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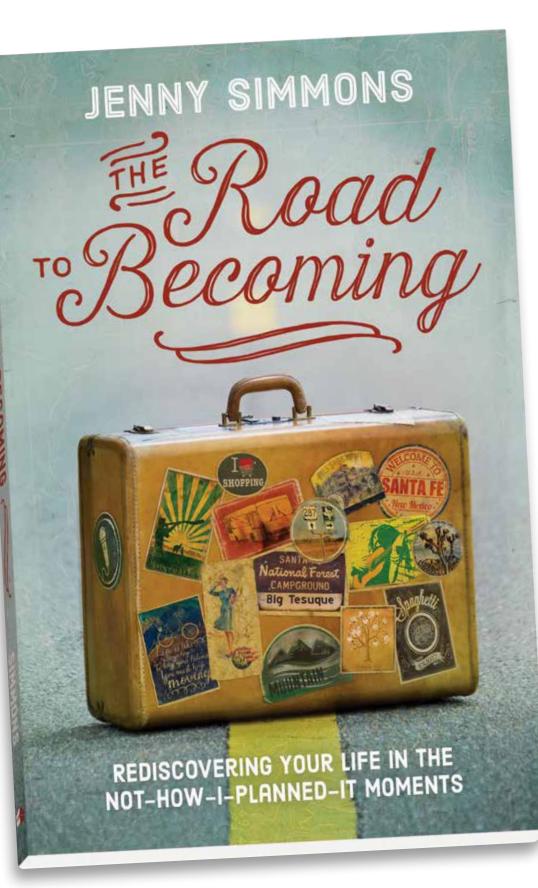
Do you trust Me? I hear him ask.

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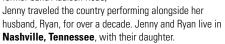
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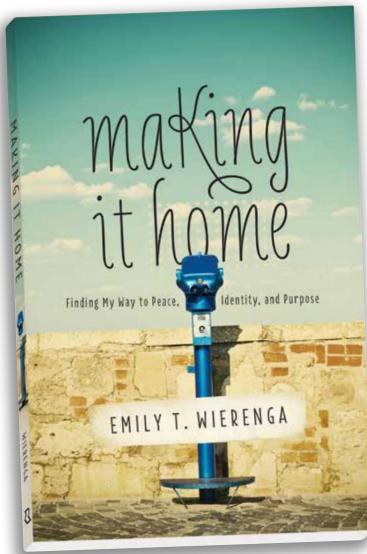
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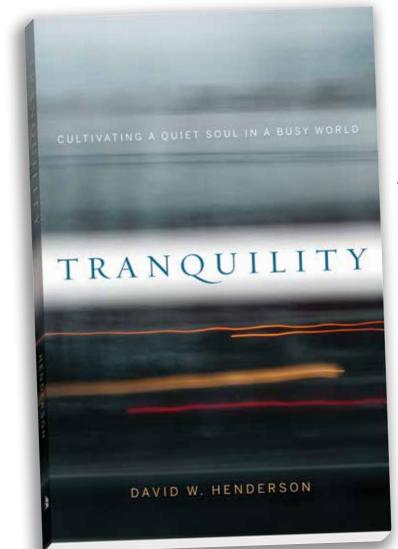
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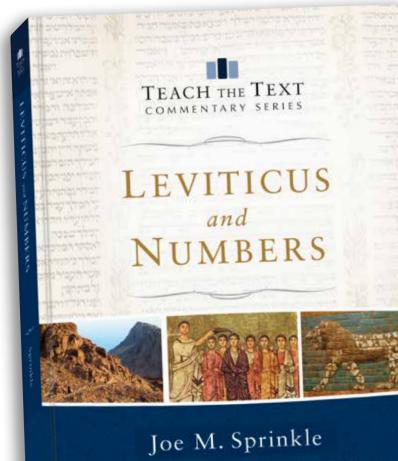


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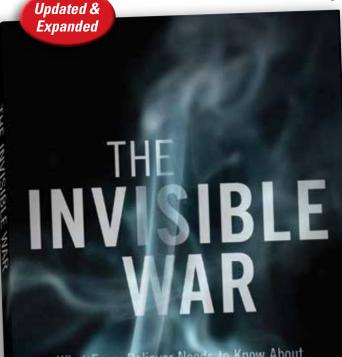
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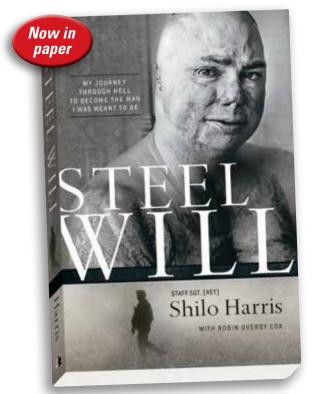
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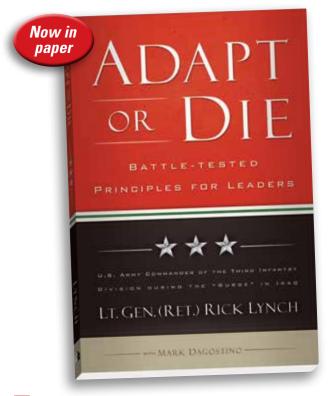
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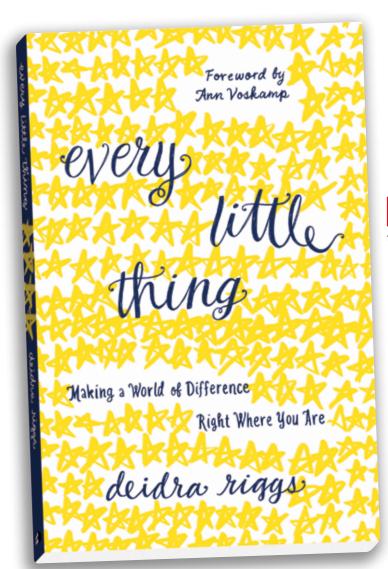
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Make a Difference Right Where You Are



- Shows readers that God made them just the way they are for a reason
- Author is an active speaker, thought leader, blogger, and managing editor of TheHighCalling.org
- Helps women transform feelings of uselessness into grace-filled, impactful living
- Foreword by Ann Voskamp

very woman has had that moment—we see a need in our church, our school, our neighborhood, our family, or our world and we think, *Someone really should get to work on that*, never imagining that *we* might be the answer to that need. We don't have the time, the expertise, the money. We've got careers to manage, bills to pay, meals to prepare, and way too much laundry piling up. Besides, who are we to think we can change the world?

In this encouraging and empowering book, Deidra Riggs calls women to accept God's invitation to join him in making a difference right where they are, regardless of their current life stage. She shows women that they were created with a purpose and with the capacities to fulfill that purpose. And she reminds readers that it's not up to us to fix the world, but it *is* up to us to join God—and the rest of his people—in his redemptive work. For when God calls and the timid reader looks over her shoulder and answers, "Who, me?" God always emphatically answers, "Yes, you."

Every Little Thing

Deidra Riggs



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Deidra Riggs is an influential blogger at her own blog, *JumpingTandem*, as well as DaySpring's (in)courage and TheHighCalling.org, for which she is managing editor. She has been a speaker for TEDx and has organized her own women's retreat, hosting speakers like Lisa-Jo Baker, Holley Gerth, and many more. She and her husband

have two adult children and live in **Lincoln, Nebraska**. Learn more at deidrariggs.com.



Riveting Story of Pain, Friendship, and Triumph

A story of freindship, courage, and triumph

THE BOY BORN DEAD

DAVID RING with JOHN DRIVER & DAVID WIDEMAN FOREWORD by MIKE HUCKABEE

- Beautifully written, gritty narrative encourages readers toward friendship, faith, and fortitude
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- Foreword by Mike Huckabee

n 1953, in Jonesboro, Arkansas, a baby boy was born—dead. The attending physician set his little body aside and tended to his mother for eighteen minutes. Now, more than sixty years later, that boy leads an internationally known ministry that encourages hundreds of thousands every year. *The Boy Born Dead* tells his incredible story from the perspective of his best friend, David Wideman.

As a teenager in the small town of Liberty, Missouri, in the late 1960s, David Ring grew up with the challenges that come with cerebral palsy, a result of his eighteen minutes of newborn silence. Along with his physical limitations, Ring was orphaned and shuffled from home to home, finally landing in an abusive situation that made him feel unworthy of love and, eventually, unworthy of life. But God had a purpose for Ring's life, and sent an agent to help him achieve it. Through the friendship of David Wideman, a boy he met in the halls of Liberty High School, Ring found strength he didn't know he had and went on to face his demons, marry the love of his life, and start an international speaking ministry.

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The Boy Born Dead

David Ring with John Driver, and David Wideman



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David Ring has been an internationally known speaker since 1973, sharing his story

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people each year at churches, conventions, schools, and corporate events. He is frequently featured on national television outlets, such as TBN's *Praise the Lord, The Old-Time Gospel Hour* with Dr. Jerry Falwell, and *Focus on the Family.* He and his wife, Karen, live in **Nashville, Tennessee**. They have four children and three grandchildren.

ABOUT THE AUTHORS

John Driver is an educator turnedpastor and ministry leader who created *Ignition 7*, a global initiative of videos, books, apps. and resources

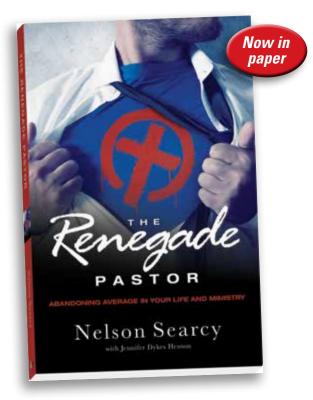


apps, and resources crafted to equip people to be sustained in their faith. He is the author or coauthor of more than a dozen books, including *Reggie: You Can't Change Your Past, But You Can Change Your Future* (with Reggie Dabbs) and the upcoming *Diary of a Jackwagon* (with comedian Tim Hawkins). He lives with his wife and daughter, Laura and Sadie, in **Mount Juliet, Tennessee**. David Wideman has been a pastor at Christ Journey Church in Coral Gables, Florida, since 1983. As executive pastor for campus operations, he oversees the fine



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The Renegade Pastor

Nelson Searcy with Jennifer Dykes Henson



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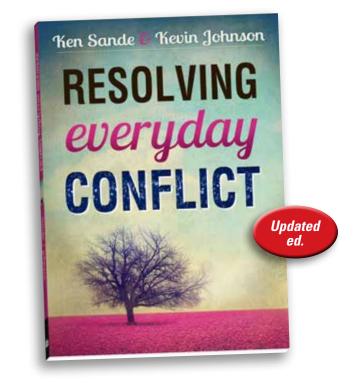
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ABOUT THE AUTHORS

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Jennifer Dykes Henson is a freelance writer based in New York City. She also worked with Dr. Charles Stanley as the manager of marketing communications for In Touch Ministries in Atlanta, Georgia.

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Resolving Everyday Conflict, updated ed.

Ken Sande and Kevin Johnson

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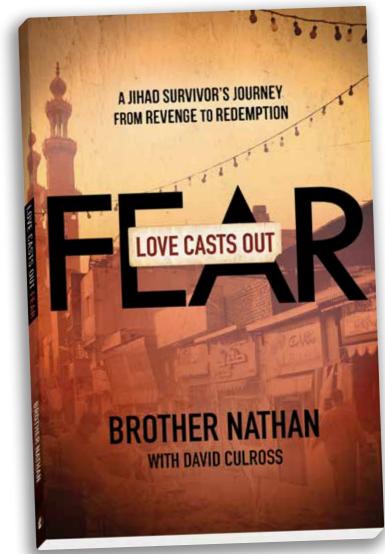
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Love Casts Out Fear

Brother Nathan with David Culross



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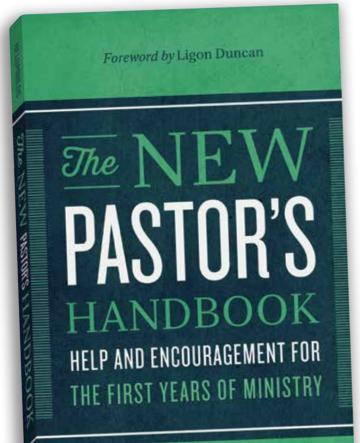
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ABOUT THE AUTHORS

Brother Nathan is a Christian leader currently working
in Egypt, where Christians are a small minority and are
subjected to many forms of discrimination on a daily
basis. He graduated from university as a veterinary
surgeon, but followed the call of God he felt on his life
by leaving his job in 1986 to study at New Life Bible
Chool in New Zealand. Upon completion of his studies,
he returned to Egypt to begin his ministry. He and his wife
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David Culross has been involved in various ministries for over forty years, including church music ministry and sacred and symphonic music publication. His global mission work has taken him to more than sixty countries around the world, including Eastern European countries during the days of communism and throughout nations in Africa and Asia. His up close and personal encounters with Christians all over the world give him unique insight into the persecuted church. He currently lives in **Grand Rapids, Michigan**, with his wife Sharon.

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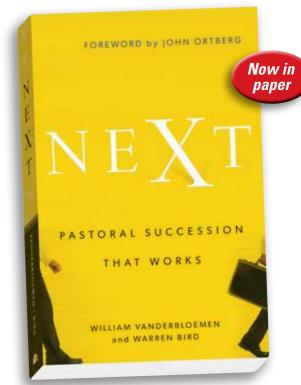
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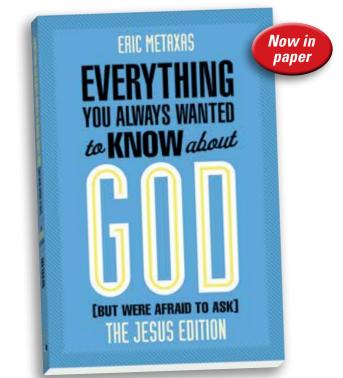
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EXCERPT

I find that most people, whether Christ-followers or not, have a horrible view of heaven. At best it's a cloudy, ethereal, disembodied, nonphysical experience-yeah, maybe with love, joy, and no suffering sprinkled in-but if we're honest, we don't really get excited about it. We can't imagine actually *liking* it. At worst, people think of it as an endless, boring church service, singing songs you're not excited about-forever! That sounds horrible to me, and I'm a pastor!

How you think about heaven affects everything in life-how you prioritize love, how willing you are to sacrifice for the longterm, how you view suffering. what you fear or don't fear. I'm convinced we can't even beginbut we should try-to picture how magnificent, how spectacular, how much fun heaven will be-how much of what we love about this life and more awaits us in eternity. As the Scripture says, "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him" (1 Corinthians 2:9, NLT). But that doesn't mean we shouldn't push our imaginations to the limit trying to understand.

I'm convinced that a poor view of the life to come is one of the primary reasons many people (Christian or not) live materialistic, self-centered lifestyles. They can't imagine heaven, so they don't live for it. But all the great heroes of faith "were looking for a better place, a heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them" (Hebrews 11:16). Imagining and living for heaven is not optional in God's eyes—it's the hope God wants us to hold in our mind's eye.

IMAGINE HEAVEN

NEAR-DEATH EXPERIENCES, GOD'S PROMISES and the Exhilarating Future that Awaits You

JOHN BURKE

Fascinating Near-Death Experiences Reveal Scripture's Heaven

- Bestselling author of No Perfect People Allowed and pastor of a growing megachurch in Austin, Texas
- Author speaks to church leaders around the world on a regular basis
- Books about heaven and near-death experiences remain popular
- Puts NDEs to the test, comparing them with Scripture and encouraging a holy imagination when we think of heaven

t's obvious from the bookshelves and the big screen that heaven is on everyone's mind. All of us long to know what life after death will be like. Bestselling author John Burke is no exception. For decades, he has been studying accounts of people who have had near-death experiences (NDEs). While not every detail of individual NDEs correlate with Scripture, Burke shows how the common experiences shared by thousands of survivors clearly point to the God of the Bible and the exhilarating picture of heaven he promises.

Imagine Heaven is an inspirational journey through the Bible's picture of heaven, colored in with the real-life stories of heaven's wonders. Burke compares gripping stories of NDEs to what Scripture says about our biggest questions of heaven: *Will I be myself? Will I see friends and loved ones? What will it look like? What is God like? What will we do forever? What about children and pets?* This book will propel readers into an experience that will forever change their view of the life to come and the way they live life today. It also tackles the tough questions of heavenly reward and hellish NDEs. Anyone interested in NDEs or longing to imagine heaven more clearly will enjoy this fascinating and hope-filled book.

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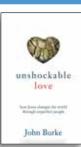
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hundreds of thousands of people in twenty countries on topics of leadership and spiritual growth. He and his family live in **Austin, Texas**.



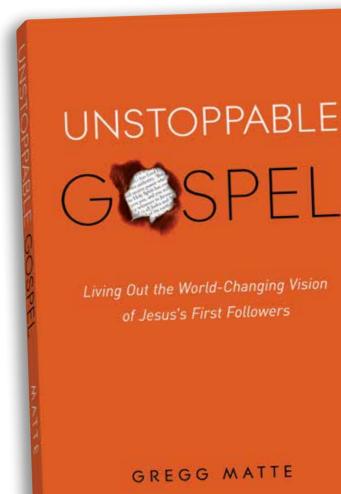
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he path of least resistance is seldom the path of greatest impact. This is a truth that the apostles knew intrinsically, but from which we, the modern church, seem to shy away. They boldly proclaimed the Gospel, in season and out of season. We want to avoid risk, avoid stepping on toes, avoid any bad publicity that might come with going out on a limb. But much like the first rockets to leave Earth's atmosphere, giant leaps forward in God's kingdom don't come without a big vision and a great big dose of risk.

In *Unstoppable Gospel*, pastor Gregg Matte calls readers to take up the task of the early church and go change the world. He shows how using ordinary, everyday people has been God's plan from the beginning and how we all have a part in that plan. He shares many practical ways Christians can get involved in their churches and communities to take advantage of the countless opportunities God provides for us to make a lasting kingdom impact in our world.

Unstoppable Gospel

Gregg Matte



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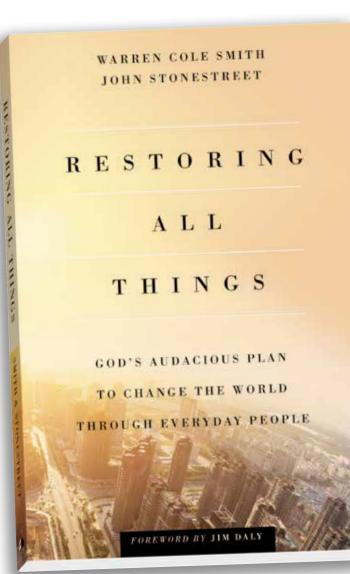
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God Is at Work—and Invites Us to Join Him



- Inspires discouraged Christians who yearn to see and be part of God's restoring work in this world
- Will appeal to readers of *WORLD* magazine and listeners of BreakPoint
- Foreword by Focus on the Family's Jim Daly

t's easy to get discouraged by the headlines. It can often feel as if God has left the building, like we are on our own. We want to believe God's promises to us, and we search for signs of his continuing restoration of the world in which we live. Now, with passion and heart, two leading experts on Christianity and culture cut through the chaos and uncertainty to show readers how God is powerfully active and intensely engaged in fulfilling his promise to restore all things unto himself. Through inspiring real-life stories of justice, mercy, love, and forgiveness in our midst, Smith and Stonestreet present a God who is intimately involved in his creation and using his church to work out the redemption of this world.

Restoring All Things

Warren Cole Smith and John Stonestreet



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Lover's Quarrel with the Evangelical Church and Prodigal Press: Confronting the Anti-Christian Bias of the American News Media. He lives in Charlotte, North Carolina.



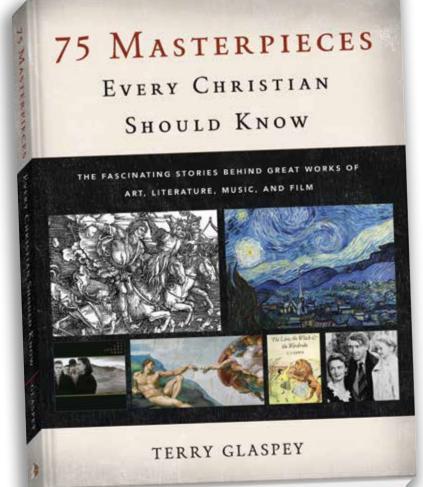
John Stonestreet is a speaker and fellow with the Chuck Colson Center for Christian Worldview, and a sought-after communicator and thought leader on faith and culture, theology, worldview, education, and apologetics. He is the voice of two nationally syndicated radio commentaries: *BreakPoint* (with Eric Metaxas)



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ABOUT THE AUTHORS

A Celebration of 75 Stunning Masterpieces



- Learn the fascinating stories behind some of the greatest art of all time
- Visually compelling with a wide array of full-color photos and illustrations
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Some of the greatest painters, musicians, architects, writers, filmmakers, and poets have taken their inspiration from their faith and impacted millions of people with their stunning creations. Now readers can discover the stories behind seventy-five of these masterpieces and the artists who created them. From the art of the Roman catacombs to Rembrandt to Makoto Fujimura; from Gregorian Chant to Bach to U2; from John Bunyan and John Donne to Flannery O'Connor and Frederick Buechner; this book unveils the rich and varied artistic heritage left by believers who were masters at their craft.

Author and historian Terry Glaspey shares the absorbing true stories behind these masterpieces and helps readers see the fascinating details they might have missed. By looking through the eyes of these creative artists, readers will gain deeper perspectives about the human condition, the Christian story, and their own spiritual lives.

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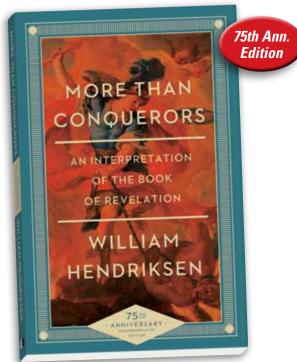


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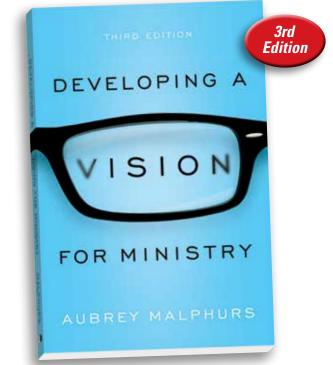
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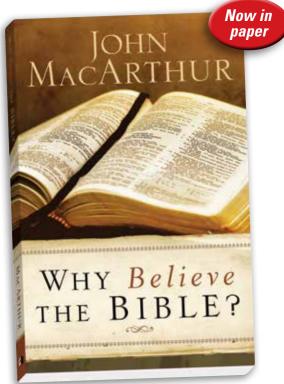
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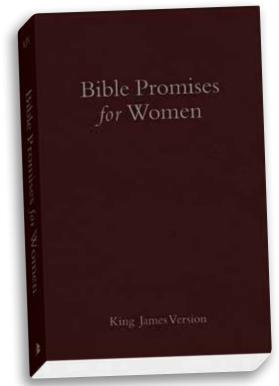
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