Not Afraid, A Servant Like Jesus, and God's Gift* with plush toys have all won a gold Mom's Choice Award for Children's Picture Books: Religion and Spirituality!

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## INTRODUCTION TO THE HEBREW PROPHETS

ACADEMIC

Nogalski's introduction to the prophets invites modern readers to hear these scrolls through the processes that shaped them.

Following the Hebrew canon, the author offers a basic introduction, which includes critical issues such as authorship, unity, dates of composition and revision, and structure. Drawing upon current scholarship, Dr. Nogalski shows how these issues are relevant to the theological themes and movements that help characterize the text and hold meaning for us.

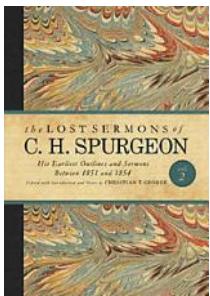
The last decades have seen many changes when it comes to the study of the four Latter Prophets (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and the book of the Twelve). Among others, these changes have identified a greater role for the prophetic scroll – not merely the prophetic character – as a vehicle for conveying the prophetic message. Nogalski's introduction to the prophets invites modern readers to hear these scrolls through the processes that shaped them, to recognize the thematic threads that traverse them, and to react to the words that confront religious and ethical complacency, that speak truth to power, and that offer hope to the oppressed.

Each chapter will include a brief bibliography for further reading and discussion questions to help students focus on key concepts.

**AUTHOR(S):** James D. Nogalski is Professor and Director of Graduate Studies in Religion at Baylor University. Nogalski is best known for his ongoing work in prophetic literature of the Hebrew Bible and is the author of several books on the topic.

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## LOST SERMONS OF CHARLES SPURGEON

ACADEMIC

In 1857, Charles Spurgeon—the most popular preacher in the Victorian world—promised his readers that he would publish his earliest sermons. For almost 160 years, these sermons have been lost to history. In January 2017, B&H Academic began releasing a 12-volume set that includes full-color facsimiles, transcriptions, contextual and biographical introductions, and editorial annotations.

More never-before-published sermons from the Prince of Preachers! A second critical edition focusing on the work of Charles Spurgeon, this volume features color facsimiles of his handwritten notebooks, transcriptions, contextual and biographical introductions, and editorial annotations for messages delivered between 1851 and 1854.

The Lost Sermons of C.H. Spurgeon will add approximately 10 percent more material to Spurgeon's body of literature and will constitute the first critical edition of any of Spurgeon's works. It will be a homiletic gem for scholars, pastors, and students.

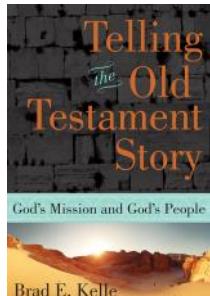
Christian George brings the sermons to life by providing illuminating commentary, explanations, and cross-references to Spurgeon's sermons.

**AUTHOR(S):** Charles H. Spurgeon (1834-1892) was an English Baptist preacher, author, and editor. Spurgeon served for 30 years at the Metropolitan Tabernacle in London. It is estimated that during his lifetime he spoke to 10 million people, and he became known as the Prince of Preachers. His works fill over 60 volumes; and more than a century after his death, his sermons and devotional texts continue to challenge and touch Christians and non-Christians alike with their biblical grounding, eloquent text, and simple encouragement.

Christian T. George (Ph.D., University of St. Andrews, Scotland) serves as curator of The Spurgeon Library and assistant professor of historical theology at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri.

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## TELLING THE OLD TESTAMENT STORY: GOD'S MISSION AND GOD'S PEOPLE

ACADEMIC

The Old Testament is the story of God's mission to restore creation and form God's people as an instrument to participate in that mission.

While honoring the historical context and literary diversity of the Old Testament, *Telling the Old Testament Story* is a thematic reading that construes the Old Testament as a complex but coherent narrative.

Unlike standard, introductory textbooks that only cover basic background and interpretive issues for each Old Testament book, this introduction combines a thematic approach with careful exegetical attention to representative biblical texts, ultimately telling the macro-level story, while drawing out the multiple nuances present within different texts and traditions. The book works from the Protestant canonical arrangement of the Old Testament, which understands the story of the Old Testament as the story of God and God's relationship with all creation in love and redemption—a story that joins the New Testament to the Old. Within this broader story, the Old Testament presents the specific story of God and God's relationship with Israel as the people called, created, and formed to be God's covenant partner and instrument within creation.

**AUTHOR(S):** Brad E. Kelle is Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew, School of Theology and Christian Ministry, Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego, California. He has served as the chair of the SBL's Warfare in Ancient Israel Consultation at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature. He is also the past president and current member at large (executive board) of the Society of Biblical Literature Pacific Coast Region. He is the Old Testament editor for *Currents in Biblical Research* and has written or edited a variety of works on the Old Testament and ancient Israel.

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## BIG AND LITTLE COLORING DEVOTIONAL

ADULT COLORING

Let's have fun with our children through coloring and facilitate their spiritual growth with Scripture. This book will incorporate physical, spiritual, and emotional refreshment by providing authentic faith-filled devotionals combined with therapeutic doodling for both the adult and child.

Kids crave constant activities and attention. Adults crave quiet moments of refreshment. How can we achieve both?

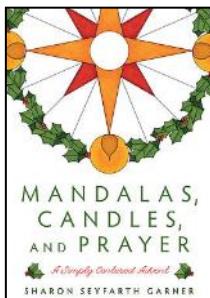
*Big and Little Coloring Devotional* engages adults' minds with appealing biblical devotionals while providing a creative outlet through coloring to diffuse stress.

**AUTHOR(S):** Rachel C. Swanson She's founder of the blog community RefineAndRestore.com where she pours out "R&R for the Heart and Soul." Her writing is featured on multiple websites worldwide. Learn more at [www.RachelCSwanson.com](http://www.RachelCSwanson.com)

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## MANDALAS, CANDLES AND PRAYER

### ADULT COLORING

Slow down, simplify, and add a burst of color to your Advent this year. The spiritual practice of coloring mandalas, lighting candles, and praying regularly can help us stay centered on God during this busy time of year. This method uses all your senses while learning prayer practices.

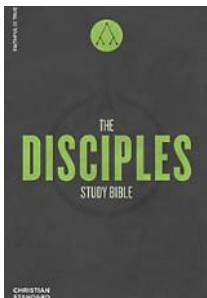
Based on the four candles of the Advent wreath, this coloring book for adults weaves together the popular practice of coloring with four simple methods of contemplative prayer.

Each chapter includes a short vignette, an explanation of the weekly theme and prayer method, a simple candle lighting liturgy, 7 mandalas for each week of contemplative coloring, and a closing prayer of illumination.

Let the candles light the way and calm your spirit. Color and pray. And you will experience the most meaningful gift of all—a peace that passes all understanding as you journey toward the manger.

**AUTHOR(S):** Rev. Sharon Seyfarth Garner is a United Methodist pastor, spiritual director, and retreat leader in Cleveland, Ohio. She is the founder and director of Belly of the Whale Spiritual Direction & Retreat Ministries. Sharon is the author of *Praying with Mandalas: A Colorful, Contemplative Practice*. She enjoys spending time with her family, kayaking, making pottery, singing loudly, and taking long walks with her husband and dog.

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## THE DISCIPLE'S STUDY BIBLE

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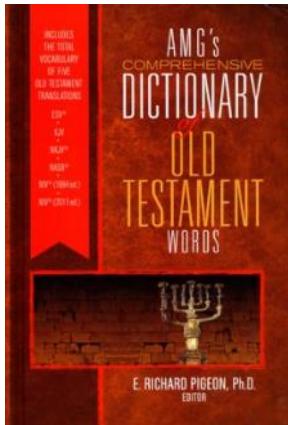
*The Disciple's Study Bible* guides an individual's journey in following Jesus, by featuring study notes focused on discipleship, as well as a reading plan, journaling space and additional articles that equip Christians to disciple others.

This speciality Bible guides an individual's journey in following Jesus, by featuring discipleship themed study notes, as well as tools and resources that equip Christians to disciple others. Included is

- Foundations 260 Reading Plan, featuring 260 concise daily readings with commentary from Pastor Robby Gallaty and ample page space to engage the text and journal via the H.E.A.R journaling method (Highlight-Explain-Apply-Respond)
- additional articles on discipleship from the team at Replicate Ministries, *The Disciple's Study Bible* will help foster engagement and practical application of God's Word in the life of a disciple on a daily basis.
- Also included are introductions featuring timelines, outlines, and contribution to the Bible, Center-column cross-references, Topical subheadings, Two-column text, Concordance, Smyth-sewn binding, Presentation Section, Full-color maps, and more.

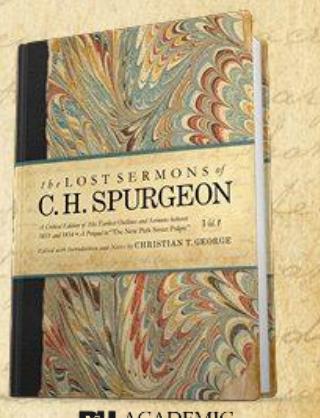
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## The Lost Sermons of C.H. Spurgeon

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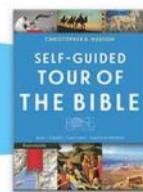
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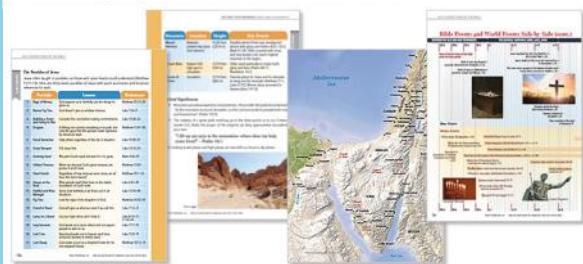
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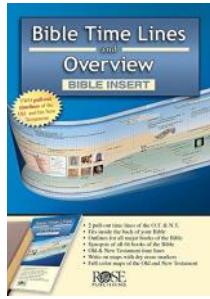
Ten million people listened to Charles H. Spurgeon in his lifetime and millions more have experienced his powerful insights since. Now the Word he loved and the notes that touched so many are together in one place.

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- Study notes crafted from Spurgeon sermons
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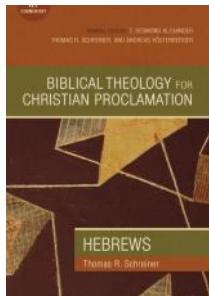
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- Works with any Bible translation

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## BIBLICAL THEOLOGY FOR CHRISTIAN PROCLAMATION: COMMENTARY ON 1-2 TIMOTHY & TITUS

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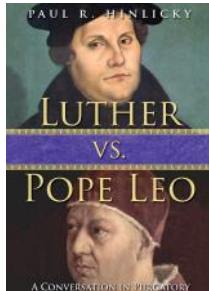
The *Biblical Theology for Christian Proclamation Commentary* series explores the theology of the Bible in considerable depth, spanning both Testaments. Authors come from a variety of backgrounds and perspectives, though all affirm the inerrancy and inspiration of Scripture. United in their belief in the underlying unity of Scripture, each author explores the contribution of a given book or group of books to the theology of Scripture as a whole.

All volumes provide a discussion of introductory matters, including the book's historical setting and the literary structure.

Also included is an exegetical treatment of all the relevant passages in succinct commentary-style format. The major contribution of each volume, however, is a thorough discussion of the most important themes of the biblical book in relation to the canon as a whole. This format, in itself, would already be a valuable contribution to biblical theology. But there are other series that try to accomplish a survey of the Bible's theology as well. What distinguishes the present series is its orientation toward Christian proclamation. As a result, the ultimate purpose of this set of volumes is not exclusively, or even primarily, academic. Rather, we seek to relate biblical theology to our own lives and to the life of the church. Our desire is to equip those in Christian ministry who are called by God to preach and teach the precious truths of Scripture to their congregations.

**AUTHOR(S):** Andreas J. Köstenberger, Ph.D., is senior professor of New Testament and Biblical Theology at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is the founder of Biblical Foundations™ ([www.biblicalfoundations.org](http://www.biblicalfoundations.org)), co-author of *The Book Study Concordance*, and co-editor of the *Exegetical Guide to the Greek New Testament* series.

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## LUTHER VS POPE LEO: A CONVERSATION IN PURGATORY

### BIBLE REFERENCE

Discussing the key issues that divided Catholics and Protestants and birthed a Reformation 500 years ago, this book tells a story: the author's imaginary reconciliation in heaven between Martin Luther and Pope Leo X who work through the issues that divided them in their historical encounter.

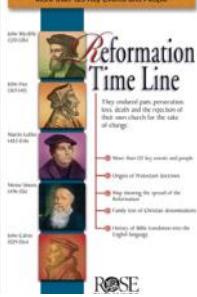
Martin Luther and Pope Leo X awake in heaven. It is the year 2017 and they have been asleep since the posting of the 95 Thesis in 1517.

Naturally, they are disoriented upon waking. To their mutual chagrin not only does each discover the other face to face in heaven, but they learn that by divine decree they are roomed together indefinitely. The Pope's first reaction to the news is to gather that this is his purgatory for the sins of the Medicis. Luther despairs that he is in hell: "It was works after all," he surmises.

This fantasy —a genre chosen for its teaching potential and popular appeal—is a well-grounded one, with extensive annotation in the endnotes and explanation in the Afterword. The notes and Afterword solidly ground all the assertions put on the lips of Luther and Leo in the text with documentation/references and offer a compelling argument for the theology that imagines their heavenly reconciliation.

**AUTHOR(S):** Paul R. Hinlicky is the Tise Professor of Lutheran Studies at Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia. An internationally-known theologian who has published more than seventy articles and many books, he is an authority on the theology of Martin Luther and how Luther's theology has played out in history since the time of the Reformation. He also works on the reintegration of Reformation and Patristic theology, and ecumenical and interfaith dialogue. He is an ordained minister in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and has served congregations in New York and Virginia.

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## ROSE PAMPHLET: REFORMATION TIME LINE

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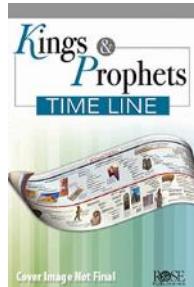
The Reformation Time Line pamphlet covers the dramatic events and key people that led to the formation of Protestantism. Gain fresh insights into the rise of Protestantism and deepen your understanding of faith in rich history.

2017 marks the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation when Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses to the door of a church in Wittenberg in 1517, triggering one of the most important revivals in Christian history. A good opportunity to know more about reform, revival, and the importance of the Bible. This concise guide to the Reformation shows a time line of key people and events. Gain deeper insights into the rise of Protestantism, and the influence of people such as Martin Luther, John Calvin, William Tyndale, and King James. Learn why they wanted to reform the church of their day. See 400 years of church history alongside the colorful politics of King Henry VIII, Queen Elizabeth, and others,

Includes:

- 400 Years and Over 130 Key Events of Church History & Bible Translations (1215-1698)
- Summaries & Illustrations of Over 30 Influential Figures (Martin Luther, John Calvin, Joan of Arc, King James, and more!)
- Full-Color Map & Charts of the spread of Reformation & origins of Protestant teachings
- Family Tree of Christian Denominations
- and much more!

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## ROSE PAMPHLET: KINGS AND PROPHETS TIME LINE

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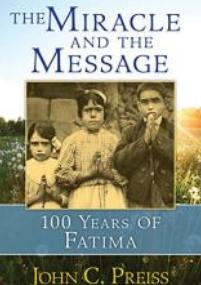
See over 500 years of Israel's kings and prophets at a glance! Fold-out timeline, charts, and map covers key events & people from King David to Elijah! Imagine having a fold-out timeline of all the kings and prophets at your fingertips that can easily fit inside most Bible covers!

This pamphlet also defines what makes a king good or bad, culminating with Jesus, our King and Prophet. Many quick-reference charts for the United Kingdom, and the Northern and Southern Kingdoms helpfully include dates, summary of reign, final evaluation, and references.

Covering King David, Elijah, Solomon, Jeroboam, Malachi, and more— Find out key dates and events for every king and prophet mentioned in the Bible at a glance! Covers Old Testament Israel and Judah; the United, Northern, and Southern Kingdoms; how each king and prophet fit into God's plans; and much more!

Finally, a map of Old Testament Israel and Judah shows all the locations mentioned in the pamphlet: Kingdom of Saul, David, and Solomon, Northern, Southern Kingdom borders.

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## THE MIRACLE AND MESSAGE: 100 YEARS OF FATIMA

### BIBLE REFERENCE

Many people know the basic story of Mary's appearance to the three children but they do not know how to apply the message to their lives.

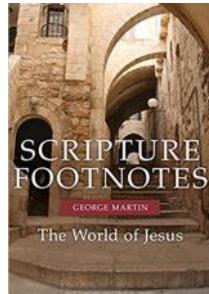
"Following the example of St. John Paul II, a great devotee of Our Lady of Fatima, let us listen attentively to the Mother of God and ask for peace for the world." Pope Francis

It all began in 1916 in the springtime in Fatima, Portugal. Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta were playing games and watching their herd, simply being children. What happened next was anything but simple. A strong wind began to shake the trees. Then they saw, coming towards them, a young man. On reaching them, he said, "Do not be afraid! I am the Angel of Peace. Pray with me." The appearances and messages continued. In May 1917, Mary appeared to them. "She was more brilliant than the sun and radiated a light more clear and intense than a crystal glass filled with sparkling water when rays of the burning sun shine through it." What was her message? Our Lady told the children to pray the Rosary every day to achieve peace in the world.

John C. Preiss's book also clarifies some details that have never been discussed before in other similar publications. *The Miracle and the Message* will guide you to use what Our Lady taught the children some 100 years ago in your everyday spiritual life.

**AUTHOR(S):** John C. Preiss is the President of the Fatima Family Apostolate International founded by Father Robert J. Fox in 1986. John has been on Catholic radio and has written numerous articles for a variety of Catholic publications. He is the editor of *Immaculate Heart Messenger* and has written two books. He is a convert to the Catholic faith.

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## SCRIPTURE FOOTNOTES: THE WORLD OF JESUS

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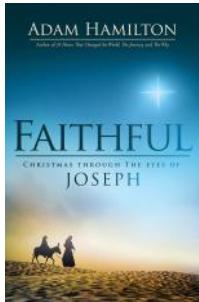
To fully understand Jesus and his message in the Gospels, we need to understand, as best we can, the world in which he lived. In seven topical sections, the author provides a user friendly background (rather than an exhaustive commentary) on the four Gospels.

Ever pondered what daily life was like in the time of Jesus? What kind of clothing did people wear? What did people eat? How common was farming? What about the regions and places Jesus came in contact with? What kind of desert is there in Palestine? What is the significance of the location of Gethsemane? Why was Golgotha called "the place of the skull"? Or what were the towns like the He visited? What was the Jewish world of Jesus like? Who were the people in Jesus' world? And the list goes on...

Get the answer to these and hundreds of interesting facts about the life and times of Jesus in Scripture Footnotes. As scripture scholar and author George Martin points out, the four Gospels presume some familiarity with Jesus' world and often mention features of it without explaining them. Martin fills in the missing pieces by exploring the people, places, and events of Jesus' life. In addition to the questions and answers, you will find an index of key words, map of Palestine at the time of Jesus, and a map of Jerusalem at the time of Jesus.

**AUTHOR(S):** George Martin is the founding editor of *God's Word Today* magazine. He has written numerous articles on Scripture, as well as the books *Reading God's Word Today*, *Bringing the Gospel of Mark to Life*, *Bringing the Gospel of Matthew to Life*, *Bringing the Gospel of John to Life*, and *Bringing the Gospel of Luke to Life*.

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## FAITHFUL: CHRISTMAS THROUGH THE EYES OF JOSEPH

### BIBLE STUDY

Explore the life of Joseph, the earthly father of Jesus Christ. From his beginnings as a humble carpenter to his all-important role as the earthly father of Jesus Christ, Joseph's place in the nativity story is sometimes overlooked but contains valuable lessons for all of us.

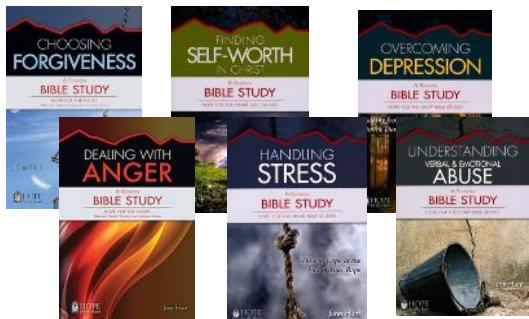
Join Adam Hamilton as he examines Christmas through the eyes of Joseph. Absent from much of the biblical narrative, Joseph never spoke a word, but his courageous actions were crucial to the birth of Christ and God's salvation plan for humanity.

As you read this book, you will understand how Joseph's story is much like our own. In life, we encounter circumstances that we would never have chosen for ourselves. At times it can be tempting just to walk away. Joseph provides us a great example of humbly obeying God even when we don't understand and faithfully moving forward in the strength that God provides.

Additional components for a four-week adult study include a comprehensive Leader Guide and a DVD.

**AUTHOR(S):** Adam Hamilton is senior pastor of the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas, one of the fastest growing, most highly visible churches in the country. *The Church Report* named Hamilton's congregation the most influential mainline church in America. Hamilton is the best-selling and award-winning author of *Why? Making Sense of God's Will*, *24 Hours that Changed the World*, *The Journey*, *The Way*, *Enough*, *When Christians Get It Wrong* and *Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White*, all published by Abingdon Press. Learn more about Hamilton at [AdamHamilton.org](http://AdamHamilton.org).

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## HOPE FOR THE HEART BIBLE STUDIES

### BIBLE STUDY

New series based on the best selling *Hope for the Heart* mini-book series, which has sold over 1 million copies!

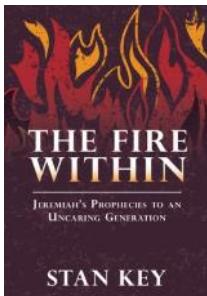
The series covers many day-to-day problems that people face. Each study will provide biblical hope and practical help along with life applications and discussion questions.

There will be six titles in the series, each with six sessions:

1. **Choosing Forgiveness** — Learn all forms of forgiveness and the difference between forgiveness and reconciliation. Forgiveness isn't based on a feeling, but rather on the fact that God calls us to forgive.
2. **Dealing with Anger** — We all have times of anger, disappointment, and frustration. But, it is how you respond to the anger that matters most. Should you cover it up? Suppress it? Let it go? This Bible study will navigate you through key stories of the Bible, pulling out nuggets of wisdom on how to resolve your anger, release it to God, and experience God's peace.
3. **Finding Self-Worth** — Negative self-talk can sabotage spiritual growth and hinder the emotional wellness God intended for us to have. Deepen your understanding of who you are in Christ and discover the love, acceptance, and purpose God has for you.
4. **Handling Stress** — When the stresses of life start affecting your health and relationships, you can turn to biblical principles to help you break free. You will discover which circumstances are most likely to cause stress and how to handle them.
5. **Overcoming Depression** — Under the crushing weight of depression, life can seem endlessly hopeless, numb, and tiresome. Let God's Word help you rediscover purpose, joy, and satisfaction again.
6. **Understanding Verbal and Emotional Abuse** — Now that you're in or have experienced an abusive relationship, how can things be restored? This study will show you how to heal from past abuse, set up proper boundaries, and know the warning signs of abusive behavior.

**AUTHOR(S):** June Hunt is a biblical counselor whose award-winning radio program "Hope for the Heart" is heard on nearly 900 radio outlets around the world. For more than 30 years, she has counseled people, offering them hope for today's problems. June has helped many people with emotional, relational, and spiritual problems experience God's love through biblical hope and practical advice.

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## JEREMIAH: THE FIRE WITHIN

### BIBLE STUDY

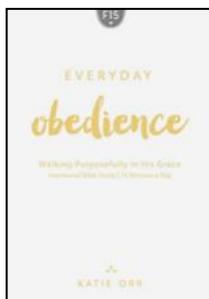
Jeremiah's prophecies to an uncaring generation.

In the Book of Jeremiah, God does not choose Jeremiah because he is qualified—rather, God qualifies Jeremiah because he is chosen! Like Jeremiah, each of God's children have a purpose that He longs for us to understand. We can only discover this purpose once we realize it's not about me—it's about God.

The prophet Jeremiah also knew the reality of terrible, horrible, no good, very bad days.... lots of them. In all of Biblical history, it would be difficult to find a time period when things were worse than when the weeping prophet was alive. Things were falling apart and it seemed that hope had perished. It was during the two year period when the Babylonian army was laying siege to Jerusalem that the bad days in his life were the worst. The city of God was about to be destroyed and the people of the covenant taken into exile. What could be worse than that? But in the midst of all the doom and gloom came a ray of hope!

**AUTHOR(S):** Stan Key is President of The Francis Asbury Society. He joined the FAS team in 2013 after 10 years of missionary service in Paris, France, and 18 years of pastoral leadership at Loudonville Community Church in Albany, New York. Stan also serves as the spiritual dean for the Pan-African Academy of Christian Surgeons (PAACS) and is a member of the boards of One Mission Society and Sammy Tippit Ministries. His previous book with Warner Press was *The Last Word*, a study on Revelation.

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## EVERYDAY OBEDIENCE: WALKING PURPOSEFULLY IN HIS GRACE

### BIBLE STUDY

Designed for women pressed for time but who crave depth from their Bible study, *Everyday Obedience* utilizes the FOCUSed15 Bible study method that values quality in God's Word over quantity.

In *Everyday Obedience*, step away from the wearisome, try-harder life, and learn how rest-filled obedience can be the reality of your days.

The author guides you through Colossians 3:1–17, in as few as 15 minutes a day for five days a week. You discover foundational truths fueling a life of purposeful obedience in response to God's grace. Experience freedom in God through the most unexpected way—obedience.

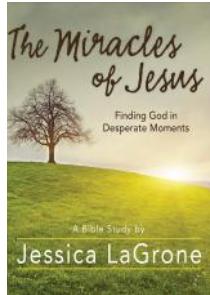
FOCUSed15 Bible studies provide a proven balance of structure, self-guided study, and solid commentary.

- F —Foundation: Enjoy Every Word
- O —Observation: Look at the Details
- C —Clarification: Uncover the Original Meaning
- U —Utilization: Discover the Connections
- S —Summation: Respond to God's Word

Check out the full series at [www.katieorr.me](http://www.katieorr.me) or [www.newhopepublishers.com](http://www.newhopepublishers.com).

**AUTHOR(S):** Katie Orr, creator of the FOCUSed15 Bible study method, is passionate about equipping busy women to experience God daily. An enthusiastic and dedicated teacher and speaker, she is a podcaster and prolific writer for blogs, magazines, and Sunday School material. A former Cru (Campus Crusade for Christ) staff member and mother to three young children, she and pastor-husband, Chris, are part of the church revitalization movement where they call Harrodsburg, Kentucky, home.

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## THE MIRACLES OF JESUS: FINDING GOD IN DESPERATE MOMENTS

### BIBLE STUDY

Invite God to work powerfully in your life.

Jesus demonstrated the presence and power of God by performing miracles. He turned water into wine, healed the sick, calmed the storm, opened blind eyes, and raised the dead. While these beloved stories draw our attention to divine power, they also have something else in common: human desperation. Every time we see Jesus performing a miracle, we also get a glimpse into the gift of desperation, a gift that opens us to the dramatic power of God through our desperate need for him.

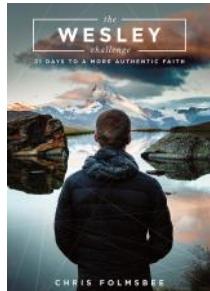
A captivating exploration of the miracles of Jesus, helping us to see that our weakness is an invitation for God to work powerfully in our lives and reminding us that we need God on our best days just as much as we do on our worst. Themes and miracle stories include:

- the gift of desperation (turning water into wine and other signs of God's response of fullness in our times of emptiness)
- the miracle of abundance (feeding the 5,000 and other abundance stories)
- miracles on the water (calming the storm, walking on water, the abundant catch)
- Jesus our healer (5 stories of healing)
- death and resurrection (Lazarus, Jairus' daughter)
- the miracle we all receive (the Incarnation)

**AUTHOR(S):** Jessica LaGrone is Dean of the Chapel at Asbury Theological Seminary and an acclaimed pastor, teacher, and speaker who enjoys leading retreats and events throughout the United States. She previously served as Pastor of Creative Ministries at The Woodlands United Methodist Church in Houston, Texas. She is the author of the *Set Apart: Holy Habits of Prophets and Kings*, *Broken and Blessed: How God Changed the World Through One Imperfect Family*, and *Namesake: When God Rewrites Your Story* Bible studies and *Broken & Blessed* book.

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## THE WESLEY CHALLENGE: 21 DAYS TO A MORE AUTHENTIC FAITH

### BIBLE STUDY

Renew your passion and discover deeper commitment to God in just 21 days.

How can we introduce younger lay people to the practical and accessible Wesley? In The Wesley Challenge Participant Book small groups or whole churches will spend three weeks working through 21 questions that will engage their physical, spiritual and emotional lives and their relationship with God and others.

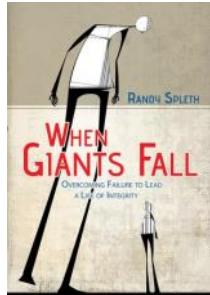
With fast-paced emphasis on graphics and short content bits, the challenge will inspire us to a new kind of commitment—one that is more authentic, vulnerable and soul shaping resulting in thousands of people who have a renewed passion to discover deeper levels of commitment to God and others.

Additional components for a three-week study include a comprehensive leader guide and a DVD featuring author Chris Folmsbee, and a youth study guide.

**AUTHOR(S):** Chris Folmsbee is the director of discipleship at the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, KS. He is the author of numerous books on spiritual formation, practical theology and missional living. He is a sought-after speaker, and consults with dozens of churches around North America each year.

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## WHEN GIANTS FALL: OVERCOMING FAILURE TO LEAD A LIFE OF INTEGRITY

### BIBLE STUDY

An honest look at the unflattering part of a well-known Bible character, to remind us God uses sinful humans.

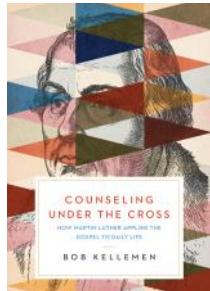
Bible stories we learn as children omit the sordid details of most Bible characters' lives. The life of King David reflects our own potential for moral courage, as well as our vulnerability to moral failure.

King David spared the life of his mortal enemy on more than one occasion, yet committed adultery with the wife of a loyal subject and conspired to have him killed. Such moral ambivalence is all too common, even in "a man after God's own heart"! What can we learn from David's experience that will help us build a life of integrity?

As adults we find genuine spiritual value in reading David's story because it proves that God can use weak, sinful humans to do His work. Even though heartache and remorse may color our lives, God can accomplish great things through us—things worth remembering for centuries to come.

**AUTHOR(S):** Randy Spleth is the Founding Pastor and Senior Minister of Geist Christian Church, a multi-site congregation that he started in 1985 on the northeast side of Indianapolis. The congregation has grown to over 4000 participants and is recognized for creating a new model for church planting in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

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## COUNSELING UNDER THE CROSS: HOW MARTIN LUTHER APPLIED THE GOSPEL IN DAILY LIFE

### CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

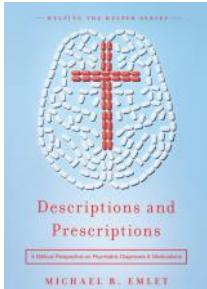
Uses a historic Christian approach to pastoral care (sustaining, healing, reconciling, and guiding) as a grid or map to probe the narrative of Luther's pastoral care. It will then utilize this map as an equipping tool for modern-day pastoral and lay counselors.

Martin Luther not only reformed theology, but his understanding of the gospel revolutionized soul care. Kellemen explains how Martin Luther's gospel-centered and cross-focused pastoral care transformed his own approach to soul care. As Kellemen mines Luther's own writings and other first hand accounts, readers will gain a new understanding of how Luther richly, relevantly, robustly, and relationally applied the gospel to suffering, sin, sanctification, and our search for peace with God.

*Counseling Under the Cross* will guide pastors, counselors, lay leaders, and friends toward a rich understanding of the gospel that will directly impact their personal ministry to others. Through lively vignettes, real-life stories, and direct quotes from Luther, readers will be equipped to apply the gospel to themselves and others so together they find their hope and help in Christ alone.

**AUTHOR(S):** Robert W. Kellemen, PhD, is the Vice President for Institutional Advancement and Chair of the Biblical Counseling Department at Crossroads Bible College and the founder and CEO of RPM Ministries. He is also the author of many books, including *Gospel-Centered Counseling* and *Gospel Conversations*.

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## DESCRIPTIONS AND PRESCRIPTIONS: A BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE ON PSYCHIATRIC DIAGNOSIS AND MEDICATIONS

CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

Both lay and professional helpers (including pastors, counselors, and other church leaders) will benefit from Dr. Emlet's discussion of how to minister to those who are struggling with mental health issues. A Biblical and balanced approach to psychiatric diagnoses and treatment that neither dismisses labels and treatments nor blindly accepts.

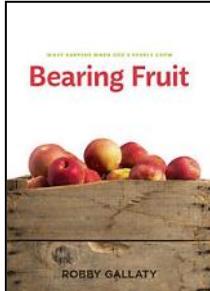
OCD, ADHD, PTSD, Bipolar Disorder . . . these are not just diagnoses from the DSM; they are part of our everyday vocabulary and understanding of people. As Christians, how should we think about psychiatric diagnoses and their associated treatments? We can't afford to isolate ourselves and simply dismiss these categories as unbiblical. Nor can we afford to accept the entire secular psychiatric diagnostic and treatment enterprise at face value as though Scripture is irrelevant for these complex struggles. Instead, we need a balanced, biblically (and scientifically!) informed approach that is neither too warmly embracing nor too coldly dismissive of psychiatric labels and the psychiatric medications that are often prescribed.

Biblical counselor and retired physician, Michael R. Emlet, gives readers a helpful way forward on these important issues as he guides lay and professional helpers in the church through the thicket of mental health diagnoses and treatments in a clear, thoughtful primer in which the Bible informs our understanding of psychiatric diagnoses and the medications that are often recommended based on those labels. This first book in the "Helping the Helper" series will give readers biblical, gospel-formed categories that will help them understand and minister to those who are struggling with mental health issues.

**AUTHOR(S):** Michael R. Emlet, MDiv, MD, practiced as a family physician for over ten years before becoming a counselor and faculty member at the Christian Counseling & Educational Foundation (CCEF). He is the author of the book *CrossTalk: Where Life & Scripture Meet*, the minibooks *Asperger Syndrome*, *Angry Children*, *Chronic Pain*, *Help for the Caregiver*, and *OCD: Freedom for the Obsessive Compulsive*.

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## BEARING FRUIT: WHAT HAPPENS WHEN GOD'S PEOPLE GROW

CHRISTIAN LIFE

In *Bearing Fruit*, Robby Gallaty walks us through the life of the Christian. Biblical, intentional, and practical, it points our hearts to the gracious God who called us, justified us, and is now sanctifying us by the work of his Holy Spirit.

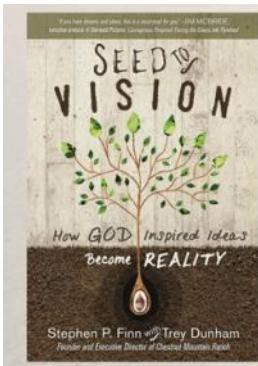
Why are so many Christians stagnant in their faith? Why do we often live as though the gospel stops at the moment of conversion?

The good news of Jesus doesn't stop the moment we get saved. In fact, salvation is only the beginning of God's work in our lives. We often view salvation as the ending point; it's really the beginning point. The gospel of Jesus doesn't only justify us; it sanctifies us. When we receive the Holy Spirit at salvation, an incredible work begins to happen in us: we begin to bear fruit. When we are firmly planted in the gospel and committed to growing in Christ, He produces in us the fruits of the Spirit, the marks of a true Christian.

**AUTHOR(S):** Robby Gallaty is the Senior Pastor of Long Hollow Baptist Church in Hendersonville, TN. He was radically saved out of a life of drug addiction on November 12, 2002. In 2008, he began Replicate Ministries to equip and train men and women to be disciples who make disciples. He is also the author of *Creating An Atmosphere to Hear God Speak* (2009), *Unashamed: Taking a Radical Stand for Christ* (2010), *Growing Up: How to Be a Disciple Who Makes Disciples* (2013), *Firmly Planted: How to Cultivate a Faith Rooted in Christ* (2015), *Rediscovering Discipleship: Making Jesus' Final Words Our First Work* (2015), *MARCS of a Disciple* (2016), and *The Forgotten Jesus: Why Western Christians Should Follow an Eastern Rabbi* (2017).

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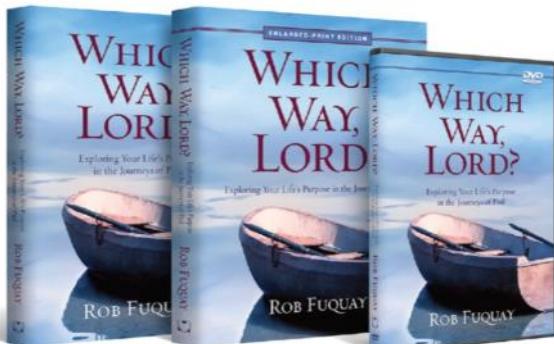


"If you have dreams and plans,  
this is a must-read for you."

Jim McBride, executive producer of Courageous, Fireproof, Flywheel, and Facing the Giants

## How do we live the life God intends for each of us?

The Damascus road experience was not the only event that sent the apostle Paul on his quest. His entire life—his traditions, education, travels, and challenges—shaped him for ministry. Rediscover the truths that you are wonderfully made, created for purpose, and equipped to live a life of significance. Join us as we travel together to find our purpose through this 6-week series.

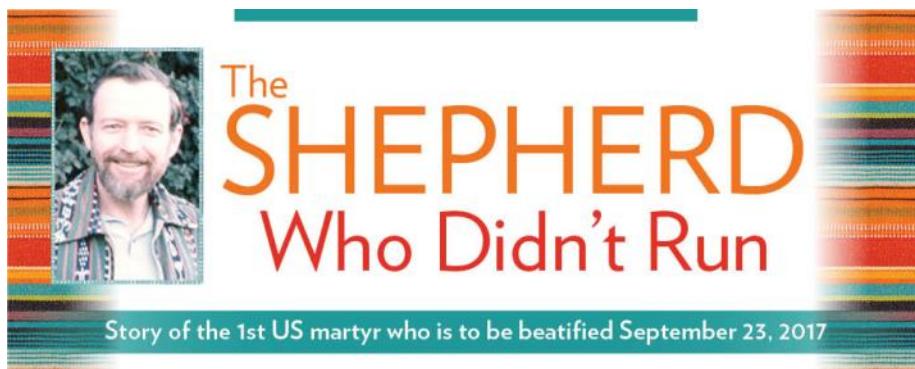
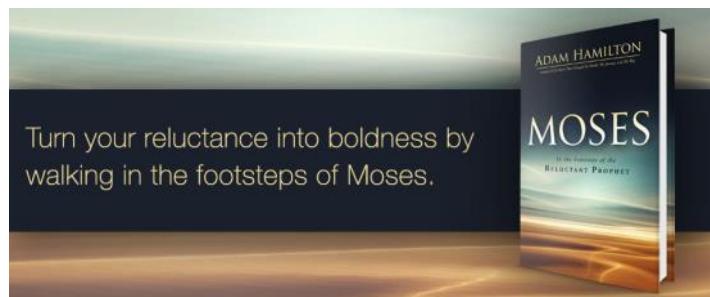
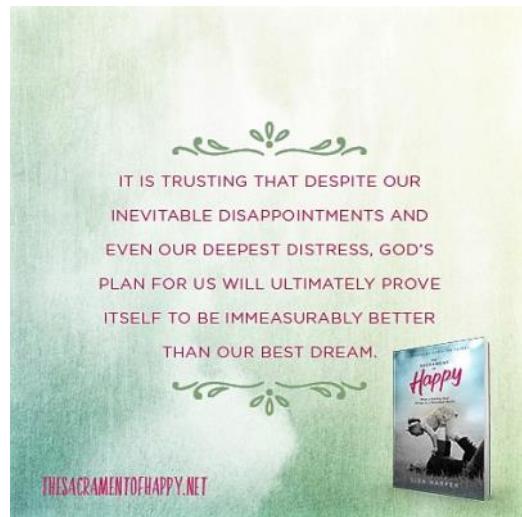


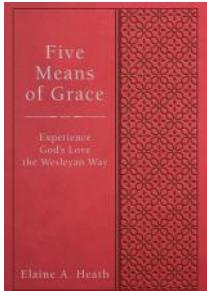
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## FIVE MEANS OF GRACE: EXPERIENCE GOD'S LOVE THE WESLEYAN WAY

CHRISTIAN LIFE

Wesley showed us ways to reorder our lives through the “means of grace.”

John Wesley gave the Methodist movement (and all Christians in general) a discipleship pathway to follow. Wesley observed the need for continuous renewal of relationships with God and others, so he established a recurring annual process for God’s people to make One Faithful Promise: The Wesleyan Covenant for Renewal. The study by Heath turns to the practices at the center of Wesley’s understanding of spiritual growth: the means of grace.

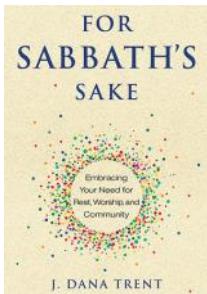
This book/study guides readers through the five means of grace that John Wesley called “instituted,” meaning these are spiritual practices in which Jesus himself participated and which he encouraged his followers to do. One of the beautiful aspects of Wesley’s theology is that spiritual practices are seamlessly integrated with practices of loving our neighbors well. This is why Wesley said there is no holiness but social holiness. A life of genuine prayer inevitably leads to a life of hospitality, mercy, and justice.

Through this book/study participants will consider how each of the five means of grace help us as communities of faith to pray more deeply and live more missionally as followers of Jesus Christ. These means are the ordinary channels that God uses to draw us into a fruitful relationship. These five means or channels are:

1. Prayer
2. Searching Scripture
3. Receiving the Lord’s Supper
4. Fasting
5. Conferencing (communion, fellowship)

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## FOR SABBATH'S SAKE: EMBRACING YOUR NEED FOR REST, WORSHIP AND COMMUNITY

CHRISTIAN LIFE

Discover a spiritual practice that helps maintain spiritual, emotional, physical and mental health. Trent provides an explanation of scriptural, historical, and cultural basis for sabbath in the Judeo and Christian traditions. She then explores the relationship to rest, worship and community in today's world.

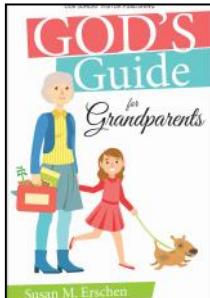
Many balk at the idea of setting aside an entire day for worship, rest, and time with those who matter most to them. In a culture of constant busyness, the lines have blurred between our work and personal lives, and we feel pulled in many directions.

Yet we long for more time well spent—unrushed time to be alone, relax with friends and family, and grow closer to God. Many of us seem to have forgotten the ancient spiritual practice that can help us regain balance in our lives: Sabbath.

*For Sabbath's Sake* dives into the heart of what keeps us from Sabbath. With humor and honesty, J. Dana Trent reveals her own struggles with setting apart a day devoted to God, rest, and community. This book traces the rich history of Sabbath, helps readers find ways to overcome barriers to this spiritual practice, and gives them achievable ways to build Sabbath into their own lives.

**AUTHOR(S):** The Rev. J. Dana Trent is an award-winning author, speaker, minister, and teacher. She is a graduate of Duke Divinity School and adjunct faculty member at Wake Technical Community College, where she teaches World Religions. Her work has appeared on Time.com, *The Christian Century*, *The Huffington Post*, *Patheos*, and *Sojourners*. Her debut book, *Saffron Cross: The Unlikely Story of How a Christian Minister Married a Hindu Monk* (Fresh Air Books, 2013) chronicled her interfaith marriage.

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## GOD'S GUIDE FOR GRANDPARENTS

### CHRISTIAN LIFE

These are the Gospel values and the teachings of today's Church which must be passed on to grandchildren. These are the standards by which they will consciously or unconsciously judge the faith of their grandparents and decide whether it has value and strength for them and the future they face.

You will discover you have much to share!

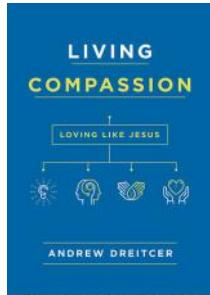
"Very often it is grandparents who ensure that the most important values are passed down to their grandchildren, and many people can testify that they owe their initiation into the Christian life to their grandparents." – Pope Francis, *The Joy of Love* 192

Parents have great hopes and dreams as they become grandparents. This is not a starring role. It is a supporting role. They look forward to the joy, fun times, and special memories. They can share their treasured family traditions and faith with a new generation. How can grandparents truly make a difference in their grandchildren's lives though?

*God's Guide for Grandparents* tackles that question by exploring sacred scripture, the lives of saints, the teachings of the Church, the writings of Pope Francis, and anecdotes from modern grandparents. Grandparents need to have the kind of spirituality necessary to inspire faith in their grandchildren ... being obedient to the wishes of another; accepting others without judgment; showing compassion to those in need; serving where needed; sharing; looking with awe at God' creation; living peacefully; having courage; being generous; being content with what you have; loving unconditionally; trusting in God; looking to the future with hope; being joyful; praying better; and being grateful.

**AUTHOR(S):** Susan M. Erschen is a writer and columnist of numerous faith-based articles and pamphlets. She has written and compiled training manuals in the areas of stewardship and parish development. She has presented webinars, appeared on radio talk shows, and is a national presenter of faith topics.

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## LIVING COMPASSION, LOVING LIKE JESUS

### CHRISTIAN LIFE

In the face of hurtful public discourse and worldwide conflict, many Christians long for lives of genuine compassion. After all, centuries of Christian teachings have insisted that compassion forms the heart of the Christian life.

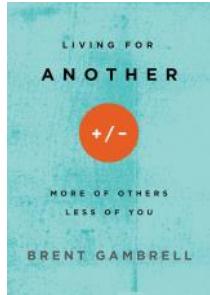
What does it mean to be compassionate in the way Jesus was? What does wise, courageous, world-transforming compassion look like in daily life? And assuming we know what compassion is, how do we form true compassion in our lives? How do we become compassionate toward ourselves and others—even those we experience as enemies?

In response to such questions, psychologists, scientists, and religious teachers have begun offering meditative practices that cultivate compassion. But what about Christianity? Do compassion practices show up within the Christian spiritual path? It turns out they do. But the compassion-forming power of these practices has been largely overlooked—until now.

*In Living Compassion*, Andrew Dreitcer leads us through compassion practices that appear from the earliest centuries of Christianity right up to the present. Each practice, whether ancient or contemporary, moves us from understanding compassion to truly living compassion.

**AUTHOR(S):** Andrew Dreitcer is a faculty member of Claremont School of Theology, where he is associate professor of spirituality, director of spiritual formation, and codirector of the Center for Engaged Compassion.

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## LIVING FOR ANOTHER: MORE OF OTHERS, LESS OF YOU

### CHRISTIAN LIFE

Find abundant life by living a life of voluntary loss.

What did Jesus really mean when he said, "For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it." (Matthew 16:25 NIV)?

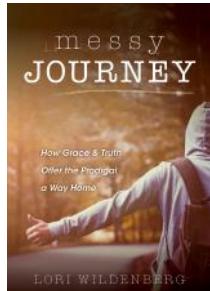
*In Living for Another*, author and speaker Brent Gambrell calls the reader to realize that God has called us all to abundant life, but in order to have that, we must live a life for someone other than ourselves. You must live for another.

Your life is not destined to be a cautionary tale of what could have been. Have an abundant life by living a life of voluntary loss; a life poured out intentionally for others. Live a life that pleases the One who gave his life for you.

Live an abundant life when you live for another.

**AUTHOR(S):** Brent Gambrell is the president of Brent Gambrell Ministries, a nonprofit ministry based in Nashville, Tennessee, which includes A Door to Hope missions. Since 1990, Brent has been traveling full-time, speaking and ministering to adults, students, groups, and churches around the world. He has co-authored the *Experiencing God Bible Study*, youth edition and developed the *Who You Are in Christ DVD Bible Study Series*. Visit him online at [brentgambrellministries.com](http://brentgambrellministries.com).

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## MESSY JOURNEY: HOW GRACE AND TRUTH OFFER THE PRODIGAL A WAY HOME

### CHRISTIAN LIFE

This book is just what parents walking the difficult road with a wayward child need. This book addresses some ways to maintain a loving/caring relationship without compromising your belief system. This is a two-way street. At times, the child can be made to feel discounted and at other times, the parent can feel the same way.

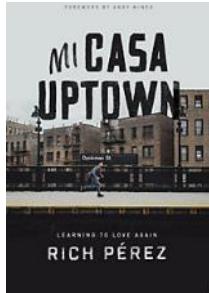
Author and licensed parent and family educator Lori Wildenberg offers practical grace- and truth-filled ways of navigating your relationship with a detoured child—whether they are rejecting faith, dabbling in sin, or wholeheartedly embracing sinful behavior.

This book is filled with stories from dozens of Christian parents and some prodigals. It includes the author's personal journey with a same-sex attracted daughter. The book is vulnerable and honest. No matter why a parent has a prodigal (or if you love someone who does) this book will bring comfort, help, and encouragement.

There is hope. After all, their struggle isn't really with you—it's with God.

**AUTHOR(S):** Lori Wildenberg understands full well the heartache and struggles of having a young person take an unexpected detour. As mom to a daughter who wrestles with her faith and identity, she personally understands what parents of kids gone astray endure. As a licensed parent and family educator, she is professionally equipped to encourage and empower parents of kids in hard places. With more than 25 years' experience working with parents and kids in both secular and faith-based settings, her philosophy is focused on developing a child's heart and character while creating a family system that is interdependent and dependent on God. A national speaker, Lori is a cofounder of the 1 Corinthians 13 Parenting ministry, coauthor of three parenting books, lead mentor mom for the Moms Together Facebook community, and a freelance writer for a number of online Christian parenting magazines. Learn more about Lori at <https://loriwildenberg.blogspot.com/>

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## MI CASA UPTOWN: LEARNING TO LOVE AGAIN

### CHRISTIAN LIFE

Pastor and storyteller Rich Perez casts vision for what it might look like to pursue love—love expressed with eyes wide open—in the context of the real world.

What if, instead of contempt, familiarity bred love?

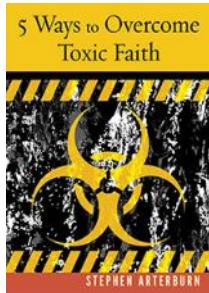
It seems as if the more we get to know one another, the more we are disappointed. When the scars of our friends, family, and neighbors are exposed, we are tempted to turn and run. But there is another way.

Pastor and storyteller Rich Perez casts vision for what it might look like to pursue love—love expressed with eyes wide open—in the context of the real world. Because love is not primarily a feeling, an emotion, or a sentiment, Perez challenges readers through a combination of memoir and teaching to take a different path than the momentum that carries the culture we live in. With the flavor of Washington Heights, New York, readers will be transported into Perez's neighborhood on a journey to learn how to love again.

**AUTHOR(S):** Through a variety of speaking experiences, Rich Perez has grown into a unique storyteller and thought-leader in faith, family, the arts, and the Hispanic-American experience. In 2011 Rich and his family led a team of friends into his hometown neighborhood (Washington Heights), and started a church that would embrace the very values with which they lived. Rich is the lead pastor of Christ Crucified Fellowship in New York City, where he lives with his wife and kids.

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## NEW LIFE SERIES: 5 WAYS TO OVERCOME TOXIC FAITH

### CHRISTIAN LIFE

*The New Life Series* by Stephen Arterburn is a practical collection of counseling titles covering everything from spiritual to relational topics. From midlife crises to spiritual legalism, Arterburn guides readers through the doorway of biblical truth to find freedom and Christ-like transformation.

Religion without love is incomplete, but how can you be sure you're truly being transformed by the gospel? From Jesus' warnings to the Pharisees to parables in the Bible, this mini book will help you spot the signs of misguided faith.

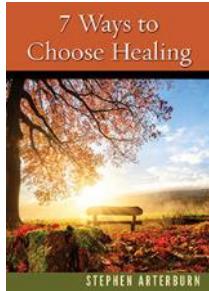
Get redirected with practical tips to build the strength and inspiration to walk in biblical faith and grace in *5 Ways to Overcome Toxic Faith*. It includes:

- Step-by-step advice based on biblical principles
- Relatable stories and time tested counseling advice
- Scriptures and summaries of Jesus' teachings and lessons

**AUTHOR(S):** Stephen Arterburn is the founder and chairman of New Life Ministries and host of the #1 nationally syndicated Christian counseling talk show New Life Live! heard and watched by over 2 million people each week on nearly 200 radio stations nationwide. He is a best-selling author of books such as *Every Man's Battle* and *Healing Is A Choice*. With over 8 million books in print he has been writing about God's transformational truth since 1984. Steve's ministry focuses on identifying and compassionately responding to the needs of those seeking healing and restoration through God's truth.

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## **NEW LIFE SERIES: 7 WAYS TO CHOOSE HEALING**

### **CHRISTIAN LIFE**

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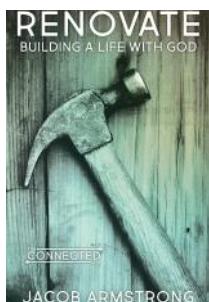
The power to heal (emotionally, spiritually, mentally, and physically) is in God's hands, but the ability to receive his healing touch is your choice. From 7 practical steps toward healing to hidden roadblocks that keep you in unnecessary pain, Arterburn will help you rediscover the transforming power of God's Word.

#### Features:

- Step-by-step advice based on biblical principles
- Relatable stories and time tested counseling advice
- Powerful Scriptures to guide your walk towards freedom and joy in Christ

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## **RENOVATE: BUILDING A LIFE WITH GOD**

### **CHRISTIAN LIFE**

God wants to begin—and then continue—a work of renovation in you. Thankfully, spiritual renovation is not a do-it-yourself project. We need God's great power working through us to renovate our lives by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Renovating a house can be an exciting and rewarding experience. But the act of renovation can often leave the house in a state of disarray, causing stress and frustration. In the same way, God wants to renovate your life by altering the "old you" and creating a "new you" with an improved heart. It's not going to be easy, and your life might experience some disarray, but renovating with God is the opportunity of a lifetime.

Using the Book of Nehemiah, Armstrong explores the physical and spiritual renovation experienced by the nation of Judah. Nehemiah knew that his plan for renovating the wall and gates of Jerusalem would be hard work. But equally hard would be the spiritual renovation of the Jewish people as they returned to their homeland.

**AUTHOR(S):** Jacob Armstrong is the founding pastor of Providence Church in Mt. Juliet, Tennessee. Providence's vision is to see those who are disconnected from God and the church to find hope, healing, and wholeness in Jesus Christ. Jacob is the author of *Treasure*, *The God Story*, *Upside Down*, *Loving Large*, *Interruptions*, *The New Adapters* and *Renovate*.

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## RIGHT HERE RIGHT NOW: THE PRACTICE OF CHRISTIAN MINDFULNESS

### CHRISTIAN LIFE

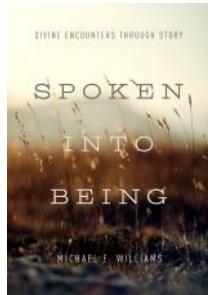
Growing interest in Christian mindfulness practice is rooted in the rediscovery of ancient Christian practices.

Christians have always practiced mindfulness. Yet, from the popular landscape of mindfulness movement, you'd never know that. Where is the Christian voice in this fast-growing movement? Many Christians practice mindfulness outside of church and believe it does not belong to our faith tradition. This book reveals the Christian roots of mindfulness and the actual practices that, when reclaimed, deepen the life of faith and the power of our mission of love in the world. When we understand how radical it is to live in God's presence right here, right now, our lives are transformed toward mercy, justice and abundant life.

Amy Oden shows how the practice of Christian mindfulness begins with the teachings of Jesus and continues throughout Christian history. It also includes step-by-step instructions for the practice of Christian mindfulness today. Pastors and leaders will find this book useful on the ground as they curate current culture and guide Christians in spiritual practices.

**AUTHOR(S):** Amy G. Oden is Professor of Early Church History and Spirituality at Saint Paul School of Theology at Oklahoma City University and the author of *In Her Words* and *And You Welcomed Me*, both published by Abingdon Press.

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## SPOKEN INTO BEING: DIVINE ENCOUNTERS THROUGH STORY

### CHRISTIAN LIFE

How storytelling helps us explore our lives and meet God in new ways.

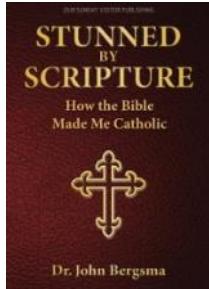
When we tell stories, we speak a world into being—just as God did in the creation accounts in the book of Genesis. *Spoken into Being* is both a guide to telling our own stories and a reminder that we have been spoken into being as part of a much larger story.

Employing poetry, personal narrative, and retellings of biblical stories, Michael Williams leads us to a deeper knowledge of the power of narrative. Storytelling is not simply a way to express spiritual insights but also a way to explore our lives and the world around us so we can encounter the divine presence anew. Not all stories serve us well, however. Stories of fear stop us in our tracks and become roadblocks on the journey, while stories of fantasy, no matter how alluring, are dead-end streets.

*Spoken into Being* points to a path beyond fear and fantasy, a way toward encounters with the Holy, where all things are being made new, and the unexpected is the norm.

**AUTHOR(S):** Michael Williams is a United Methodist pastor who served in the Tennessee Conference for over 40 years, most recently at West End United Methodist Church, Nashville, Tennessee. The author of numerous articles, stories, poems, plays, and books, he served as general editor of *The Storyteller's Companion to the Bible* series from Abingdon Press. Michael has been a featured storyteller at the National Storytelling Festival.

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## STUNNED BY SCRIPTURE: HOW THE BIBLE MADE ME CATHOLIC

### CHRISTIAN LIFE

The Papacy, Mary, the Mass...just where are these topics in the Bible? Why does the Catholic Church seem to do so many things that aren't in Scripture? Or so thought former Protestant pastor John Bergsma. He was both drawn to, and repulsed by, the Catholic Church.

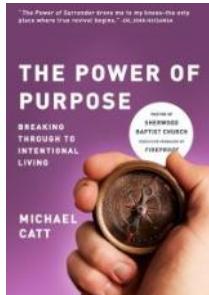
This is the engaging journey of Bergsma's arrival at the University of Notre Dame to get his doctorate in Bible from their ecumenical theology department. No way was he becoming Catholic, but God had other plans. During the eighteen-month spiritual journey that finally led to his confirmation and reception in the Catholic Church, again and again he found that Catholic teachings had Scriptural support that he had completely overlooked.

Bergsma weaves his personal story into an examination of specific Scriptures. He explores seven key Catholic doctrines including:  
--The Pope --Mary --Confession --Eucharist --Priesthood --Bible Alone --Faith Alone .

*Stunned by Scripture* will help Catholics understand, defend, and explain the Biblical basis for the Faith all the while reaffirming that the Bible solidly supports the Catholic Faith.

**AUTHOR(S):** Dr. John S. Bergsma is Professor of Theology at the Franciscan University in Steubenville. He served as a Protestant pastor for four years before entering the Catholic Church in 2001 while pursuing a Ph.D. in Theology from the University of Notre Dame. Dr. Bergsma speaks regularly at conferences and parishes nationwide. He is the author of several books.

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## THE POWER OF PURPOSE: BREAKING THROUGH TO INTENTIONAL LIVING

### CHRISTIAN LIFE

Why am I here? Why is the church here? Do we still have a place in the world? What is our purpose?

In an age when formerly great churches struggle to survive, baptismal pools are dry and altars empty, and the church is aging, seemingly indifferent to the next generation, we are tempted to believe we have no purpose. We are tempted to give up on living the meaningful, countercultural lives to which Christ has called us, and to give in to a world that encourages us to go with the flow. How will we respond?

In his letter to the Philippians, Paul gives advice that is invaluable to the twenty-first century church. The Philippians were assembled in the middle of a corrupt, sensual society, fighting against the norms of the world around them. They were God's representatives in a secular society, and they maintained a singular focus, vision, and purpose.

In *The Power of Purpose*, Pastor Michael Catt walks us through this letter to the Philippians, exploring how God is still calling His church, even in the rapidly changing world of the 21 st century, to be his representatives. He is calling us to maintain a singular focus and vision. He is calling us to the power of purpose.

**AUTHOR(S):** Michael Catt has served as senior pastor of Sherwood Baptist Church in Albany, Georgia, since 1989, and is executive producer of the popular films *Flywheel*, *Facing the Giants*, *Fireproof*, and *Courageous*, which originated from the congregation. He is the author of several books, including *The Power of Desperation*, *The Power of Persistence*, *The Power of Surrender*, and *Fireproof Your Life*. He is also the founder of the ReFRESH® revival conferences.

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## **THE SACRAMENT OF HAPPY: SURPRISED BY THE SECRET OF GENUINE JOY**

### **CHRISTIAN LIFE**

Harper unveils an extravagant, unexpected surprise, declaring that happiness— just plain feeling happy—is a gift from God that you can unashamedly enjoy.

Watch book trailer and learn more info at [www.thesacramentofhappy.net](http://www.thesacramentofhappy.net)

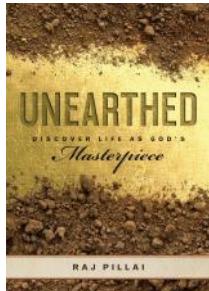
*"Her God-given ability to not merely teach the Word, but package it in a way that stirs the heart and calls to action, is incomparable"* —Priscilla

Harper delivers a warm, vignette style built upon solid theological scaffolding. She observes, for example, that God's choice of wording for the first verse of the first psalm (a word often translated as "blessed") literally means happy—one of many biblical reasons for dismantling the old-school idea that joy, not happiness, is the truly spiritual one of the Christian family. Beyond merely a circumstances-based, up-and-down emotion, happiness comes from a deep conviction in the unmitigated goodness of our Creator-Redeemer, freeing us to feel and express genuine joy, fulfillment, and contentment, regardless of personal or global tumult.

The author's personal story is filled with heart break. Yet she writes on themes like: "The lost sacrament of laughter" and "Happiness is not the absence of sadness" . So this is obviously not a book of trite, untested clichés. It goes well beneath most people's surface understanding of happiness, gently guiding readers closer to the heart of God . . . with naturally a few genuine laughs and grins to enjoy along the way.

**AUTHOR(S):** Lisa Harper served as the director of Focus on the Family's national women's ministry for six years, where she created the popular Renewing the Heart conferences. The next six years found her serving on the local level as the women's ministry director at a large church in Nashville. Lisa has authored eleven books, earned a Masters of Theological Studies degree with honors from Covenant Seminary, and is a sought-after Bible teacher and speaker. Lisa was on the Women of Faith national arena tour and speaks at many other large events as well as at hundreds of churches all over the world.

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## **UNEARTHED**

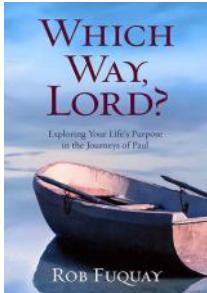
### **CHRISTIAN LIFE**

Unearthed is an exciting discovery toward unveiling how you are in fact God's masterpiece.

Author Raj Pillai unearths the faulty perspectives that often shade our understanding of ourselves and ultimately of God and reveals the masterpiece that God is crafting in our lives. Instead of leaving your true potential buried, embrace your role as a rare treasure carefully curated for God's gallery. It's time to discover life as God's masterpiece.

**AUTHOR(S):** Raj Pillai is an artist who uses the tools of words, ideas, and thoughts. He believes God has endowed every human being with a unique set of inherent gifts and potential, but each of us needs a catalyst to ignite that potential. It is his mission to kindle that potential in every person who comes in contact with him, his work, and his life. While he currently serves as a pastor of a growing church, his passion for people goes far beyond the church walls. Having served as an author, speaker, and a consultant to both Christian and secular organizations, many would also consider him a cultural anthropologist at his core. Today, he and his family call Ijamsville, Maryland, home.

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## WHICH WAY LORD? EXPLORING YOUR LIFE'S PURPOSE IN THE JOURNEYS OF PAUL

CHRISTIAN LIFE

God created every person with a desire for meaning and purpose. Most of us ask how and what do we do to live the purposeful life God intends for each of us?

The life and travels of the apostle Paul can help us find God's purpose for our lives. Where most books focus on Paul's theology or his biography, in this title he is used as an illustration of one person who kept the faith despite the odds and made a significant difference in this world.

It wasn't the Damascus experience only that sent the apostle Paul into a life of evangelism, but the entirety of his life including his traditions, his education, his travels, and his challenges that shaped him for his ministry. Paul traveled a course covering roughly 10,000 miles to spread the Good News throughout the Mediterranean world. After years of prayer and discernment, Paul was certain of his purpose, but he had no idea how God's plan for him would take shape. This series helps us unpack our life alongside Paul's life, past and present, to find our purpose and passion.

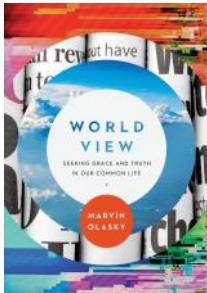
Rediscover you are wonderfully made, created for purpose, and equipped to live a life of significance, despite the adversity and detours you will encounter along the way. Join us as we travel to find our purpose together.

Companion DVD available! Video sessions filmed in Turkey, Israel, and Greece; age-level discussion guides for children, youth, and adults; sermon helps; worship media; daily devotions; and more.

**AUTHOR(S):** Rob Fuquay is senior pastor of St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Indianapolis, Indiana. He has served several congregations with his gifts of strong preaching, leadership development, and preaching. Rob and his wife, Susan, have three daughters. He has degrees from Pfeiffer University and Candler School of Theology at Emory University. He is the best-selling author of *The God We Can Know: Exploring the "I Am" Statements of Jesus*.

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CHRISTIAN LIFE



## WORLD VIEW: SEEKING GRACE AND TRUTH IN OUR COMMON LIFE

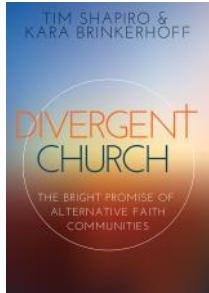
Sets forth a much needed vision for how Christians can speak truth and demonstrate mercy at the same time.

What would our common life be like if Christians were known not only for speaking truth, but also for demonstrating mercy? Marvin Olasky, best-selling author and editor in chief of *World Magazine* describes this kind of salty Christianity in a far-ranging collection of columns from *World*. As Dr. Olasky comments on world events and also shares his personal interactions, readers will be encouraged to bring both grace and truth to every encounter.

While deeply committed to standing for biblical truth in the public square, Olasky is just as interested in Christians living out the biblical virtues of humility, kindness, and mercy in all of life. His call for biblical values to include both truth and grace, makes his voice stand out in a world that often falsely divides those goals and settles for a poor imitation of the robust Christianity he calls readers to.

**AUTHOR(S):** Marvin Olasky is editor-in-chief of WORLD News Group, a distinguished chair in journalism and public policy at Patrick Henry College, and the author of more than twenty books, including *Compassionate Conservatism* and *The Tragedy of American Compassion*. He and his wife, Susan, have four sons and one granddaughter.

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## DIVERGENT CHURCH: THE BRIGHT PROMISE OF ALTERNATIVE FAITH COMMUNITIES

CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Innovative Christians - engaging in time-honored practices - are creating new types of communities.

What are those practices? What do these unconventional, alternative faith communities look like? How are they, perhaps, indicators of a hopeful new future for the church? And what can we learn from them?

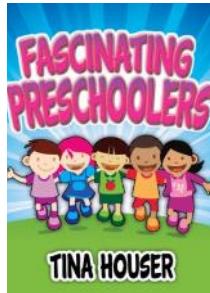
These authors spent more than a year researching and exploring these questions, closely examining the life of a dozen alternative faith communities across the country. They include new monastic communities, food-oriented communities, affinity group communities, house churches, hybrid churches and others. They are creative, ingenious, innovative, clever, dynamic and transformative. But they represent human expressions of activities that have always been part of human religious congregations: hospitality, learning, storytelling, care, leadership, worship and honoring place.

### **AUTHOR(S):**

Tim Shapiro is President of the Center for Congregations in Indianapolis. He previously served Presbyterian churches in Indiana and Ohio. He studied family systems theory under Edwin Friedman.

Kara Brinkerhoff is the resource grants director at the Center for Congregations, as well as a resource consultant to congregations. She previously served for eight years as the Center's education director. Before working at the Center, Kara served First Friends Meeting of Indianapolis as associate pastor. With a degree in marketing from Butler University's College of Business Administration and a master of divinity degree from Christian Theological Seminary, Kara brings a blend of pragmatism, intuition and passion for lifelong learning to the Center.

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## FASCINATING PRESCHOOLERS

CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

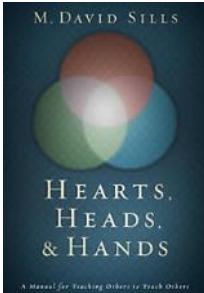
Another great resource from the master of Christian ministry resources.

Pretty much everything in a preschooler's life is new ... and it's all fascinating! Through each experience they learn more about the world and themselves. It's also a wonderful time in their lives to learn about God.

Fascinating Preschoolers is full of activities that will spark a preschooler's interest, cause their eyes to get big with wonder, and connect them to their Creator.

**AUTHOR(S):** Tina Houser has been in children's ministry for 33 years, yet she still thrives on being able to train those who share her passion for reaching kids for the Kingdom. She is a member of the Kidmin Academy faculty, focusing on early childhood ministry. She has authored 17 books, one of which is used as a textbook in select universities! She loves spending time with her 3 grandkids who give her tons of ideas to use in kidmin and refer to her as "Silly Grandma." Check out what's happening with Tina at [tinahouser.net](http://tinahouser.net).

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## HEARTS, HEADS, AND HANDS: A HANDBOOK FOR TEACHING OTHERS TO TEACH OTHERS

CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

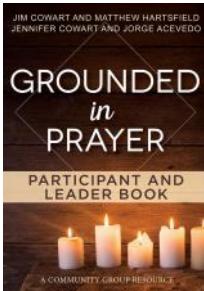
*Hearts, Heads, and Hands* is the manifestation of a training method that missiologist, professor, and missions agency president, Dr. David Sills, has developed on the basis of decades of missions experience around the world.

Tried, tested, and proven, Heads, Hearts, and Hands will equip those training pastors with the foundational information they must communicate to those God is calling to serve Him. The content is built around the method Dr. Sills developed to equip pastors with a spiritual foundation (their “heart”), a biblical foundation (their “head”), and a methodological foundation (their “hands”), ensuring that they know how to rightly divide and teach God’s Word, understand the need to model the spiritual characteristics of a pastor, and have the practical tools necessary to lead and administer a local church.

Individual subject modules also available.

**AUTHOR(S):** M. David Sills is associate dean of Christian Missions and the A. P. and Faye Stone Professor of Christian Missions and Cultural Anthropology at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has planted and pastored churches in both the United States and Ecuador, and he is the founder and president of Reaching & Teaching International Ministries, a ministry to train pastors and leaders around the world. He is the author of *The Missionary Call* and *Reaching and Teaching*, as well as several books in Spanish.

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## LIVING THE FIVE SERIES: GROUNDED IN PRAYER: PARTICIPANT AND LEADER BOOK

CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

This participant experience expands on the Living the Five principles that (1) You can't do life alone, and that (5) Worship is a lifestyle.

In this book, community groups (and small groups of any kind) gather for six-session study with a focus on prayer to overcome the isolation that individuals sometimes feel when trying to sustain a prayer life alone. Based on The Lord's Prayer, participants order their lives in relationships that are strengthened through personal and corporate prayer with God. The six sessions are:

- Session One: Your Holy Name
- Session Two: Our God's Reign
- Session Three: Everything We Need
- Session Four: Forgive Us!
- Session Five: Deliver Us!
- Session Six: For God's Glory

Grounded in Prayer consists of a Participant/Leader Book and DVD with 6 video sessions. The next title in the series is *Grounded in Creed*.

**AUTHOR(S):** Jim Cowart is the founding pastor of Harvest Church, a United Methodist congregation in Warner Robins, GA, near Macon. Harvest launched in 2001, and has an average attendance of 3,000 each weekend. The church grows primarily through professions of faith from new Christians. The innovative “community group” strategy is producing more than 350 small groups meeting in homes and workplaces.

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## **SENDING WELL: A FIELD GUIDE TO GREAT CHURCH PLANTER COACHING**

### **CHRISTIAN MINISTRY**

*Sending Well: A Field Guide to Great Church Planter Coaching* gives practical steps for creating a system that delivers great coaching to church planters. Whether you are coaching planters or attempting to develop coaches for multiple planters, this book will help you.

*Sending Well* helps coaches and leaders enhance their coaching efforts in three parts:

1. Build a Coaching Framework – Coaching is a vehicle to help church planters pursue their unique Kingdom assignment. Building a coaching framework is crucial to this assignment. Church planter coaches and the planters they coach must have the same purposes in mind. Building a framework helps ensure this will be the case.
2. Develop Great Coaches – Great coaches are made not born; they are developed. *Sending Well* creates simple targets for coaches who want to move from “good enough” to “great.”
3. Deliver Great Coaching – The meaning of the word “coach” must evolve from training to action. “Coach” is a verb, and supporting church planters is the desired outcome. *Sending Well* explores four vital elements of a coaching delivery system.

**AUTHOR(S):** Dino Senesi is the Coaching Director of the North American Mission Board’s Send Network (SBC). He has led congregations and encouraged leaders for over thirty years. He has served local churches and his ten years of denominational leadership have provided hands-on experience with hundreds of churches and leaders. Dino has a Bachelor of Arts from Milligan College, and a Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He holds coaching credentials through CoachNet Global ([www.coachnet.org](http://www.coachnet.org)); Pastor’s Coaching Network ([www.visionventures.org](http://www.visionventures.org)) and Creative Results Management ([www.creativeresultsmanagement.com](http://www.creativeresultsmanagement.com)).

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## **SPEED SKETCH CURRICULUM SERIES**

### **CHRISTIAN MINISTRY**

In response to the need for fun and interactive products in the church, now there is a video-based curriculum supplement that presents the stories of the Bible in a new and exciting way.

Curriculum helps build a biblical foundation and overall understanding of the essential Bible stories with 12-14 lessons per quarter, with video, and age appropriate activities. Learn more about the series at <http://speedsketch.warnerpress.org/>

Inspire the imaginations and hearts of audiences young and old, and discover a new way of simply telling God's old, yet still-relevant stories. Engaging video-accelerated illustration brings to life key stories found throughout the Bible, both Old and New Testaments.

Main Objectives:

- How God WRITES the story
- How the story LEADS us to Jesus
- How WE become a part of His story to LIVE faithfully
- How to SHARE the story with others

What is NEW about the curriculum?

- Children's in-class and take-home pages reinforce Bible story with fun activities, Bible Fun Facts, and key Scripture verses
- Simplified user-friendly teaching format
- Scope and Sequence focuses on 52 essential Bible stories each year to help build an overall understanding of the bible
- Interactive speed sketch Bible story video to help kids visualize each lesson

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## STRATEGIC THINKING: HOW TO SUSTAIN EFFECTIVE MINISTRY

CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Strategic thinking is not about seeing a need and addressing it. It is about focusing on a purpose and pursuing it single-mindedly.

- Offers a powerful and more effective alternative to the inherently limited models of strategic planning.
- Equips leaders to think strategically, to make good decisions, timely adjustments, and to get measurable results.
- Illustrates how strategic thinking is really about drawing a line from organizational identity, through the changing mission field, to a desired mission result

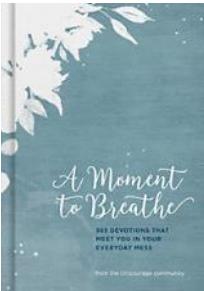
Strategic also thinking involves an element of risk. In order to go beyond the box to be relevant to the changing community, churches must accept more risk. They must be willing to go beyond the comfort zones of members to improve the effectiveness of programs. They must be willing to risk failure and learn from mistakes by implementing creative new ideas. And they must be willing to stop wasting limited resources of time, talent, and money on sacred cows that no longer drive the church toward its vision.

Keeping this line straight, and not diverting, is the art of strategic thinking.

**AUTHOR(S):** Thomas G. Bandy is an internationally-recognized church consultant and leadership coach. He works across the spectrum of church traditions, denominations, congregations, contexts, and cultures. Tom coaches transforming and transitioning congregations, church plants, multi-site and cross-cultural churches, and faith-based nonprofits. He is the president of Thriving Church Consulting LLC and can be found in his virtual office at ThrivingChurch.com. He is the author of several books on congregational leadership.

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## A MOMENT TO BREATHE: 365 DEVOTIONS THAT MEET YOU IN YOUR EVERYDAY MESS

DEVOTIONAL

With 365 readings, *A Moment to Breathe* begins each day with a passage of Scripture, tells a story of everyday faith, and encourages you to take a moment to breathe with a simple but fun way to complete your day. So kick off your shoes and join us for a relaxing but special time, where friends come together and share the real stuff of everyday faith.

When the rush of regular life leaves you breathless by day's end, this collection of everyday stories becomes the place where you can come as you are, and find yourself among friends. Friends who have been there. Friends who'll lean in close and say, "Me too!" Through our stories the bonds of friendship deepen as we listen to each other, laugh with each other, and learn from each other. Because we're better when we're living this one beautiful life together.

The stories on these pages become the very place your soul can exhale, where you can:

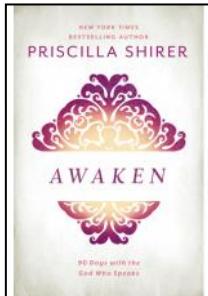
- Connect with the hearts of women through stories that echo your own.
- Find beauty in the ordinary and sometimes messy moments of your everyday life.
- See your own stories as an offering of hope to those around you.
- Treasure the unseen ways God moves through even your most regular days.

With 365 readings, each day begins with a passage of Scripture, tells a story of everyday faith, and encourages you to take a moment to breathe with a simple but fun way to complete your day.

**AUTHOR(S):** Denise J. Hughes is the author of the *Word Writers Bible Study Series* and host of the Deeper Waters Retreat. She enjoys serving as the Editorial Coordinator for (in)courage by DaySpring, and she always finds time for tea, books, and a good football game. She is the editor of these devotions from the (in)courage community.

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## AWAKEN: 90 DAYS WITH THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

### DEVOTIONAL

These ninety devotions from the heart of a mom, wife, encourager, and friend will “awaken” you each day with fresh insights gleaned from the Spirit of God. *New York Times* best-selling author Priscilla Shirer helps you mine the treasures of Scripture and fortify you for the day ahead.

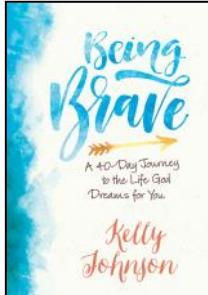
The choice of a devotional book is more personal than most. This kind of reading is not merely for the purpose of leisure and enjoyment. No, with this kind of resource you’re expecting and praying for something more. You want to hear from God, receive His direction, and be refreshed in the depths of your soul. Only God’s Word can do that. So you need to choose wisely.

With her first devotional book, Priscilla Shirer makes your choice easy. For even though she’s written multiple best-selling books and Bible studies, including the 2016 ECPA “Christian Book of the Year” (*Fervent*), even though she regularly speaks to thousands at conference venues and churches around the world, even though she was the lead actress in a #1 box-office feature film (*War Room*) . . . It all starts for Priscilla where it all starts for you. Alone with God.

Alone with His Word. Eager to hear His voice. Prepared to humbly and obediently respond. She hopes, more than anything else, that the daily insights you receive in these pages will challenge, encourage, and strengthen you in every way.

**AUTHOR(S):** Priscilla Shirer is a Bible teacher and conference speaker with a Master’s degree in Biblical Studies from Dallas Theological Seminary. Also a popular author, her books include the *New York Times* Best-Seller, *The Resolution for Women*, *One in a Million*, and *Life Interrupted*. She is also the lead character in the *War Room* movie. Priscilla is married to Jerry with whom she founded Going Beyond Ministries.

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## BEING BRAVE: A 40-DAY JOURNEY TO THE LIFE GOD DREAMS FOR YOU

### DEVOTIONAL

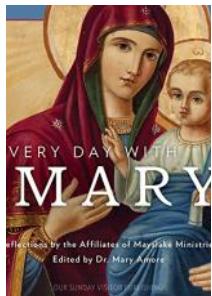
Are you sick of your fears holding you back and weary of pretending that you have it all together? Banish the fear that holds you back. You are a brave soldier!

God has made us brave, not fearful beings. In a forty-day devotional format, author and blogger Kelly Johnson invites you to consider a new way of thinking about what it means to be brave and challenges you to seek a greater intimacy with God and the people God has placed in your life.

Through Scripture, stories, prayers, and thought-provoking questions, you will recognize the seeds of divinely inspired bravery and learn the strength found in community. Using letters of the word brave as a guide, *Being Brave* highlights what God’s Word has to say about the characteristics of bravery: Bold, Resilient, Authentic, Vulnerable, and Engaged and Empowered by the Spirit.

**AUTHOR(S):** Kelly Johnson is a counselor, writer, speaker, retreat leader, and human rights advocate. A blogger since 2005, Kelly established her current blog, Grace Notes, in 2014 and maintains a following of readers on her monthly contributions to *The Glorious Table* and her church blog, Today I Saw God. She is a regular contributor to *The Huffington Post*, *The Mighty*, and *Today Parenting*. [www.kellyiveyjohnson.com](http://www.kellyiveyjohnson.com)

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## EVERYDAY WITH MARY

### DEVOTIONAL

Take a few short minutes each day to deepen your relationship with the Blessed Mother with *Every Day with Mary*. Created to help you connect your daily experiences to that of the Blessed Mother, this book will help enrich your spiritual life and draw you into a more personal relationship with Mary.

Each day you will begin your meditation with a quote from scripture, poetry or a prayer, followed by a reflection pertaining to the quote. You will then be guided into deeper prayer with a reflection question and a short prayer to our Blessed Mother.

The daily meditations are relevant to your busy life. Divided into twelve months, the theme of each month is based on the fruits of the Holy Spirit along with two additional themes:

January—Peace  
February—Love  
March—Surrender

April—Hope  
May—Gentleness  
June—Joy

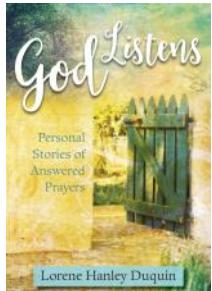
July—Serenity  
August—Abundance  
September—Self Control

October—Generosity  
November—Gratitude  
December—Patience

*Every Day with Mary* is sure to touch your heart, nourish your soul, and lead you into a deeper relationship with the mother of God.

**AUTHOR(S):** Dr. Mary Amore holds a Doctor of Ministry Degree and a Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies from Catholic Theological Union. A Cardinal Bernardin Scholar, Dr. Amore is the creator of three DVD's published through Pauline Books and Media. Dr. Amore is a national speaker featured at the LA Congress, University of Dallas Ministry Conference, and is the host of Mayslake Ministries TV, "Soul Snackin with Dr. Mary Amore."

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## GOD LISTENS: PERSONAL STORIES OF ANSWERED PRAYERS

### DEVOTIONAL

The desire to grow in prayer is a gift from God—and an invitation. Above all, Jesus urges us to persevere in prayer. "Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened".

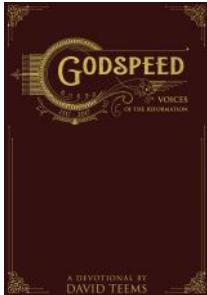
"Our prayer cannot be reduced to an hour on Sundays. It is important to have a daily relationship with the Lord."  
— Pope Francis

Most of us were taught the Our Father, the Hail Mary, grace before meals, and other basic Catholic prayers as children. Throughout our lives we should continue to rely on these traditional prayers. But it is not uncommon for people to seek other ways to pray at different stages in life. Some people look for new styles of prayer. Others want to strengthen their relationship with Jesus. Spiritual dryness and the feeling that God is very distant can cause people to search for new prayer forms. A lot of people look for new ways to pray when something bad happens.

Join Lorene Hanley Duquin as she explores true-life stories of people who turned to God in prayer. From those seeking physical healing and strength to get through a difficult situation to those praying for discernment and spiritual healing, God Listens shows that the Lord always hears the prayers of his people. Sometimes, he gives us exactly what we want—but not always. There are also times when God surprises us by leading us down paths we never even considered. The chapters focus on different prayer forms including practical ideas on how they can be applied in our own life.

**AUTHOR(S):** Lorene Hanley Duquin is a Catholic author and lecturer. She has conducted workshops in parishes and at national and diocesan conferences throughout North America. Her articles have appeared in a variety of secular and Catholic publications. She has authored numerous pamphlets on evangelization. She has written numerous books for Our Sunday Visitor including *Grieving the Loss of a Loved One*.

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## GODSPEED: VOICES OF THE REFORMATION

### DEVOTIONAL

Celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation through inspirational readings.

On his Facebook page, the author commented, *"This book challenged me in ways others have not. Reading Luther, Tyndale, Calvin and others has it consequences. Their words have powerful resonance for culture today, right now. We need them. I have done my best to stay out of their way and let them speak."*

Celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, *Godspeed* is a 365-day devotional that features the words of prominent reformers, including Martin Luther, William Tyndale, John Calvin, and others, thoughtfully illuminated by best-selling author David Teems with both historical precision and charm.

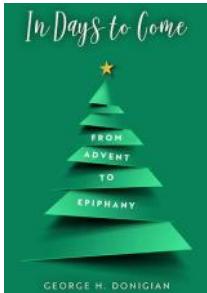
*Godspeed: Voices of the Reformation* possesses a startling relevance for today's reader, offering a word of hope, comfort, and instruction to a culture threatened by religious intolerance. The reformer's voice is clear and bright and comes to us with the authority of heaven.

The author has an upcoming companion musical recording with the same title.

**AUTHOR(S):** David Teems is an author and musician who grew up in Atlanta, Georgia, where he studied Psychology at Georgia State University and cultivated a life-long passion for the English voice-Shakespeare, Tyndale, Wordsworth, Whitman, Thomas Wolfe, and others. He has written six books including *Tyndale: The Man Who Gave God an English Voice*, and *Majesty: The King Behind the King James Bible*, and recorded several music and spoken-word albums. Find him online at [DavidTeems.com](http://DavidTeems.com).

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### DEVOTIONAL



## IN DAYS TO COME: FROM ADVENT TO EPIPHANY

### DEVOTIONAL

Many people end their celebration of Christmas on December 25, but George Donigian reminds us that the celebration is just beginning. Donigian offers meditations that begin with Advent and continue through the 12th night of Christmas--January 6 or Epiphany.

The meditations, like the surprises of an Advent calendar, touch on many different subjects. Some topics included are "An Editor," "A Counting Song," "Prudence," and "Christmas." Instead of putting away the decorations on December 25, celebrate all the days to come.

*In Days to Come* offers devotional meditations based on a merger of several Christmas traditions: Advent calendars, ancient Advent prayers known as the O Antiphons, the traditional celebration of Christmas on December 25, and the Armenian Orthodox celebration of Christmas on January 6. The meditations four per week count down from the first week of Advent to Epiphany. While each reading stands alone, the meditations are rooted in a weekly theme, with four readings per week.

**AUTHOR(S):** George Hovaness Donigian, a native of Hopewell, Virginia, graduated from Berry College and Emory University. Ordained in The United Methodist Church, Donigian served as a pastor in Virginia and now in South Carolina. Between his pastoral appointments in Virginia and South Carolina, he spent 21 years in Christian publishing at The United Methodist Publishing House and at the General Board of Discipleship (now Discipleship Ministries).

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## **LISTEN UP: 10-MINUTE FAMILY DEVOTIONS ON THE PARABLES**

**DEVOTIONAL**

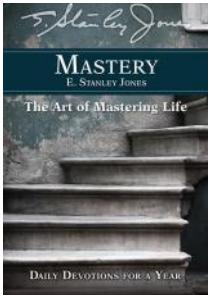
Memorable stories that will give children the tools to remember key gospel principles.

After teaching a parable Jesus often said, "Whoever has ears, let him hear." In other words, "This is important, so you better listen up" and what could be more important than the good news of the kingdom of God? This family devotional provides a unique opportunity for parents to help their children "listen up" and hear the gospel as Jesus himself shared it. Jesus told simple stories using everyday activities and objects that point to surprising spiritual truths about life in his kingdom. In the parables children (and adults!) will learn to treasure the gospel.

Children love stories and the parables provide a wonderful opportunity to engage their imaginations and help them understand and live out the good news of the kingdom of God. This thirteen-week family devotional is designed to help families explore the parables that Jesus taught through reading selected parables, activities, discussion questions, and "fun facts."

**AUTHOR(S):** Marty Machowski is a Family Life Pastor at Covenant Fellowship Church, a Sovereign Grace Ministries church in Glen Mills, Pennsylvania, where he has served on the pastoral staff for over twenty years. He is the author of numerous resources for churches and families, including the *Gospel Story for Kids* series and *The Ology*. He and his wife Lois and their six children reside in Pennsylvania.

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## **MASTERY: DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR A YEAR**

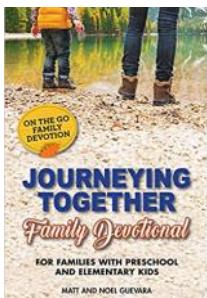
**DEVOTIONAL**

One of the greatest Christian writers of the 20th Century teaches us how to live in the 21st.

Jesus Christ lifted our fear by giving us the capacity to face things that happen to us and to make something out of them. In Mastery, E. Stanley Jones shows us how to attain the moral and spiritual mastery that came to the disciples on the Day of Pentecost. He demonstrates that mastery of living comes not by being tense and anxious, but by being receptive to the grace of God and the power of the Holy Spirit. In daily inspirational readings, affirmations, and prayers for one full year, Jones offers us guidance in mastering our lives.

**AUTHOR(S):** E. Stanley Jones (1884-1973) was a universally admired Christian missionary and evangelist of the 20th century. Called "the world's greatest missionary evangelist" by Time magazine in 1938, Jones spent 70 years traveling throughout the world. His approach to evangelism presented Christ as the universal Son of Man without the trappings of Western culture. He delivered tens of thousands of sermons and lectures, traveled 50 weeks a year, and often spoke two to six times a day. His message of the necessity of "surrender" to Jesus Christ and "Jesus is Lord" had a life-changing impact on the millions of people throughout the world who heard him speak or read his books.

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## ON THE GO FAMILY DEVOTIONS: JOURNEYING TOGETHER FAMILY DEVOTIONS

### DEVOTIONAL

"It seems like in life we get the least training for our most important missions in life. If you have ever felt overwhelmed when it comes to bringing Christ into the everyday life of your family, then this incredible book by Noel and Matt is your lifeline. You don't need to know it all at once, just use these devotionals one week at a time! You and your kids will be blessed." --David Wakerley, Hillsong Kids Pastor and Creative Director

*Journeying Together Family Devotional*, the second of the *On the Go Family Devotion* series, takes the framework introduced in Deuteronomy 6 and applies to the daily life in the modern family. Each devotional gives parents ways to share their faith at home, on the road, when they wake up, and before they go to sleep.

Each week, parents will engage in a devotion that centers them in Scripture and creates habits of engaging in casual conversations about God that will propel their child forward in their spiritual journey.

Book one was *First Steps Together*, for babies and toddlers. To the right is an example of the interior design and features.

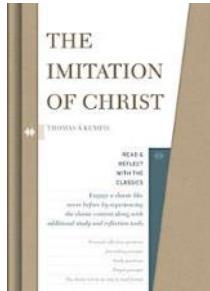
**AUTHOR(S):** Matt and Noel Guevara's story begins back in middle school, when they met at church. Now Matt leads the International Network of Children's Ministry after spending 11 years as a Children's Pastor and Campus Pastor. He holds a Master's Degree in Children's and Family Ministry from Bethel Seminary. Noel has spent two decades studying and working with kids and families. Her degrees in Elementary Education and Bible have opened doors to work in both classroom and ministry settings. Together they laugh about life with four loud, adorable kids.

#### **On the Go Family Devotions: First Steps Together Family Devotional**

For Families with Babies and Toddlers Ages 0-2



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## READ AND REFLECT WITH THE CLASSICS: THE IMITATION OF CHRIST

### DEVOTIONAL

The *Read & Reflect with the Classics* edition of *The Imitation of Christ* includes the classic text in an easy to read adaption coupled with personal reflection questions, additional study questions, and prayer prompts for today's Christian reader.

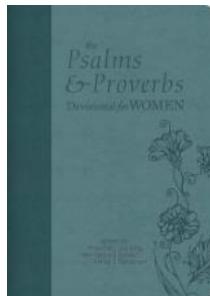
This classic of Christian devotional literature, with readings focused on the life of Christ, has brought understanding and comfort to millions for centuries. Written in a candid and conversational style, *The Imitation of Christ* discusses liberation from worldly inclinations, recollection as a preparation for prayer, the consolations of prayer, and the place of eucharistic communion in a devout life.

Learn more about the entire series at [www.bhpublishinggroup.com](http://www.bhpublishinggroup.com).

**AUTHOR(S):** Thomas a Kempis was born at Kempen, Germany, circa 1380. Seven years after joining the monastery of Mount St. Agnes in 1406, he received Holy Orders, and thereafter busied himself with prolific writing and copying work. His books include the well-known *Imitation of Christ*, *Life of Geert Groote*, and *Life of Liduina of Schiedam*, the latter of which he epitomized. He also possessed an earnest love for the poor and Holy Scripture. Thomas a Kempis died on the twenty-fifth of July, 1471.

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## THE PSALMS AND PROVERBS DEVOTIONAL FOR WOMEN

DEVOTIONAL

Two prominent seminary professors and women's conference speakers takes readers straight through the books of Psalms and Proverbs as they search for wisdom beyond themselves.

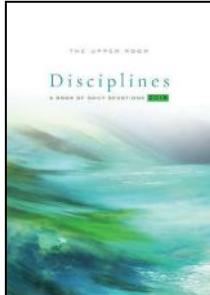
Women are searching for wisdom and discernment that makes God's will and way clear for daily living. No books in Scripture hold more instruction for how to live according to divine wisdom than Psalms and Proverbs, and these daily devotions mine their riches with choice, seasoned counsel. Blessed will be the woman who pursues this path to wisdom with passion and commitment.

Kelley and Patterson are also the coeditors of the Old Testament and New Testament volumes of the *Women's Evangelical Commentary*, *The study Bible for Women*, and the *Devotional for Women*.

**AUTHOR(S):** Dorothy Kelley Patterson is professor of Theology in Women's Studies at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. She is a homemaker, popular speaker, and successful writer, editor, and compiler of numerous books including *A Handbook for Ministers' Wives*, *The Family*, *BeAttitudes for Women*, and *Touched by Greatness: Women in the Life of Moses*. Patterson is coeditor of the Old Testament and New Testament volumes of the *Women's Evangelical Commentary*. Her husband Paige is president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Rhonda Harrington Kelley received her Ph.D. in Special Education from the University of New Orleans and serves as the President's Wife and Adjunct Professor of Women's Ministry at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in New Orleans, LA. She is a frequent speaker for women as well as the author of numerous books and coeditor of the Old Testament and New Testament volumes of the *Women's Evangelical Commentary*. Her husband Chuck is the president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

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## THE UPPER ROOM DISCIPLINES 2018

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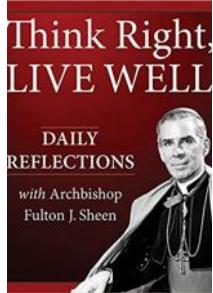
Thoughtful meditations that help us apply God's word to daily life.

Each year The Upper Room offers this best-selling book of insightful devotions to help people spend daily time with God. Fifty-three writers from diverse Christian backgrounds encourage us to immerse ourselves in scripture and apply its truths to our lives.

Each day of this powerful devotional guide offers a selected Bible reading, a meditation on the scripture passage, and a prayer or suggestion for reflection. The scriptures are drawn from the Revised Common Lectionary.

**AUTHOR(S):** Authors for Disciplines 2018 include Mary Lou Redding, Willie James Jennings, Amy Oden, Jan Richardson, Andy Dreitcer, Anne Broyles, Safiyah Fosua, Jim Melchiorre, Lynne Deming, Max O. Vincent, Pam Hawkins, and Marshall Jenkins.

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## THINK RIGHT LIVE WELL: DAILY REFLECTIONS WITH ARCHBISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN

DEVOTIONAL

Now in *Think Right, Live Well*, you'll be inspired by Archbishop Sheen's words, and a one-sentence prayer to make your own. In just a couple of minutes a day you'll begin to see how Sheen's central teaching -- that shaping our minds with the truth can mean a life lived well, pleasing to God -- can make a difference in your own life...starting today.

"A character is made by the kind of thoughts a man thinks when alone." — Archbishop Fulton Sheen

In the 1950s, Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen emerged as television's very first popular religious communicator. But his smart formula of down-home humor, clear exposition, and no proselytization made him an immediate success. Without a doubt, Archbishop Sheen stands as the preeminent Catholic media evangelist of the twentieth century. For three decades he used this platform to evangelize thousands and raised millions to serve the needs of the poor and marginalized throughout the world.

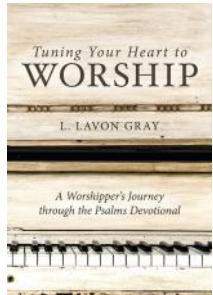
Sheen also had a knack for creating profound expressions that touched people's hearts. Archbishop Sheen was convinced that if people shaped their minds with the truth, they would live well, they would please God, and they would become saints.

Television made him famous. But his thoughts, while alone, in public, or before the Blessed Sacrament in Adoration, made him a man of God.

**AUTHOR(S):** Fulton John Sheen was a parish priest and went on to be both a bishop and archbishop. He taught theology and philosophy at The Catholic University of America. He is best known for his preaching and especially for his work in television and radio. His cause for canonization as a saint was officially opened in 2002. On June 28, 2012, the Vatican announced officially that it had recognized Sheen's life as one of "heroic virtue", a major step towards eventual beatification.

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## TUNING YOUR HEART TO WORSHIP: A WORSHIPPER'S JOURNEY THROUGH THE PSALMS DEVOTIONAL

DEVOTIONAL

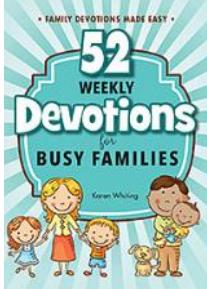
From the coauthor of the award-winning *Hungry for Worship* comes a devotional to help you understand the act of worship.

What is worship exactly? Is it a style of music? Is it a certain emotion or state of mind? Let author and worship leader Lavon Gray, in his book *Tuning Your Heart to Worship*, take you on a 100-day theological journey into the heart of worship with one of the most soul-inspiring writers of all time—King David, a man after God's own heart.

As you walk daily through the Book of Psalms you will find your heart in sync with God's as you begin to grow in your understanding of what true worship looks like in the heart of a believer. Each daily devotion traces the theology of worship through a specific Scripture passage and includes the author's personal experiences and insights to support the theological truths surrounding the act of worship.

**AUTHOR(S):** Lavon Gray is an associate professor at Liberty University where he has also served as an associate dean for the School of Music, chairman of the Worship Studies Department, and led the Center for Music and Worship, which is the largest worship training program in the world. Lavon also leads a 350-voice sanctuary choir in worship at the historic First Baptist Church in Jackson, Mississippi.

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## 52 WEEKLY DEVOTIONS FOR BUSY FAMILIES

### DEVOTIONS



Each week of these family offers a real-life devotion, Scripture connection, with optional hands-on activities and chat prompts. These easy to follow suggestions will offer many opportunities throughout your normal week to be intentional in sharing Jesus with your children.

- ✓ 5-Minute Devotions and Bible Reading - Covers topics that matter to your family, such as: praying, belonging in our family, overcoming fears, trusting in God, and more!
- ✓ Optional Chat Prompts That Will Get Your Family Excited to Talk about God! - Your family will connect with God and with each other as they answer these discussion-generating questions based on key Bible stories.
- ✓ Fun Family Activities (Optional) - Features 150 Hands-On Devotional Activities, including crafts, games, scrapbooking, team-building challenges, and even snacks!

**AUTHOR(S):** Karen Whiting is an international speaker, former television host, and award-winning author of twenty-five books. Her books have been translated into Afrikaans, Russian, South African English, Romanian, and Portuguese. Her most recent speaking tour took place in northern China in Spring 2017. She has a heart to help families build strong, wholesome bonds and follow God. She has written more than six hundred articles for more than sixty publications and loves to let creativity splash over the pages of what she writes. Currently, Karen writes for *Leading Hearts* and *Molly Green* Magazines. She writes for women, families, children, and the military. Best sellers include *God's Girls* and *The One Year My Princess Devotions*.

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### FICTION



## ALL THAT GLITTERS

Gold medalist, Peter Stanmore has returned home a broken man and intends to put the past behind him. But love isn't so easily repressed, and second chances are rare.

Jill Davenport has given up any hope of marriage and a life of her own, after all, years ago, she lost the only man she ever loved. But the truth is impossible to hide.

When secrets are revealed, decisions must be made in spite of the consequences. Can what was once lost be found, or is love destined to remain forever lost?

**AUTHOR(S):**

Clare Revell is a British author. She lives in a small town in England with her husband, whom she married in 1992, and her three children. Writing from a early childhood and encouraged by her teachers, she graduated from rewriting fairy stories through fanfiction to using her own original characters and enjoys writing an eclectic mix of romance, crime fiction and children's stories. When she's not writing, she can be found reading, crocheting or doing the many piles of laundry the occupants of her house manage to make. Her

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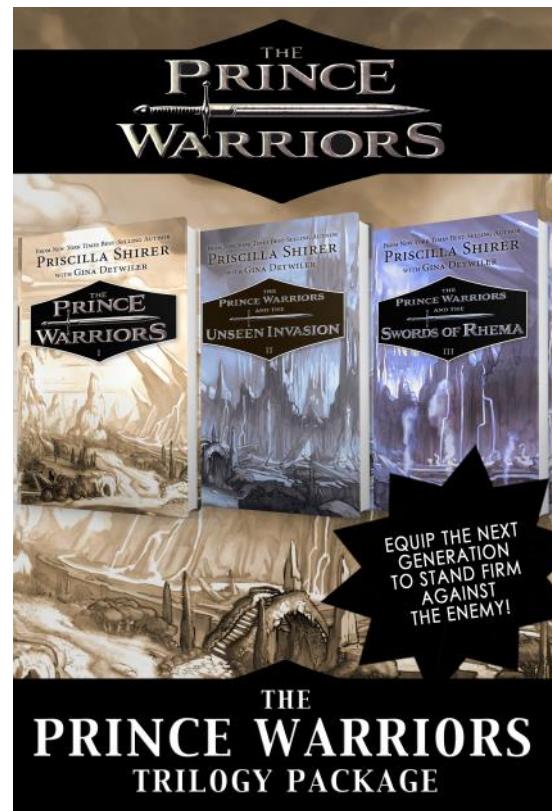
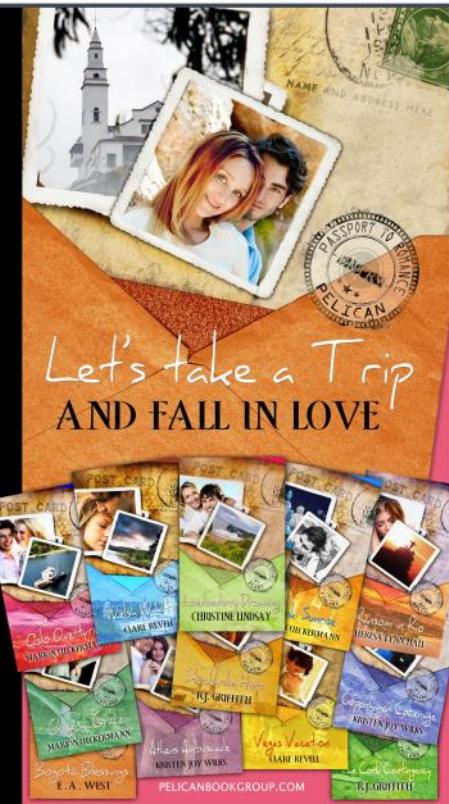
## Imaginative and engaging fiction from bestselling author Marty Machowski

Between the page-turning plot and thought-provoking studies, teens and their parents will find much to discuss. It's divine truth through good story—one might even say, diabolically good.

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### PASSPORT TO ROMANCE SERIES

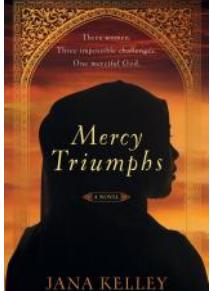


**Intelligent,  
contemporary  
fiction thrillers  
that appeals to  
both Christians  
and those seeking  
answers.**



Originally published in Norwegian,  
Kåre Skuland's series is also available in English.





## MERCY TRIUMPHS: A CONTEMPORARY NOVEL

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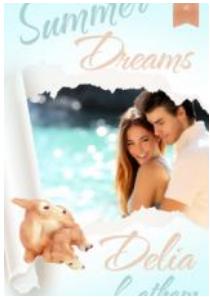
The captivating conclusion to Jana Kelley's trilogy. *Mercy Triumphs* opens the reader's eyes to modern-day persecution and the life of Muslims in Sudan. Based on real-life events, *Mercy Triumphs* reveals some of the struggles Christians face when living under Islamic law.

Three women. Three impossible circumstances. One merciful God.

Mia, an American Christian, has lived in Sudan so long that persecution, harassment, and danger are commonplace for her. Her tough outer shell threatens to harden her heart while her newly-converted Christian friends, Halimah and Rania, former Muslims, are forced to live in exile outside Sudan. All three quickly discover that escaping danger in one place may mean facing even greater challenges elsewhere. As God's mercy becomes evident in their lives, will they be able to offer mercy to those who don't deserve it?

**AUTHOR(S):** Jana Kelley is the author of the captivating novels *Side by Side* and *Door to Freedom*. Raised in Southeast Asia, Jana developed a love for cross-cultural living early in life. Her love for writing came soon after. Jana returned to Texas to attend East Texas Baptist University. She and her husband they were living in a remote African town two years of marriage. After 13 years living in Africa and the Middle East, Jana, her husband, and their three boys moved to Southeast Asia where they currently live.

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## PARADISE PINES: SUMMER DREAMS

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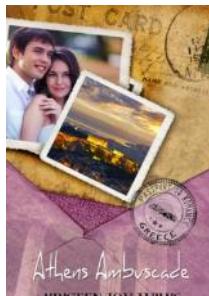
The Getaway of a Lifetime...Kinda.  
A Real-life Hero Who Rivals a Romance Novel...Really!  
A Cupid to Pull It All Together...?

Review from ChristianBook.com: "Another lovely story set in picturesque Cambria, on the California coast, a very sweet, clean romance full of faith and inspirational moments! The second Paradise Pines Lodge story easily reads as a standalone, but to get the most out of it, I recommend reading the first one, Spring Raine, to find out Raine and Declan's story.

This one reads like a modern day fairytale, except with divine intervention, and instead of a fairy godmother, the ethereal Miss Angie, who runs the Lodge. The use of dreams as a way of God communicating was interesting, as well as 'praise dancing' as a form of worship, something new to me. I like how this author slips Scripture naturally into conversations, and how Summer's testimony brought so much hope to others. This story is packed with hope and inspiration, making it a very uplifting read! So many romantic moments too. Logan definitely falls in the Prince Charming category. It was refreshing to see a few chinks in his armor though, and also Summer's struggles to reach out to her cousin, Deah."

**AUTHOR(S):** Delia Latham puts her characters through the fire of earthly trials to bring them out victorious by the hand of God, His heavenly messengers, and good, old-fashioned love. You'll always find a touch of the divine in this author's sweet tales of romance. Delia lives in East Texas with her husband Johnny. She's a Christian wife, mother, grandmother, sister, friend, and author of inspirational romance...with a finger or two immersed in the design pool, where she creates beautiful marketing material for other authors. Delia treasures her role as child of the King and heir to the throne of God. She's got a "thing" for Dr. Pepper and loves hearing from readers. Visit her website at [www.delialatham.net](http://www.delialatham.net)

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## PASSPORT TO ROMANCE: ATHENS AMBUSCADE

FICTION

Get away this weekend with one of the titles of Pelican's *Passport to Romance* series. Have you imagined what might befall a bridal designer and taxidermist who must preserve a deceased cat in a pleasing and artistic manner while handcuffed and chased by villains after the cat is stolen? Maybe not, but you will enjoy it...check out the video trailer at <http://www.kristenjoywilks.com/books/romance/>

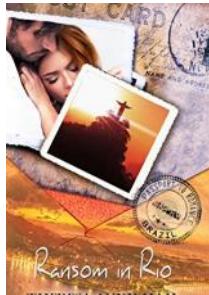
What happens when a strapped-for-cash bridal designer needs a stuffed animal...and fast?

Up-and-coming bridal designer, Jacqueline Gianakos must fly a Montana taxidermist to Greece in order to stuff her Grandmother's cat. If Chrysanthemum isn't preserved within two days' time, Jacqueline will lose the home that was her childhood sanctuary.

But will she survive the next 48 hours when the taxidermist ignores her pointed request and then shows up wearing flannel?

**AUTHOR(S):** Kristen Joy Wilks lives in the beautiful woods of the Cascades at Camas Meadows Bible Camp with her camp director husband, three fierce sons, and a large and slobbery Newfoundland dog. She can be found tucked under a tattered quilt in an overstuffed chair at 4:00am writing a wide variety of implausible tales or here at [www.kristenjoywilks.com](http://www.kristenjoywilks.com)

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## PASSPORT TO ROMANCE: RANSOM IN RIO

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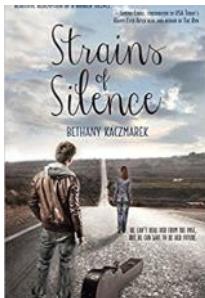
Amazon reviewer states, "Suspense, crime, family and romance all come together to create this story that will keep you on the edge of your seat. ...Very good read, just enough suspense to keep you reading, and just enough romance to cause the reader to root for them. My favorite thing about this book was the clear presentation of the gospel and the transformation that takes place in Lexis life."

Private Investigator, Braden McCoy wants nothing more than to finish out the week doing a little fishing from his boat. The ex-special ops vet enjoys his peaceful life and loves his new career. He's learned to put his past behind him and enjoy his blessings. Until a mourning redhead walks into his office and changes his plans.

Lexi Ramos always knew her family was dysfunctional. Until the sudden death of her brother, she never knew exactly how much. Consumed with questions surrounding his accident, she seeks the help of a private investigator. What starts out as a murder investigation in Cozumel, quickly crosses borders and escalates into a race against time to save them both from Brazilian kidnappers, who somehow know more about her family secrets than she does. Lexi soon realizes that life comes with a price.

**AUTHOR(S):** Theresa is a member of RWA (Romance Writers of America) and ACFW (American Christian Fiction Writers). She actively promotes fellow Christian Fiction authors on her blog. Visit [www.theresalynnhall.com](http://www.theresalynnhall.com) and [@theresalynnhall](http://@theresalynnhall).

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## STRAINS OF SILENCE

### FICTION

"An intimate portrait of the impact abuse has on not only the victim but on the circle of loved ones surrounding her, this tenderly told story resonates as a true and important testimony to the beautiful redemption of a broken silence." —Serena Chase, blogger, Happy Ever After USA Today, author, The Ryn

Music was her driving passion and the truest expression of her faith, but three months before her wedding, twenty-year-old Kasia Bernolak can't even pick up her guitar. Feeling like a fraud who will ruin her dad's pastoral reputation, she can barely meet his eyes. When Kasia finds the strength to break off her engagement, she still doesn't realize the dangerous truth: Blake Hamilton isn't ready to say goodbye. And he'll do whatever it takes to keep her.

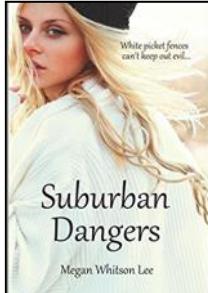
Alexander "Zan" Maddox has seen what a domineering man can do to an unsuspecting woman, and Zan is sick of injustice. He gave up a college baseball scholarship so he could protect his sister from her abusive husband. When he rescues Kasia from her ex-fiancé, he instinctively appoints himself her personal bodyguard. Now, all he has to do is keep from falling for her himself.

Kasia and Zan become fast friends, but true healing and justice might cost more than either of them is willing to pay.

**AUTHOR(S):** Bethany Kaczmarek was an ACFW Editor of the Year Finalist. Bethany loves to share her own journey of healing and redemption with anyone who needs it. Back from the Polish mission field, her family often opens their Maryland home to twenty-somethings who come over for a listening ear (though she's willing to admit it could also be for the board games and food). Bethany is passionate about making room for the New Adult niche in the inspirational market, so she writes about young people who wrestle with newfound independence, who struggle to make counter-cultural choices, and who live with integrity in both the workplace and the world. Learn more at [www.bethanykaczmarek.com](http://www.bethanykaczmarek.com).

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### FICTION



## SUBURBAN DANGERS

"Suburban Dangers is a fictional novel about a very real issue, Sex Trafficking and minors. I give Suburban Dangers five out of five stars." —randomramblingsofawriter.wordpress.com

One of several five star reviews on [amazon.com](http://amazon.com)!

Sixteen-year-old Kaki Jones is a straight-A student, runs on the cross country track team and exemplifies the all-around great teenager. Her younger brother Brandon is the opposite. He parties, fights at school, has photos of naked girls on his cell phone and is in trouble with the police.

But Kaki is the one who harbors a dark secret. Her life has changed ever since she met the cool girl, Sydney Diaz. Now Kaki is a sophomore by day and a commodity sold at the hands of gang members by night. She is now controlled by threats of violence against those she loves. This is the story of what happens when parents look the other way, when a stranger offers more affection than a father and when God's deliverance is the only answer.

**AUTHOR(S):** Megan Whitson Lee is a wife, a mom of two greyhounds, and an editor for Pelican Book Group. Her novel, *Captives* won the 2016 Director's Choice Award and was a finalist for a Selah Award in the women's contemporary fiction category at Blue Ridge Mountain Christian Writers Conference. Megan writes inspirational women's contemporary and historical fiction that deals with loss and love, involving characters standing at the crossroads of major life decisions, crises of faith, and moral dilemmas. Her novels depict characters confronted with real-life problems, address universal spiritual and moral struggles, and offer messages of hope, recovery, and redemption through God's saving grace.

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## TRIBES OF ISRAEL: JERUSALEM RISING, ADAH'S JOURNEY

FICTION

The captivating biblical fiction series, *Tribes of Israel*, continues, this time based on Nehemiah 1-8. Action, adventure, and romance await Shallum's daughters as they work with Nehemiah to rebuild the wall around Jerusalem. When Adah volunteers to rebuild Jerusalem's wall, she soon discovers not all of Judah's enemies lie outside the crumbling rocks.

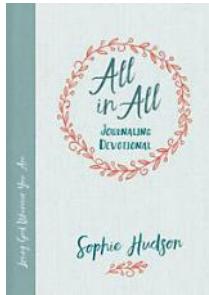
When Adah bat Shallum finds the governor of Judah weeping over the crumbling wall of Jerusalem, she learns the reason for Nehemiah's unexpected visit—God has called him to rebuild the wall around the City of David. Nehemiah challenges the people of God to labor on the wall and in return, the names of their fathers will be written in the annals for future generations to cherish. But Adah has one sister and no brothers. Will her father, who rules a half-district of Jerusalem, be forgotten forever?

Adah bravely vows to rebuild her city's wall, though she soon discovers that Jerusalem not only has enemies outside the city, but also within. Can Adah, her sister, and the men they love, honor God's call? Or will their mission be crushed by the same stones they hope to construct?

**AUTHOR(S):** Barbara M. Britton is a member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, Wisconsin Romance Writers of America, Romance Writers of America, and American Christian Fiction Writers. Barb writes romantic adventures for teens and adults in the Christian fiction and mainstream markets. She is published in Biblical fiction and enjoys bringing little known Bible characters to light in her stories. You can visit Barb online at [www.barbarambritton.com](http://www.barbarambritton.com)

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## ALL IN ALL JOURNALING DEVOTIONAL: LOVING GOD WHEREVER YOU ARE

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Written by popular author and blogger Sophie Hudson, this elegant devotional journal reminds teen girls that Jesus is their All in All—over all, through all, and in all that they do.

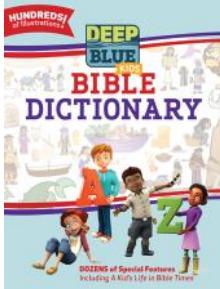
Wherever you are, let Jesus be your all.

As you dig in to Sophie's words and wit, you'll better understand the wholeness and freedom that come from a life filled with Jesus. Each of the 100 devotions is followed by journaling prompts that will get you writing, keep you thinking, and help you grab all the goodness He has waiting for you.

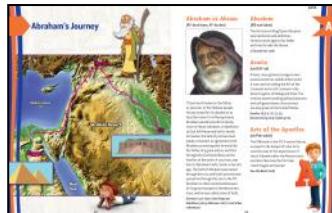
**AUTHOR(S):** Sophie Hudson loves to laugh more than just about anything. Through her books and her popular blog, [BooMama.net](http://BooMama.net), she offers encouragement and hope in the everyday, joy-filled moments of life. A devoted fan of pajama pants, Sophie loves cheering like crazy at college football games and watching entire seasons of TV shows in record time. She lives with her husband and son in Birmingham, Alabama.

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## DEEP BLUE BIBLE KIDS BIBLE DICTIONARY



### JUVENILE

The award-winning and best-selling *Deep Blue Kids* series now has a Bible dictionary!

Learn about the series at [www.deepbluekids.com](http://www.deepbluekids.com).

*The Deep Blue Kids Bible Dictionary* is written to help kids (age 7-12) learn about the persons, places, events, ideas, and terms in the Bible. Each definition includes references to passages in the Bible where the word appears. The entries also include a guide for pronouncing each proper name and other words.

Colorful artwork throughout help you see what life was like during Bible times. When you read the text and look at the illustrations, you will experience day-to-day activities, occupations, and living conditions of people who lived in Bible lands. Includes full-color illustrations, pronunciations, maps, over 1,000 scriptural references, and more. Special features includes "A Kids Life in Bible Times". teaches about the children in the Bible, a typical village, food, playtime, customs, and more.

This dictionary is perfect for Sunday school groups, families, Christian school classes, and libraries.

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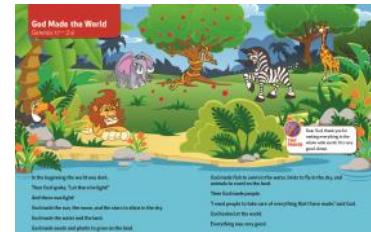
## DEEP BLUE TODDLER BIBLE STORYBOOK (PADDDED BOARD BOOK)

### JUVENILE

*The Deep Blue Toddler Bible Storybook* tells nineteen Bible stories for little ones that will help them dive deep into God's story.

The Bible stories in this edition will be the same as some of the stories told in the award-winning and best-selling *The Deep Blue Bible Storybook*... only in a more simple and easy to understand way.

Included will be traditional favorite Bible stories that capture the hearts and imaginations of very young children such as: Jesus Is Born, Joyous News, Jesus Calls the Fishermen, Jesus and the Children, The Baby in the Basket, and Jonah and the Fish. From these stories young children will learn of the love God has for them, and how they can begin to follow Jesus.



Every page includes back-and-forth teaching opportunities about the people and events that have shaped our lives, and the bright and exciting illustrations engage toddlers as they take their first dive into God's story.

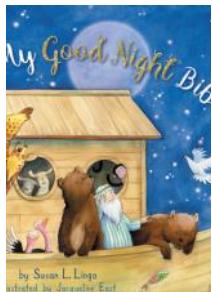
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Daphna Flegal is a diaconal minister in The United Methodist Church. She is a certified laboratory leader in the area of young children and has worked with preschool children for more than 20 years. Daphna is currently the lead editor for children's curriculum. She lives in Nashville, Tennessee.

Kerry Blackwood holds a M.A. in Early Childhood Education and a B.S. in English and Business from Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee. Kerry has had a variety of experiences working for The United Methodist Publishing House and for Christian Educators Fellowship. Kerry is also a Certified Director of Christian Education in the United Methodist Church. Kerry has been a school teacher and taught children in kindergarten, third grade, and fourth grade. Kerry was the editor of Babies and Woddlers and Toddlers and Twos, and was the writer and editor of Deep Blue Early Elementary. As an active member of Franklin First United Methodist Church, Kerry maintains her relationship with teaching and learning by serving as a Sunday school teacher to kindergarteners.

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## MY GOOD NIGHT BIBLE (PADDDED)

JUVENILE

This delightful book includes 45 Bible story favorites with soft yet colorful new art. Each story includes a Bible verse, a prayer time, and a Bible word to help teach children about prayer and biblical concepts.

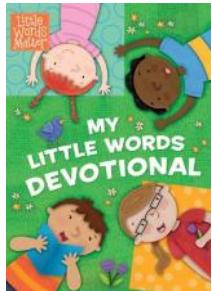
Snuggle up with *My Good Night® Bible* and make bedtime a peaceful time for learning about God's truth and love. These 45 stories from the Old and New Testaments were written to help bring restful closure to a child's day by teaching valuable lessons of faith through soothing illustrations, alliteration, rhythm, and rhyme. Each story features a key verse, prayer, and Bible word to emphasize the main lesson of each Bible story while teaching children about prayer and biblical concepts. The overarching parent connection helps parents and kids engage these lessons in their everyday lives.

God bless you, and sleep tight!

**AUTHOR(S):** Susan Lingo is the author of more than 55 books for children and teachers, including *My Good Night Bible*, *My Good Night Prayers*, and *Bedtime with Night-Light* from Standard Publishing. She is a former elementary school educator with more than 15 years experience working with children. Susan resides in Loveland, Colorado.

Jacqueline East has been an illustrator of children's books for twenty years. She has two main styles; her images for picture & story books are full of light & atmosphere; then there is a colorful, lively style for educational, activity, and novelty books. She also works in black & white. Her work covers a whole spectrum of subjects from parent & child, animals, farm, and jungle to school, visits to the dentist, ballerinas, & other typical, child-orientated subjects.

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## MY LITTLE WORDS DEVOTIONAL (PADDDED)

JUVENILE

Grow your toddler's heart with little words from God's Word!

These nineteen little words offer a big way to connect your toddler to the Bible. With each tiny-sized devotion, your little one will better understand words such as Jesus, joy, promise, and prayer and learn to connect them with short Scriptures.

These may be little words, but they're HUGE for God's people! This sweetly illustrated toddler devotional is a wonderful opportunity for you to introduce them to your littlest learners. It's a perfect first devotional for your favorite toddler!

**AUTHOR(S):** Holli Conger's artistic talent and creativity has been evident from a very early age. Today she is a digital and dimensional illustrator who illustrates in a whimsical style suitable for any application of illustration. From magazine, greeting cards and advertising, to CD covers, packaging and children's books, Holli approaches each project with whimsy and creativity guaranteed to put a smile on any child's (and parent's) face. Holli holds a Bachelor's Degree in Graphic Design and Advertising.

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## MY MERRY CHRISTMAS (PADDDED BOARD BOOK)

JUVENILE

What is Christmas?

Is it twinkling lights? Angels? Stars? This rhyming story by Sally Lloyd-Jones (the platinum award-winning and best-selling author of *The Jesus Storybook Bible*) helps children relate favorite holiday symbols to the true story of Christmas—the night Jesus was born.

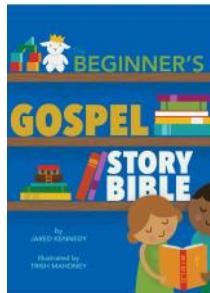
From the beloved author of the *Jesus Storybook Bible*!

What can lovingly wrapped presents tell us about the true meaning of Christmas? How about twinkling lights, angels, and stars? In this illustrated rhyming storybook, your 2- to 5-year-olds will learn the significance of favorite holiday symbols---and discover the sweetest gift of all.

**AUTHOR(S):** Sally Lloyd-Jones is a *New York Times* bestselling children's book writer. Her books include the critically acclaimed *How To Be A Baby, By Me*, the *Big Sister* and the Platinum Award Winning best-seller *The Jesus Storybook Bible: Every Story Whispers His Name*. She lives in New York City and can be found at [sallylloyd-jones.com](http://sallylloyd-jones.com).

Sara Gianassi is a celebrated Italian children's illustrator. After graduating with a degree in Costume and Scenic Design at the Department of Architecture of the University of Florence (2007), Sara worked for three years as a fashion designer. Sara then returned to pursue her passion, illustration, enrolling at the Nemo Academy of Florence. In 2013, she graduated with awards and she started work as freelance illustrator and concept artist for international publishing houses and studios.

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## THE BEGINNER'S GOSPEL STORY BIBLE

JUVENILE



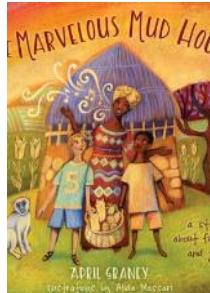
Author Jared Kennedy traces through the stories of the Old and New Testament how God keeps his promises in surprising ways—better than anyone could have ever thought or imagined!

*The Beginner's Gospel Story Bible* is a gospel-centered, Bible storybook for toddlers and preschoolers with fifty-two Bible stories retold in a simple and compelling way. Each story highlights for young children God's story of redemption through Jesus and the unexpected ways that God's grace and mercy are revealed throughout the Bible. Children will hear the good news of God's love for them clearly expressed in ways that will speak to their young hearts. Each story ends with a question that parents and caregivers can use to further reinforce the story.

Contemporary and brightly colored illustrations highlight each story and add fun teaching elements of counting, opposites, patterns, and object recognition to keep the youngest child's attention.

**AUTHOR(S):** Jared Kennedy, MDiv, ThM, leads the children's ministry creative team as Pastor of Families at Sojourn Community Church in Louisville, KY and New Albany, IN and blogs regularly at [gospelcenteredfamily.com](http://gospelcenteredfamily.com)

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## THE MARVELOUS MUD HOUSE: A STORY OF FINDING FULLNESS AND JOY

JUVENILE

This is a whimsical true story written for parents to share the meaning of true fullness and joy with their children, as well as God's heart for the poor, as well as what we can learn from them.

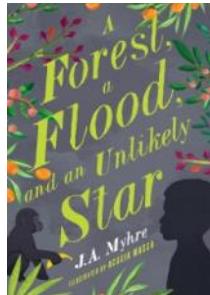
Ben and his family live in a hungry ranch house where they are always wanting more. But then they travel far across the world to Kenya and visit marvelous mud house where George and Mana George live. Among the mangoes, they learn how to stop yearning for "more" and instead become filled with faith, joy, and contentment!

Parents will enjoy reading this whimsical telling based on a true story to their children, and at the same time teach their children about the values of hard work, contentment, generosity, and faith. Facts about Kenyan traditions, education, recipes, language, and are included.

**AUTHOR(S):** April Graney is a graduate of Dallas Theological Seminary, with a Bachelor's Degree in English and a Master's Degree in Biblical Studies. She is a wife, mother, friend, mentor, Bible study leader, and camp speaker. She and her husband, Tom, serve at New Life Ranch, a Christian summer camp and retreat center in Oklahoma. Her passion is loving Jesus and helping parents pass along God's heart for the world to their children. Visit her website at [www.aprilgraney.com](http://www.aprilgraney.com).

**Alida Massari** is an Italian artist specializing in illustration for children including picture books and other children's publishing. She completed a specialization in illustration at the European Institute of Design. She finds inspiration for her work from the architectural details of the ancient buildings, from the folk traditions and ancient art, describing her work as "modern but with ancient atmosphere". She has illustrated many books, collaborating with Italian, English, German and American publishers. Her books have been translated in numerous countries.

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## THE RWENDIGO TALES: A FOREST, A FLOOD, AND AN UNLIKELY STAR

JUVENILE FICTION

Readers of all ages won't want to put down this exciting book that addresses current themes of AIDS, animal poaching, and deforestation, all set in an richly detailed African context. Along the way readers will be challenged to think through their own choices, including a clear call to give up bitterness and forgive deep hurts as the way to restore broken lives and relationships.

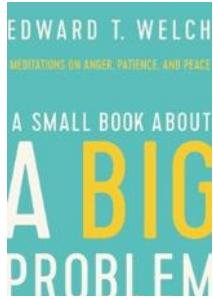
Only thirteen, Kusiima has no time for school, sports, or hanging out with other village boys. Instead, without a father or a mother to take care of him, he works long hours to support his grandmother and sickly baby sister. Then one day, Kusiima's life suddenly changes. A trip into a nearby protected forest suddenly presents Kusiima with many choices all with an uncertain outcome. Should he go along with illegal logging? Help to save an endangered baby gorilla? Warn the Park Rangers of danger? Follow a donkey to who knows where? Step by step Kusiima chooses to do the next right thing that is right in front of him. As he does, he meets a mysterious doctor who holds the key to his past and his future. In the end the hardest choice Kusiima makes is to forgive a great wrong and forge a broken relationship.

This book includes captivating black and white illustrations by Acacia Masso.

This is the third book in the *Rwendigo Tales Series* and follows *A Chameleon, A Boy and a Quest* (book 1) and *A Bird, a Girl and A Rescue* (book 2).

**AUTHOR(S):** J. A. Myhre, MD, serves as a doctor with Serge in East Africa where she has worked for over two decades. She is passionate about health care for the poor, training local doctors and nurses, promoting childhood nutrition and development, and being the hands of Jesus in the hardest places. She is married to her best friend and colleague Scott, and together they have raised four children for whom *The Rwendigo Tales* were written as Christmas presents.

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## A SMALL BOOK ABOUT A BIG PROBLEM: MEDITATIONS ON ANGER, PATIENCE AND PEACE

PERSONAL GROWTH

Short meditations unpack the underlying causes of irritation and frustration and encourage readers to look carefully at how their anger affects them and others. The 50-day reading plan gives ample time for readers to make and implement a plan that will help them to grow in patience and peace.

Look closely at any day and we can usually find anger in both our actions and attitudes. Things spill or go missing, we get stuck in traffic, and the people we live and work with often make life even harder. We want to stay calm, but what do you do when you feel your blood pressure rise yet again?

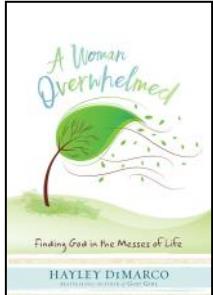
Anger is so common—yet it also destroys. It leaves its mark on us—it's not healthy which is one reason we hear so much about finding peace. And it leaves its mark on others. The wounds we inflict on others when we are angry—the loss of intimacy, trust, security, and enjoyment in our closest relationships—give us compelling reasons to look closely at our anger and think carefully about how to grow in patience and peace.

Biblical counselor and psychologist Ed Welch invites readers to take a 50-day journey that unpacks anger and encourages readers to become more skillful at responding with patience to life's difficulties. Along the way, readers will be introduced to Jesus, the Prince of Peace—the only one who can empower his people to grow in patience, peace, and wholeness.

**AUTHOR(S):** Edward T. Welch, MDiv, PhD, is a licensed psychologist and faculty member at the Christian Counseling & Educational Foundation (CCEF). He has counseled for over thirty years and has written many books including *When People Are Big and God Is Small*, *Depression*, *Shame Interrupted*, and *Side by Side*, as well as several New Growth Press mini-books.

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## A WOMAN OVERWHELMED: FINDING GOD IN THE MESSES OF LIFE

PERSONAL GROWTH

From Overwhelmed by Life to Overwhelmed by God.

In today's hurry-up world, it's easy for women to feel consumed by busyness. But what if you could slow down and surrender to God's embrace? Empathizing with the stress, fear, and worry contemporary women experience, DiMarco shares biblical insights and personal stories to help you renounce the "mission of me" and instead become overwhelmed by God.

There is a reason they say that a woman's work is never done—because it isn't! As women, we often are overwhelmed by the demands and circumstances of life, resulting in stress, fear, worry, impatience, fatigue, frustration, and even depression. The truth is that we were created to be overwhelmed . . . not by life but by God! When we learn to be overwhelmed by God, the fruit in our lives goes from rotten to fragrant—filling our days with peace, hope, love, and joy.

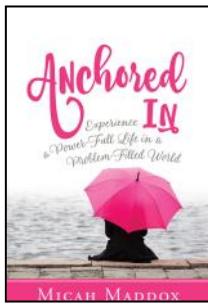
In *A Woman Overwhelmed*, best-selling author Hayley DiMarco shares biblical insights and personal stories to offer a glimpse at the comedy of an overwhelmed life while encouraging us to discover the depths and heights of God's love and power.

Be empowered to find freedom in becoming overwhelmed with who God is—by learning to focus on what we know about God so that we can hold onto faith even when it seems that all is lost. For it is when an overwhelmed woman gives up the mission of me and exchanges it for the mission of God that being overwhelmed becomes a good thing. Choose to bask in the abundance of the Father instead of the abundance of life as his unfathomable depths can surely replace our fathomable messes.

**AUTHOR(S):** Hayley DiMarco, is the best-selling author of more than forty books, including multiple books in the *God Girl* line, *The Fruitful Wife*, *Obsessed*, *Die Young*, and *Own It*. As the founder of Hungry Planet, a company intensely focused on feeding the world's appetite for truth, Hayley speaks regularly for women's groups and events, including groups such as Women of Faith, dotMOM, Precept National Women's Convention, and MOPS International. Visit her online at [HayleyDiMarco.com](http://HayleyDiMarco.com).

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## ANCHORED IN: EXPERIENCE A POWER-FULL LIFE IN A PROBLEM-FILLED WORLD

### PERSONAL GROWTH

Find God's power in the deepest places of life. Problems can make you feel like God is far away, but they can also be the very things that bring you closer to him.

*Anchored In* isn't a book of Christian cliché's or sweet stories to warm the heart but rather an authentic look at the hard parts of life. It challenges us to stop running from and clinging to the past, and to grasp tightly to the only unshakable Anchor that is able to sustain our souls through the storms of life.

Micah shares personal stories, such as her father's abandonment of her family, and couples them with biblical application to offer real-life glimpses of God at work. She offers inspiration to live a life full of God's power rather than one that causes us to turn away and be paralyzed by problems.

Living anchored in God's presence is a beautiful gift that few truly experience simply because they do not understand the key to God's power – surrender. Or if they know to surrender, they do not know how to let go of the problems that consume their lives. Through simple, tangible steps learn to surrender in every season of life. Hearing from God is not reserved for a chosen few, but rather promised to those who believe. If you are longing to experience God's power in a deeper way, this is a journey for you.

**AUTHOR(S):** Micah Maddox is a women's conference speaker, Bible teacher, writer, blogger, and author of *Anchored In: Experience a Power-Full Life in a Problem-Filled World*. She is passionate about helping women find purpose, peace, and calm in our chaotic world. As a pastor's wife and mother of three, she contributes her time to MOPs and her local church--including serving as a women's ministry leader. Learn more about her at [micahmaddox.com](http://micahmaddox.com)

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### PERSONAL GROWTH



## AROUND THE TABLE: PRACTICAL ADVICE FOR EFFECTIVE WOMEN LEADERS

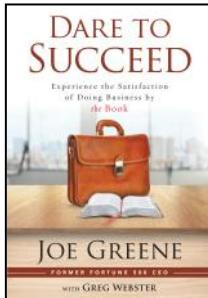
*Around the Table* is not your typical leadership book. Based on a survey of nearly 200 women leaders, *Around the Table* contains a plethora of questions and answers women in key leadership positions want to know.

Female leaders face a unique set of challenges not experienced by male counterparts, and to be effective, they must ask the right questions.

In this easy-to-access format, find a quick and practical resource to help you lead more effectively. Find the answers to your questions at the tips of your fingers, even in the fast-changing context of leadership, and glean from a wealth of knowledge applicable to women from a variety of backgrounds, ages, ethnicities, and leadership experiences. Both professional and nonprofessional female leaders will want to consult this volume for years to come.

**AUTHOR(S):** Dr. Linda M. Clark is passionate about women and what affects their lives. So much so that she earned her master's and doctorate degrees in women's studies from Trinity Theological Seminary in Indiana. While her research and projects played important roles in her life, it was the personal observations and conversations along the way that shaped her interest in women's issues such as leadership. Her materials have been used in leadership courses while she herself has taught women principles for effective leadership. Linda and her husband, Jan, now call Indiana home.

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## **DARE TO SUCCEED: EXPERIENCE THE SATISFACTION OF DOING BUSINESS BY THE BOOK**

### **PERSONAL GROWTH**

The book provides 12 key principles for success from a Fortune 500 Company CEO, blending marketplace decisions with scriptural basis.

Visit <http://www.daretosucceedbook.com/> for details about this important business book.

People thought Fortune 500 Company CEO Joe Greene was crazy when he said he wanted to quit his job and start a company that operated solely on Christian principles. But no one could tell him which principles were so bad that it wouldn't work. That's because none of them were bad. They all worked. In fact, Joe's desire to honor God with his business catapulted him to a level of corporate and financial success few can match.

*Dare to Succeed* delineates the principles Joe mastered and details how to incorporate them into any for-profit enterprise, turning a business into the ministry Joe says every profit-making operation was meant to be. They include:

1. Develop a God-honoring vision for your company
2. Find the best use of your personal gifts
3. Grasp God's will for your business life
4. Dedicate your work to God
5. Overcome fear in leadership and decision-making
6. Handle decisions based on biblical principles
7. Make necessary course corrections to keep your business on track
8. Treat employees in a Christ-like way
9. Manage risk
10. Determine your most likely path to profitability and success
11. Avoid pitfalls common to most business operations
12. Create a plan for your business to minister to those it touches—employees, customers, and vendors alike.

**AUTHOR(S):** Author Joe Greene founded CEO Fellowship in 2005 to teach presidents and executive officers the financial and spiritual benefits of operating for-profit businesses based on principles revealed in Scripture. He crafted his vision for business leaders during his own 40-year career in the health care field, including serving as a president with the Fortune 500 firm Humana and establishing his own company, Health Management Associates, on the New York Stock Exchange. He also created the Christian Business Leaders Roundtable.

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## **FAIL: WHAT TO DO WHEN THINGS GO WRONG**

### **PERSONAL GROWTH**

Learn to persevere and trust in God during life's most trying times.

We all know the feeling. We take a leap, only to land flat on our face. Just when our plan appears to be perfect, it falls apart. Life's failures and disappointments can make it difficult to move forward; how do we pick ourselves up and dust ourselves off?

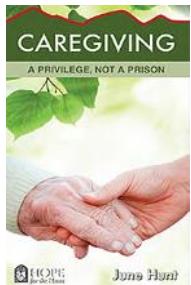
Jeremiah's failed pursuits are described in more detail and depth than with any other prophet. Even though God set him apart to speak to the nation of Israel, Jeremiah's attempts to fulfill his calling were met with ridicule, punishment, and suffering. But through it all, God never left his side.

The story of "the weeping prophet"; has much to teach us about trusting God during life's most trying times.

**AUTHOR(S):** Matt Miotsky is Lead Pastor of The Gathering United Methodist Church, Saint Louis, Missouri, a church begun in 2006 with over 1,000 people worshiping each week across four sites and 8+ services. The Gathering was founded with a vision of creating a Christian community that is compelling for new generations in Saint Louis. Matt gained a degree in Advanced Math and played football at Washington University and then attended Candler School of Theology. Matt lives with his family in Saint Louis, Missouri.

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## **HOPE FROM THE HEART MINI-BOOK: CAREGIVING, A PRIVILEGE NOT A PRISON**

### **PERSONAL GROWTH**

Look for all 44 titles in the *Hope For The Heart Biblical Counseling Library*. These minibooks are for people who seek freedom from codependency, anger, conflict, verbal and emotional abuse, depression, or other problems. Unlike other books and references on these topics, these 96 page "quick-guide" books use larger print, charts, bulleted lists, and an easy-to-scan format, helping you find the information you need fast!

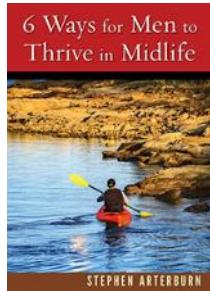
Introducing *Caregiving*, the newest release in the *Hope for the Heart* series with over one million copies sold. Caregivers want to do their best, but the challenges of helping someone day after day can be draining. Where do you find strength and energy to care for others-no matter what circumstances? This quick guide to caregiving covers the issues that caregivers face, defines the roadblocks and their causes, and shows steps to solution with biblical hope and practical advice. *Caregiving* is the 44th book in this series.

- Part of the bestselling *Hope for the Heart* series (Over 1 million copies sold)
- Biblically-solid. Discover more information and practical solutions straight from the Bible
- Features key scripture verses as well as counseling insights to help practically apply its message to your life

**AUTHOR(S):** June Hunt is a biblical counselor whose award-winning radio program "Hope for the Heart" is heard on nearly 900 radio outlets around the world. For more than 30 years, she has counseled people, offering them hope for today's problems. June has helped many people with emotional, relational, and spiritual problems experience God's love through biblical hope and practical help.

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## **NEW LIFE SERIES: 6 WAYS TO HANDLE MIDLIFE CRISIS**

### **PERSONAL GROWTH**

*The New Life Series* by Stephen Arterburn is a practical collection of counseling titles covering everything from spiritual to relational topics. From midlife crises to spiritual legalism, Arterburn guides readers through the doorway of biblical truth to find freedom and Christ-like transformation.

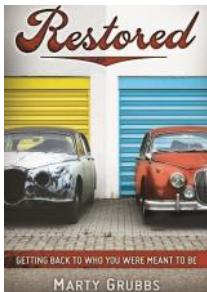
"Is this really what I wanted?" "I should have it all figured out by now." It is normal to look over your life and reflect on your past. But, these thoughts can easily spiral out of control, causing anxiety, depression, and shifting behavior. Gain the right perspective for the second half of life with this easy-to-understand book.

Enjoy having 6 practical insights, straight from the Word of God, that will revitalize your outlook, catapulting you into a richly fulfilling season of life.

**AUTHOR(S):** Stephen Arterburn is the founder and chairman of New Life Ministries and host of the #1 nationally syndicated Christian counseling talk show *New Life Live!* heard and watched by over 2 million people each week on nearly 200 radio stations nationwide. He is a best-selling author of books such as *Every Man's Battle* and *Healing Is A Choice*. With over 8 million books in print he has been writing about God's transformational truth since 1984. Steve's ministry focuses on identifying and compassionately responding to the needs of those seeking healing and restoration through God's truth.

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## RESTORED: GETTING BACK TO WHO YOU WERE MEANT TO BE

PERSONAL GROWTH

The author helps you deal with common issues to help restore your soul and get your life back where it used to be before the problems. No matter how you may have damaged your life, you can make a fresh beginning through Jesus Christ.

Restoration stories always involve some kind of suffering, or obstacle that needs to be overcome. And we all have areas in life where restoration is needed. Maybe it's your marriage, your relationship with your children, a struggle with anxiety or depression, insecurity, or anger and resentment.

Wherever you are, you can experience restoration and healing when you allow Jesus to do the work. The truth of God's Word says that you can change, but you can't change on your own. Real change begins when you stop doing what doesn't work. No matter how you may have damaged your life, you can make a fresh beginning through Jesus Christ.

**AUTHOR(S):** Marty Grubbs is a senior pastor of Crossings Community Church in Oklahoma City, OK. Marty is a graduate of the Anderson University School of Theology. Crossings is one of the largest Protestant congregations in the Midwest, with a weekly worship attendance of more than seven thousand people. Learn more at [www.martygrubbs.com](http://www.martygrubbs.com).

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## ROSE PAMPHLET: THE TRANSFORMED HEART

PERSONAL GROWTH

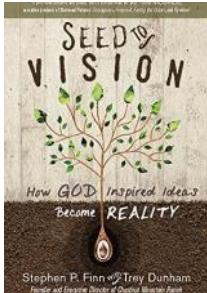
Discover the signs of a heart truly transformed by the power of the Gospel in Rose's new pamphlet, The Transformed Heart.

The Gospel has the power to transform hearts—hearts that were wounded, hardened, or that have grown cold. Whether you are a new or mature believer, God is interested in the condition and attitude of your heart. This pamphlet will deepen your understanding of what it means to follow Christ whole-heartedly. It features:

- Charts, simple summaries, and practical applications
- 14 full-color pages with summaries and charts
- A side-by-side look at healthy or hardened heart
- Scripture references, definitions, and more

Perfect for individual use, Bible studies, new believer's classes, church giveaways, or to keep in your Bible to reference when someone has a question. Fits inside most Bibles covers. Size: 8.5 x 5.5 inches, full color, glossy coating. Folds out to 38 inches.

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## SEED TO VISION: HOW GOD-INSPIRED IDEAS BECOME REALITY

### PERSONAL GROWTH

"If you have dream's and plans, this is a must-read for you." --Jim McBride, executive producer of *Courageous*, *Fireproof*, *Flywheel* and *Facing the Giants*.

*Seed to Vision* is a must-read for anyone with a God-sized idea who is unsure what to do next. Peppered with personal stories, former metro-Atlanta police special unit gang officer turned boys' home and school founder Steve Finn shares the eight key tools God uses to turn a seed of an idea into a vision and ultimately to a reality. Be inspired to see that with God nothing is impossible—the idea He gave you can become reality.

**AUTHOR(S):** Steve Finn has been recognized as one of the Top 3 leaders in the country by the 2016 John C. Maxwell Leadership Award committee. He has witnessed firsthand how God makes the impossible possible. After 12 years as a gangs special unit metro-Atlanta police officer, he and his wife felt led to full-time ministry. Following a short tenure as house parents for Eagle Ranch Children's Home outside Atlanta, Steve took an even greater leap. Today, he is the founder and executive director for Chestnut Mountain Ranch, a 225-acre Christ-centered home and school for boys in one of the poorest areas of the country.

Trey Dunham is a leader, writer, and speaker with a proven ability to attract and motivate audiences. As a teaching pastor of one of West Virginia's largest churches, his creativity and passion for ministry goes beyond church walls. He holds a doctoral degree in technology education and has traveled the world. Trey has enjoyed a close friendship with Steve Finn for nearly a decade and currently serves on the Chestnut Mountain Ranch board of directors.

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## SHE'S GOT THE WRONG GUY: WHY SMART WOMEN SETTLE

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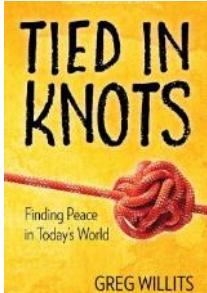
Deepak Reju, writing from his years of experience as a pastor and a counselor, shares with women his perspective on how to assess a relationship's strengths from the beginning, how to identify possible pitfalls, and how to have the courage to not just "settle" but to wait for a relationship that will be a blessing to both of you.

Why do the nicest women pick guys who let them down for one reason or another? The answers are not always straightforward. For some women, the issue is as simple as not really thinking through what they're looking for or should be looking for in a man. Others feel they'd rather be with someone (and pretty much anyone will do) than be alone, while still others are unconsciously replicating patterns of bad relationships they learned in childhood or from traumatic experiences and don't know how to stop the cycle.

- Uncovers the unhealthy patterns that lead to failed relationships
- Helps readers understand why they "settle" for less than what God intends for their romantic relationships.
- Written by a pastor and counselor with years of experience in addressing these issues and seeing the harm that unhealthy romantic relationships can do.
- Gives clear, biblical direction on how to have positive, life-giving relationships with members of the opposite sex.

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## TIED IN KNOTS: FINDING PEACE IN TODAY'S WORLD

### PERSONAL GROWTH

Who hasn't, at some point in their life ... if not daily, experienced stress, anxiety, fear, worry, grief, disappointment, or any other "trying" state of emotion? This book helps you discover the root of the knots in your life and ways to begin having them untied for good.

There are many sources of knots in our lives that keep us from living as God intends: sin, life circumstances, things beyond our control, things that we've brought upon ourselves, and things others have done to us. If you are seeking peace and want to find solutions to those unnamed knots in life, then this is the book for you. It serves as a companion on a journey toward greater peace. This book helps you discover the root of the knots in your life and ways to begin having them untied for good. But how?

Greg begins by identifying the needless distractions and knots that may prevent you from being the disciple you are called to be (especially the knots that may be right in front of your face, but maybe you don't realize they are there). He recommends ideas to help you figure out what you SHOULD do, what God meant for you to do, and what your identity is in God. Because, when we are in alignment with God's will, that is when we experience the greatest peace. And finally, he presents tangible ways to clear more time, identify core things that feed you, and create a game plan to remain untied.

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## TUNED IN: THE POWER OF PRESSING PAUSE AND LISTENING

### PERSONAL GROWTH

Wouldn't it be amazing if there was one small thing you could do each day that could transform all your relationships and make them 100% better? What if there was one simple thing that, if everyone did it, would result in world peace?

There is... It's called listening!

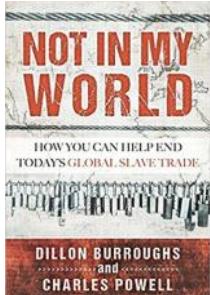
How many times have you missed something important, something real—or worse, someone real—right there in the room while you zoned out? How many times have you neglected prayer because of the siren call of the Internet? As Pope Benedict writes, "The most important thing for everyone is to listen: to listen to each other, and for everyone to listen to what the Lord wants to say to us." Pope Francis reminds us, "Listening is more than hearing. It's a mutual listening in which each one has something to learn."

Listening is becoming a scarce commodity in our fast-paced, efficiency-minded, technologically driven society. We have never had more information available at our fingertips yet we have never been more impersonal, more isolated.

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## NOT IN MY WORLD: HOW YOU CAN HELP END TODAY'S GLOBAL SLAVE TRADE

SOCIAL ISSUES

Burroughs and Powell take you to hotspots around the globe to unearth both the ugly nature of slavery and what they and others are doing to change the situation. Join their riveting journey that will jolt your conscience and inspire action where you live to make a difference in the lives of those trapped in human trafficking.

Nearly 30 million estimated slaves exist today, with more people likely enslaved than any other time in history. While everyone seemingly opposes slavery, we often feel helpless to change such staggering numbers. What can be done to help? The team who brought you *Not in My Town*, an investigative look into America's modern slave trade, returns with a probing look at global human trafficking. Dillon Burroughs and Charles Powell take you on location to Central America, the Caribbean, Europe, North Africa, the Middle East, Southeast Asia, and other hotspots to unearth both the ugly nature of slavery and what they and others are doing to change the situation. Join their riveting journey that will jolt your conscience and inspire action where you live to make a difference in the lives of those trapped in human trafficking. Be part of the solution and take your stand against slavery by reading and proclaiming, "Not in My World."

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## THE TECH TALK: STRATEGIES FOR FAMILIES IN A DIGITAL WORLD

SOCIAL ISSUES

Emphasizes that it is both critical and possible for families to have a healthy balance of media in the home, provides practical tips for helping children develop sensible approach to the digital world.

Enter Michael Horne, a clinical psychology and Christian parent. He knows all too well the struggles families face understanding and dealing with technological influences. In his new book, *The Tech Talk*, he doesn't simply point out the dangers and pitfalls of unsupervised forays into the digital world. He gives you an understanding of what's out there, how it can both positively and negatively influence children, and what parents can do about it. He points out that we run the risk of our lives being out of balance if we are not careful to identify what's important and actively make those things a priority. Horne examines technology and development, social media, video games, pornography, parenting challenges, and how we can "unplug" for family time. His reflection questions can either be used to promote discussion or just prompt additional thought for parents.

The hope is that *The Tech Talk* raises questions for families about their priorities, and how closely their actions match up with the things that matter most to them. This book is an excellent way to start a conversation within families about how they are living in the digital age and an opportunity to honestly ask if they like what they see.

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