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As we begin this book, we have a question for you: *Who are you chasing?*

As we grew up, our parents and mentors used the Bible to guide us along a narrow path pointing toward a future planned for us by God. That path shaped who we are today. And we hope this book—along with the Bible—will help guide you in that same way.

No, you aren't going to be perfect. You'll probably make some wrong steps along the way. But at the end of the day, always ask yourself, *Who am I chasing?*

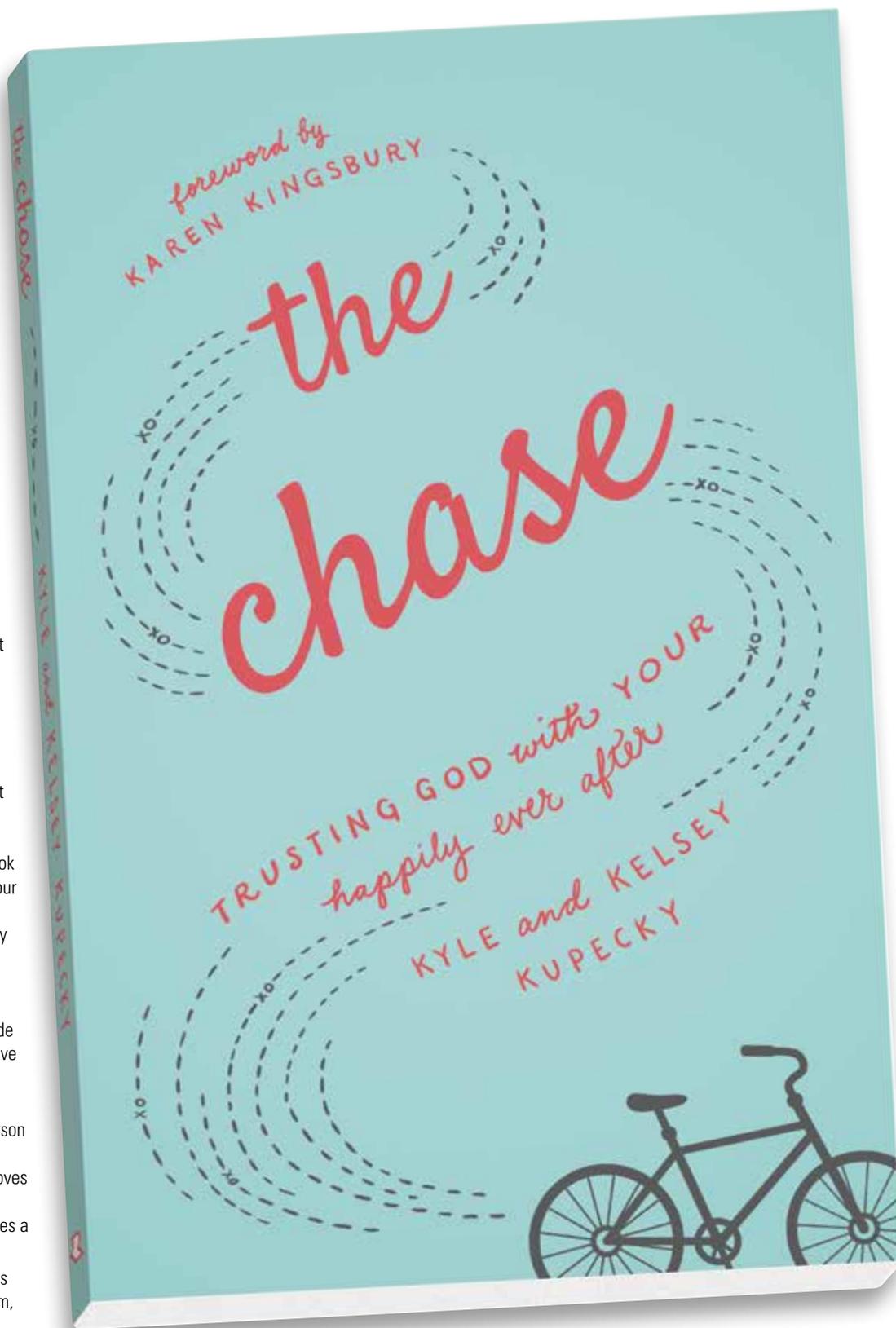
Is it God?

If his name isn't your first answer, then you aren't headed in the right direction—his direction. In this book we want to remind you to check your calendar and make sure that your first appointment and your top priority is to chase God.

In the chapters ahead, you'll hear stories and advice from each of us individually as well as some things we'll share together as a couple. That way you can hear both a girl's and a guy's perspective on all of the topics we're about to cover. Think of this book like a night spent hanging out with your best girlfriend talking about life and love and relationships, when suddenly there's a knock at the door and a guy walks in and sits down with you. In the chapters to come, he'll join in the conversation to give you the real inside scoop into what a guy thinks about love and relationships.

Ultimately, we want this book to inspire you to chase after the one person who matters most: Jesus Christ. He knows everything about you and he loves you. More than you know. He has the most amazing plans for you and desires a close personal relationship with you.

God's dreams for you are out of this world, girls. Keeping chasing after him, and you'll see.



His-and-Hers Perspectives on Chasing after God instead of Chasing after Boys

- Frequent speakers across the country, Kyle and Kelsey encourage girls to chase after God, allowing Him to write their happily-ever-after.
- Kyle is a recording artist who has toured with Lecrae, MercyMe and Steven Curtis Chapman, and Kelsey is an actress and the designer of a DaySpring card and gift line, Possibilities, with her mother, Karen Kingsbury
- Foreword by #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Karen Kingsbury

Kyle and Kelsey Kupecky couldn't have dreamed a better love story for themselves had it been scripted by a bestselling novelist like Kelsey's mom, Karen Kingsbury. In fact, if you asked them, Kyle and Kelsey would name God as the author of their story. And they're glad they trusted him to write it for them.

Unfortunately, too many girls hoping for their own happily-ever-after have taken matters into their own hands, chasing after boys when they should be chasing after God. And that inevitably leads to heartache, low self-esteem, and poor choices as girls give in to pressure from media and peers to look and act a certain way to attract guys.

Kyle and Kelsey want girls to know that it's never too late to trust God with their love lives, that wherever they are, there's always hope for the future. Through their own story and the stories of others who long for love, they show girls how to put God first, how to value and protect their purity, how to deal with loneliness and bullying, and how to see themselves as God does—a one-in-a-million girl who deserves no less than God's best.

The Chase

Kyle and Kelsey Kupecky



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ABOUT THE AUTHORS

Kyle Kupecky is a Christian recording artist who has toured with Lecrae, MercyMe, and Steven Curtis Chapman. His self-titled debut album released in 2014 and his Christmas album, *Snowed In*, debuted in the Top 10 on the iTunes Holiday Chart. Through his soulful pop music and speaking with his wife, Kyle is passionate about sharing Jesus with today's youth.

Kelsey Kupecky is a designer and an actress who has appeared in several faith-based films, including the Emmy-nominated *The Heart of Christmas*. She is the designer of Possibilities, a DaySpring greeting card and gift line, with her mother, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Karen Kingsbury. Through acting, designing, and speaking with her husband, Kelsey's dream is to encourage girls to chase after God, allowing him to write their happily ever after.

Kyle and Kelsey live in **Nashville, Tennessee**. For more information, visit kyleandkelsey.com.



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What was true for Abram then is true for you today: *if God is sending you to a new place, he's sending you with a promise.* Whether you experience transition under your feet, in your heart, or both, the Lord is bringing you to something new for the purpose of blessing you, and blessing you beyond anything you could ever dream for yourself. In the deepest parts of my soul, I know *change is an absolute provision of God's grace.*

Change isn't something to be feared or dreaded. It's just the next step, his next best thing for you.

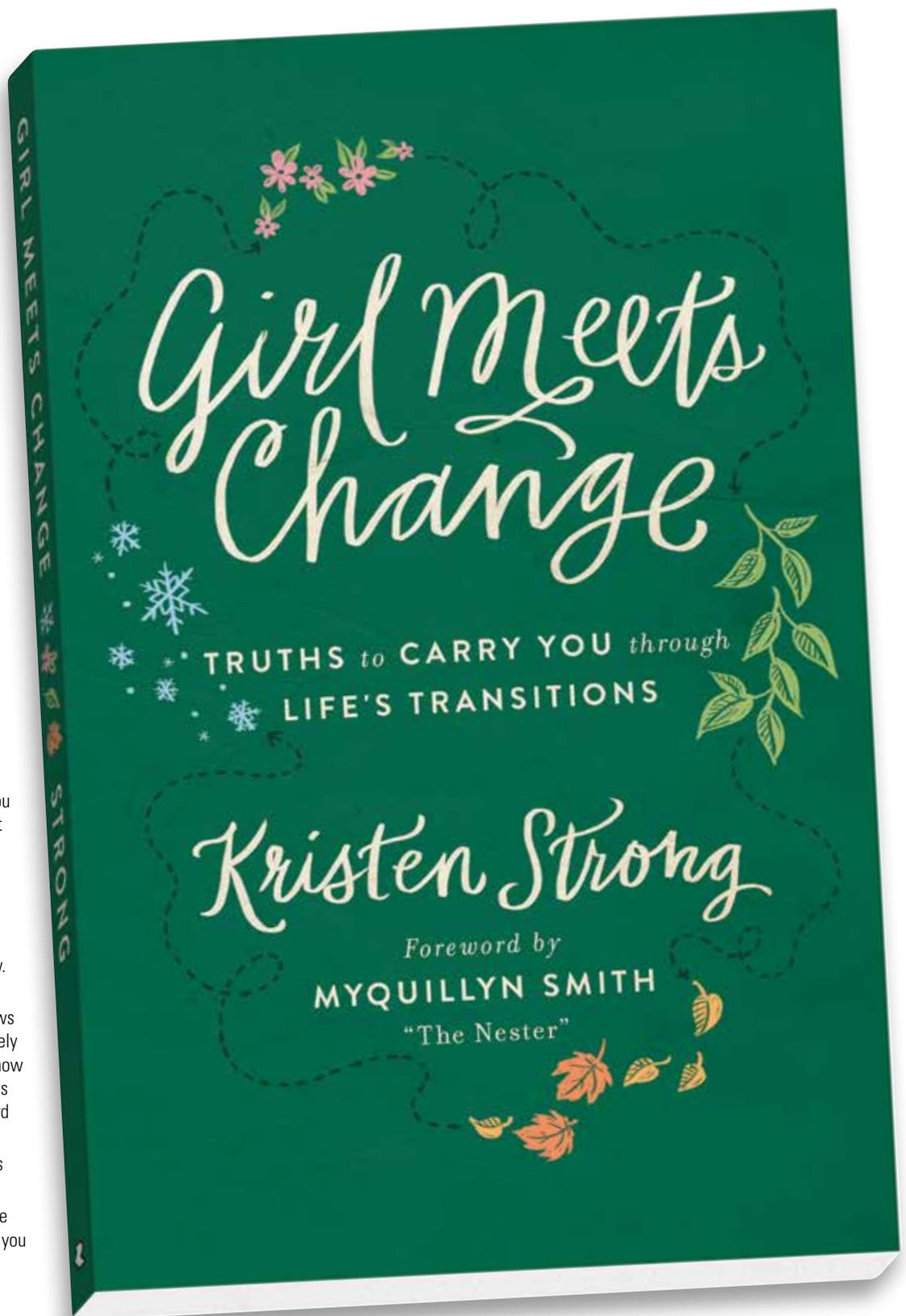
The problem, however, is this: *we know too little of what could be to feel discontent with what is.* When change that isn't our own idea comes into our life, it's easy to hold on white-knuckled to what we already have where we already are. After all, it may not be a terrible or unhealthy place. It may be exactly what you imagined for yourself: beautiful, predictable, and reliable. Why rock the boat?

Or maybe the view from where you sit today isn't quite so ideal. Difficult situations still require courage to change. After all, an undesirable familiar place is still familiar, right? Sometimes we'd rather put arms around unhealthy predictability than take a chance on a better brand-new.

Either way, what if God wants something more for you? If God knows all our *could be's*, perhaps he's divinely orchestrating your life to help you know them too. In his infinite wisdom, he is moving you in a new direction toward all that could be.

But when we don't see any of this clearly, it's hard to hang on to belief.

It's my fervent prayer that from the first pages onward, this book shows you how to do just that.



“Kristen Strong is an uncommon gem whose Gospel-brilliant writing makes Jesus shine.”—Ann Voskamp, *New York Times* bestselling author

- For any woman experiencing the anxiety and stress that change brings, Kristen Strong walks alongside as a true friend
- Author draws on her own experience as a military wife, the stories of others, and stories from Scripture
- Kristen is a blogger at DaySpring’s (in)courage and at her own blog, *Chasing Blue Skies*
- Foreword by Myquillyn Smith “The Nester”

Whether chosen and celebrated—like going off to college or welcoming your first baby—or unexpected and anxiety-inducing—like losing a job or grappling with a broken trust—all change brings stress. Kristen Strong knows about change—especially the kind you didn’t choose or expect. What she’s fought hard to learn over the years is that change is not something to be feared but something to be received as a blessing from a God who, more often than not, works through change, not in spite of it. Strong has learned to see change not as a grievance but as a grace.

In this hope-filled book, she shows women how when we follow God’s will, we receive blessings of contentment, purpose, and renewed strength. She encourages women to see change not as the end of their story but as the scenery for this part of life’s journey. And she offers practical advice for coping with change in every part of life. Anyone who has struggled to adjust to life’s transitions will welcome this warm and personal perspective.

Girl Meets Change

Kristen Strong



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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Kristen Strong is a popular blogger at *Chasing Blue Skies* (chasingblueskies.net) and DaySpring’s (in)courage, as well as a writer whose work has appeared in *MOMSense* and *Family Fun* magazines. She and her husband, David, have three children. Together this military family has zig-zagged across the country (and one ocean!) several times, and they currently live in **Colorado Springs, Colorado**.

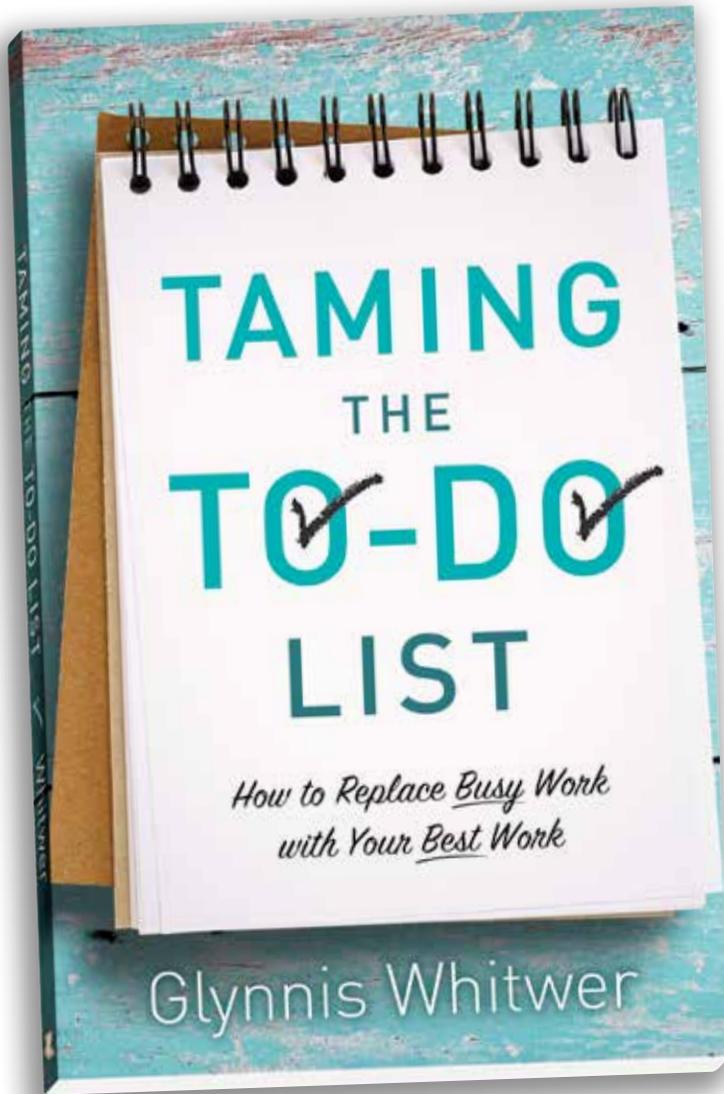


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“Kristen Strong is one of the best encouragers I’ve ever met. She knows how to touch the hearts and change the lives of women in meaningful ways. I consider her one of my favorite writers—a source of strength and joy I turn to again and again.”—**Holley Gerth**

“Kristen Strong is one of those writers who has a special way of letting you know that you matter—not as one in a crowd, but as a uniquely created and beloved child of God.”—**Jennifer Dukes Lee**

How Women Can Prioritize Their Best Work over Busy Work



- Helps women identify why they procrastinate and take back their lives from busy work
- Shows women that their goals and dreams don't have to be put on hold during busy seasons of life
- Author is the executive director of communications for Proverbs 31 Ministries

No matter how hard women work or how much they accomplish in a day, there's lingering anxiety and guilt over what they *didn't* do. We just wish the world would stop for a day so we could catch up.

Glynnis Whitwer has identified what makes us feel so overburdened—and it's probably not what you think. *Taming the To-Do List* exposes a seismic shift in our society: from one in which most of us were proactive toward one where we now carry the burden of having to *respond*—to every email, text, tweet, and message we receive. This major shift creates a cycle where everyone else sets the priorities for our days, rather than us designing our own lives.

Taming the To-Do List addresses this significant change in how we manage our time and the issue of procrastination from a woman's point of view. It addresses the common household tasks many women put off, like doing housework and scheduling doctor's appointments, and moves on to the larger, more life-impacting delays of dreams and goals. Combining practical, easy-to-apply advice with solid research and biblical truth, this book is a compassionate yet challenging message of hope for those struggling to choose their *best* work over *busy* work.

Taming the To-Do List

Glynnis Whitwer



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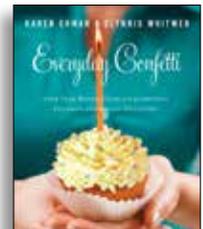
Glynnis Whitwer, executive director of communications for Proverbs 31 Ministries, is a regular contributor to *Encouragement for Today*, the Proverbs 31 email devotional, reaching over a million women each day. She is the author of *I Used to Be So Organized*, *When Your Child Hurts*, and *work@*



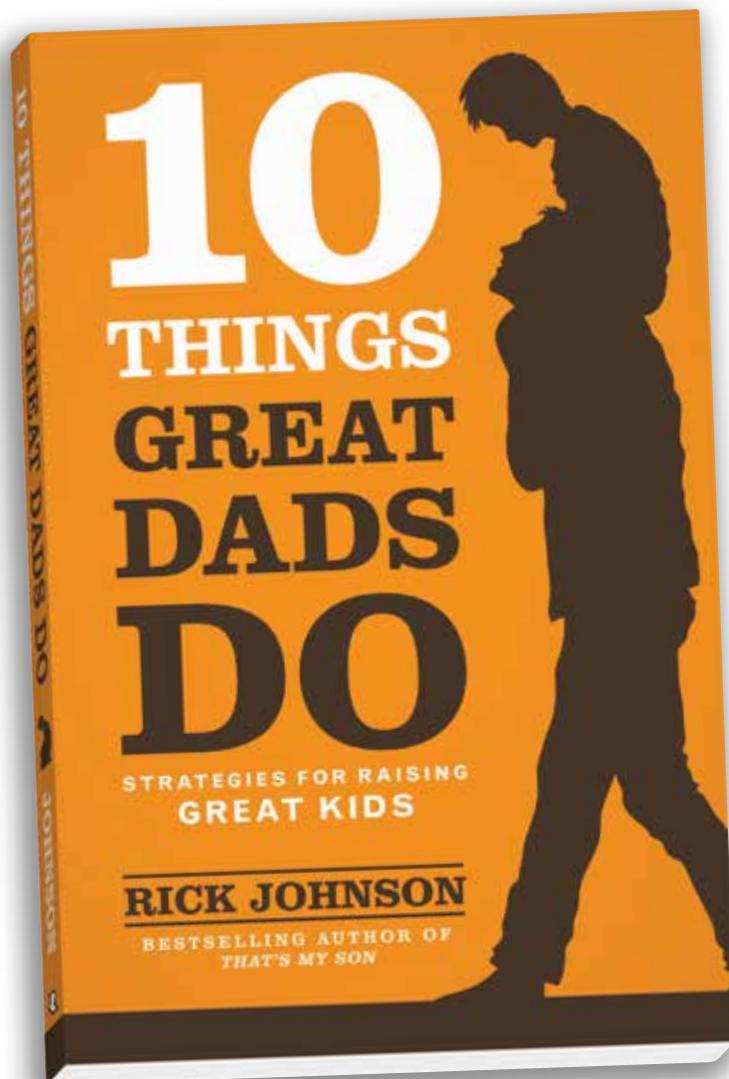
home: A Practical Guide for Women Who Want to Work from Home, and the coauthor of *Everyday Confetti*. Glynnis, her husband, Tod, and their five children live in **Arizona**. She blogs regularly at www.glynniswhitwer.com.

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Everyday Confetti
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10 Simple Strategies to Help Men Be Better Dads



- Shows men the importance of their role as fathers and equips them to set the tone for their family
- Author has been recognized as a Champion of Change by the White House for his work with men and fathers
- Johnson has appeared on over 250 radio and television programs across the US and Canada

Great dads raise great kids who tend to be happier, healthier, and more successful in life. But men sometimes struggle with how to go about being that great dad, especially if their own fathers were not positive role models. Fathering expert Rick Johnson offers men ten practical strategies to become the dads they want to be. He helps

- help their kids find the humor in life
- surround their family with healthy friends and role models
- communicate clearly with their children
- “brand” their families with memorable sayings and traditions
- help their kids develop self-esteem and respect for others
- be a gatekeeper when it comes to their kids’ social circle
- and set reachable goals for themselves and their children

Every father can be a great dad. This clear and to-the-point book gives them the tools they need to do it well.

10 Things Great Dads Do

Rick Johnson



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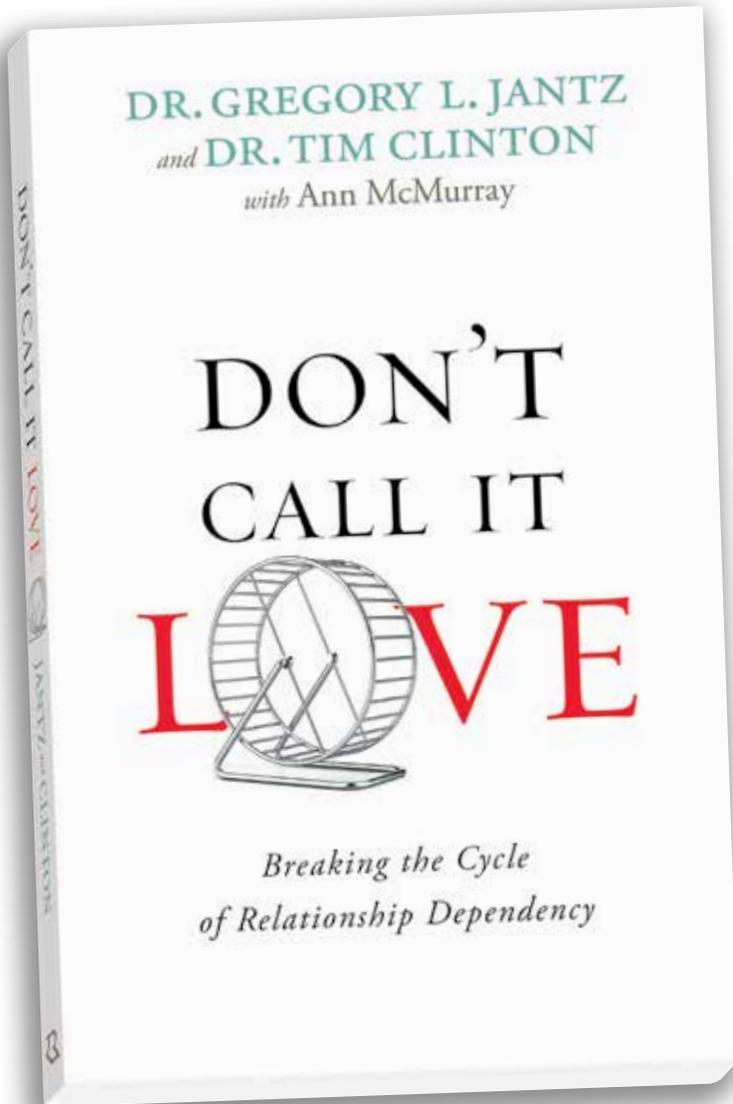
Rick Johnson is a bestselling author of *That's My Son*, *That's My Teenage Son*, *That's My Girl*, and *Better Dads, Stronger Sons*, as well as *Becoming Your Spouse's Better Half* and *Romancing Your Better Half*. He is the founder of Better Dads and is a sought-after speaker at many large parenting and marriage conferences across the United States and Canada. Rick, his wife Suzanne, and their grown children live in **Oregon**. To find out more about Rick Johnson, visit www.betterdads.net.



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Overcoming Relationship Dependency



- Helps readers break the cycle of codependency and unhealthy relationships
- Authors are experts in the fields of addiction and relationships
- Fills a unique niche in the marketplace that is underserved and often misunderstood

“You complete me” may be a romantic line in a popular movie, but it’s not a healthy basis for a real relationship. Unfortunately, many people are drawn into relationships that are unfulfilling precisely because they are looking to other people to fill in the places where *they* are lacking—they are looking for a person who will “complete” them. At the heart of relationship dependency is a person’s belief that he or she alone is not enough. But using others to provide wholeness simply does not work, because while we are made to be relationship dependent, it is God we must turn to in order to find wholeness.

In a warm, engaging style, Drs. Jantz and Clinton walk readers through patterns of relationship dependency, helping them unravel why they are drawn back to the same dry well of unfulfilled relationships over and over again. Readers will discover how to break the cycle, banish their fears, and find wholeness in the God who designed them to be in relationship first and foremost with him, thus freeing them to find healthy relationships with others. Includes a twelve-week personal recovery plan.

Don't Call It Love

Dr. Gregory L. Jantz and Dr. Tim Clinton, with Ann McMurray



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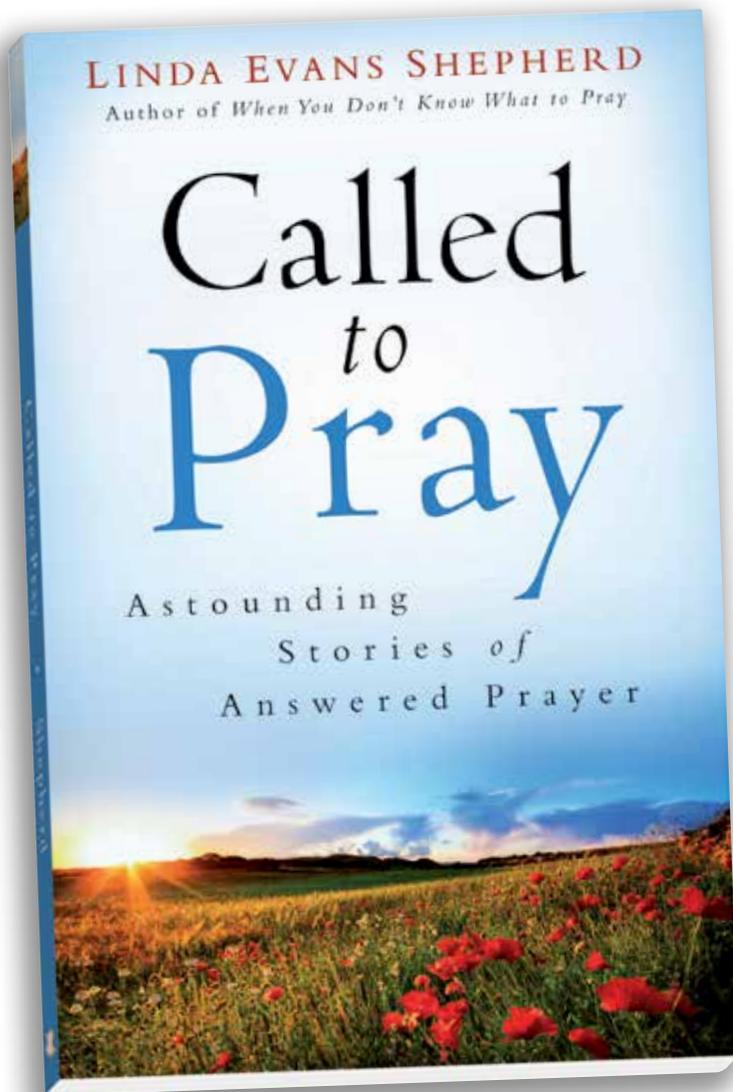


Dr. Tim Clinton (EdD, The College of William and Mary) is president of the American Association of Christian Counselors (AACC), executive director of the Center for Counseling and Family Studies, professor of counseling and pastoral care at Liberty University and Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, and a licensed professional counselor. He is the coauthor of the Quick-Reference Guide to Counseling series of books from Baker Books and lives in **Virginia**.



Ann McMurray has coauthored several books, including *Controlling Your Anger Before It Controls You*. She lives in **Washington**.

A Stirring Call to Respond to God's Nudges to Pray



- Through astounding true stories of answered prayer, readers see the proof of what happens when we pray
- Shepherd encourages readers to respond when God nudges them to pray and to have faith he will do amazing things
- Shows readers how to seek a deeper prayer life and relationship with God

Most of us have felt it: that unexplained prompting in our hearts to stop and pray for a friend, a loved one, or even a stranger. Sometimes we dismiss the feeling as a stray thought about friends, families, or situations. Sometimes we are even awakened from a deep sleep with an even deeper need to go to God in prayer. Where do those urges come from? Are they truly from God? And do those prayers have any effect on the one we're praying for?

In *Called to Pray*, Linda Evans Shepherd shares dozens of inspiring true stories of people who have felt God's call to pray—and the astonishing results of those impromptu prayers. For those who wonder if prayer has any effect or doubt that God communicates with us personally, this heart-stirring book will amaze, inspire, and equip them to respond to those holy promptings.

Called to Pray

Linda Evans Shepherd



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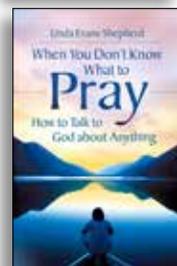
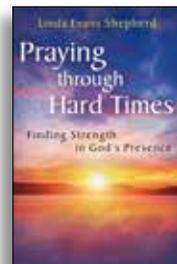
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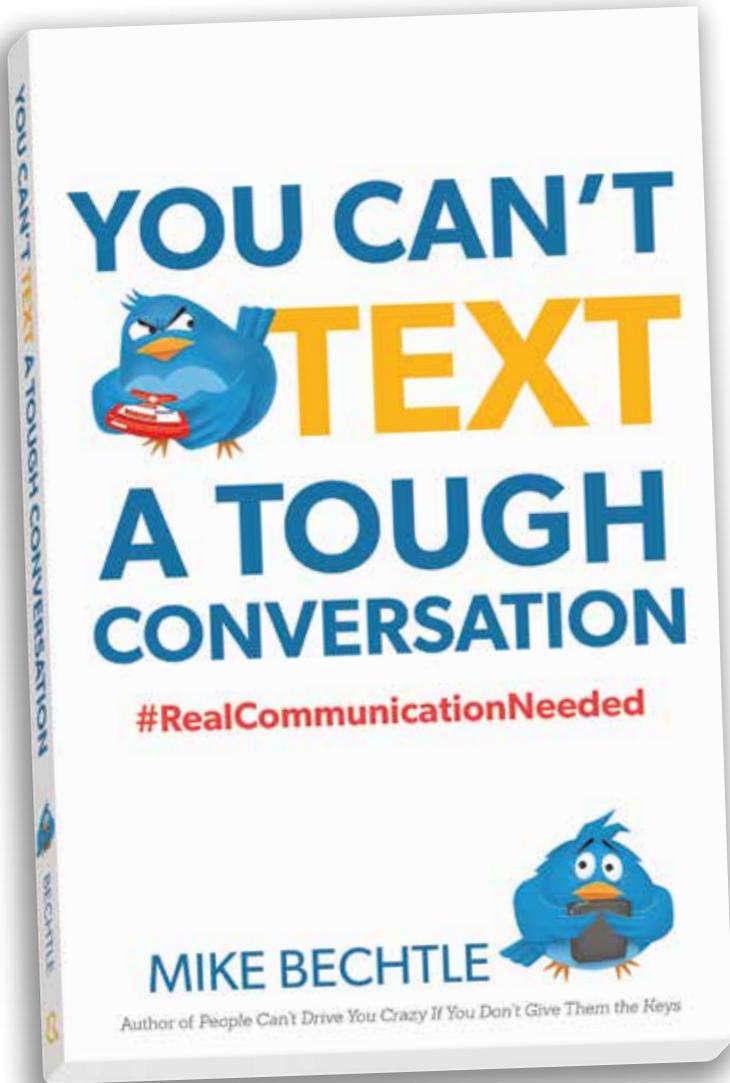
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When You Don't Know What to Pray

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Practical Strategies to Succeed in Any Difficult Conversation



- In a world that likes to hide behind technology, Bechtle provides a healthy approach to having tough conversations, offering help on a variety of specific topics
- Author's popular *People Can't Drive You Crazy If You Don't Give Them the Keys* has sold over 130,000 copies
- Bechtle is a corporate trainer who works with top Fortune 500 companies, presenting time- and life-management seminars

As our use of technology has increased, our communication skills have decreased. We text when we should talk. We tweet firings and breakups. Technology creates the illusion of being in touch, but we lose the deeper meaning conveyed by body language, facial expression, and tone of voice. What we need are real, face-to-face conversations. Have we lost that art?

Whether it's with a spouse, a friend, a boss, a co-worker, or children, tough conversations can create high anxiety. Communication expert Mike Bechtle offers practical help. He shows readers how to build strong relationships and teaches tried-and-true methods to navigate the muddy waters of tough conversations. Readers learn to be better listeners, give and receive genuine feedback, saturate their relationships with kindness, and much more. With the right skills and tools, anyone can feel more confident handling a tough conversation.

You Can't Text a Tough Conversation

Mike Bechtle



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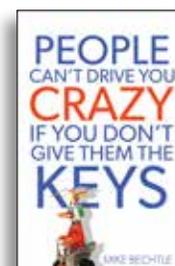
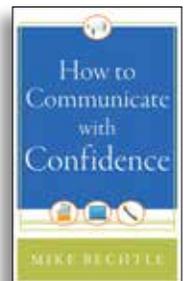
Mike Bechtle (EdD, Arizona State University) is the author of *People Can't Drive You Crazy If You Don't Give Them the Keys* and *How to Communicate with Confidence*. His articles have appeared in publications such as *Writer's Digest*, *Pastors.com*, and *Entrepreneur*. A frequent speaker, Bechtle lives in **California**.



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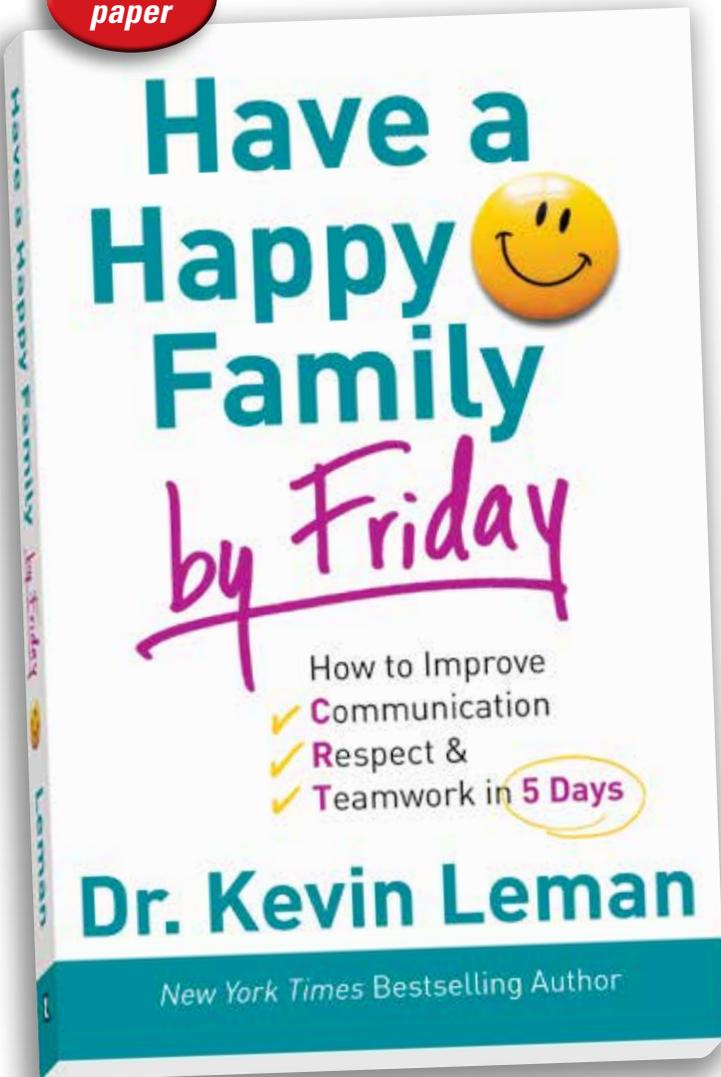
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A Proven, Five-Day Plan for Having a Happy Family

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- Practical ways to build family unity that leads to communication, respect, and fun
- Lemman's Have a New series has sold more than 1 million copies
- Bonus Q&A section shows readers how to apply this practical advice immediately

Every member of a family plays a vital role in the health and happiness of the household. Everyone is important, deserves to be treated with love and respect, and needs to know that when they make mistakes they will still be loved unconditionally. And when every member of the family is pulling for each other and on the same team, everybody wins. But is possible?

Dr. Kevin Lemman says it is. He shows families how to

- communicate honestly and kindly
- prioritize the right things
- maintain great attitudes and behaviors
- determine the role each plays in the family structure
- make family time count

As always, Dr. Lemman's outstanding advice is laced with humor, great stories, and the wisdom that comes only from a lifetime of experience. For parents who've had it up to here with bickering, hurt feelings, and emotional exhaustion, *Have a Happy Family by Friday* is just what the doctor ordered.

Have a Happy Family by Friday

Dr. Kevin Lemman



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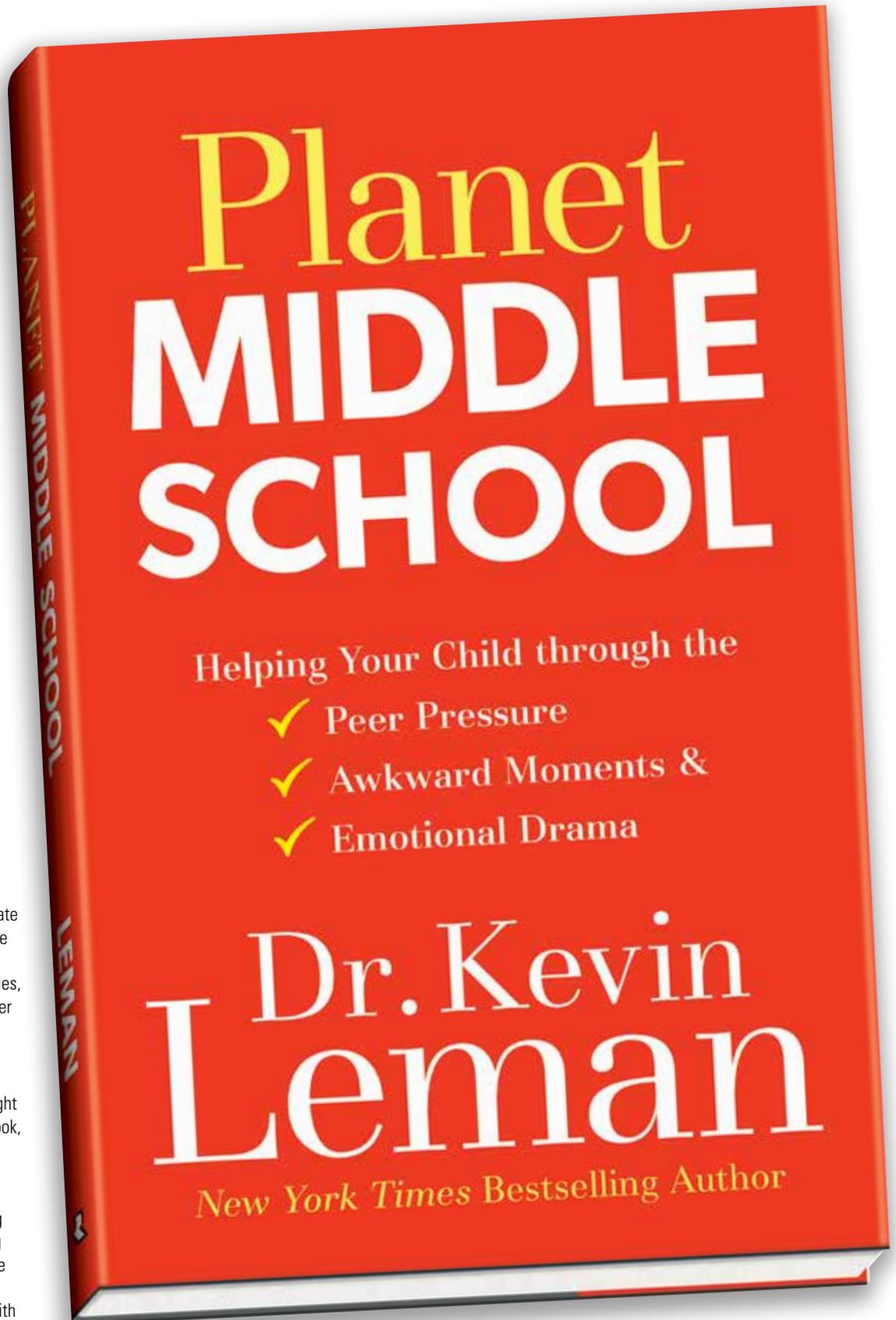
Have you ever wondered if someone left the door open in your house and let an alien into your family room? Suddenly that sweet son who picked a dandelion from your yard and presented it to you like a prize rose, and that precious daughter who snuggled by your side on the sofa and told you all the secrets of her heart, have morphed into middle schoolers you can't recognize—complete with smart mouths and self-centered attitudes . . .

Entering middle school is like stepping onto a different planet for both you and your child—an expanding universe where peer pressure, society, media, and technology influences, as well as hormone changes, can create havoc in your child's life and in your relationship. Your home environment can sometimes feel more like a red-hot planet, about to spontaneously combust.

You can't change those ever-present facts of life. But you can learn to be smart about them. The middle school years don't have to create chaos in your family. Whether you're smack in the middle of them or nervously anticipating them, you can navigate this new universe with confidence and a steady hand. With a little knowledge and some key principles, you can steer your middle schooler toward life-long success.

Yes, your middle schooler will still be weird at times. No doubt about it. But armed with the insight and practical principles of this book, you can make the middle school years the best and most fun age of all. Someday, in fact, you and your grown-up kids will be sitting around the dinner table, laughing and swapping stories about these memorable years. Just like my beloved bride, Sande, and I do with our five children now.

I guarantee it.



Leading Expert Guides Parents on the Fantastic Journey of Parenting Middle Schoolers

- Equips parents with the tools they need to handle the conflicts, emotions, and attitude of their middle school child
- Helps parents find common ground with their kids during this critical time in the parent-child relationship
- Dr. Kevin Leman is a *New York Times* bestselling author, psychologist, and parenting expert

It happens to every parent. One day, you have a sweet son or daughter who loves to snuggle on the couch and who puts a smile on your face just by walking into the room. The next day, it's as if someone left the door open and let in an alien with a smart mouth and an attitude that, frankly, you could do without. Entering middle school is like stepping onto a different planet—for parent and child alike. It's a planet where peer pressure, social media, and hormones can wreak havoc in your child's life and in your relationship with him or her.

But these years don't have to create chaos in your family. Parenting expert and *New York Times* bestselling author Dr. Kevin Leman's time-tested principles will aid parents in helping their middle schooler not only survive but thrive during these turbulent years on Planet Middle School. He shows parents how to

- understand their child's rapidly expanding world
- respond rather than react to emotional swings
- tell their child about sex (before someone else tells them *their* version)
- create opportunities for their child to practice selflessness and gratitude
- ensure that their kid is one who loves home and family

Middle schoolers can be a weird, unpredictable species. But with a little help from Dr. Leman, parents will be able to ride out the interstellar storm with humor and confidence.

Planet Middle School

Dr. Kevin Leman



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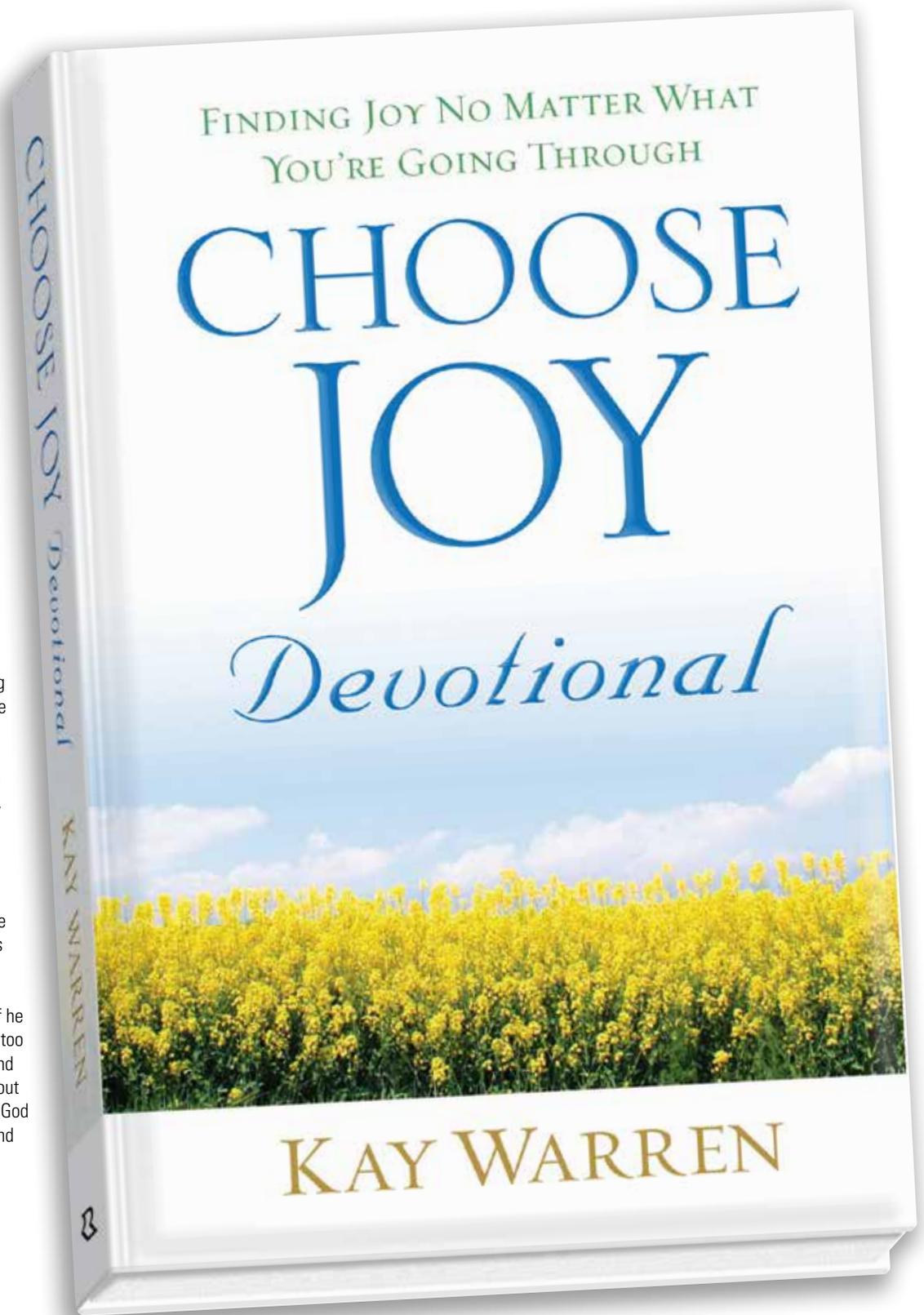
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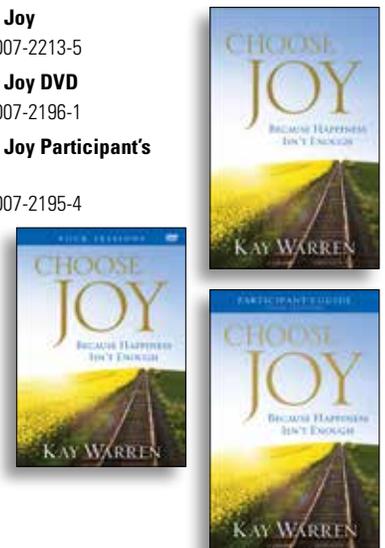
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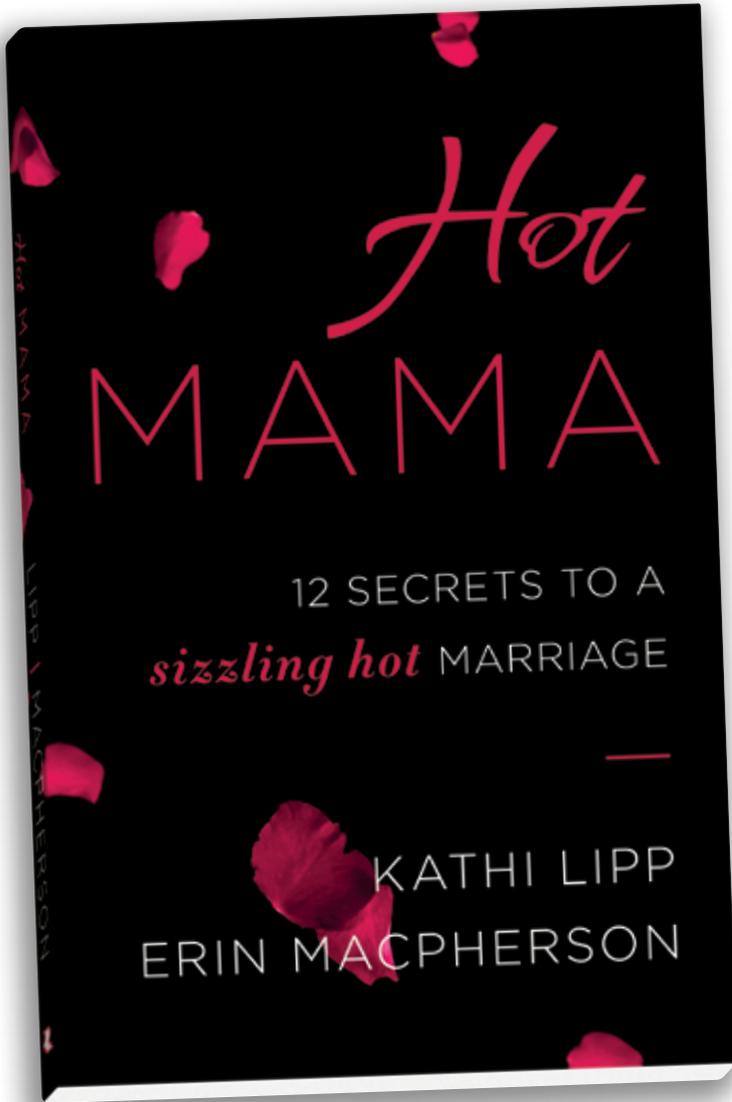
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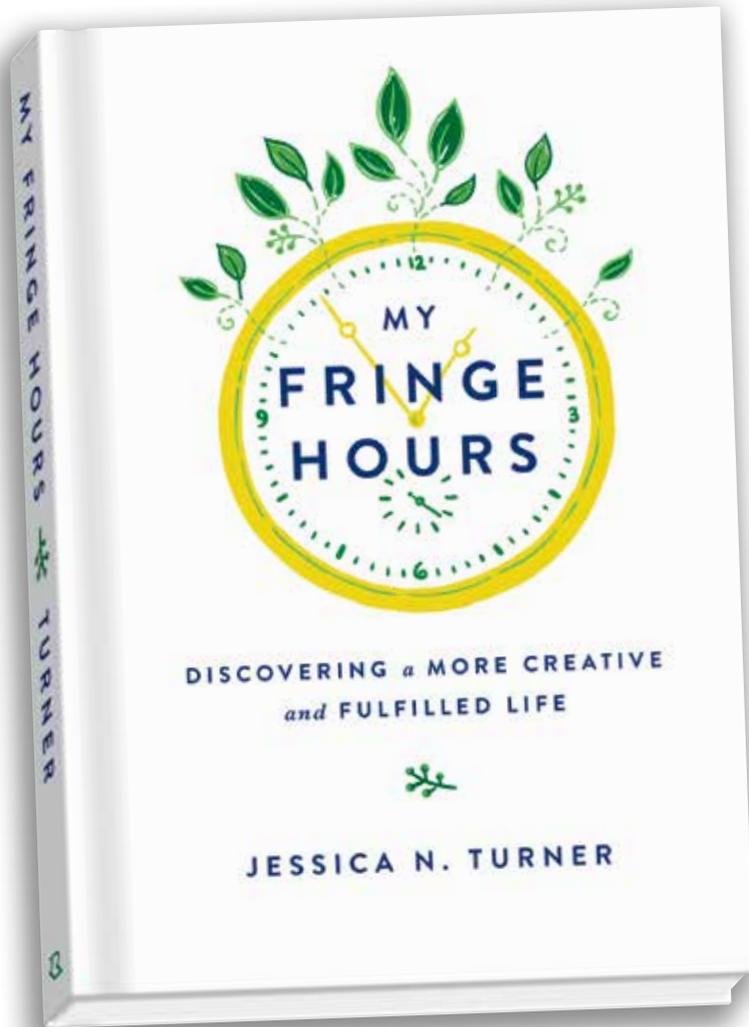


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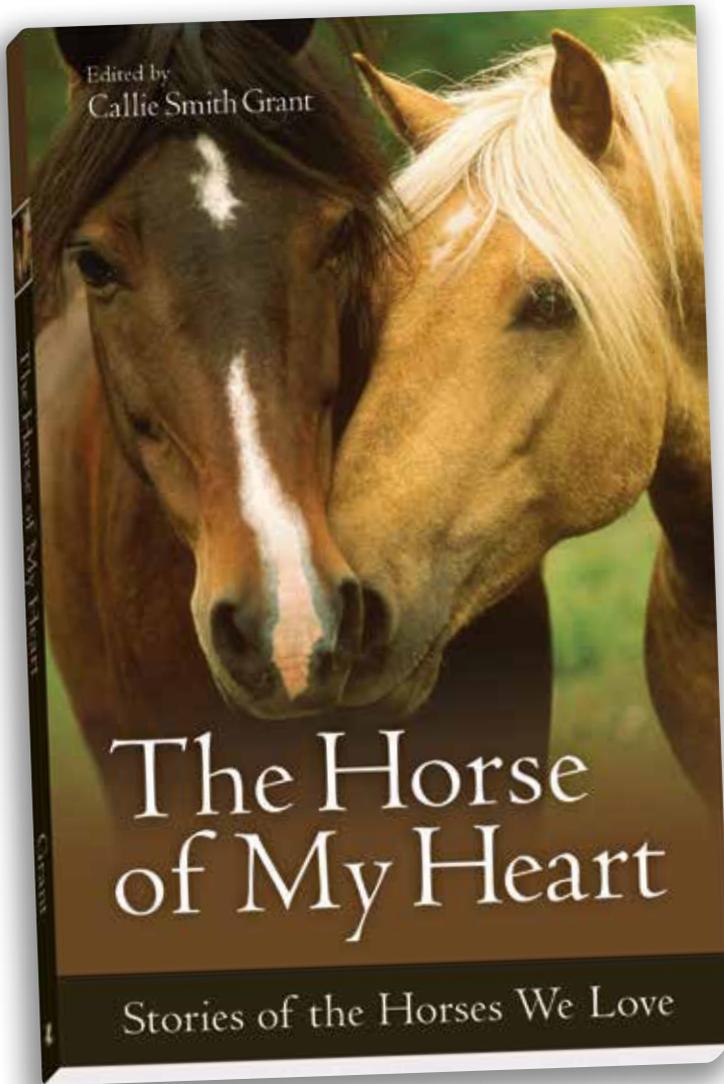
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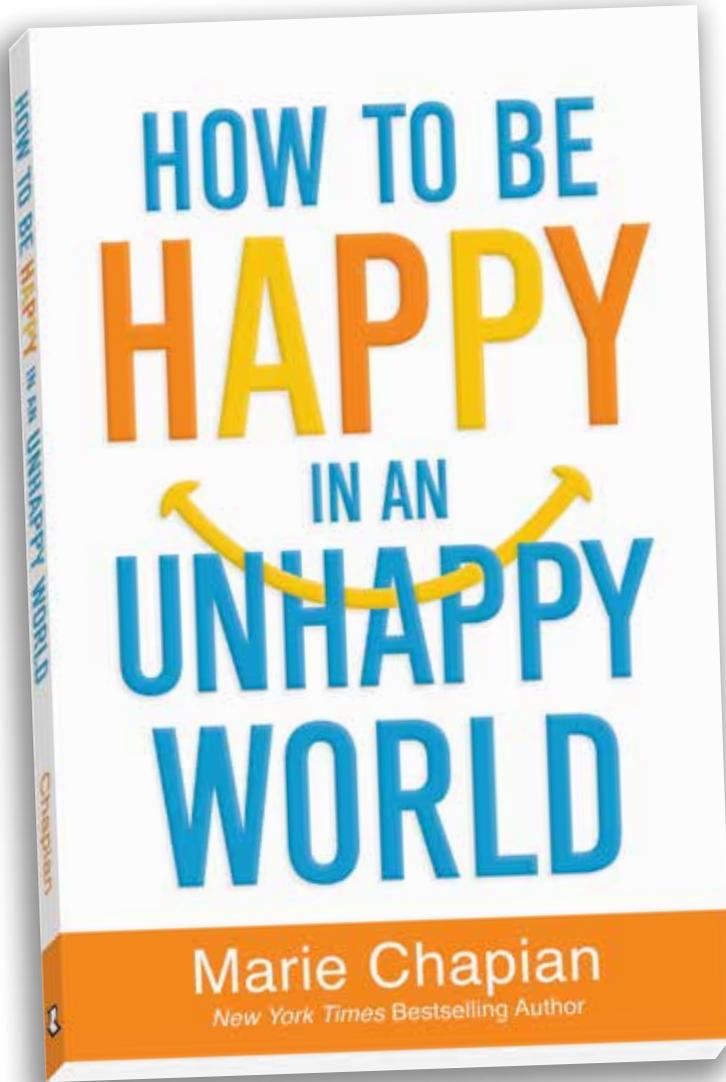
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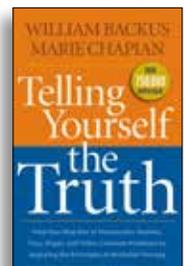
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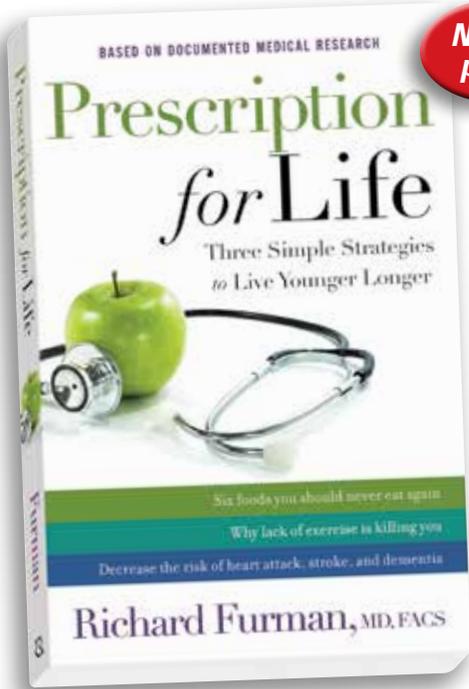
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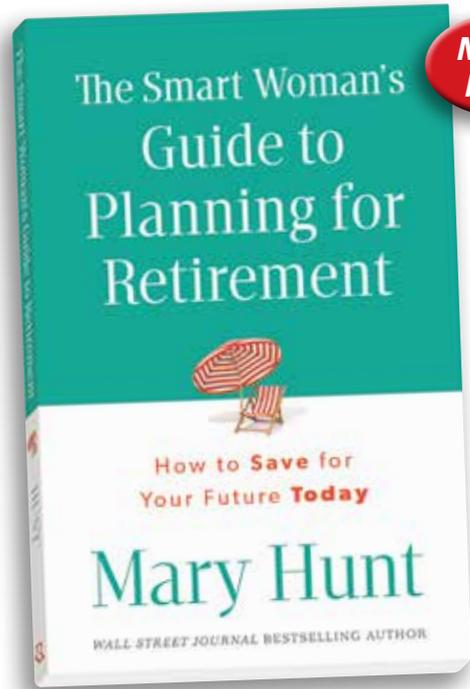
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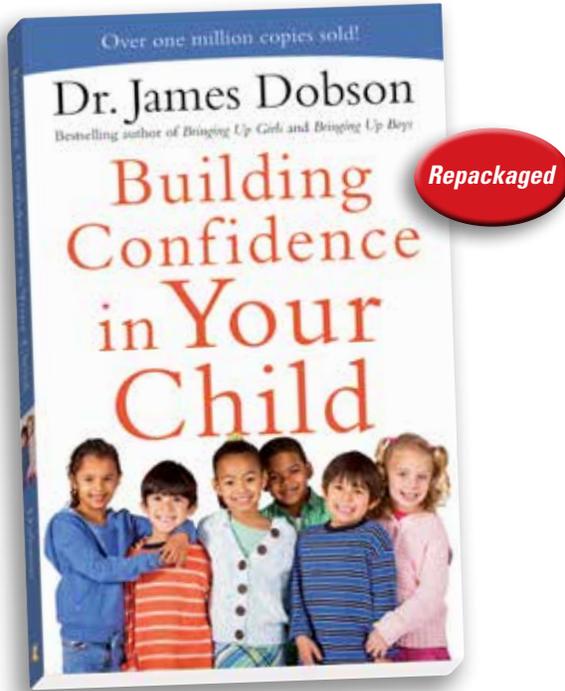
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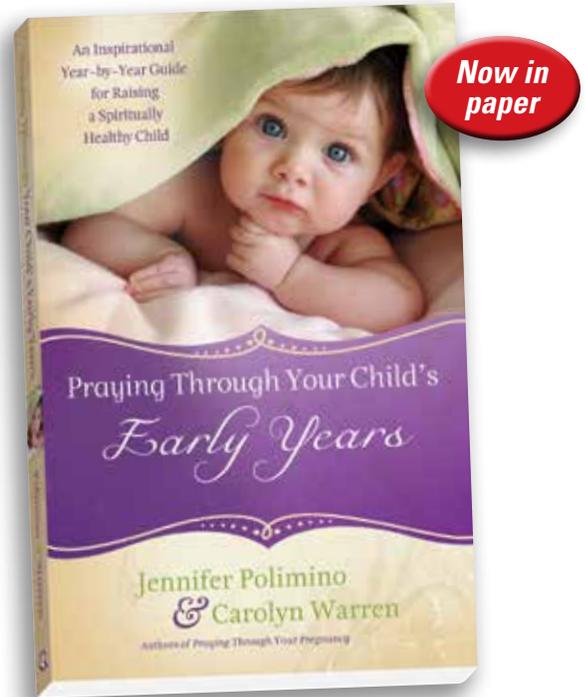
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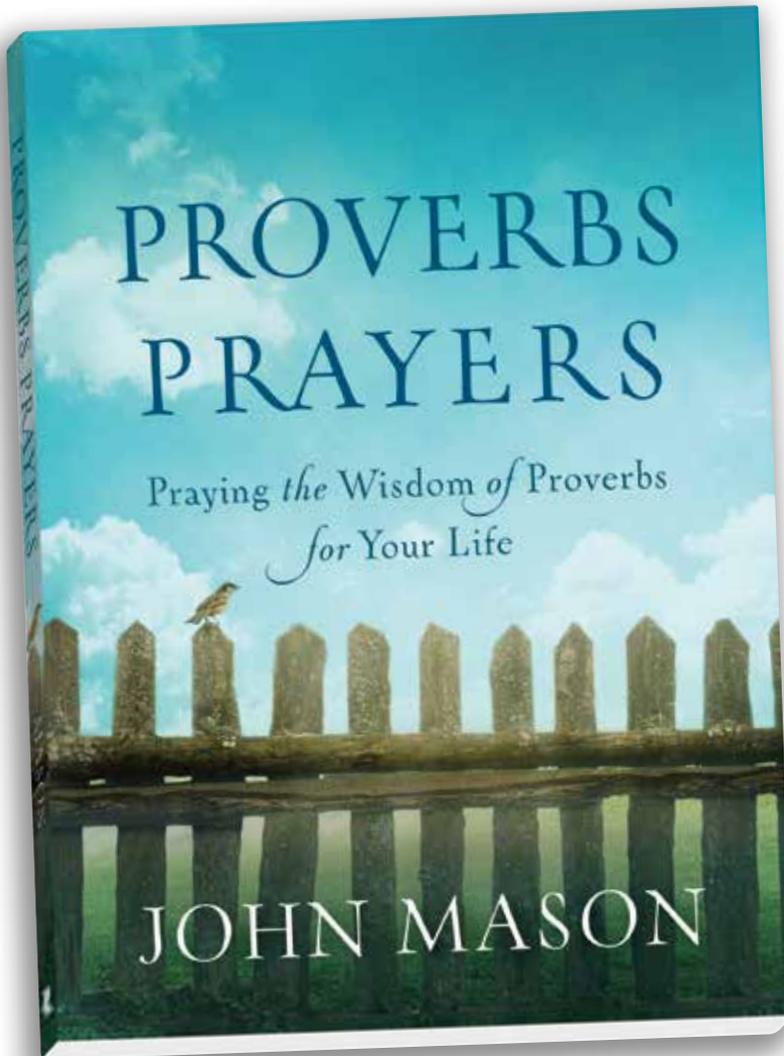
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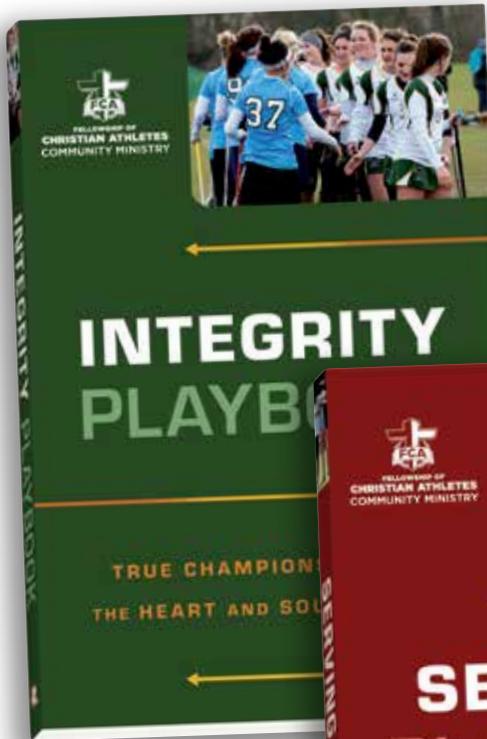
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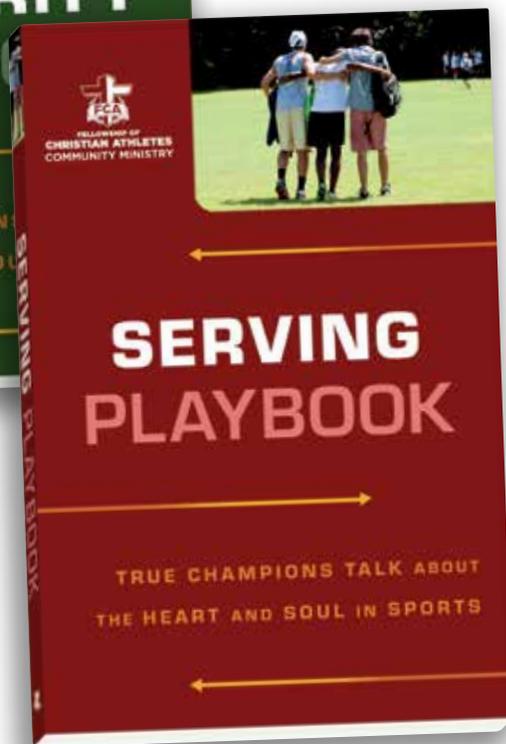
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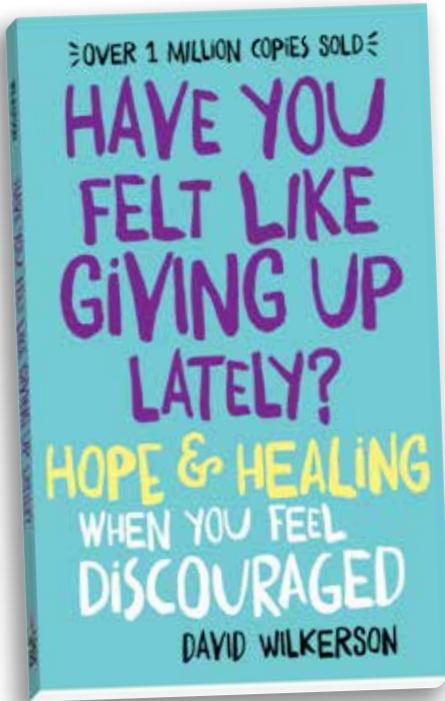
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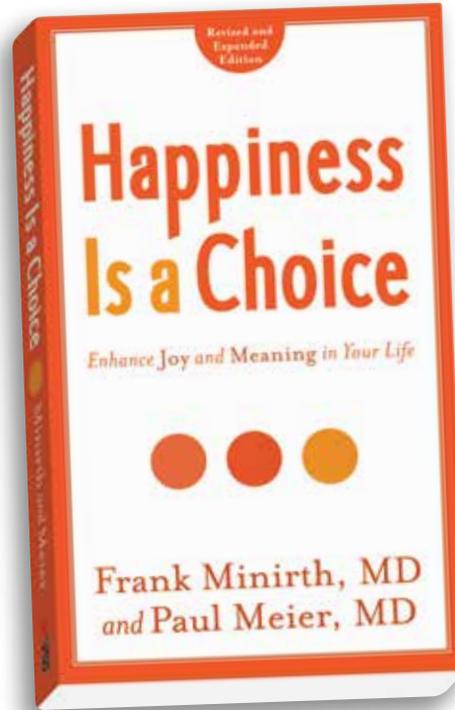
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