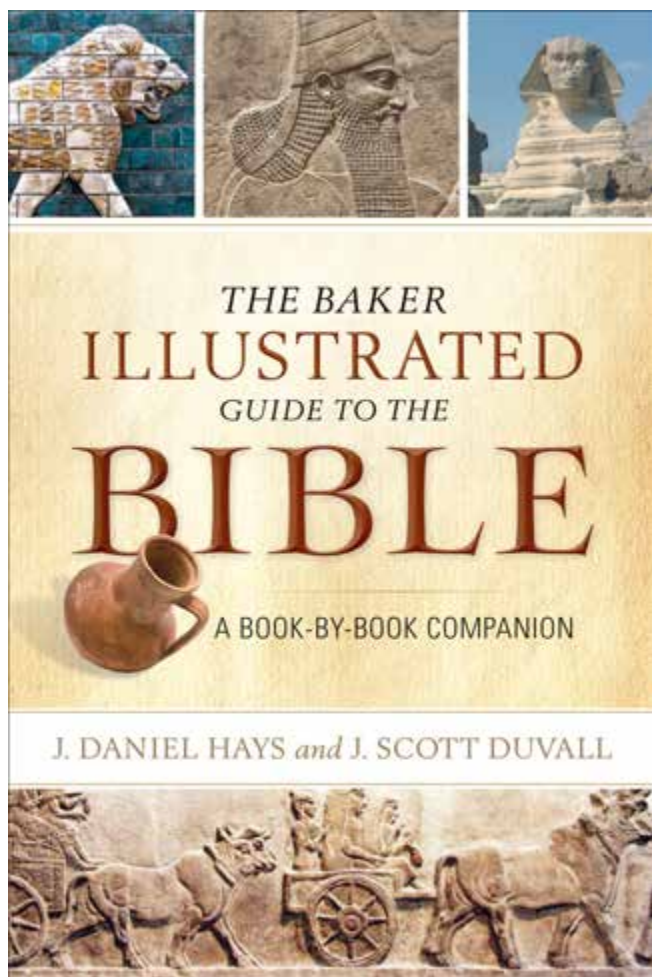




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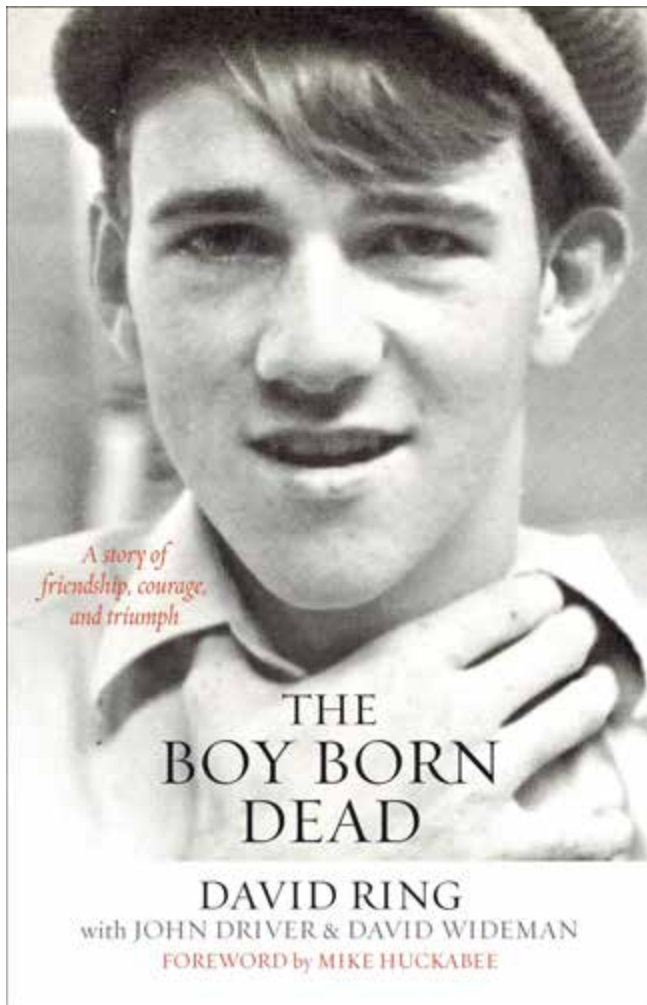
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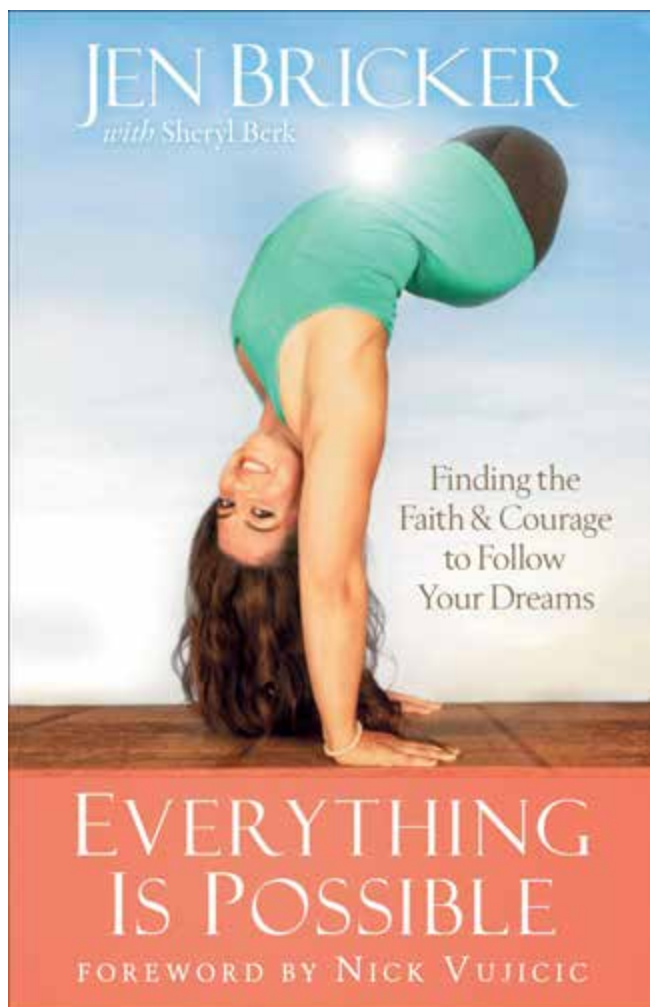
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**David Ring** has been an internationally known speaker since 1973, sharing his story with over 100,000 people each year at churches, conventions, schools, and corporate events. He is frequently featured on national television outlets, such as TBN's *Praise the Lord* and *Focus on the Family*.

**John Driver** is the creator of *Ignition 7*, a global initiative of videos, books, 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.

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**Jen Bricker** is an aerial artist, acrobat, and motivational speaker. A state champion in power tumbling, she has traveled internationally with Britney Spears's World Tour and appeared as the headliner at the prestigious Palazzo hotel in Las Vegas, New York's Lincoln Center, and the Shangri-La Hotel in Dubai. She has been featured on numerous news shows, including HBO's *Real Sports*, ABC's *20/20*, and *Good Morning America*. She is currently living in Los Angeles and has added a successful speaking career to her list of accomplishments, including a feature in TED talks.

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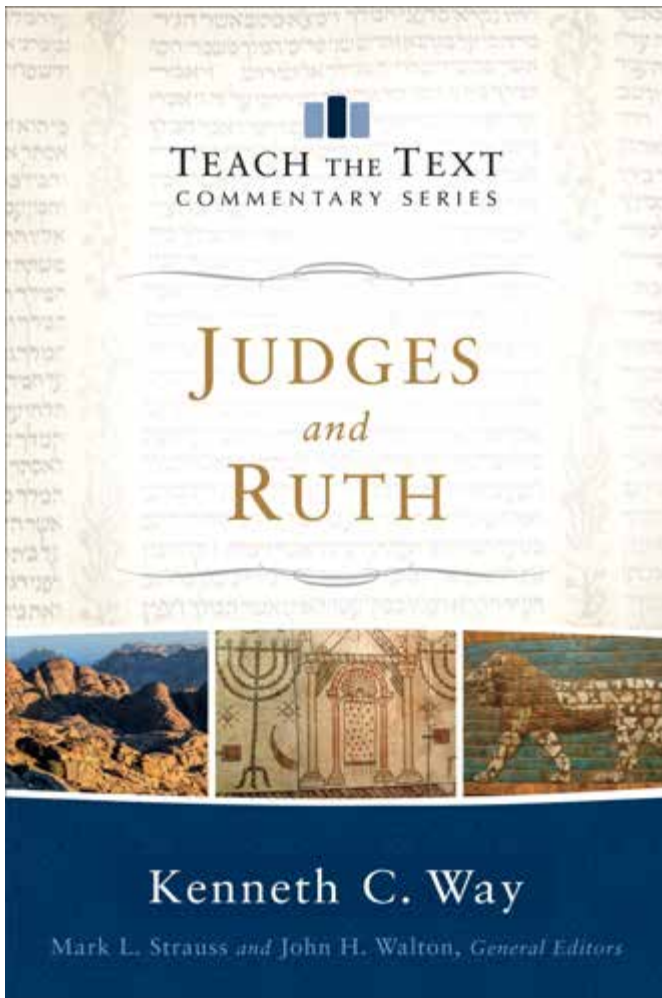
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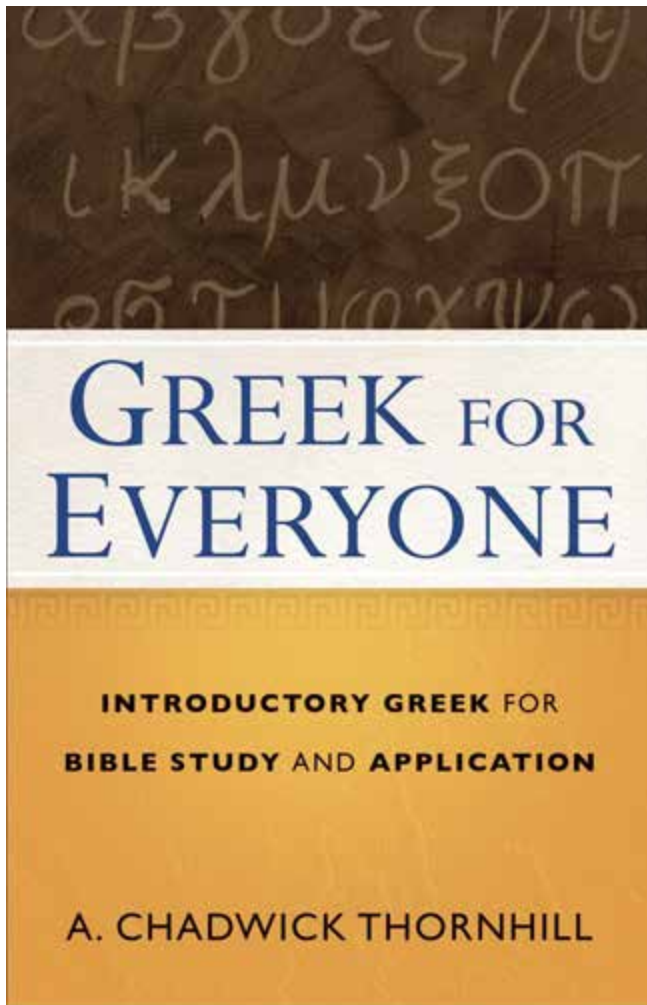
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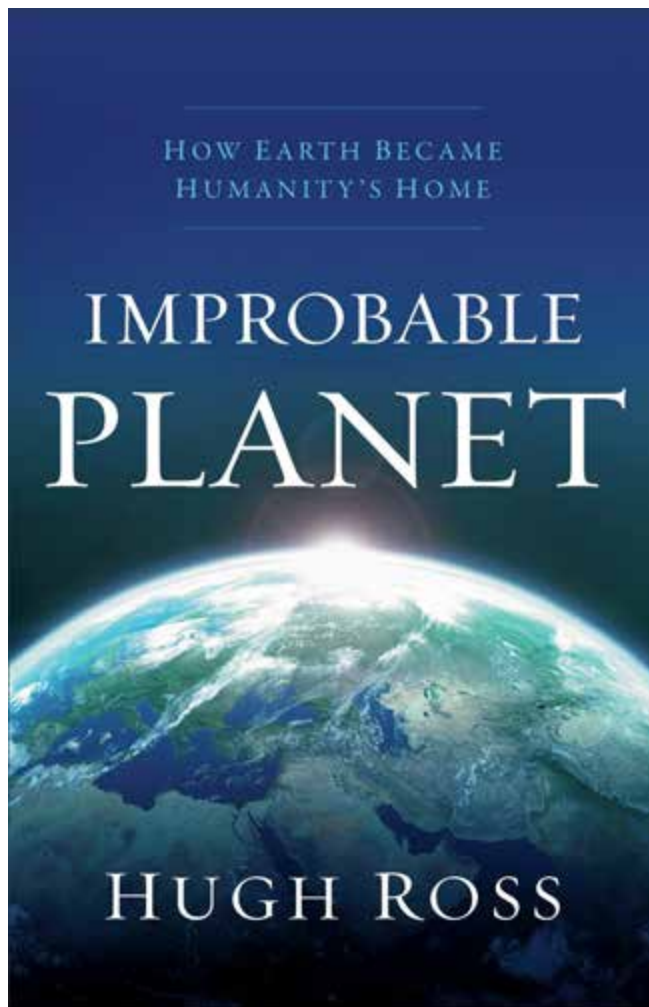
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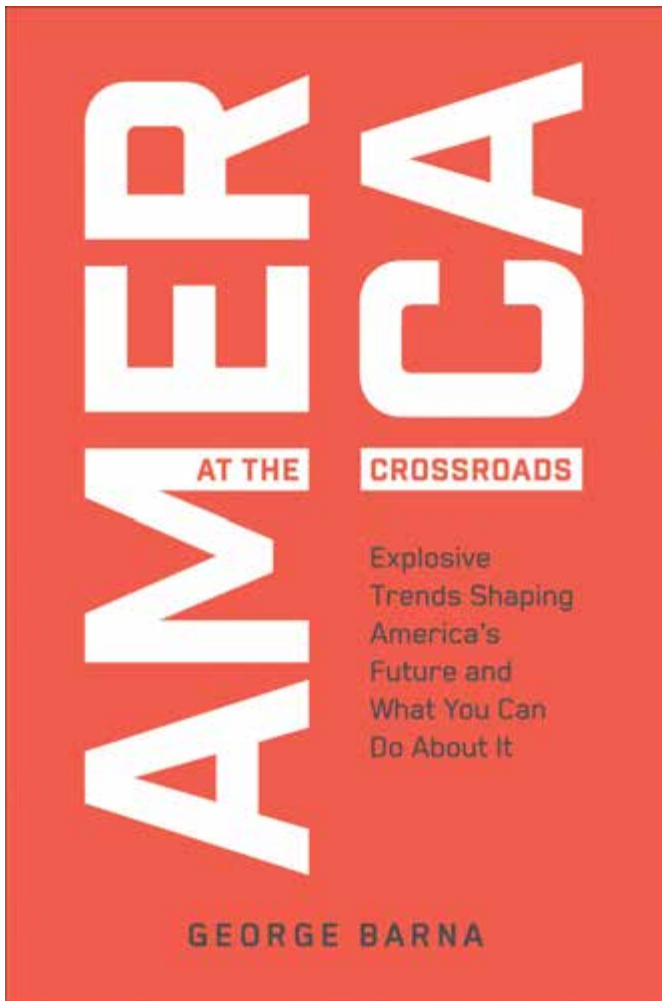
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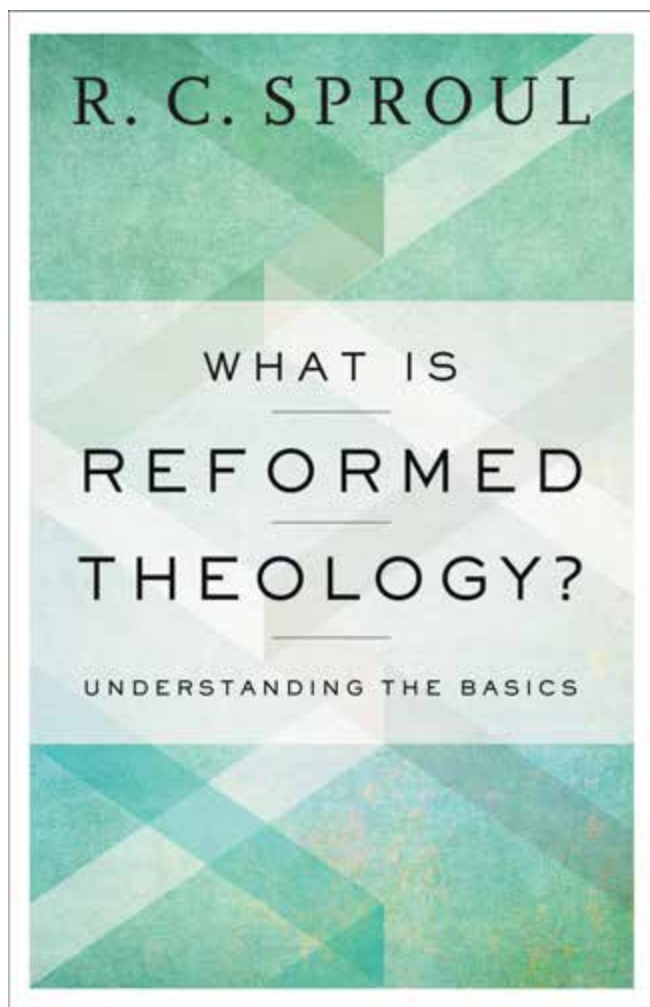
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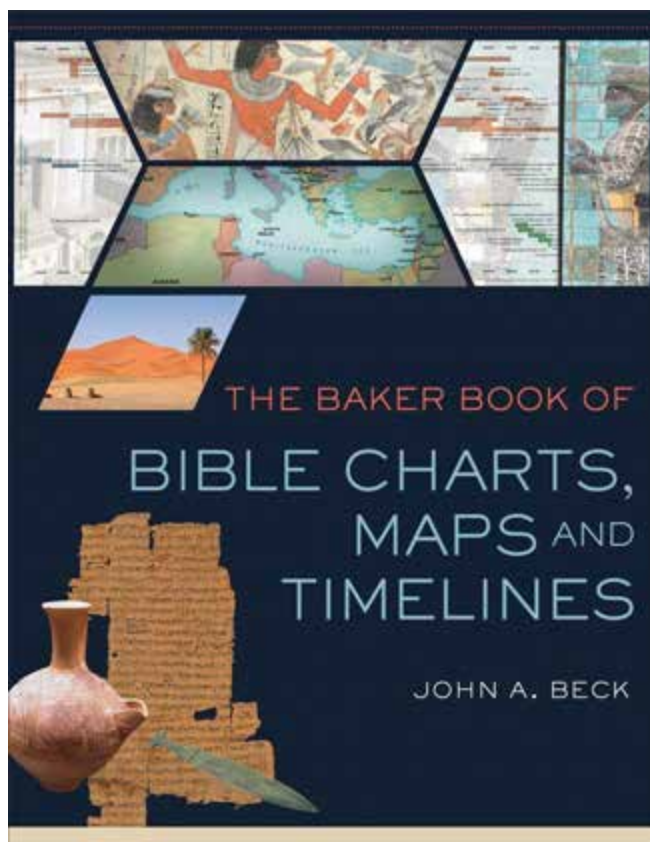
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**R. C. Sproul** has served the church as a seminary professor, pastor, and author of more than ninety books. He is the founder and chairman of Ligonier Ministries, and his teaching can be heard on the radio program *Renewing Your Mind*, which broadcasts daily on more than three hundred radio outlets in the United States and in more than fifty countries.



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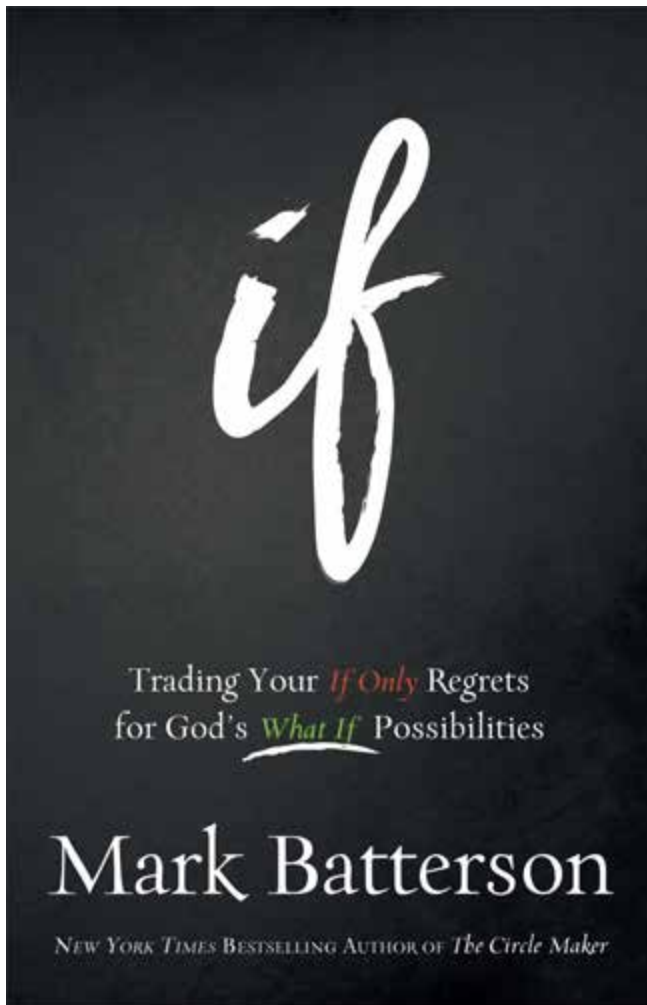
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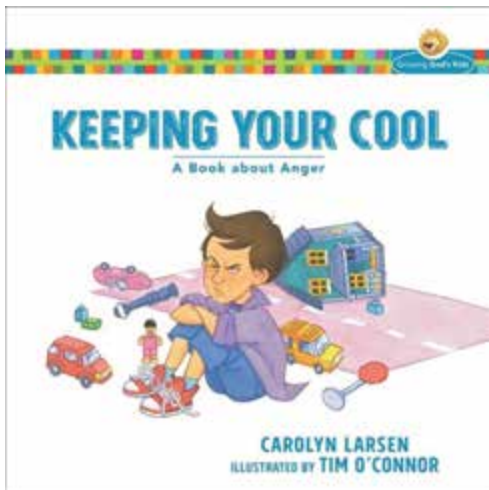
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**Jeff Lasseigne** has served as assistant pastor under senior pastor Greg Laurie at Harvest Christian Fellowship in Riverside, California, since 1989. He teaches the midweek Bible study and helps to oversee leadership training. He is the author of *Highway 66: A Unique Journey Through the 66 Books of the Bible* and *Unlocking the Last Days*, a verse-by-verse study through the Book of Revelation. Jeff loves to teach God's Word, reading, and travel. He and his wife, Lorraine, live in Riverside.





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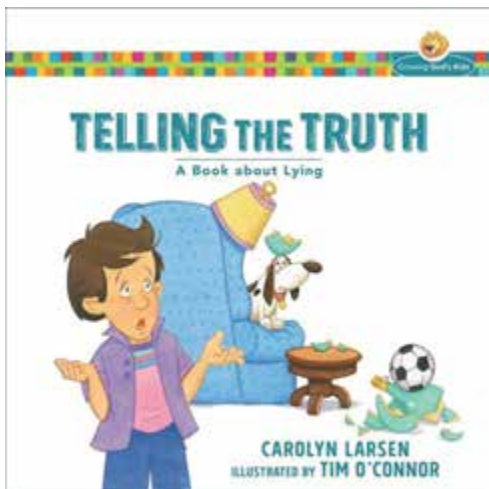
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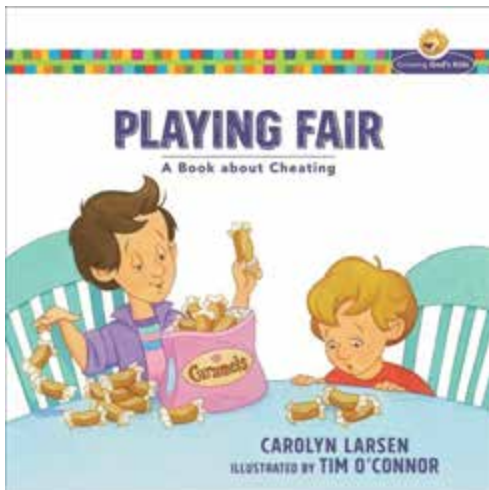
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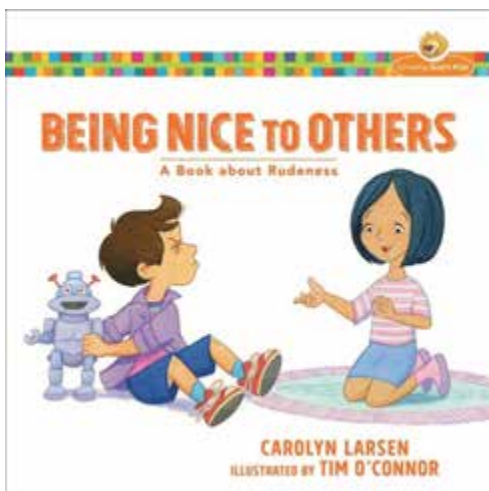
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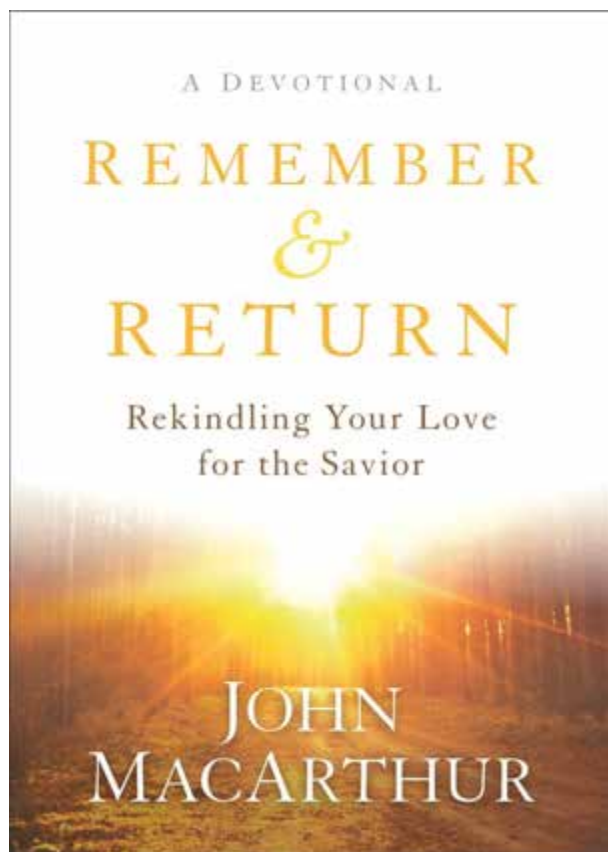
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**Chip Ingram** is the senior pastor of Venture Christian Church in Los Gatos, California, and teaching pastor and CEO of Living on the Edge, an international teaching and discipleship ministry. A pastor for over thirty years, Chip has a unique ability to communicate truth and challenge people to live out their faith. Chip is author of many books, including *Culture Shock*, *The Real Heaven*, *The Invisible War*, and *Love, Sex, and Lasting Relationships*. Chip and his wife, Theresa, have four grown children and nine grandchildren and live in California.



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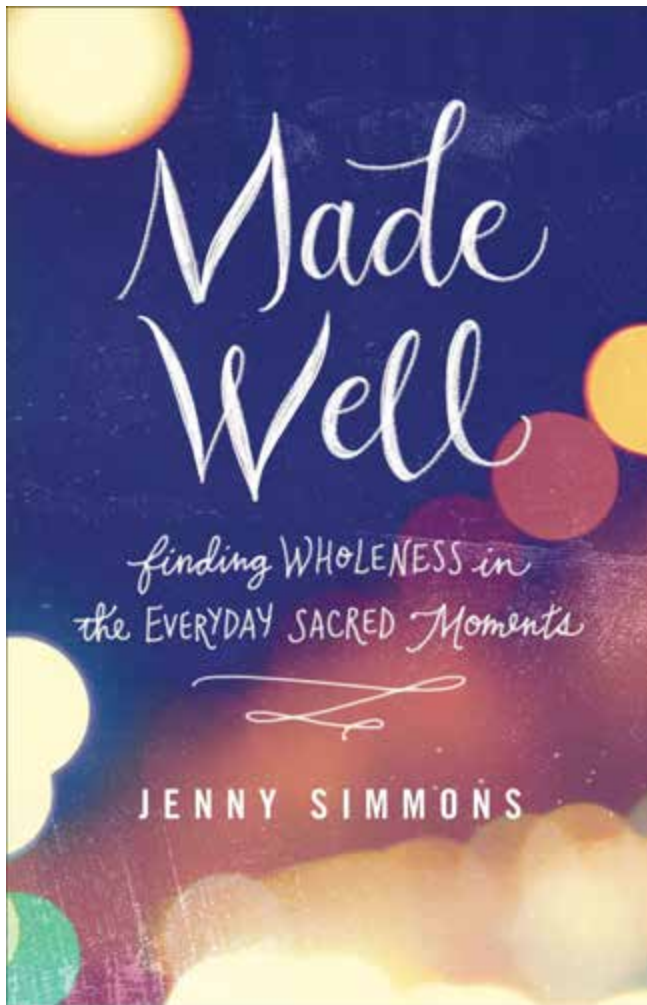
**31-Day Devotional from Bestselling Author and Bible Teacher  
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In the busyness and trials of life, it's easy to drift away from the Savior. We may continue to go to church and even read the Scriptures and pray, but we can still lose our first love. Christ commended the church in Ephesus for their works and for their intolerance of false doctrine yet admonished them to remember and return to their first love--him. In the same way, our outward religiosity can mask an inner lack of love for our Savior.

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**John MacArthur** is a popular author and conference speaker and has served as pastor-teacher of Grace Community Church in Sun Valley, California, since 1969. John's teaching is available around the world through his media ministry, Grace to You. In addition to producing daily radio programs for nearly 2,000 English and Spanish radio outlets worldwide, Grace to You distributes books, software, audiotapes, and CDs by John MacArthur. John is president of The Master's College and Seminary and has written hundreds of books and study guides, including the bestselling *The Gospel According to Jesus* and *The MacArthur Study Bible*, a 1998 ECPA Gold Medallion recipient.





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## MADE WELL

*Finding Wholeness in the Everyday Sacred Moments*

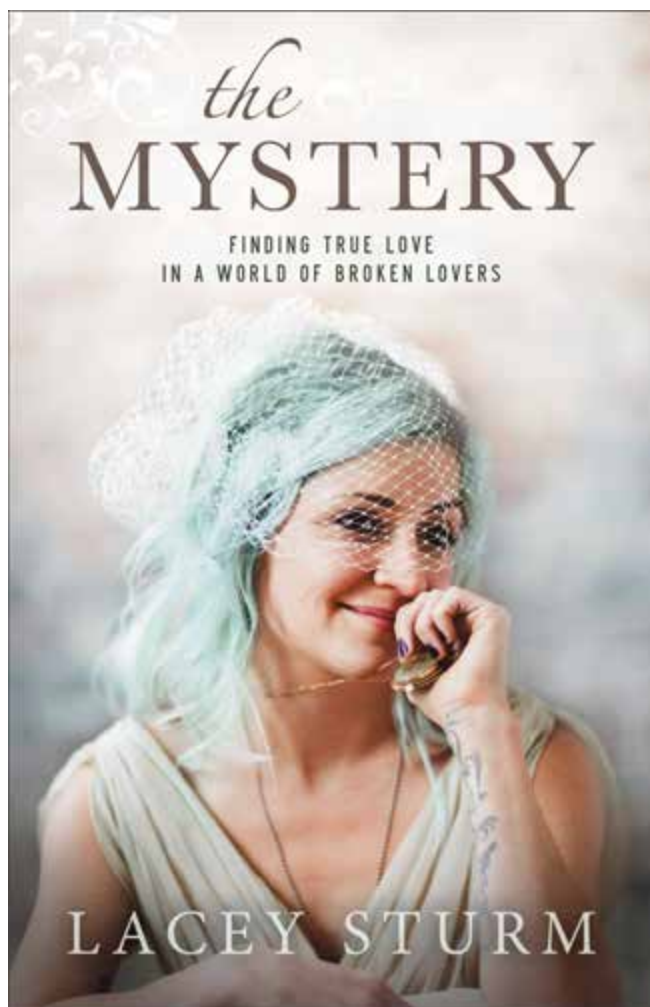
**Jenny Simmons**

**Finding Wholeness through Tears, Joys, and the Everyday**

From the woman fighting cancer to the man who has lost his child to the girl sinking into depression, so many of us are engaged in daily battles as we long for healing. When he walked the earth, Jesus said to an unwell man, "Do you want to be made well?" His invitation stretched beyond physical healing--he sought to restore the soul. The same invitation stands for us today.

For anyone struggling on the journey toward wholeness, singer/songwriter Jenny Simmons offers a resting place and a friend along the way. With personal insight into emotional pain, she invites readers to encounter a God who is working out their restoration--often in surprising "half-baked" ways. Her humorous and inspirational prose lights a path toward wholeness. Anyone trying to find their way to spiritual, mental, and emotional healing will benefit from Jenny's vulnerable and compassionate stories of being made well in the midst of a messy life.

**Jenny Simmons** is a dynamic storyteller and lover of people who sees God's redemptive hand at work in the world around her. She is a sought-after musician and speaker who has garnered a devoted following on her blog ([www.jennysimmons.com](http://www.jennysimmons.com)). As the lead singer of the former band Addison Road, she traveled the country performing alongside her husband, Ryan, for over a decade. Jenny and Ryan live in Nashville, Tennessee, with their daughter, Annie.



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## THE MYSTERY

*Finding True Love in a World of Broken Lovers*

Lacey Sturm

**Love Exists. It's for You--and It's Worth Pursuing**

Rock princess Lacey Sturm wants to share her journey from heartbreak to wholeness with young women. In *The Mystery*, Sturm helps readers understand that any loving relationship begins with knowing your own identity in Christ.

And yet, so many people have learned to define love through their own dysfunctional family, unhealthy relationships, the romances and wrecked relationships of mainstream pop culture, or, sadly, through pornography. Is it any wonder so many people end up brokenhearted, divorced, abused, abusive, or even suicidal?

Through personal stories, Sturm shows readers why true love is difficult and often painful but still worth fighting for. She helps women recognize destructive patterns in their relationships, discover a vision for a true and heart-flourishing love, and heal from past wounds.

For anyone seeking healthy, loving relationships in our broken world, *The Mystery* lights the way to the love we were meant for.

Originally the voice behind the platinum-selling international rock band Flyleaf, **Lacey Sturm** is now a solo artist. Lacey speaks for the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association and its Rock the River events. She cofounded the Whosoever Movement and helped begin the RESET movement as one of their key speakers. She lives in Pennsylvania with her family. Learn more at [www.laceysturm.com](http://www.laceysturm.com).



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## SPEAKING OF HOMOSEXUALITY

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### Former Gay Activist Paves the Way to Peaceful Conversation

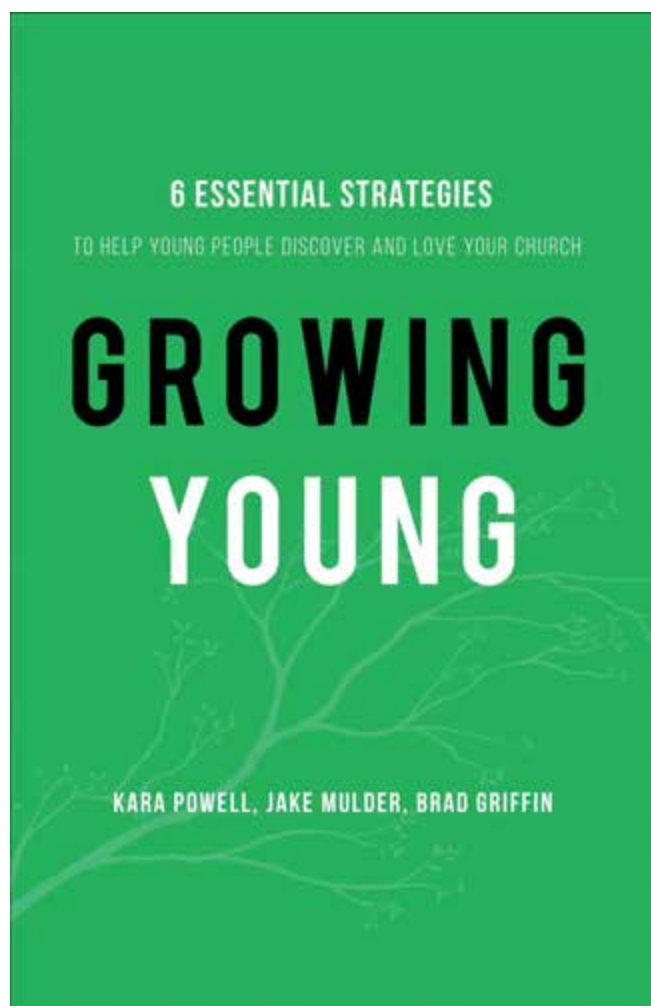
Homosexuality and gay marriage stand among perhaps the greatest defining cultural battles of our age.

There's no escaping the inevitable conversations--so how does a Christian respond with love and biblical truth without adding fuel to the fire?

Drawing on nearly thirty years of counseling people struggling with homosexuality, former gay activist Joe Dallas takes readers through virtually every argument they are likely to hear in favor of normalizing homosexuality. He helps readers understand the views of LGBT people they may know and respond with clarity, confidence, and compassion. He shows the most effective ways to engage the subject on social media and in everyday encounters with guidelines for talking points, dialogue, approach, and tone, and even provides sample dialogue.

Anyone who has been searching for ways to have productive, loving conversations surrounding this critical topic will find this incredible resource a must-have.

A former gay activist, **Joe Dallas** is the author of seven books on human sexuality from a biblical perspective. A contributing writer for the *Christian Research Journal*, he has also written for *Christianity Today*, the *Conversations* journal of the Christian Association of Psychological Studies (CAPS), *Cornerstone* magazine, *Focus on the Family's Citizen Magazine*, and several other publications. He has appeared on the ABC *Evening News*, *The Bible Answer Man*, *Focus on the Family*, *The 700 Club*, *The Laura Ingram Show*, *Janet Parshall Live*, and many other media outlets. A popular speaker at men's conferences, he speaks regularly in the US and worldwide.



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## GROWING YOUNG

*Six Essential Strategies to Help Young People Discover and Love Your Church*

**Kara Powell, Jake Mulder, and Brad Griffin**

**Unleashing the Passion of Young People in Your Church Is Possible!**

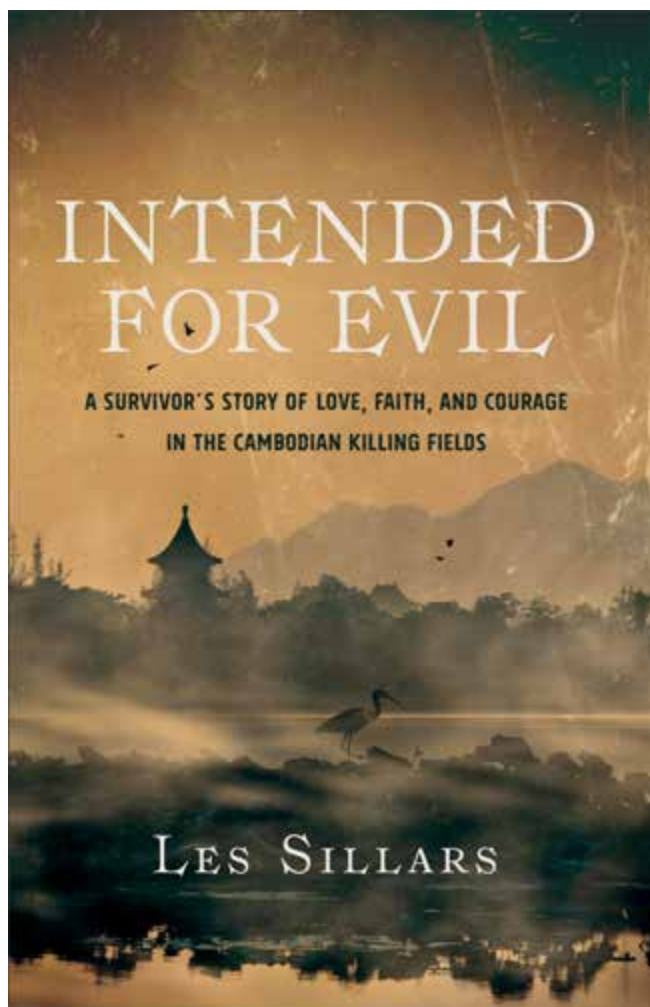
Churches are losing both members and vitality as increasing numbers of young people disengage. Based on groundbreaking research with over 250 of the nation's leading congregations, *Growing Young* provides a strategy any church can use to involve and retain teenagers and young adults. It profiles innovative churches that are engaging 15- to 29-year-olds and as a result are growing--spiritually, emotionally, missionally, and numerically. Packed with both research and practical ideas, *Growing Young* shows pastors and ministry leaders how to position their churches to engage younger generations in a way that breathes vitality, life, and energy into the *whole* church.

**Kara Powell** is the executive director of the Fuller Youth Institute and a faculty member at Fuller Theological Seminary. Named by *Christianity Today* as one of "50 Women to Watch," Kara is the author or coauthor of several books, including *Sticky Faith*, and a regular speaker at national leadership and youth ministry conferences across the country.

**Jake Mulder** is the director of strategic initiatives at the Fuller Youth Institute. He has worked in a variety of ministry and professional roles, including as a youth pastor in the Reformed Church of America, ministry director with Youth for Christ, and missionary with Youth With A Mission (YWAM) in Europe and Asia.

**Brad Griffin** is associate director of the Fuller Youth Institute. A speaker, blogger, and youth pastor, Brad is the coauthor of several *Sticky Faith* resources, as well as *Can I Ask That? 8 Hard Questions about God and Faith*. He speaks nationally at churches, denominational training events, and youth ministry conferences.





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## INTENDED FOR EVIL

*A Survivor's Story of Love, Faith, and Courage  
in the Cambodian Killing Fields*

**Les Sillars**

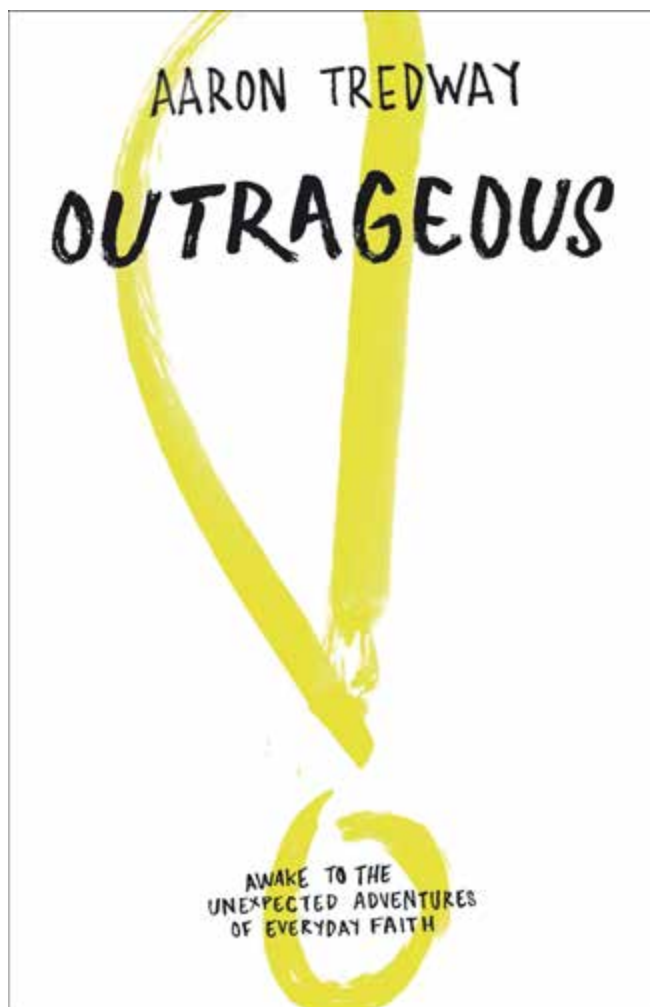
**A True Story of Surviving Genocide and Forging a New Life**

When the Khmer Rouge took Phnom Penh in 1975, new Christian Radha Manickam and his family were among two million people driven out of the city. Over the next four years, 1.7 million people--including most of Radha's family--would perish due to starvation, disease, and horrifying violence. His new faith severely tested, Radha is forced by the communist regime to marry a woman he doesn't know. But through God's providence, he discovers that his new wife is also a Christian. Together they find the courage and hope to survive and eventually make a daring escape to the US, where they raise five children and begin a life-changing ministry to the Khmer people in exile in the US and back home in Cambodia.

This moving true story of survival against all odds shows readers that out of war, fear, despair, and betrayal, God can bring hope, faith, courage, restoration--and even romance.

**Les Sillars** (ThM, Dallas Theological Seminary; PhD, University of Texas at Austin) has been a journalist for over twenty years, seventeen of those with *WORLD* magazine. He is a journalism professor at Patrick Henry College in Virginia and holds graduate degrees in Old Testament studies and journalism. His writing has also appeared in *The Weekly Standard*, the *National Post*, and *Touchstone* magazine.

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## OUTRAGEOUS

*Awake to the Unexpected Adventures of  
Everyday Faith*

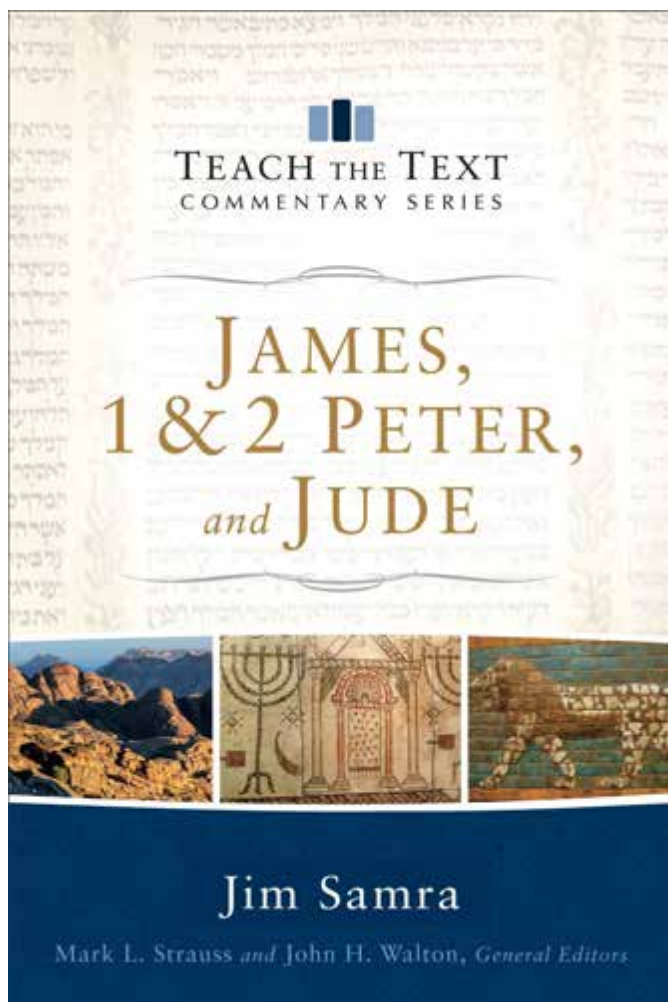
**Aaron Tredway**

### Awaken to a Faith That Has No Bounds

All over the country, people are waking up from the American Dream. More than a house, a car, and 2.5 kids, what people truly yearn for is a life of possibility, potential, and adventure. We believe God is able to do more than we hope or imagine, but we're stuck living in the tension between our ordinary life and the extraordinary adventures that might be just around the corner.

In this energizing book, globe-trotting former athlete Aaron Tredway offers liberation from a life without purpose, calling readers to pursue lives of unexpected opportunity amid their everyday circumstances. Entertaining, engaging, and often unconventional, *Outrageous* challenges us to wake up and embrace a faith that can move us, shape us, and propel us to love God and others with greater significance. Each chapter unfolds a new true-life adventure fueled by faith and the extraordinary life Jesus promised to those who believe.

**Aaron Tredway** combined his love of sport and culture to create a unique global platform that has allowed him to travel to over 130 countries. Raised in California, Tredway has spent the last eighteen years of his life playing and coaching professional soccer on six continents. Founder and former executive director of the Cleveland City Stars professional soccer team, he now works as the director of global advancement for Ambassadors Football International. He is the author of *To/Who: Live for More*.



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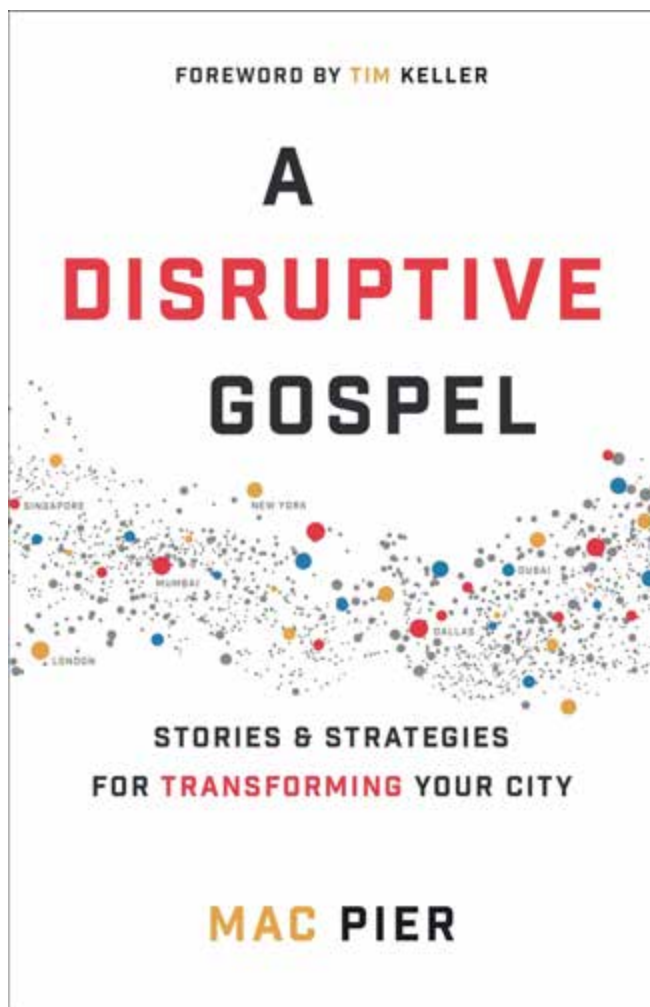
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**Jim Samra** (PhD, Oxford University; ThM, Dallas Theological Seminary) is senior pastor of Calvary Church in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He is the author of *The Gift of Church*, *Being Conformed to Christ in Community*, and *God Told Me*.

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## A DISRUPTIVE GOSPEL

*Stories and Strategies for Transforming Your City*

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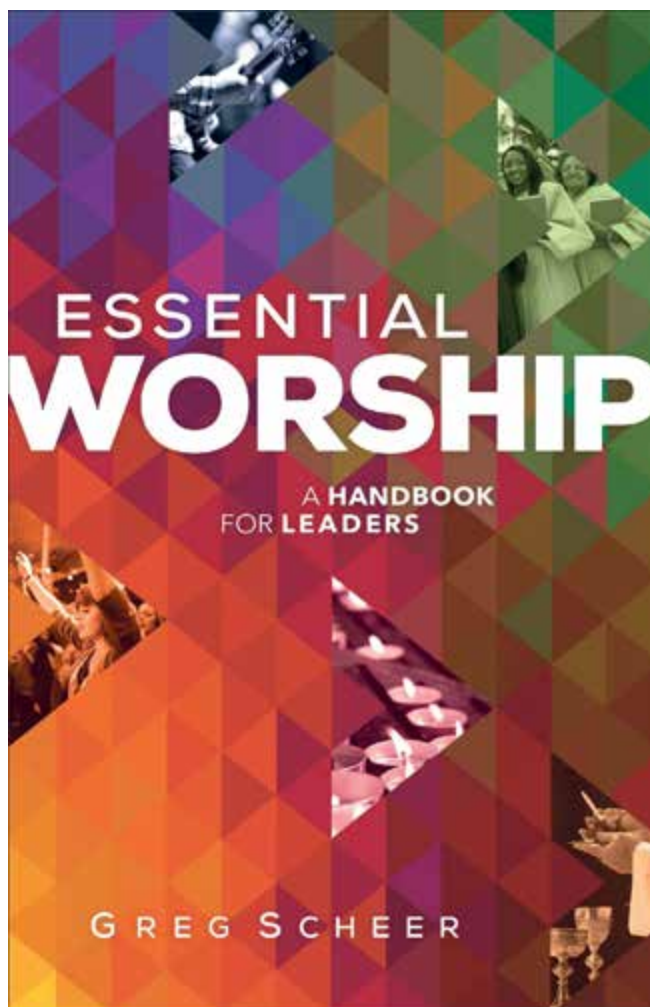
### Stories Help Readers Impact Their Communities

What would happen in your city if 10 percent more people became vibrant Christians who worked together for the good of the community? Mac Pier knows from firsthand experience that when the gospel invades your city, big things start to happen. For thirty years he's watched and participated in what God has been doing in New York City. Now he shares true stories of transformation to inspire readers who long to see God move in their own communities. He helps readers understand the greatest barriers to the gospel in major cities all over the world, shares hopeful stories of reconciliation, highlights the passion and leadership of millennials advancing the gospel, and offers insight into how to start or join a gospel movement wherever in the world readers find themselves.

Anyone looking for motivation and inspiration to join God where he is working will love these exciting dispatches from the front lines of outreach on five continents. Foreword by Tim Keller.

**Mac Pier** is the founder and CEO of The New York City Leadership Center and was instrumental in founding the inaugural Movement Day conference. A resident of New York City since 1984, Mac lives in a diverse neighborhood with residents from more than 100 ethnicities and attends church with people who speak 60 different languages. He is the author of *Spiritual Leadership in the Global City* and *Consequential Leadership*, coauthor of *The Power of a City at Prayer*, and a contributor to *Signs of Hope in the City*.





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Greg Scheer

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Whether one is a beginner or an experienced worship leader, readers from all traditions will find in this resource a solid foundation for future success. It is particularly well-suited for the first-time worship or praise band leader, as well as for pastors who want to be more intentional about the music in their services.

**Greg Scheer** is a composer, church musician, and choir and music director. Currently minister of worship at Church of the Servant (CRC) and a music associate with the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, both in Grand Rapids, Michigan, he is the author of *The Art of Worship* and a contributor to *The Hymn*, *Call to Worship*, *Worship Leader*, and *New Songs of Celebration Render*. His music is available from Augsburg Fortress, GIA, Abingdon Press, Worship Today, Faith Alive, in numerous hymnals, and at [www.gregscheer.com](http://www.gregscheer.com).

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**John Siebeling**

### Let Go of What Holds You Back and Fulfill God's Purpose

Far too many people are not living up to God's best for them, limited by habits and hang-ups from which they just can't seem to break free. Unforgiveness, addictive behavior, unhealthy financial patterns--limitations come in all shapes and sizes. Breaking free from any of them starts the same way: by walking in the truth.

Jesus died on the cross to set us free and enable us to experience life to the full; anything less than that is not God's best. If we are followers of Christ, freedom is not just a benefit to embrace if we choose; it's a responsibility we are called to. Pastor and author John Siebeling helps readers connect the dots between what they read in God's Word and their everyday lives. Each chapter highlights a specific hang-up or habit that holds people back, explains what God says about it, and points to a way forward in freedom. Practical advice and suggestions for next steps help readers see how to implement changes that give them the traction they need to move forward.

**John Siebeling** is the founder and lead pastor of The Life Church, located in the metro Memphis, Tennessee, area. The Life Church is a diverse, multi-campus church that has been named one of the fastest-growing churches in America. John has a passion to develop leaders and pastors and to help people move forward in life. He is the author of *Momentum* and *Worry Free Finances*, and his television program has more than 125,000 weekly viewers.



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