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Introversion isn't about how much we like people or enjoy socializing; it's wired into our brains and nervous systems. I believe we're created as introverts and extroverts, both with incredible gifts and potential. Yet I've heard introverts say . . .

"I don't have what it takes to lead."

"I'm not good at connecting with people."

"I can't speak up, even when it really matters."

The research says otherwise. Professor, author, and leadership strategist Jeff Hyman found that "when stacked against each other in a wide range of roles, introverts perform just as well—if not better—than extroverts." Introverts often have deep social networks based on quality over quantity, including long-term relationships that significantly add to their overall physical and psychological health. And introverts contribute generously and creatively to our culture. So many world-changing causes, works of art, and innovations wouldn't exist without the quiet efforts of introverts.

It doesn't take acting like an extrovert for introverts to find success and be great leaders, friends, or influencers.

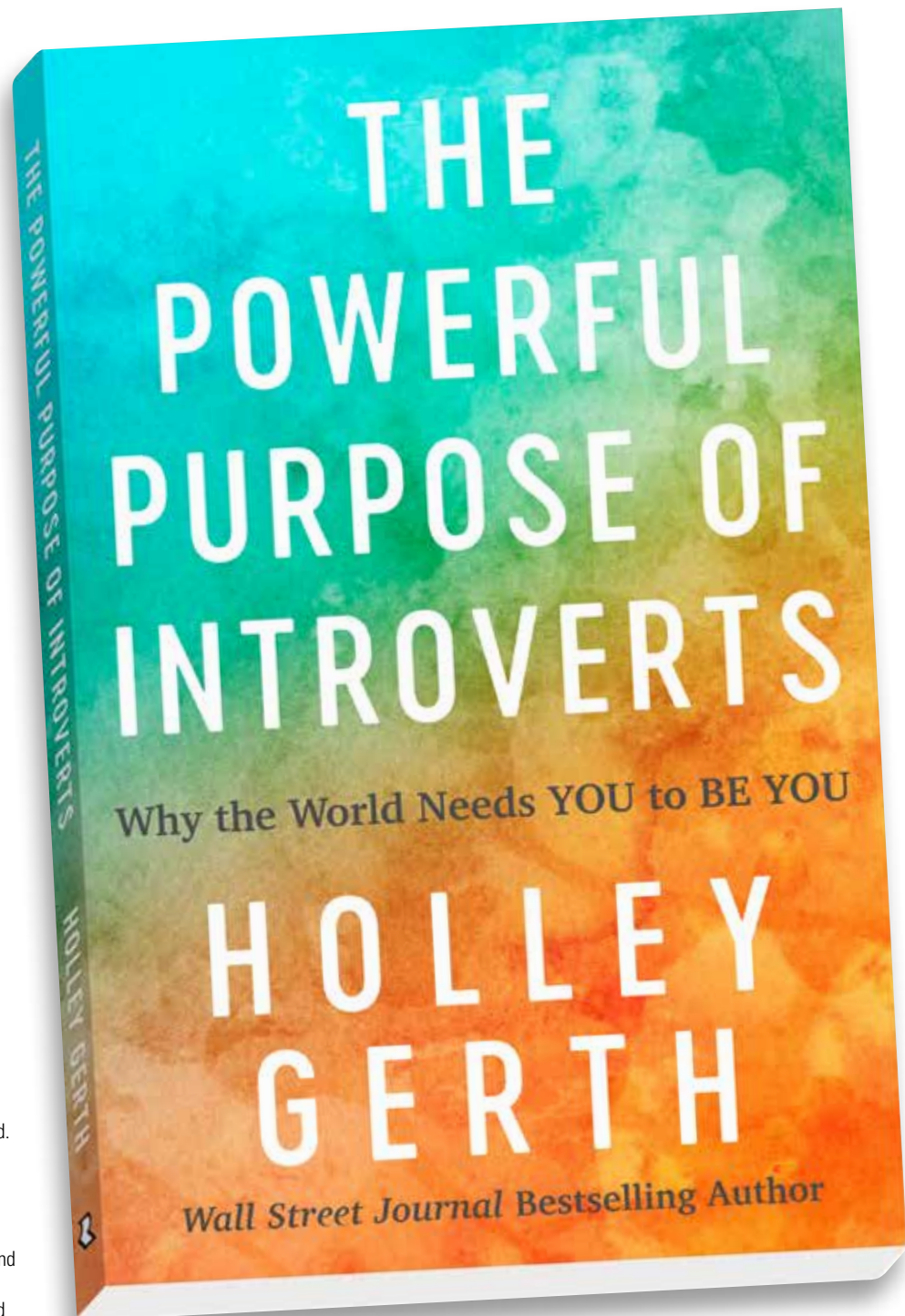
I've seen the consequences of introverts trying to act like someone they're not. I've *lived* the consequences. Insecurity. Exhaustion. Anxiety. Perfectionism. Loneliness. Burnout.

Then I discovered how to thrive as an introvert.

I read hundreds of articles, brain science studies, and books on introversion. Pursued a master's degree in counseling, became a certified life coach, and wrote bestsellers. Collected advice, new and ancient, from introverts all over the world.

You don't have to go through years of awkward moments, hurt, and missed opportunities like I did. I'll share how to transform your struggles as an introvert into strengths like empathy, resilience, and influence. This process isn't just for your benefit, though—our noisy, overwhelmed culture needs what introverts offer more than ever. The people you love do too.

We're here as introverts for such a time as this. Created and placed in this world for a purpose. Let's lean into that purpose together, starting today.



Why the World Needs Introverts to Be Who They Are

- **Holley Gerth is a *Wall Street Journal* bestselling author whose books have sold more than 500,000 copies**
- **Author is cofounder of and frequent contributor to (in)courage, as well as cohost of the popular *More Than Small Talk* podcast**
- **Introverts make up over 50% of the population, yet they are widely misunderstood, and few Christian resources exist for them**

Would it surprise you to know that Joanna Gaines, Abraham Lincoln, Albert Einstein, Oprah, Jerry Seinfeld, C. S. Lewis, Max Lucado, and Meryl Streep are all introverts? Even though introverts make up half the population, most people still don't fully understand what it means to be one.

Research shows the qualities introverts may see as struggles can be their greatest strengths. Introverts don't need to act more like extroverts to thrive, lead, and make a difference. Instead, they need to truly understand who God created them to be so they can avoid pitfalls like insecurity or anxiety and bravely offer their gifts to the world.

In this transformative book, Holley Gerth dives into the brain science behind introversion to help you understand the psychological, relational, and spiritual aspects of being an introvert. She explores how introverts can make meaningful connections, experience quiet confidence, cultivate soul-filling solitude, exercise unexpected influence, and much more.

If you're an introvert, or if you love, lead, or share life with an introvert, you need this empowering, insightful book!

The Powerful Purpose of Introverts

Holley Gerth



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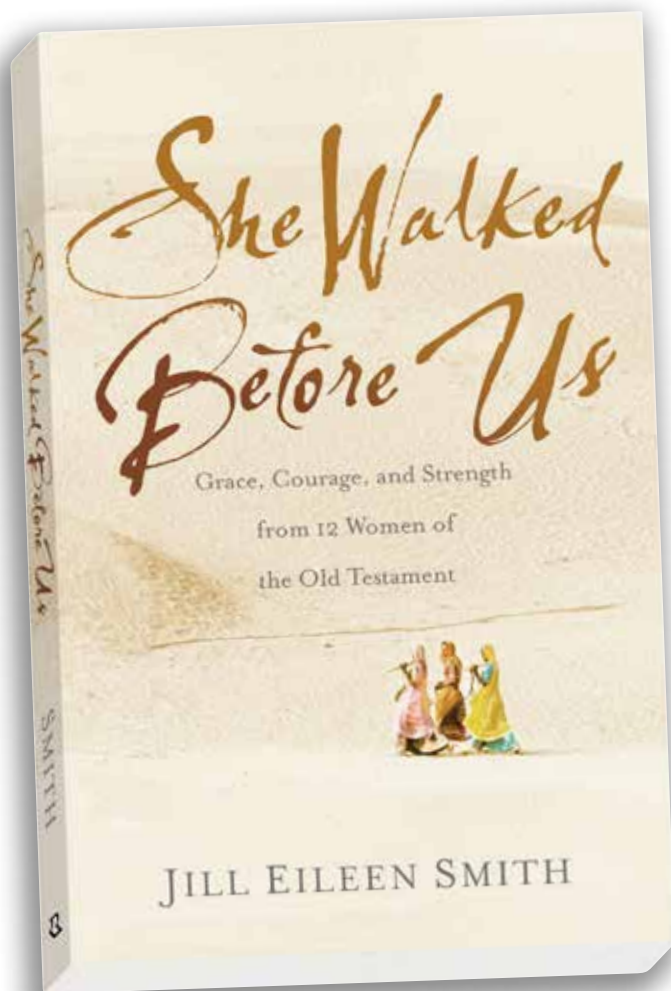
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She Walked Before Us

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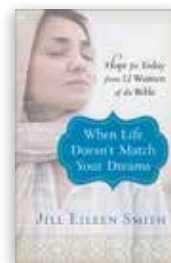
Jill Eileen Smith is the bestselling and award-winning author of the biblical fiction series *THE WIVES OF KING DAVID*, *WIVES OF THE PATRIARCHS*, and *DAUGHTERS OF THE PROMISED LAND*, as well as *The Heart of a King* and *Star of Persia: Esther's Story*. She is also the author of the nonfiction book *When Life Doesn't Match Your Dreams*. Her research into the lives of biblical women has taken her from the Bible to Israel, and she particularly enjoys learning how women lived in Old Testament times. Jill lives with her family in southeast Michigan. Learn more at www.jilleileensmith.com.



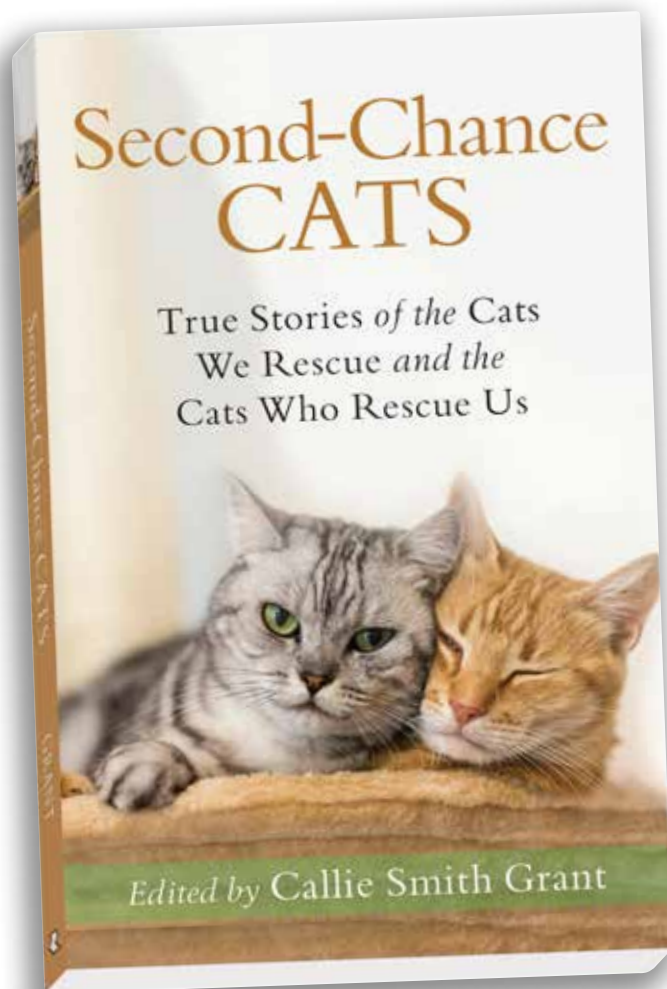
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“Thank goodness you got out. Thank goodness that’s not you anymore.”

That’s where they would be wrong.

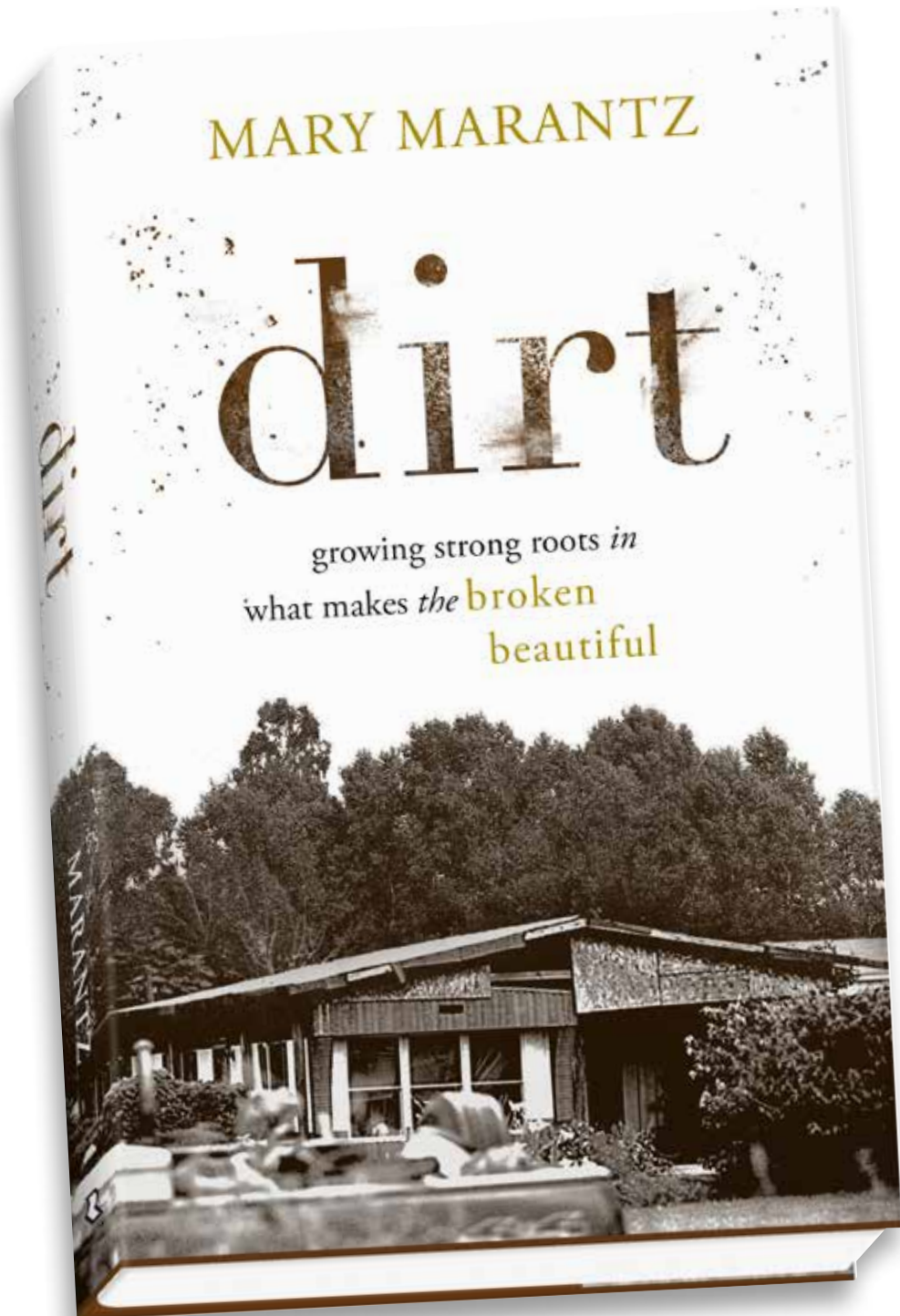
I *hated* that trailer growing up. Hated everything about it. I would spend hours sitting outside with a pencil and blue spiral-bound notebook drawing sketches of it. Dreaming to somehow transform it to become a “real” house. As if that alone might somehow give me a *real* chance at life. One where the parents stay together and the pets don’t disappear overnight.

I just knew that if I could somehow come up with the right set of plans, a blueprint of sorts for the life I wanted to build, then Mom and Dad would catch the vision and I could bring them along with me. Could save them.

Or, if they couldn’t or wouldn’t be convinced, then I would just go out and build it myself. But to say that’s not me anymore, well, that’s where they’re wrong. Everything I am begins with and returns to that trailer. And everywhere I go—whoever else it is that I’ve become along the way—I carry that trailer with me.

For me this life—dug out and rebuilt from the ground up—has turned out to be much less a story about success than it is a song of redemption, a reconciliation with the roots that grew me, a melody born out of the muddiest parts of my story.

Because for me and my story . . . it *always* started with dirt.



Evocative Story of Brokenness, Healing, Compassion, and Redemption

- Author has a growing social media and digital platform of over 150,000
- Speaks globally to over 100,000 people
- Will appeal to readers of *One Thousand Gifts*, *The Glass Castle*, and *Hillbilly Elegy*

Dirt is a story about the places where we *start*. From a single-wide trailer in the mountains of rural West Virginia to the halls of Yale Law School, Mary Marantz's story is one of remembering our roots while turning our faces to the sky. From growing up in that trailer, where it rained just as hard inside as out and the smell of mildew hung thick in the air, Mary has known what it is to feel broken and disqualified because of the muddy scars leaving smudged fingerprints across our lives. Generations of her family lived and logged in those hauntingly treacherous woods, risking life and limb just to barely scrape by. And yet that very struggle became the redemption song God used to write a life she never dreamed of.

Mixed with warmth, wit, and the bittersweet, sometimes aching heartbreaking places we go when we dig in instead of give up, *Dirt* is a story of healing. With gut-wrenching honesty and hard-won wisdom, Mary shares her story for anyone who has ever walked into the world and felt like their scars were still on display, showing that you are braver, better, and more empathetic for what you have survived. Because God does his best work in the muddy, messy, and broken—if we'll only learn to dig in.

Dirt

Mary Marantz



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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Mary Marantz grew up in a trailer in rural West Virginia. The first of her immediate family to go to college, she went on to earn a master's degree in moral philosophy and a law degree from Yale. After ditching six-figure-salary law firm offers in London and New York and starting a business with her

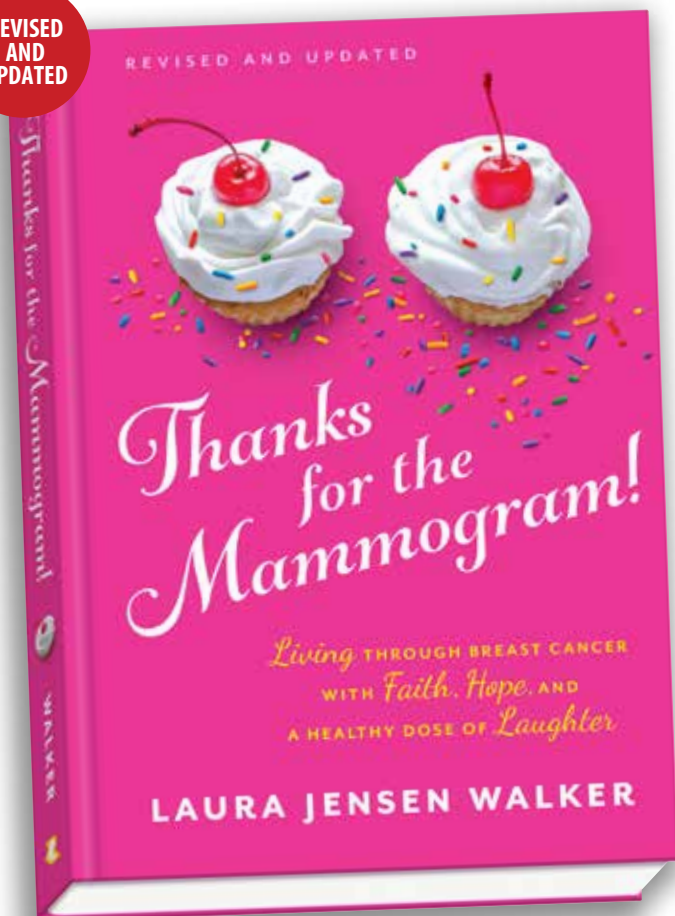


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husband, Justin, together they have built a successful online education platform for creative entrepreneurs. Mary is a popular writer and speaker whose work has recently been featured by *Business Insider*, *MSN*, *Bustle*, and *Brit+Co*. She is also the host of the highly ranked podcast *The Mary Marantz Show*, and more than 50,000 people tune in daily for her uplifting posts, emails, and videos. She lives in an 1880s fixer-upper by the sea in New Haven, Connecticut, with her husband, Justin and their two very fluffy golden retrievers, Goodspeed and Atticus.

Humor, Hope, and Advice for Women When They Need Them Most

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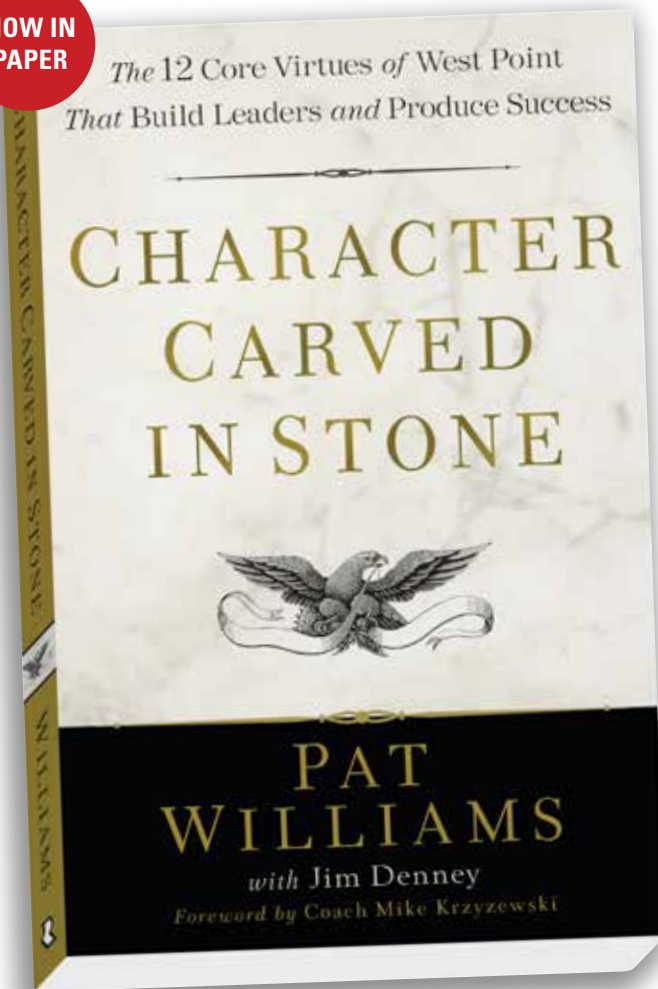
Laura Jensen Walker approaches life with a sense of humor. She is the author of many books, including *Thanks for the Mammogram!* and several novels. She and her husband, Michael, live in California.



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Pat Williams with Jim Denney



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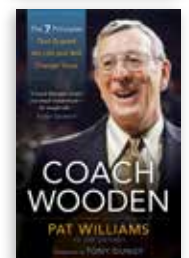
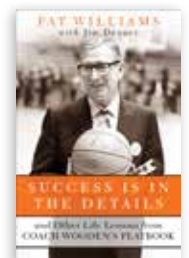


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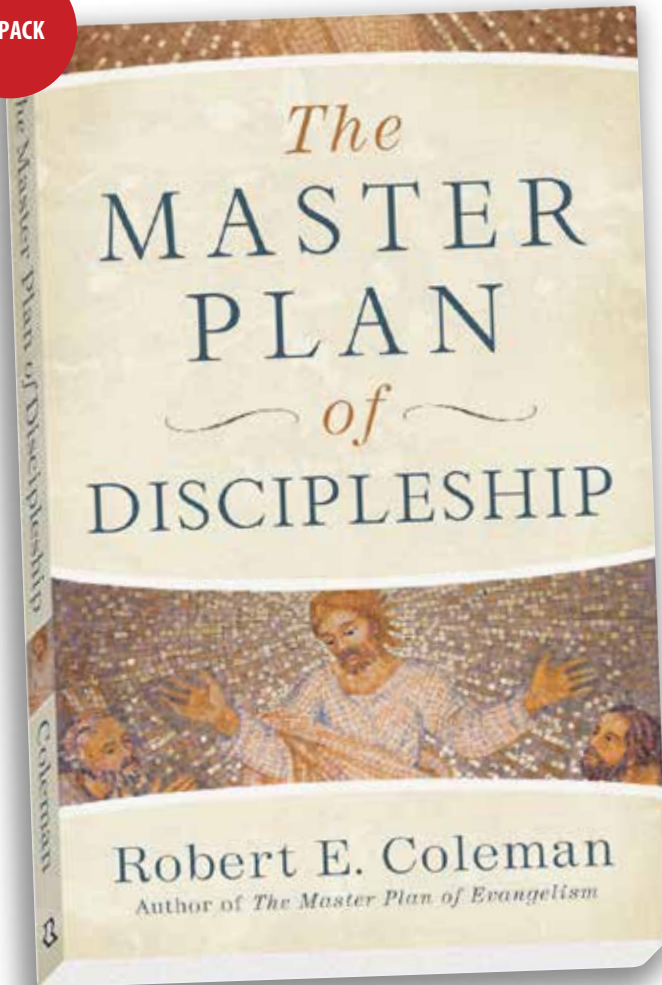
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- Author served as dean of the Billy Graham International Schools of Evangelism
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When the first disciples went out into all the world to spread the gospel, they didn't just make converts—they made more disciples, people who would grow in the faith and then go out to make disciples as well. Their world was a lot like ours, filled with skeptics, idolatry, and opposition, but also with hurting people whom God had already prepared to hear, learn, and be transformed.

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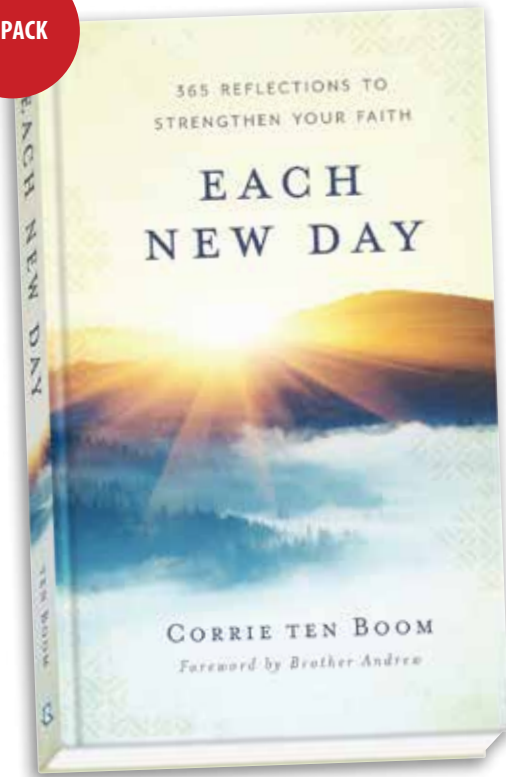
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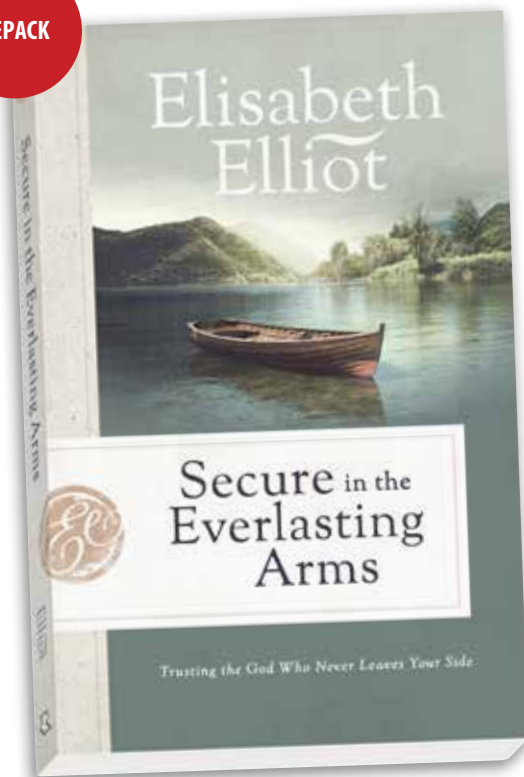
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Corrie ten Boom (1892–1983) endured 10 months in Ravensbruck concentration camp for hiding Jews in her family's home in Holland. After her release at age 52, Corrie spoke around the world and wrote more than 10 books, including the bestselling *The Hiding Place* and *In My Father's House*.

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Elisabeth Elliot (1926–2015) was one of the most perceptive and popular Christian writers of the last century. The author of more than twenty books, including *Passion and Purity*, *The Journals of Jim Elliot*, and *These Strange Ashes*, Elliot offered guidance and encouragement to millions of readers worldwide.

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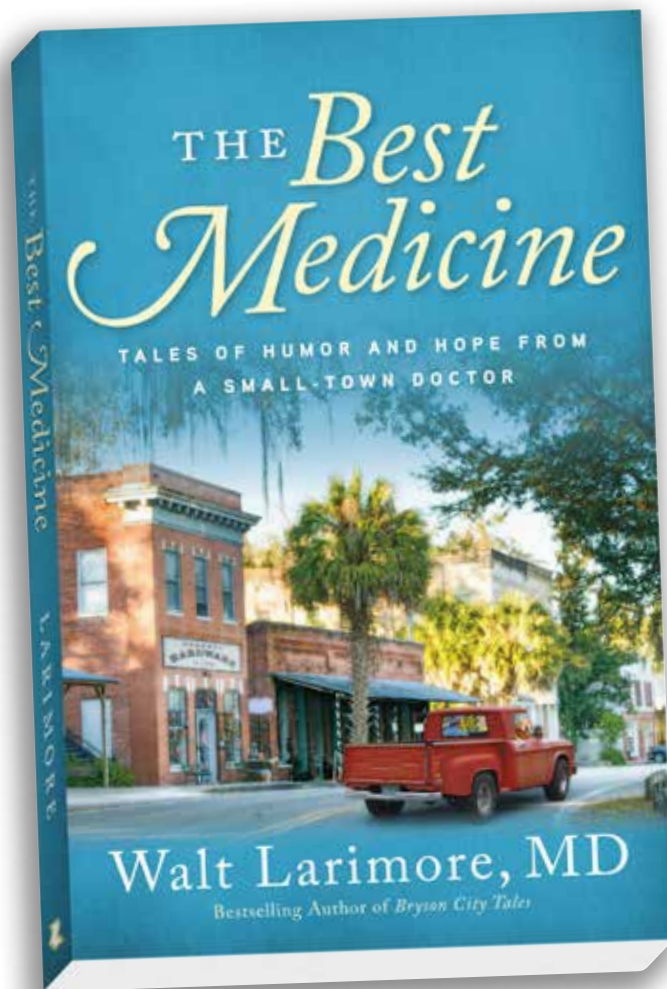
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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

The Gingham Apron is five women from one Midwest farm family whose passion is cultivating relationships in their everyday lives. With their strong faith and values, they promote hospitality as a catalyst for sharing God's love with others. Each having unique backgrounds and interests, these women offer a variety of ways to embrace and celebrate each upcoming season of life. Their desire is to motivate you to delightfully gather and strengthen relationships with those in your life. Find inspiration on their lifestyle and food blog, www.theginghamapron.com.

Tales of Humor and Hope from a Small-Town Doctor



- Author's previous books have sold over 750,000 copies
- Former vice president at Focus on the Family and host of *Focus on Your Family's Health* radio program
- One of America's best-known family physicians and listed as one of the "Best Doctors in America"

When Dr. Walt Larimore moved his young family to Kissimmee, Florida, to start a small-town medical practice in 1985, he had no idea he was embarking on an enterprise that would change his life in ways both large and small. But there's no telling what you'll run into as a family physician in a rural, small-town community.

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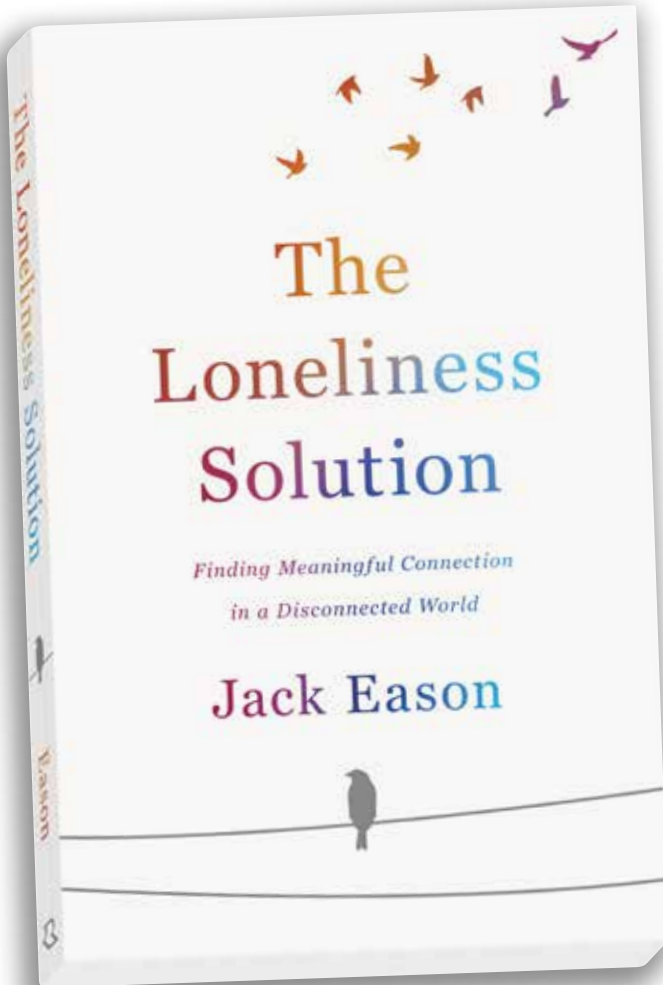
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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Walt Larimore, MD, has been a family physician for nearly 40 years. The bestselling author of the Bryson City books, as well as dozens of other books and hundreds of articles, he has been called "one of America's best-known family physicians" and was the recipient of a lifetime achievement award from *Marquis Who's Who* in 2019. He writes a bi-monthly health column, "Ask Dr. Walt," for *Today's Christian Living* magazine and formerly hosted the *Ask the Family Doctor* show on Fox's Health Network. He has been a frequent guest talking about family health topics on a wide variety of television and radio shows, including *The Today Show*, CBS's *Morning Show*, CNN's *Anderson Cooper 360*, and several Fox News programs. Dr. Larimore currently lives in Colorado Springs, Colorado.



Find Meaningful Connection in a Disconnected World



- 2 in 5 Americans report that they sometimes or always feel their social relationships are not meaningful
- A recent survey by global health service company Cigna found that the loneliest Americans are those between 18 and 22 years old
- Loneliness can be as damaging to health as smoking 15 cigarettes a day
- Author is a frequent speaker worldwide and is executive director of the ministry he started 30 years ago

Statistics show that, despite our connected world—and partly because of it—we are lonelier than ever. Social media tricks us into thinking that we are engaged in genuine friendships, except we never quite get beyond that feeling of being outside someone else’s life and looking in every so often at what they choose to show the world. Instead of intimacy we get little more than what amounts to digital small talk. But there is a solution.

With plenty of good humor and practical advice, Jack Eason invites you to discover the benefits of doing life together with other brothers and sisters in Christ. Grounding his message in Scripture, Eason helps you

- learn the obstacles to real community
- reimagine what real friendship looks like
- discover a place of true belonging
- and more

If you’re tired of feeling lonely, this encouraging and community-building book is just what you need.

The Loneliness Solution

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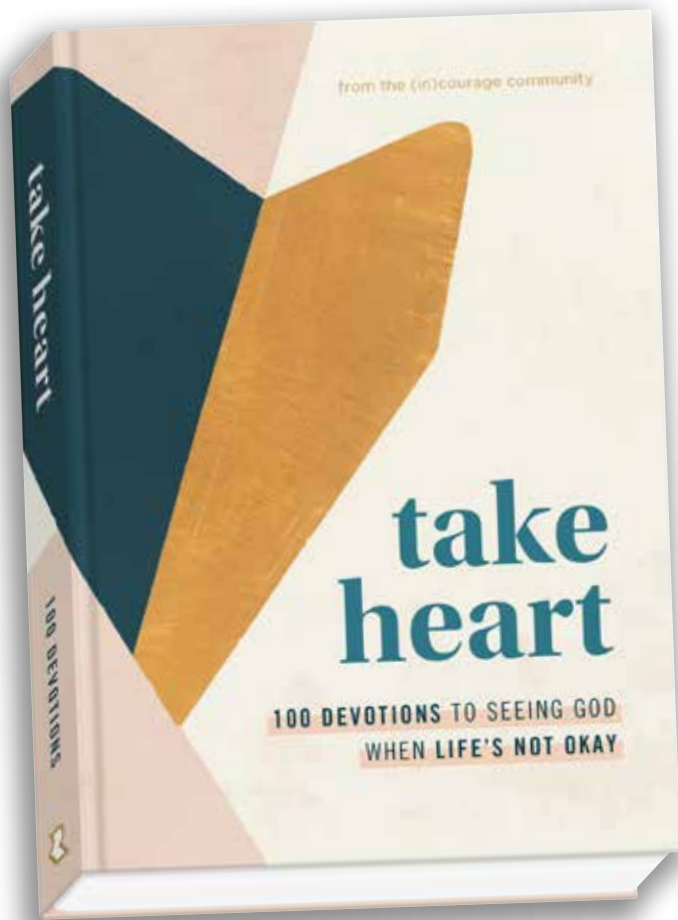
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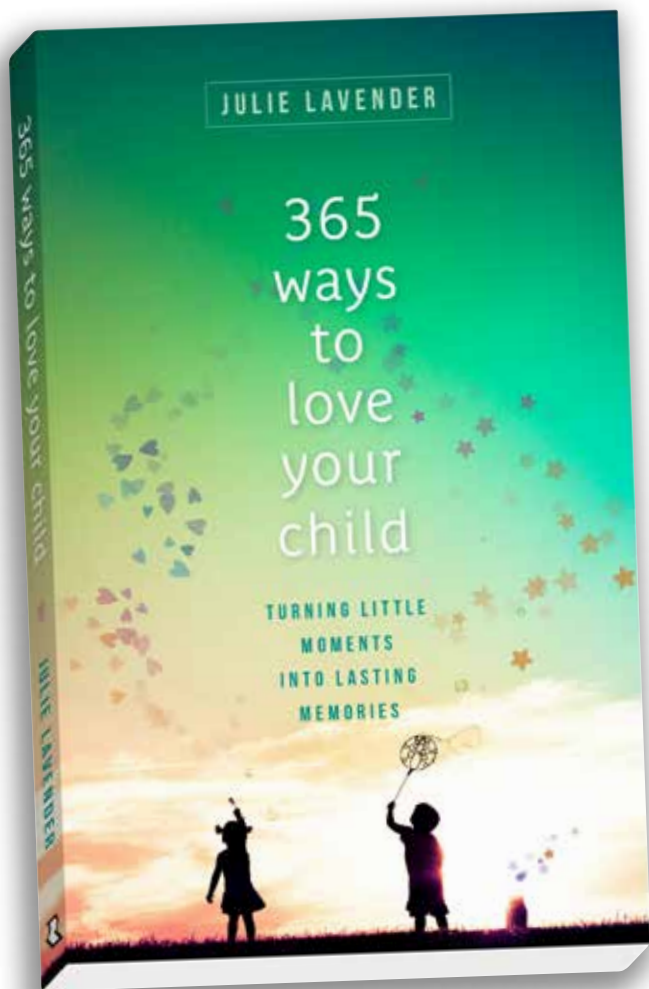
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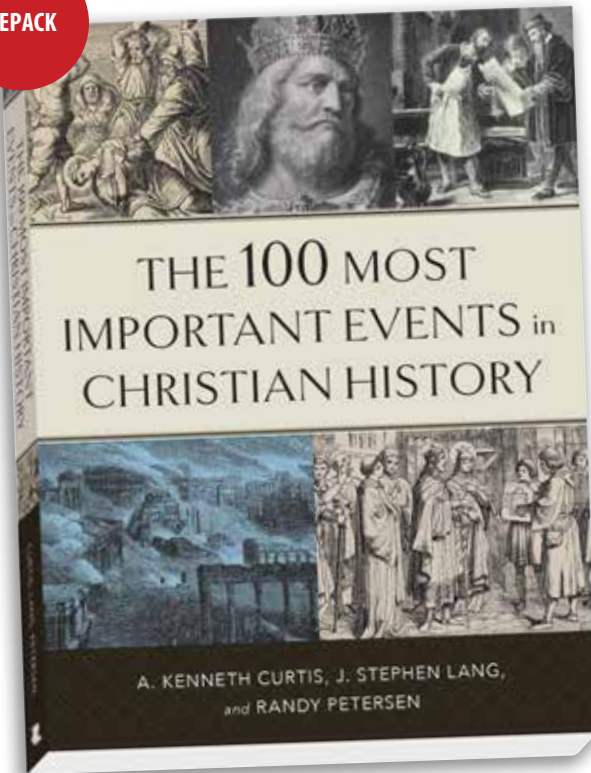
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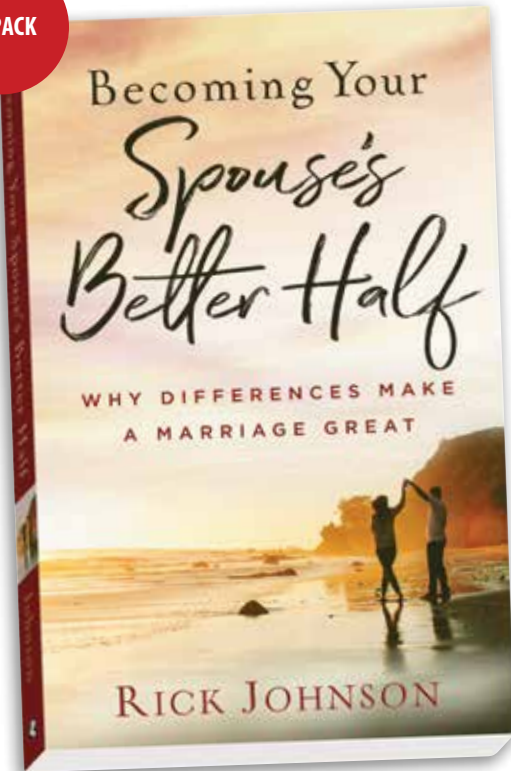
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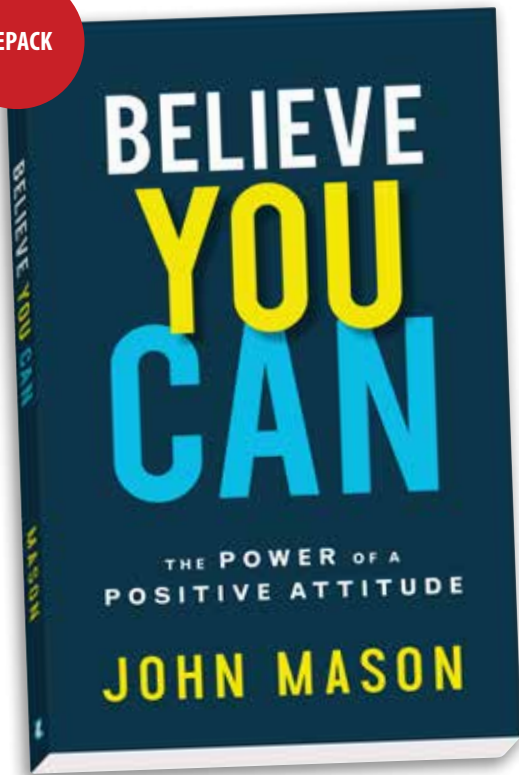
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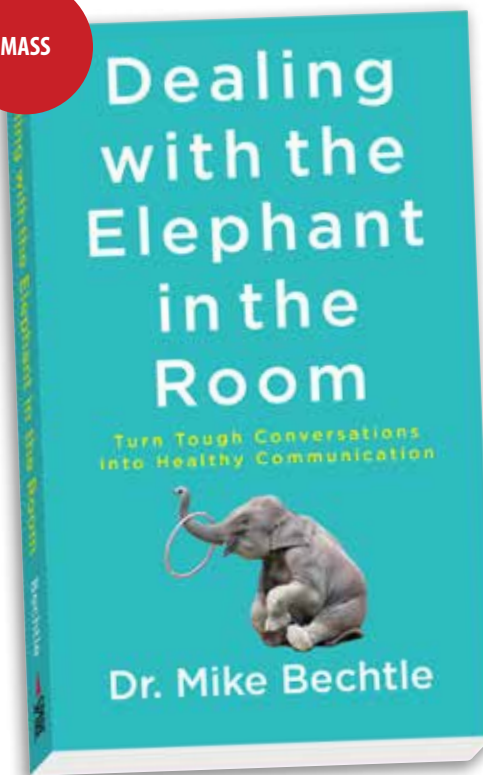
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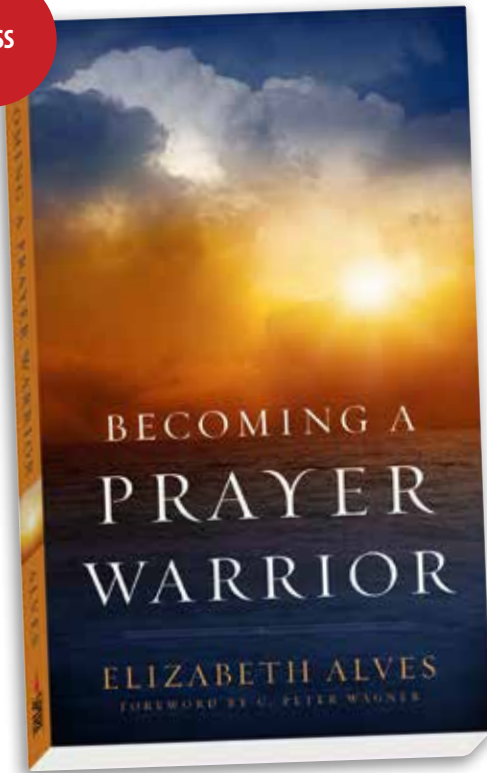
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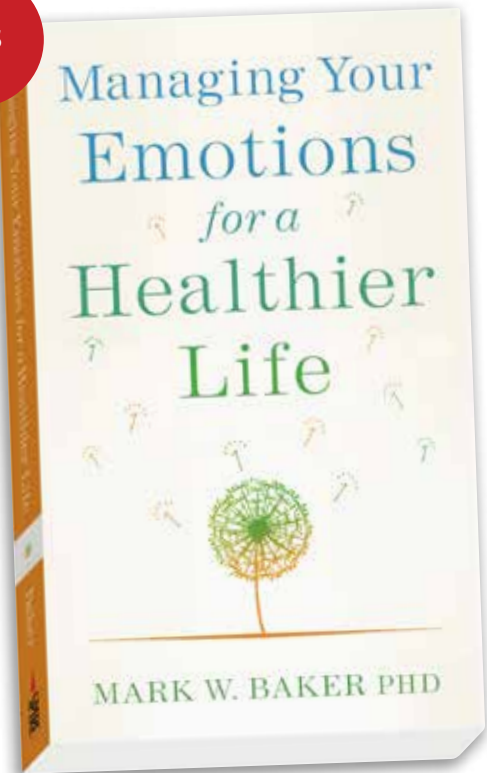
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