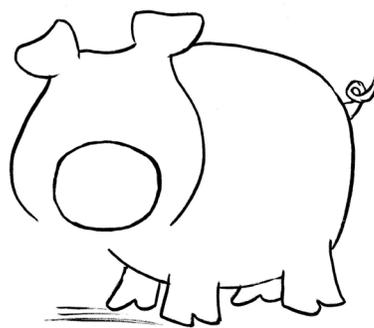


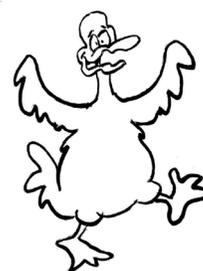
WHAT DO YOU CALL A PIG  
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## Laugh-Out-Loud Doodles for Kids

Rob Elliott

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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Rob Elliott** is the author of *Laugh-Out-Loud Jokes for Kids*, *More Laugh-Out-Loud Jokes for Kids*, *Laugh-Out-Loud Animal Jokes for Kids*, and *Knock-Knock Jokes for Kids*, and has been a publishing professional for more than twenty years. Rob lives in **West Michigan**, where in his spare time he enjoys laughing out loud with his wife and five children.

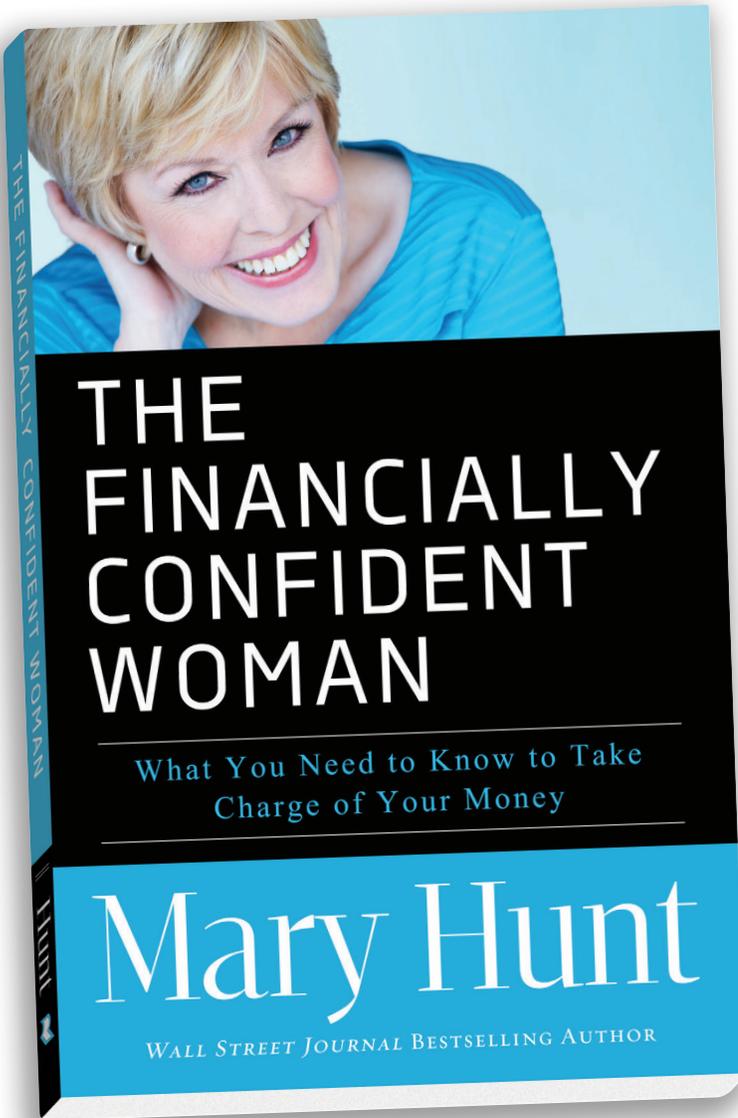
### ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

**Jonny Hawkins** is a full-time cartoonist whose work has appeared in over six-hundred publications, including *Reader's Digest*, *Parade Magazine*, *The Saturday Evening Post*, and *Guideposts*. His illustrations have appeared in many books including the *Chicken Soup for the Soul* series and he has created forty-eight successful page-a-day cartoon calendars. He works from his home in **Sherwood, Michigan**, where he lives with his wife, Carissa, and their three children, four cats, and a dog.

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## The Financially Confident Woman

Mary Hunt



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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Mary Hunt** is an award-winning and bestselling author, a syndicated columnist, and a sought-after motivational speaker who helps men and women battle the epidemic of consumer debt. She is founder and publisher of the interactive website *Debt-Proof Living*, which features financial tools, resources, and information for her online members. Her books have sold more than a million copies, and her daily newspaper column, *Everyday Cheapskate*, is nationally syndicated through Creators Syndicate. Hunt speaks widely on personal finance and has appeared on shows such as NBC's *TODAY* and *Dr. Phil*. She and her husband live in **Colorado**. Find out more at [www.debtproofliving.com](http://www.debtproofliving.com).



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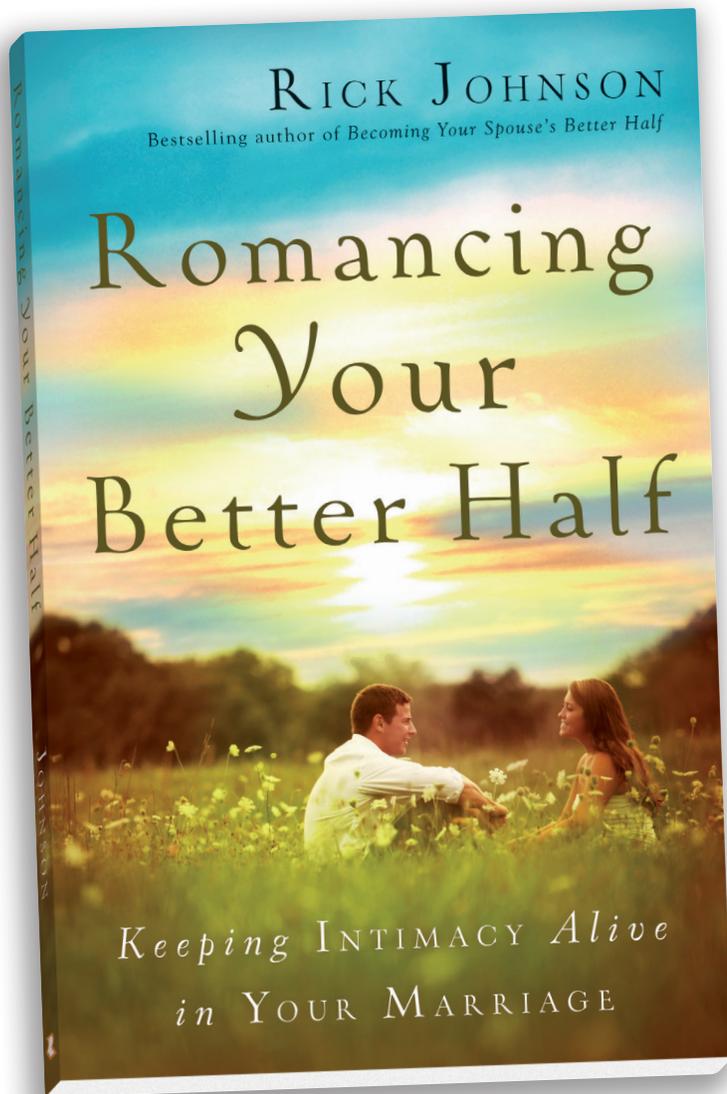
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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Rick Johnson** is a bestselling author of *That's My Son*; *That's My Teenage Son*; *That's My Girl*; *Better Dads, Stronger Sons*; and *Becoming Your Spouse's 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](http://www.betterdads.net).



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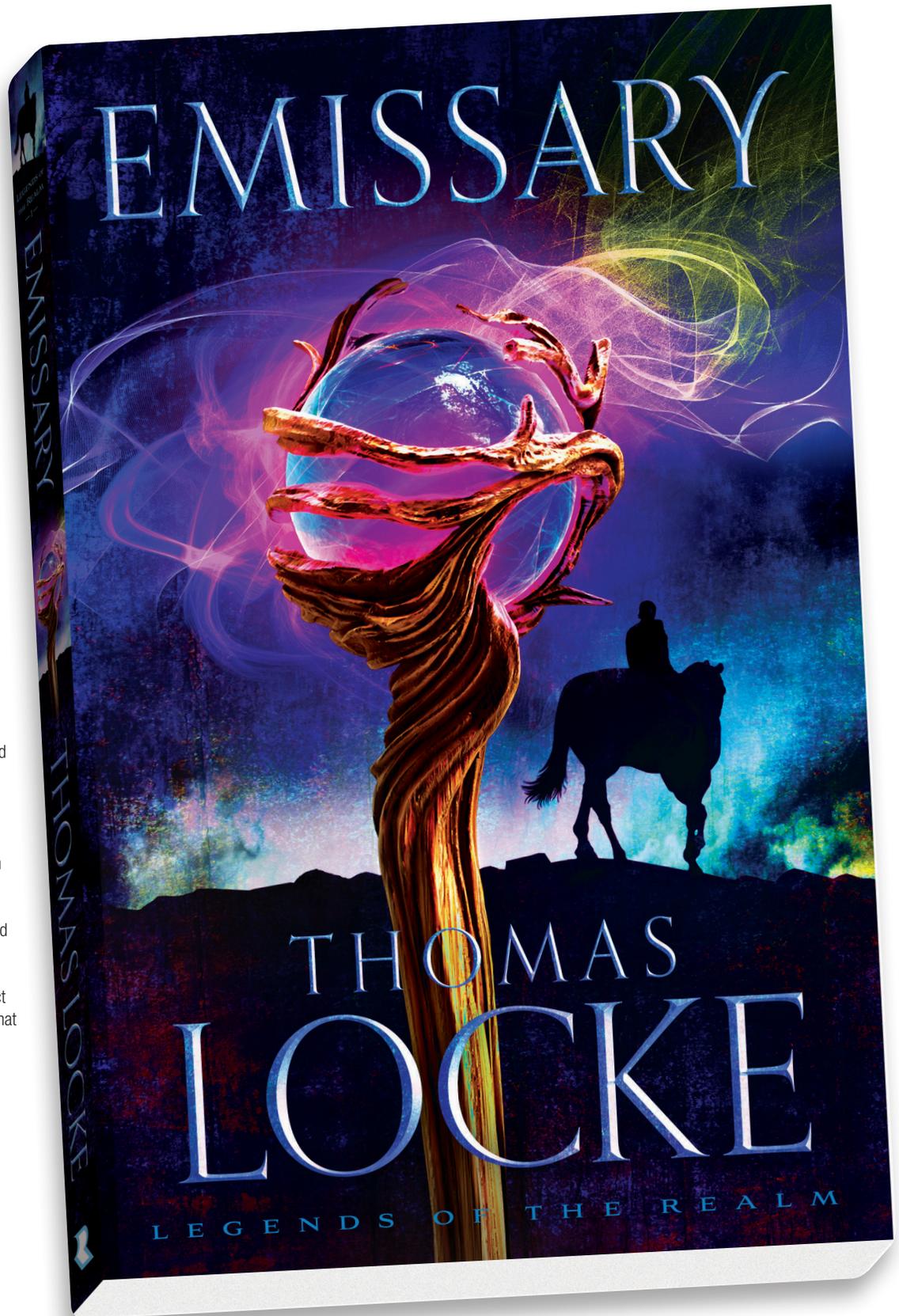
### ENDORSEMENT

"I loved this book. It's practical, insightful, and, most importantly, motivating to draw closer to our spouses. Rick is a wonderful writer who inspires." —**Jim Burns, PhD**, president of HomeWord

EXCERPT

The journey to the Ashanta village should have taken two full days. Hyam had no idea how he remained awake through that long night. But he did. What was more, he made good time. The night was utterly still, the sky lit by a moon one sliver off full. Where the valley narrowed, the hills rose to either side like hump-backed beasts. The trail tracked along the river's edge, two ghostly ribbons that cut through the dale.

His thoughts made for foul company. The final words hissed by the mayor's wife scalded away any regret he might have had over giving up the only home Hyam had ever known. The certainty that he had done the right thing, however, could not chase off the question that had plagued him since returning from the Long Hall. Hyam's lack of knowledge regarding his own heritage was only heightened by his newfound magical prowess. The night echoed with words spoken by a Mistress who lived without deceit. Only the Milantians were said to be adept at their own tongue. A thousand years had turned the warrior race into legends meant to scare children. But Hyam had studied the remaining scrolls because he had been forced to. Milantians looked like their human kin. But their powers were immense, their destruction still evident beyond the eastern badlands. Or so Hyam had read. He had never been further from the home that was his no more than the Ashanta village up ahead. The fact that he was setting off on a journey that might last his lifetime, without either destination or a clear idea of his own past, left his chest aching.



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**H**yam is a likeable lad who will make a fine farmer someday. But he carries a burden few can fathom. As his mother slips toward death, she implores him to return to Long Hall, where he spent five years as an apprentice. It was there that Hyam's extraordinary capacity for mastering languages came to light—and soon cast him into the shadows of suspicion. How could any human learn the forbidden tongues with such ease? When Hyam dares to seek out the Mistress of the Sorceries, her revelation tears his world asunder.

He has no choice but to set out on the foreboding path—which beckons him to either his destiny or his doom. An encounter with an enchanting stranger reminds him that he is part hero and part captive. As Hyam struggles to interpret the omens and symbols, he is swept up by a great current of possibilities—and dangers.

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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Thomas Locke** is a pseudonym for **Davis Bunn**, the award-winning novelist with total worldwide sales of seven million copies. His work has been published in twenty languages, and critical acclaim includes four Christy Awards for excellence in fiction. Davis divides his time between Oxford and Florida and holds a lifelong passion for speculative stories. Davis's screenplay adaptation of *The Emissary* is currently under development as a feature film with a British production company. Learn more at [www.davisbunn.com](http://www.davisbunn.com).



“Harris takes you on a trail into the worst kind of evil.”—Lynette Eason



- Presumed dead by friends and family, Michael Hunt is alive and on the run—and his only hope is the daughter of the man who wants him dead
- Harris is a Christy Award finalist for *Dangerous Passage*
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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Lisa Harris is a Christy Award finalist and the winner of the Best Inspirational Suspense Novel for 2011 from *Romantic Times*. The author of more than twenty books, including *Dangerous Passage* and *Fatal Exchange*, Harris and her family have spent over ten years living as missionaries in Mozambique, where she leads a women’s group and runs a nonprofit organization that works alongside their church-planting ministry. Visit [www.lisaharriswrites.com](http://www.lisaharriswrites.com) for more.

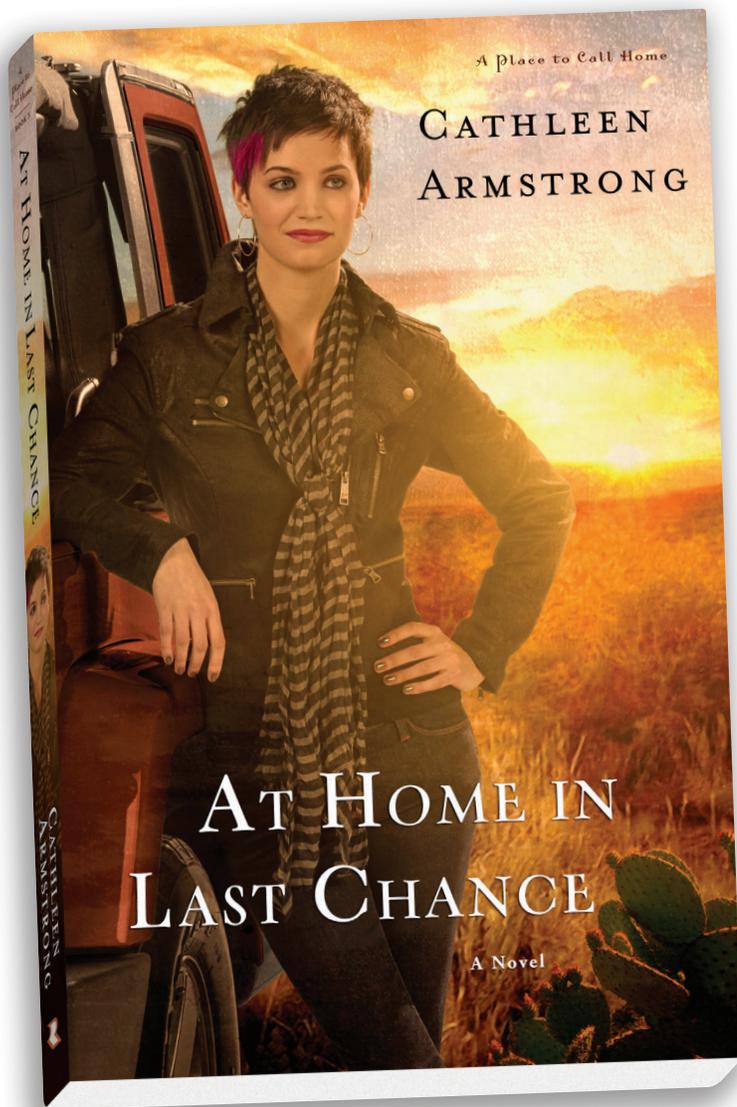


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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Cathleen Armstrong** lives in the San Francisco Bay Area with her husband, Ed, and their corgi. Though she has been in California for many years now, her roots remain deep in New Mexico where she grew up and where much of her family still lives. After she and Ed raised three children, she returned to college and earned a BA in English. Her debut novel *Welcome to Last Chance* won the 2009 American Christian Fiction Writers Genesis Award for Women's Fiction. She is also the author of *One More Last Chance*.



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# Are Double Dates Double Fun— or Double Trouble?

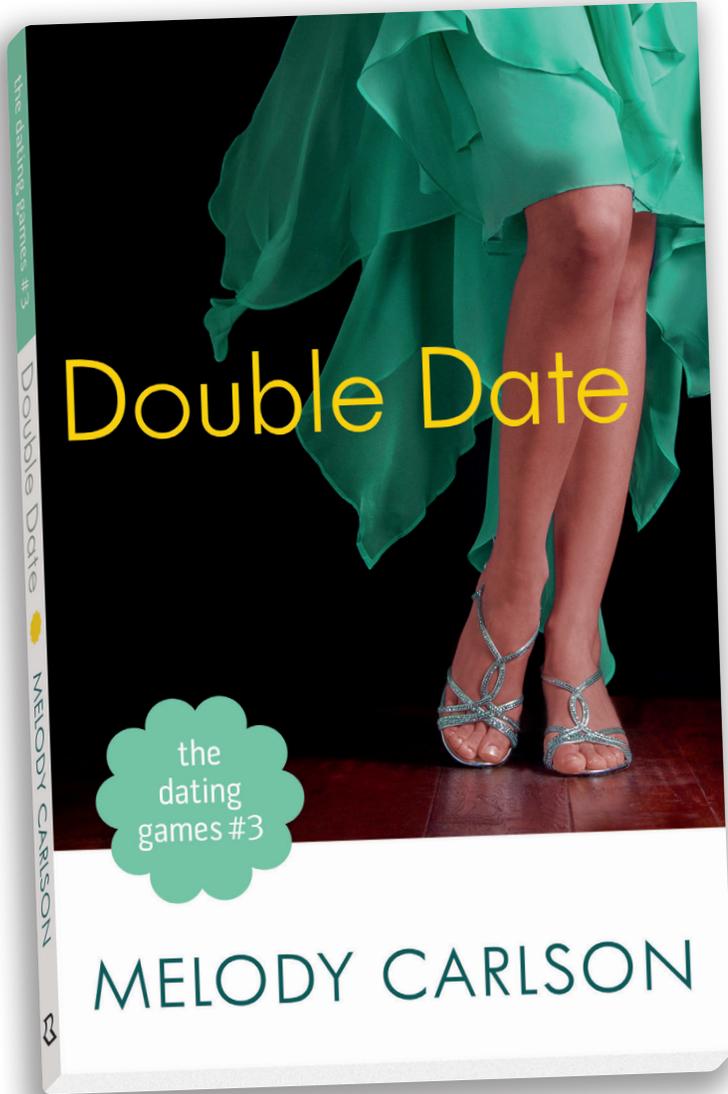
- Carlson’s reputation and ability to connect with teens’ lives continue to win her new fans
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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Melody Carlson is the award-winning author of more than two hundred books, including the DATING GAMES series, the LIFE AT KINGSTON HIGH series, *Double Take*, *A Simple Song*, and *My Amish Boyfriend*. She has received a *Romantic Times* Career Achievement Award in the inspirational market for her many books, including the DIARY OF A TEENAGE GIRL series and *Finding Alice*. Melody and her husband live in Oregon. Find out more at [www.melodycarlson.com](http://www.melodycarlson.com).

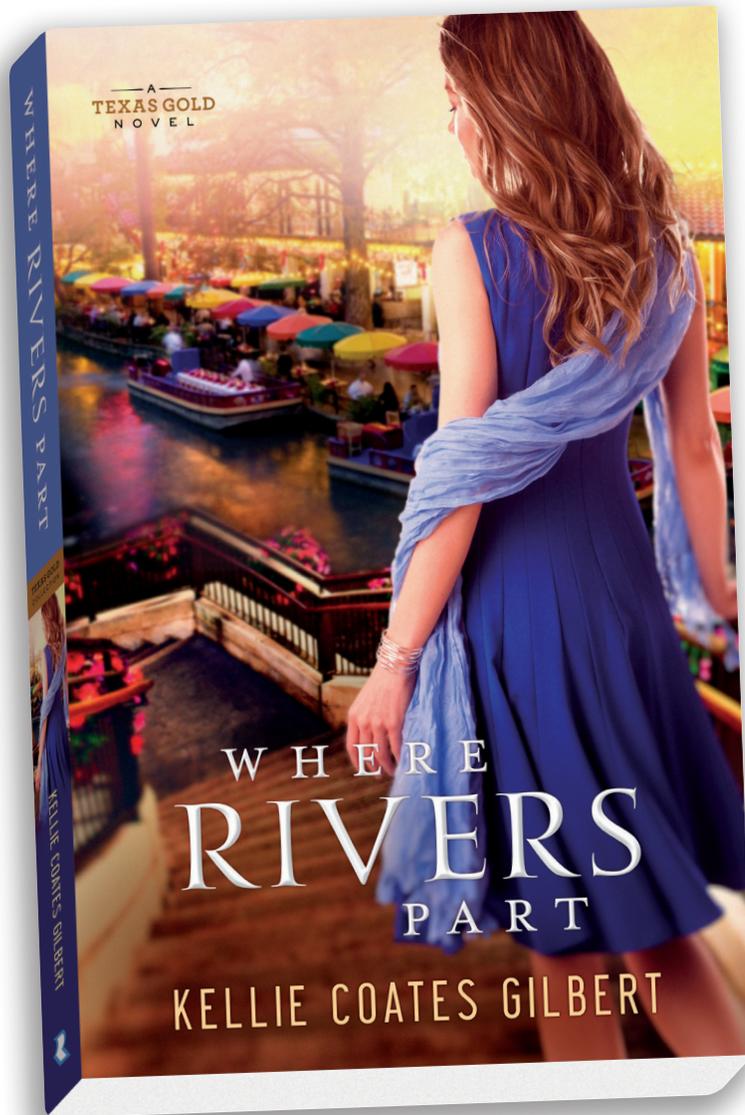


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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Kellie Coates Gilbert** is a former legal investigator and trial paralegal and the author of *A Woman of Fortune*. Gilbert crafts her emotionally charged stories about women in life-changing circumstances in **Dallas, Texas**, where she lives with her husband.

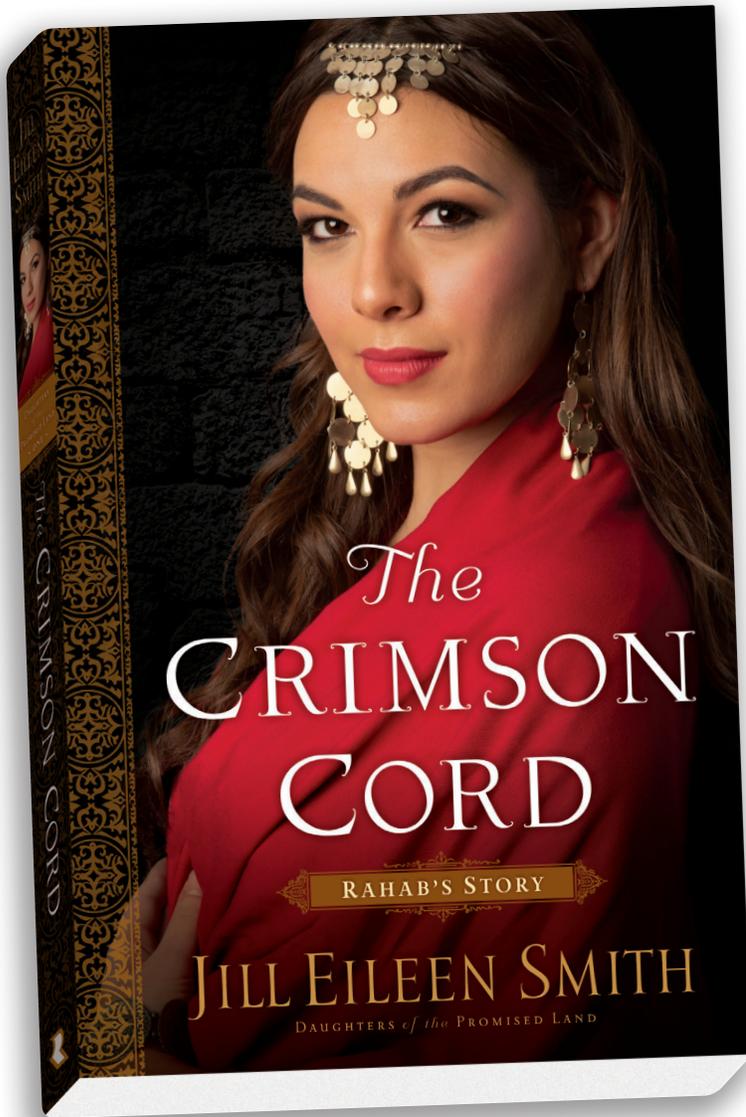


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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Jill Eileen Smith** is the author of the bestselling *Michal*, *Abigail*, and *Bathsheba*, all part of THE WIVES OF KING DAVID series, and of *Sarai*, *Rebekah*, and *Rachel* in the WIVES OF THE PATRIARCHS series. 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](http://www.jilleileensmith.com).



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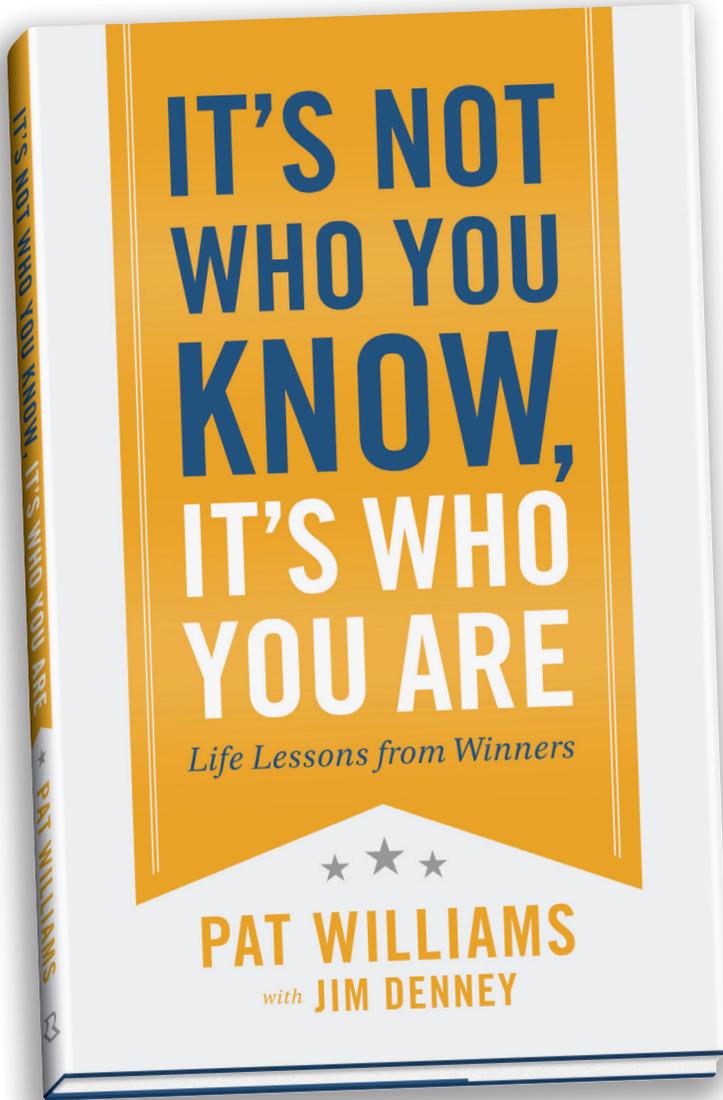
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We live in a culture obsessed with celebrity. When we're not trying to make a name for ourselves, we're following the big names on Twitter, liking them on Facebook, and taking selfies with them if we are lucky enough to run into them in real life. We love winners and we want to be winners. But take it from a man who knows more famous people than most of us will ever meet—it's not who you know that's important, it's who you are inside.

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### ABOUT THE AUTHORS

**Pat Williams** is senior vice president of the NBA's Orlando Magic. He has more than fifty years of professional sports experience, has written dozens of books, including the popular *Coach Wooden* and *Coach Wooden's Greatest Secret*, and is one of America's most sought-after motivational speakers. He lives in **Florida**. Learn more at [www.patwilliams.com](http://www.patwilliams.com).



**Jim Denney** is a full-time freelance writer with more than one hundred published books to his credit. His collaborative titles include *Reggie White in the Trenches*; *Undeclared*, with Bob and Brian Griese; and numerous books with Pat Williams, including *Go for the Magic*, *Coach Wooden*, and *Coach Wooden's Greatest Secret*.

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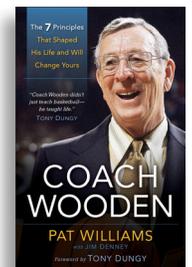
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Not a week goes by without someone asking me, "What's your secret—how do you do it all?" Usually I just laugh and say that I *don't* do it all. I bring up my dusty mantel and my laundry piles. But still they press on, eager to know how a wife, mother, blogger, and full-time marketing professional still makes time for herself.

I always said I would never write a book. I didn't think it was my calling. But that changed when I felt prompted to write about this topic, because it consumed me. Suddenly all I could see were women drowning in busyness, and I wanted to grab each of them and say, there's a better way. Let go of the laundry. Read a magazine. Savor some time for yourself.

*The Fringe Hours* was written for you, a woman who deserves time for yourself and the things that you love.

I surveyed more than 2,000 women in the course of writing this book and personally interviewed dozens more. I asked them questions about how they spend their time, what their days are like, and what they wish they could spend more time doing. Their stories are woven throughout the chapters you are about to read. I'm sure that you, like me, will see yourself in many of them.

It is my prayer that this book encourages you, right where you are. Whether you spend an hour a week on yourself or more than ten, *The Fringe Hours* is for you. God created you with a unique set of gifts and passions. May *The Fringe Hours* give you permission to pursue those desires.



# Equips Women to Make Time for Themselves and Their Passions

- Draws from dozens of one-on-one interviews and primary research surveying more than 2,000 women
- Teaches women how to move past the guilt they feel when they spend time on themselves
- Author blogs at her own blog, *The Mom Creative*, and at DaySpring's (in)courage and is founder and co-host of the *Bloom Book Club*
- "Jessica's warmth encourages, her wisdom clarifies, and her joy motivates."—Ann Voskamp, *New York Times* bestselling author of *One Thousand Gifts*

Every woman has had this experience: you get to the end of the day and realize you did nothing for you. And if you go days, weeks, or even months in this cycle, you begin to feel like you have lost a bit of yourself.

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Perfect for any woman who is doing everything for everyone—except herself—*The Fringe Hours* is ideal for both individuals and small group use.

## The Fringe Hours

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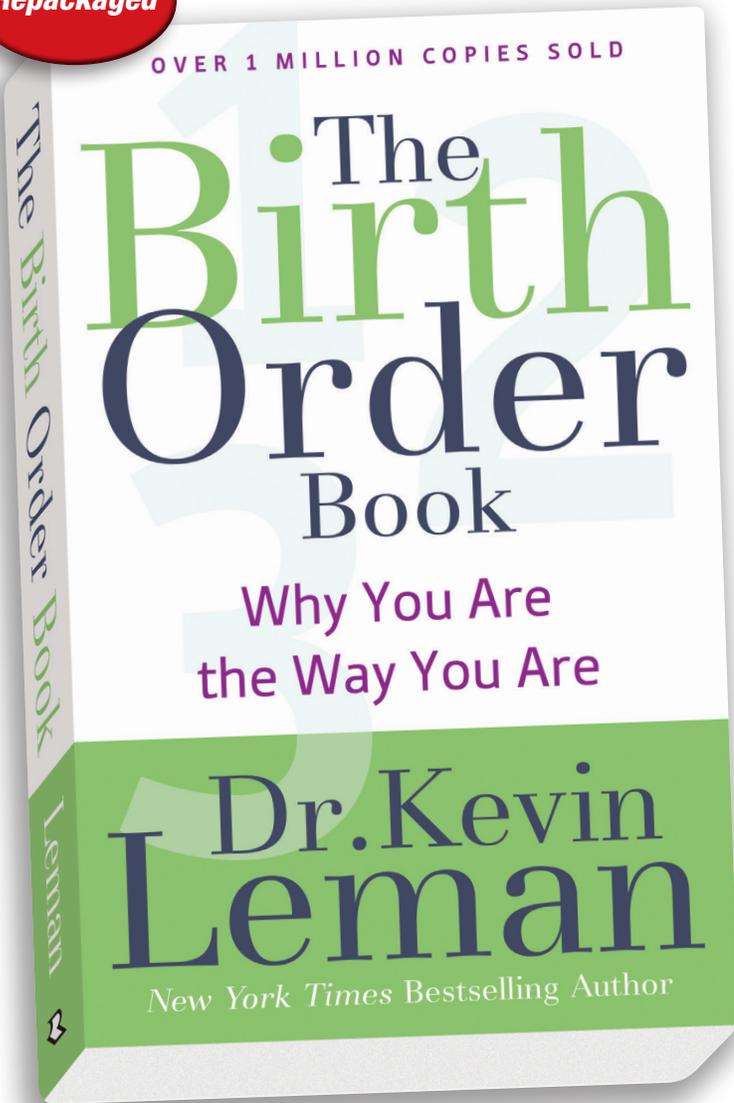
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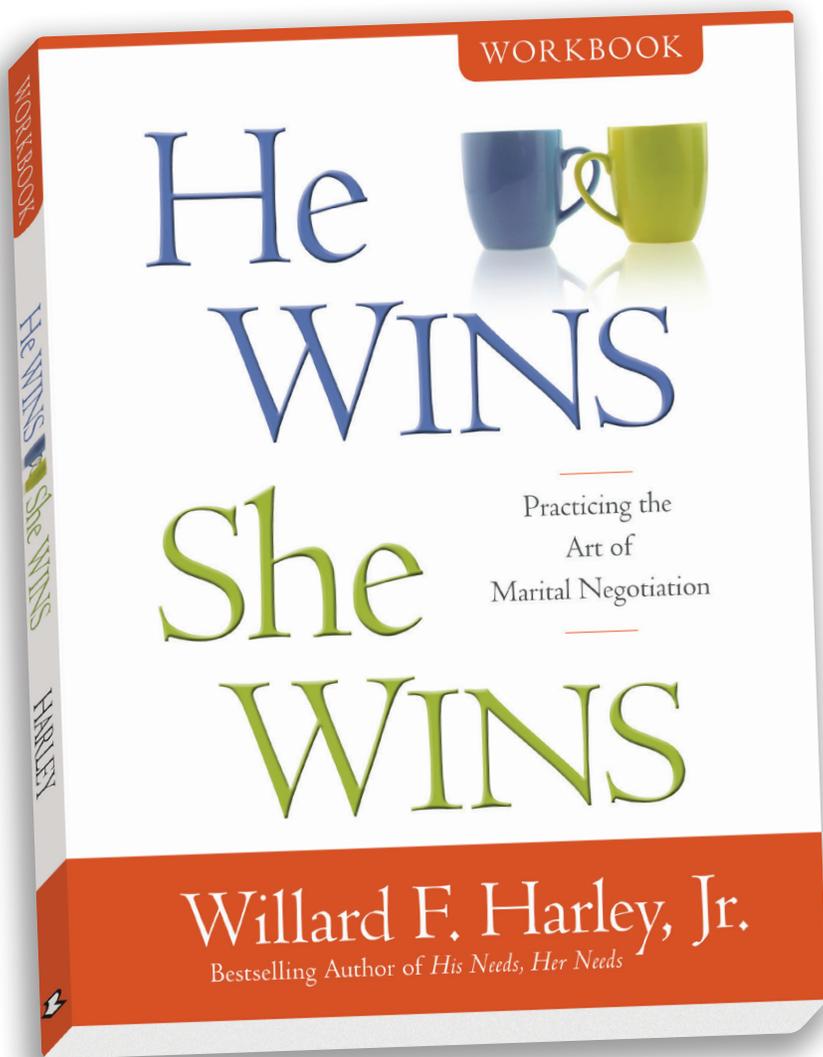
Dr. Kevin Leman is an internationally known psychologist, radio and television personality, and speaker who has taught and entertained audiences worldwide with his wit and commonsense psychology. He has made house calls through hundreds of radio and television programs, such as *Fox & Friends*, *The View*, FOX's *The Morning Show*, *Today*, Bill Bennett's *Morning in America*, *The 700 Club*, CBS's *The Early Show*, *In the Market with Janet Parshall*, CNN, and *Focus on the Family*, and has served as a contributing family psychologist to *Good Morning America*. A bestselling and award-winning author, Dr. Leman has written more than forty books, including *The Birth Order Book*, *Making Children Mind without Losing Yours*, and *Have a New Kid by Friday*. Dr. Leman and his wife, Sande, live in **Tucson, Arizona**. They have five children and two grandchildren.



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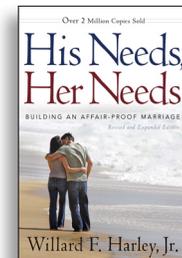
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**EXCERPT**

Navigating the Unknown  
by Lisa Leonard

Our oldest son David (7 years old) was born with a disability including missing fingers on his left hand, small size, delays in all developmental areas and a heart defect.

Whenever I explain David's special needs to someone, I'm always quick to tell them how amazing he is—how his personality lights up a room and everyone who knows him is blessed by his sweet nature.

We found out David would be needing surgery, and that the surgeon would need to open his chest to repair the hole in his heart. And since we got that news, I've been sort of a mess.

I'm not someone who usually struggles with fear, but the thought of David's chest being opened makes my knees wobble and my throat tighten up. It's hard to think about, let alone talk about, with actual words.

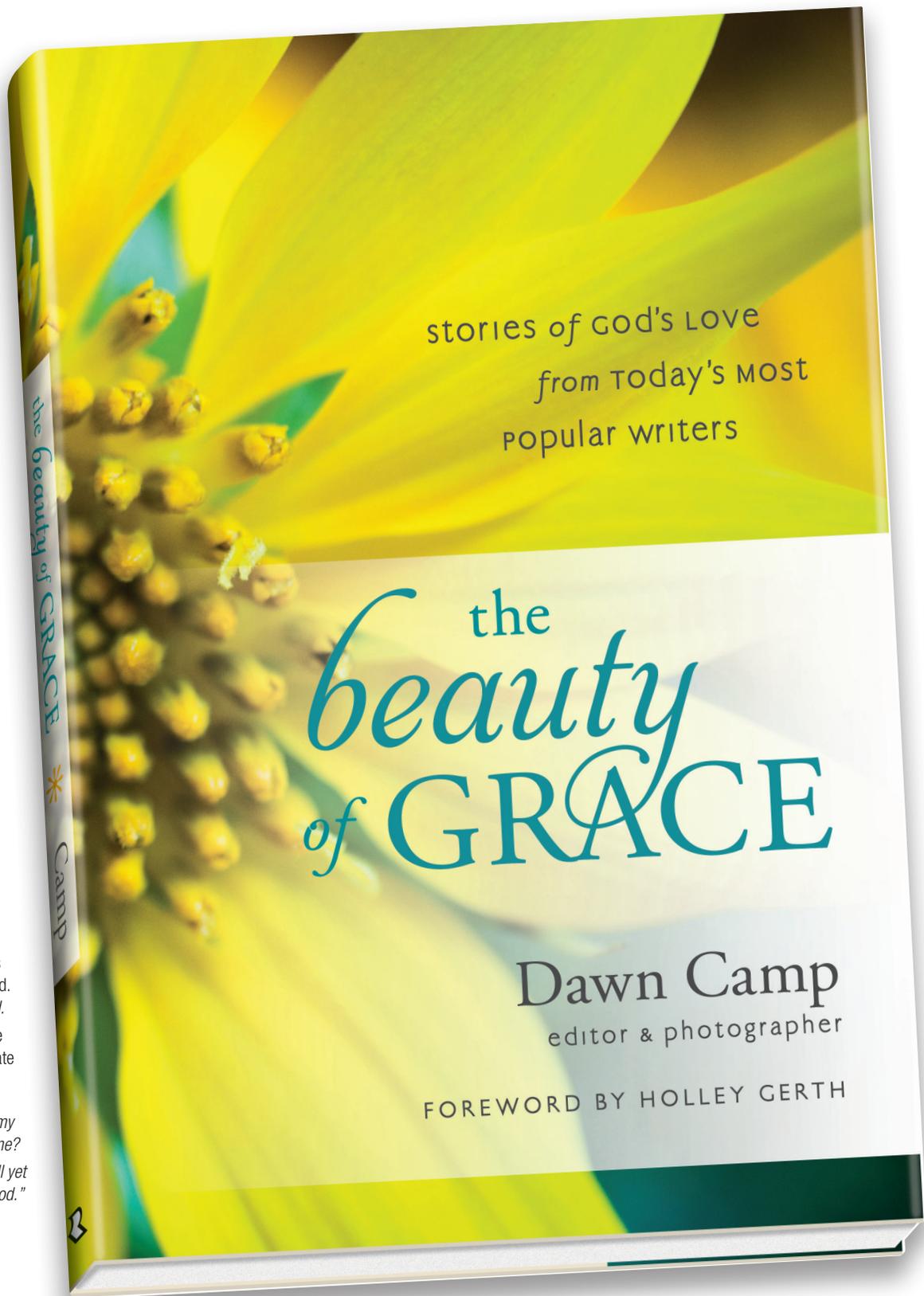
I don't like feeling afraid. And I find myself broken before the Lord. Navigating the unknown makes me realize how out of control I am. It also reminds me that God is in control. The world is not a random, chaotic place, but every moment of every day is overseen by a capable, loving God. *Who knows me and knows David.*

And He loves us. This is where my hope lies. This is how I navigate the unknown.

*"Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me?*

*Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God."*

~Psalm 42:5 (NIV)



# Uplifting Stories of God’s Grace in the Midst of Everyday Life

- Dawn Camp has been a regular contributor on DaySpring’s (in)courage blog since its beginning
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## The Beauty of Grace

*Dawn Camp, editor and photographer*



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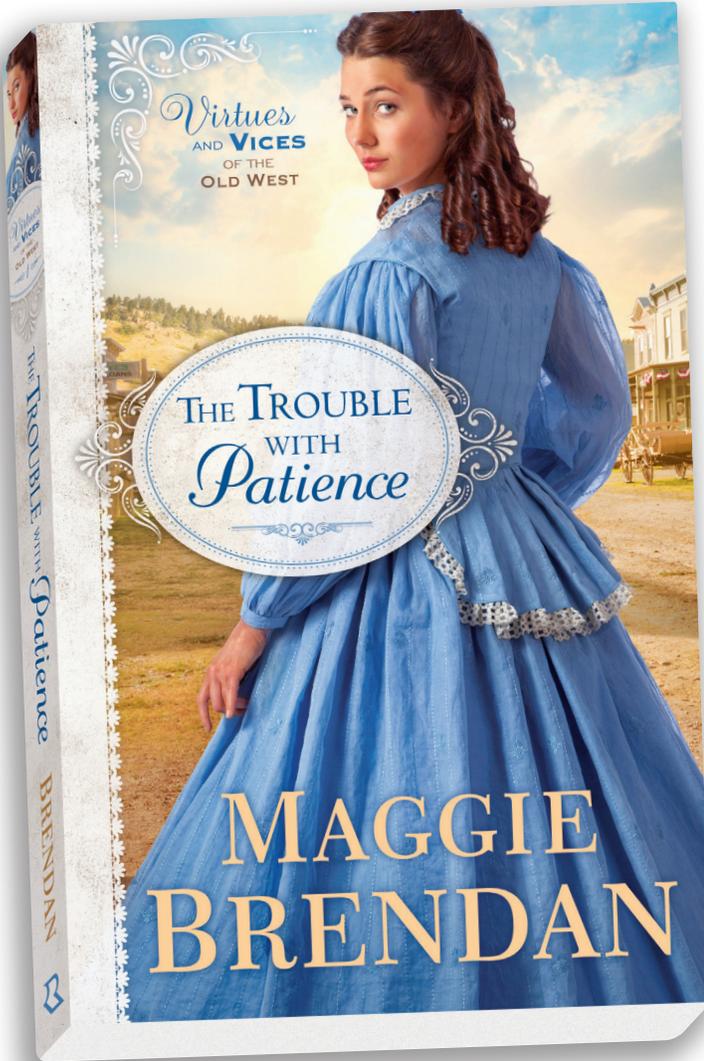
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“Brendan is adept at weaving a sweet love story.”—Tamera Alexander



- While living in a Gold Rush boomtown in 1866, a young woman can't seem to avoid the local sheriff with a reputation for being a "hanging lawman"
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Patience Cavanaugh has lost hope in romance. The man she yearned to marry is dead and her dreams are gone with him. Now she is consumed with the restoration of a dilapidated boarding house in order to support herself. Despite her desire for solitude, Jedediah Jones, the local sheriff with a reputation for hanging criminals, becomes an ever-looming part of her life. It seems like such a simple arrangement: Patience needs someone with a strong back to help her fix up the boardinghouse, and Jedediah needs a dependable source of food for himself and his prisoners. But Patience gets more than she bargained for as she explores the depths of the "hanging lawman"—and finds both betrayal and love.

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Anna followed Georg up the gangplank and noticed an official-looking figure standing at the top, watching her approach with sharp, penetrating eyes. For a split second he reminded her of Felix's father, bishop Jacob Bauer—treetop-tall, muscular, wide-beamed shoulders. Then the moment passed, and she saw how very different from the bishop he really was. Jacob was plain and humble and holy. There was nothing plain nor humble nor holy about this man.

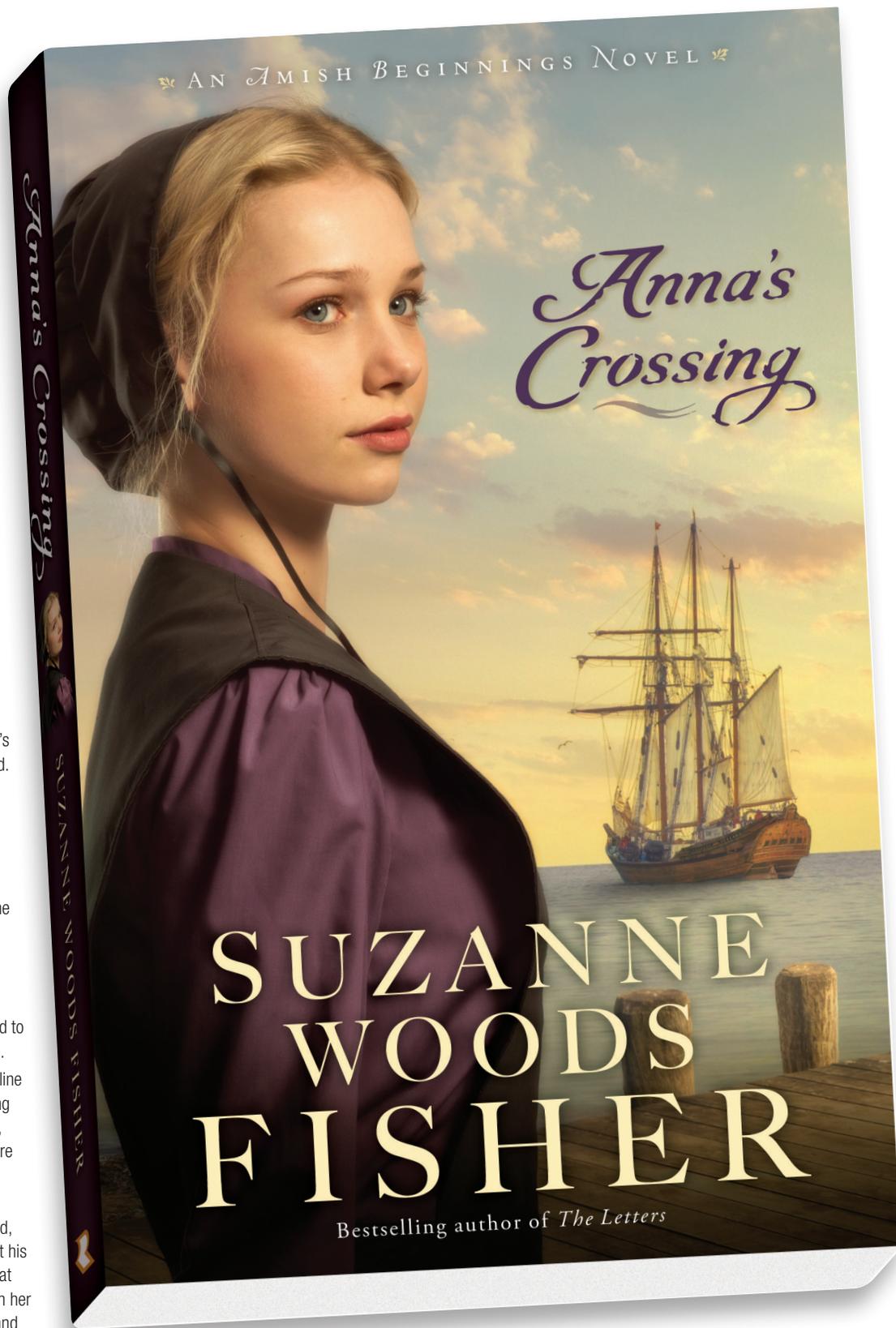
While he appeared young, his seaman's stance, so solid, so self-confident, and his style of dress sent a simple message: he was in charge, and he was all business.

Georg Schultz, intimidated by no one, barely came to the middle of his chest. "Bairn, where is the captain?"

The man propped his shoulders against the polished oak and crossed his arms over his broad chest, as though preparing for a long chat. "He's in the Great Cabin. Not t' be disturbed. What do y' want, Schultz?" Behind him, sailors hurried from one end of the deck to the other, exchanging words, issuing orders. Now and then, the man would bark an order to the sailors who hurried past him, "Man the capstan!" and they would hustle to a large winch. Wheels rumbled, levers hoisted. This man, Anna thought, had the kind of authority that shut you up fast if you were a young sailor inclined to challenge something he had just said.

He glanced at her then, the hard line of his jaw softening just a little, looking down at her with an inscrutable gaze, making her feel even smaller and more awkward.

Had he noticed she was taking a survey of his person? Her neck heated, and she lowered her gaze, yet still felt his intense scrutiny. Why was he staring at her? Perhaps there was something on her face. Her skin itched by suggestion, and she brushed self-conscious fingers across her cheeks.



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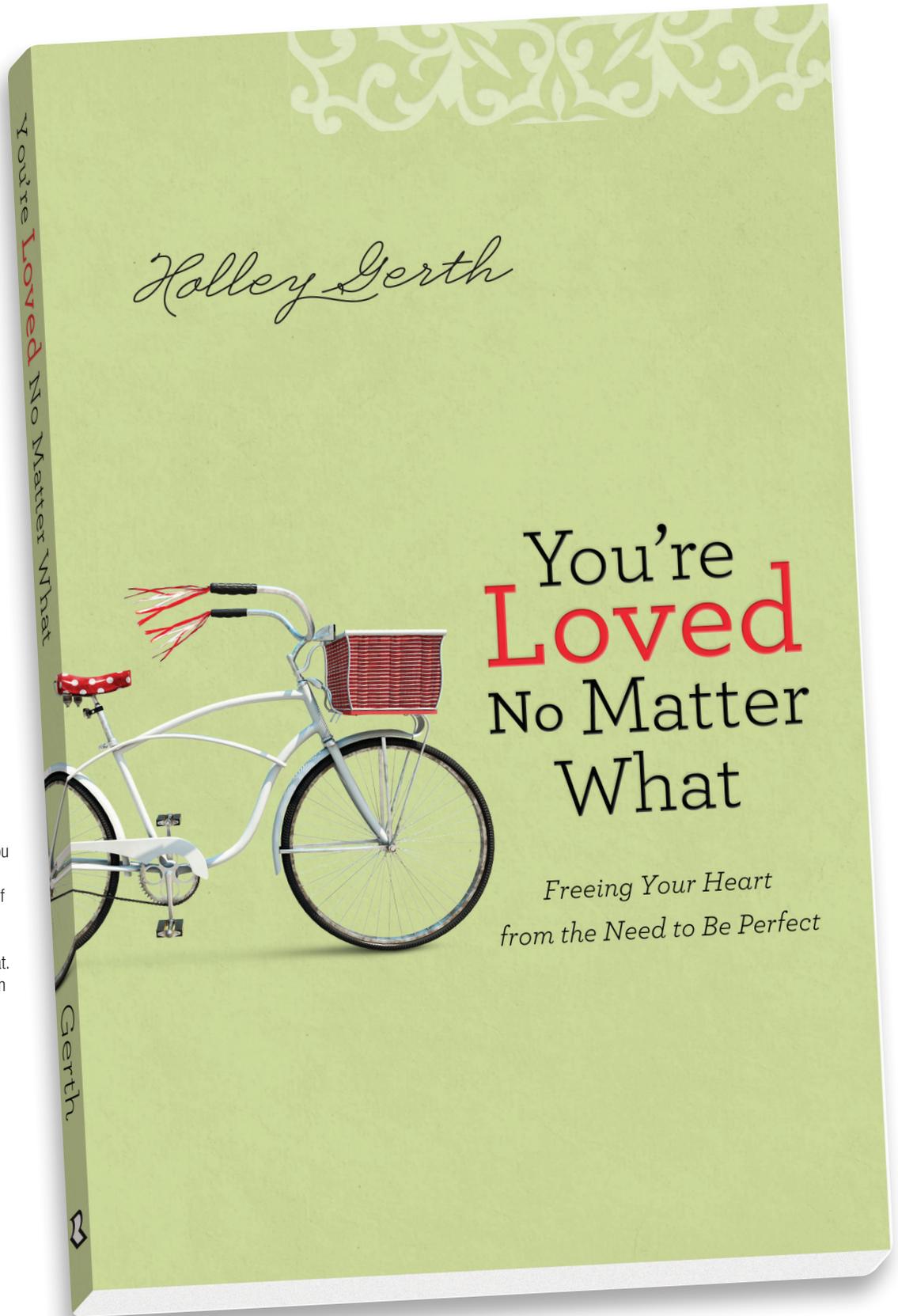
EXCERPT

Here's the reality: I've yet to meet a woman who doesn't struggle with the pressure to be perfect. Even the ones who seem to have it all together.

Maybe *especially* the ones who seem to have it all together. We are all in this battle, and we can help each other find victory. So on the day when yet another woman shared with me what I'd heard so many times before, I knew the time had come to write this book.

I reached across the table and touched her hand with newfound hope in my eyes. "You don't have to be tired anymore. Your life really can be different." She looked up at me with a half smile. "I would love to believe that," she answered, "but I think I'm too worn out to try anything else." I smiled back at her and said, "Well, that's great news, because the first thing I want you to do is stop trying."

I'm saying that to you today as well, friend. Before you read one more sentence in this book, please pause and promise this one thing: you will stop trying to change on your own. Aren't you exhausted? Aren't you ready for a break? Then get off the treadmill of perfection. You have permission to do so. Because this book isn't about making yourself better. It's about learning to receive what's already yours. It's about knowing you're loved no matter what. It's about rest and grace and living in an entirely new way.



# Holley Gerth Helps Women Break Free from the Pressure to Be Perfect

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- **Holley helps women lay down unrealistic expectations and embrace who God made them to be so they can follow his purpose for their lives**
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Bestselling author and every woman’s best friend, Holley Gerth helps women lay down their unrealistic expectations so they can embrace who God created them to be, pursue his purpose for their lives, and offer the love they’ve been freely given.

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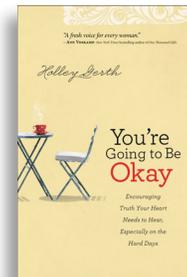
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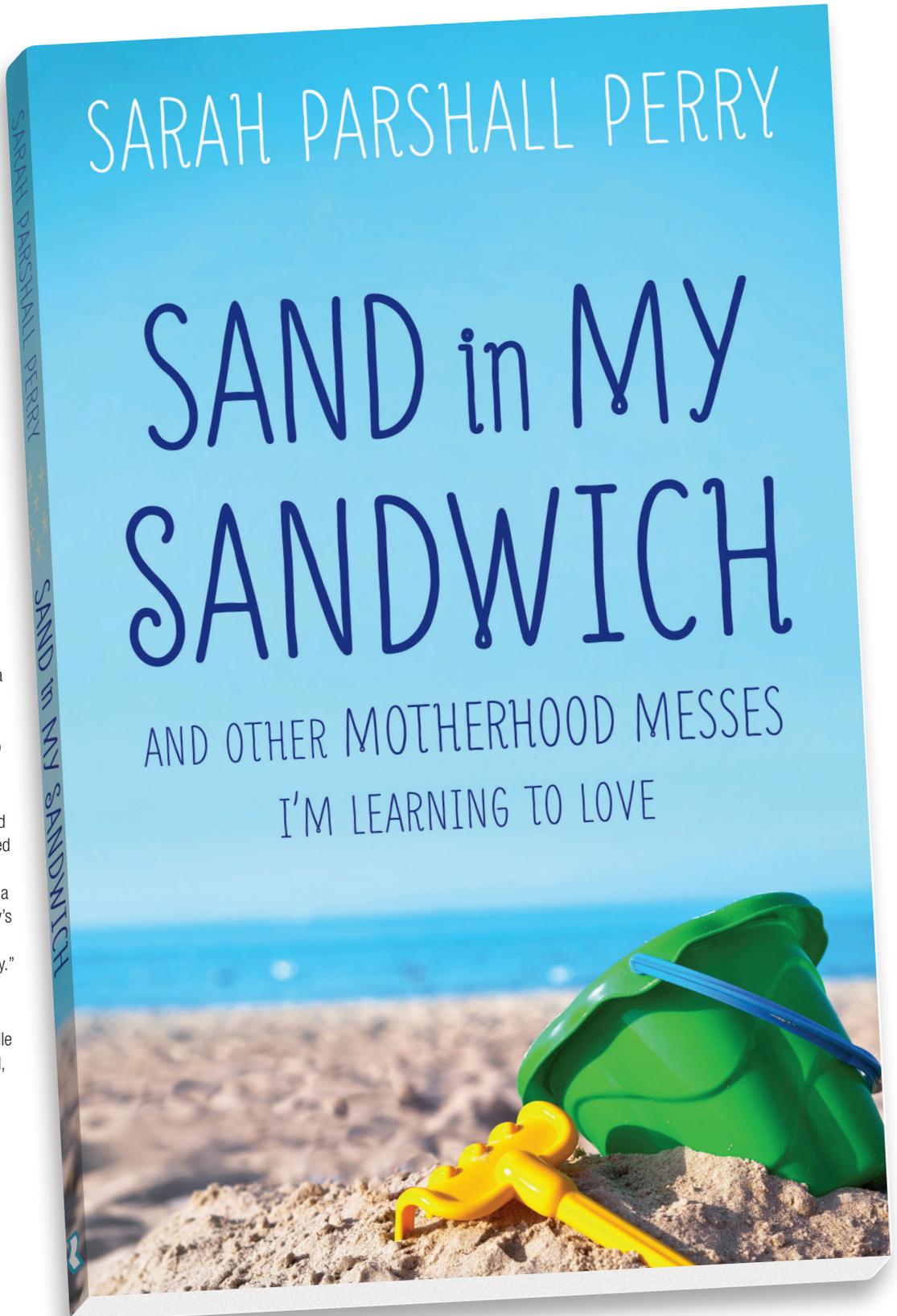
My oldest son Noah has Asperger's Syndrome—a form of high-functioning autism. He is also a "puker." I used to think that his overactive gag reflex was simply a sensitivity we needed to cure. It appeared to us, the autism uninitiated, that he just had to toughen up a bit. But at many a dinner, Noah insisted there was sand, or "fuzz," or dog hair in his food. One small gag would lead to a giant mess in never enough time for me to fly across the kitchen and hurtle him into the bathroom. And Lord help us if we were dining out. How do you convince the well-meaning waiter with his jaw on the floor that no, the cheeseburger is perfectly fine, but my son believes someone dropped it in a sandbox on the way to the table?

On one such occasion, Noah was in the height of his foot aversion. If there was a naked foot—or even just a manicured toe—within arm's length of his dining chair, the end was near. My daughter Grace found this sensitivity to be highly propitious.

At lunch with their hotdogs one day, Grace was playing with her unshod Barbie doll at the table and Noah started to heave. "Grace!" he screamed. "Get your Barbie OFF THE TABLE!" I was at a loss for the particular cause of that day's retching. "Noah, what is the problem with her Barbie? She's playing so nicely." "Mom!" (gag) "it's her FEET!"

At which point Grace proceeded to dip her Barbie's naked feet in her puddle of ketchup, dreamily swirl them around, and lick the entire thing off.

A 20 minute clean-up thereafter commenced.



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**EXCERPT**

It was meant to be a joyride.

No one was supposed to die.

“She’s not breathing!” Erika’s shrill, hysteria-laced whisper pierced the humidity-laden air.

Heart pounding, I fisted my hands. “I can see that.”

The clammy smell of panic overpowered the scent of fresh-cut hay in the adjacent field as we huddled on our knees over the motionless figure in the ditch.

“What should we do?” Joe’s voice cracked on the last word.

They both looked at me like I had the answer. Like I knew how to make this nightmare go away.

I didn’t.

Not yet, anyway.

I was still trying to wrap my mind around what had happened. To figure out how my well-planned life could careen out of control in the space of a few heartbeats.

The answer eluded me. But I did know one thing. Any whiff of scandal could deep six the coveted job I was a breath away from getting after acing the final interview.

I couldn’t let that happen.

When I didn’t respond, Joe leaned across the crumpled body and grasped my shoulders, his fingers digging into my flesh like talons. “What should we do?”

I shook him off. “I heard you the first time! Give me a minute!”

I straightened up and checked out the rural Missouri road, with its undulating dips that provided high-speed thrills.

Empty.

But headlights could appear over the rise at any moment, illuminating us like spotlights.

If they did, we were hosed.

My fingers began to prickle.

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Fast.



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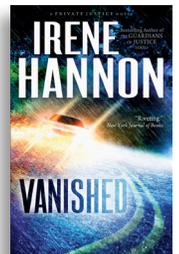
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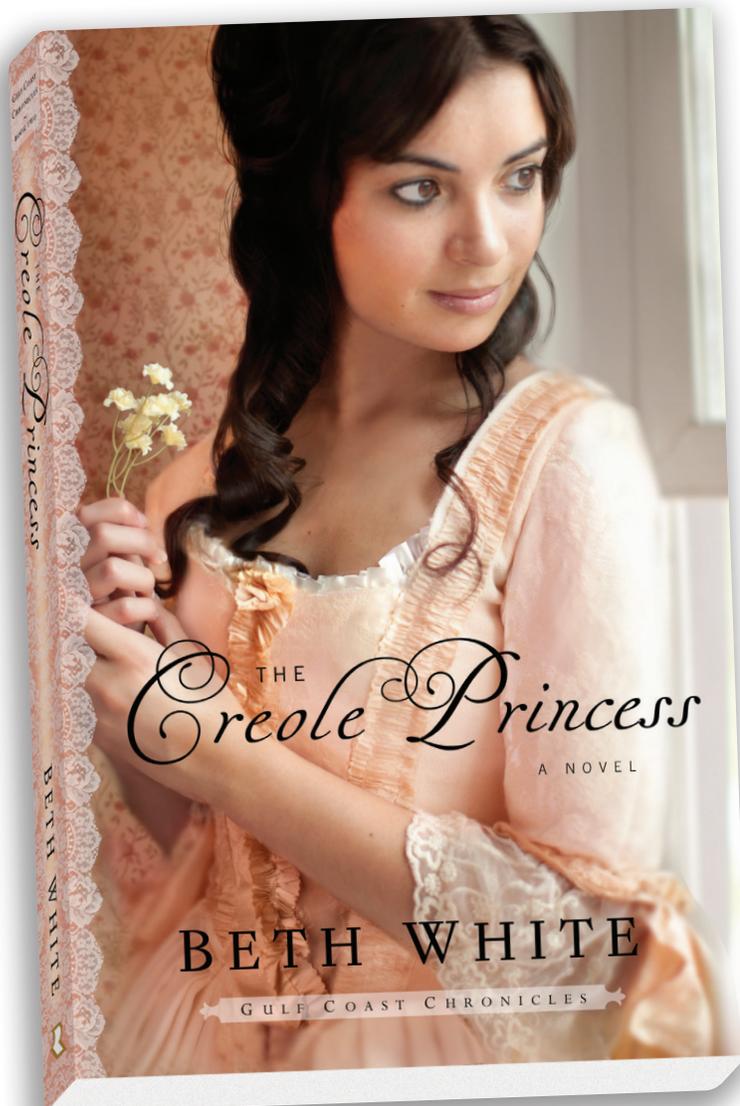
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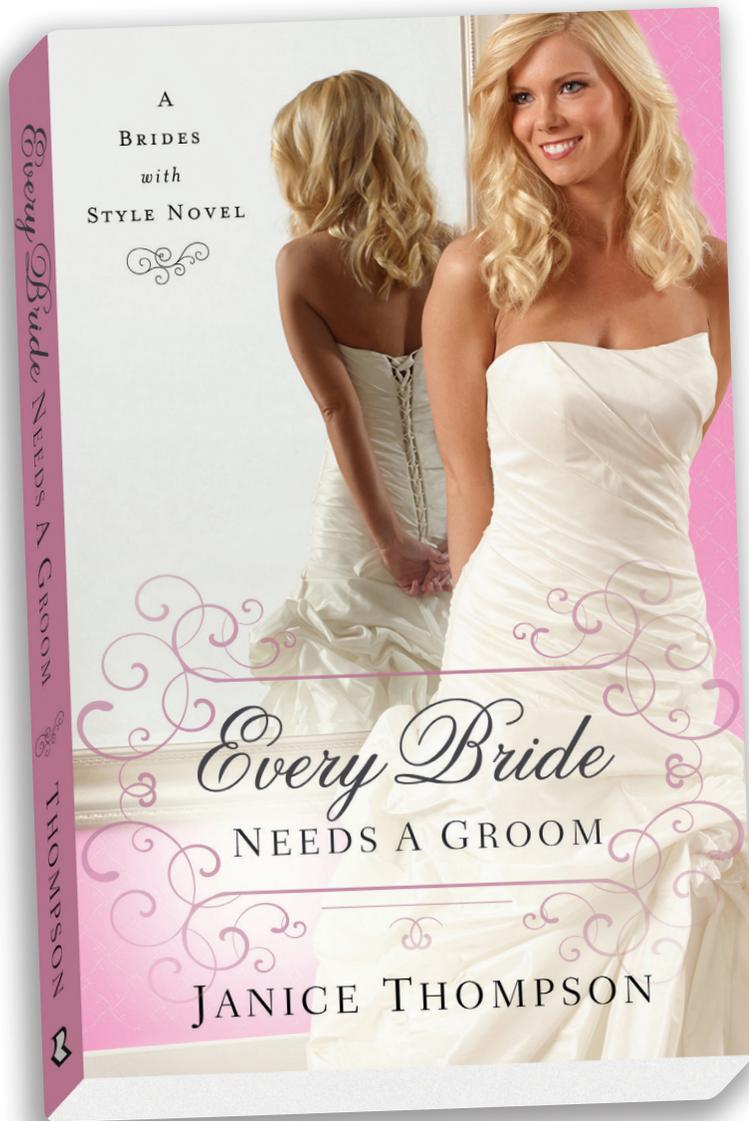
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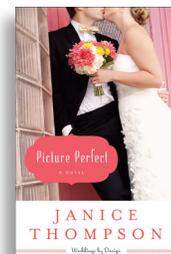
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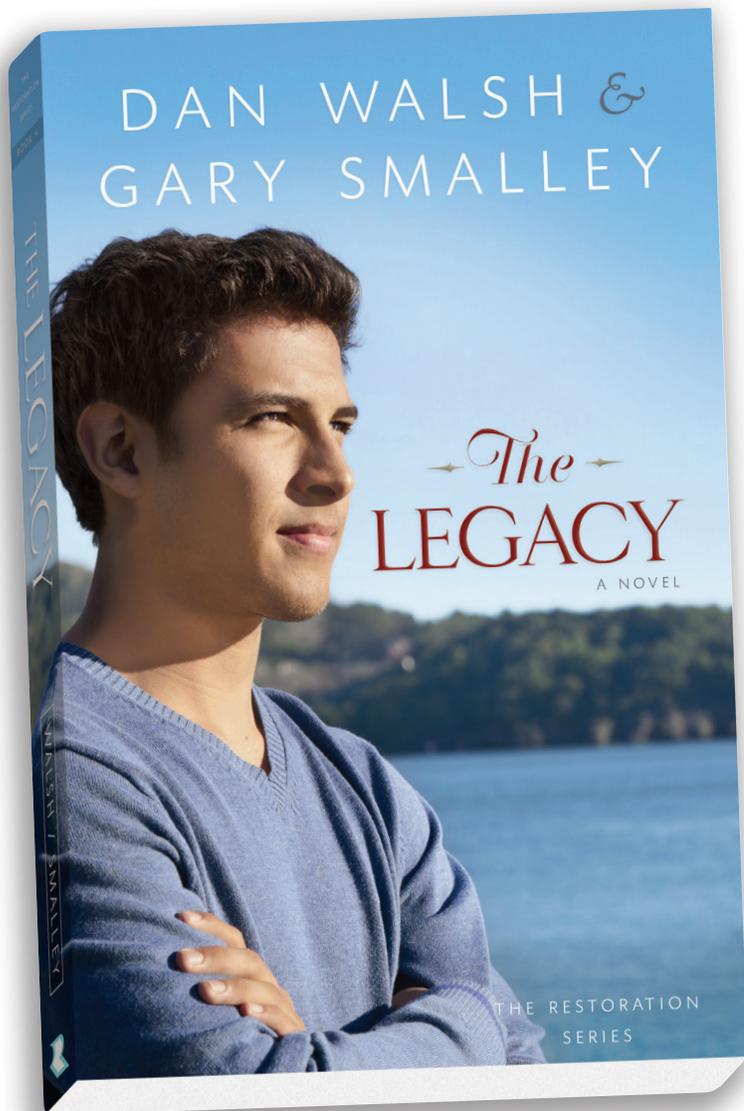


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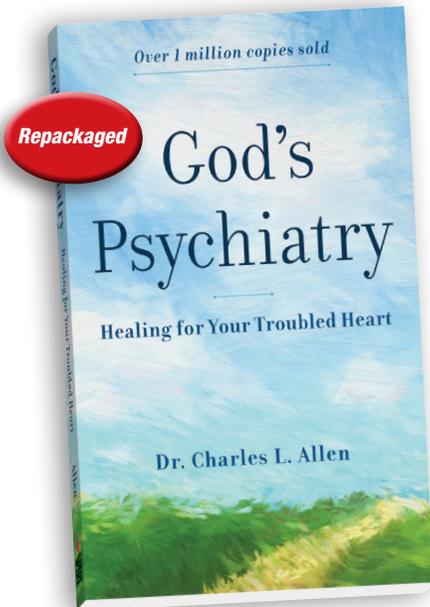
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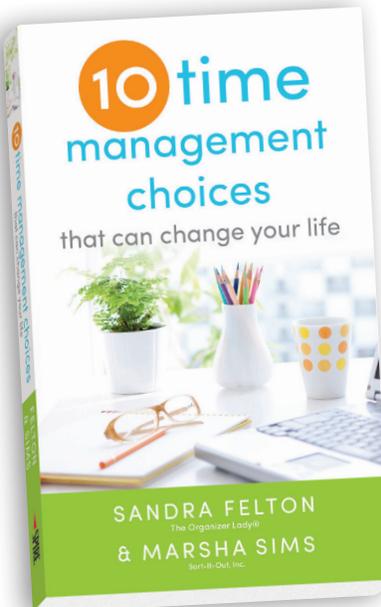
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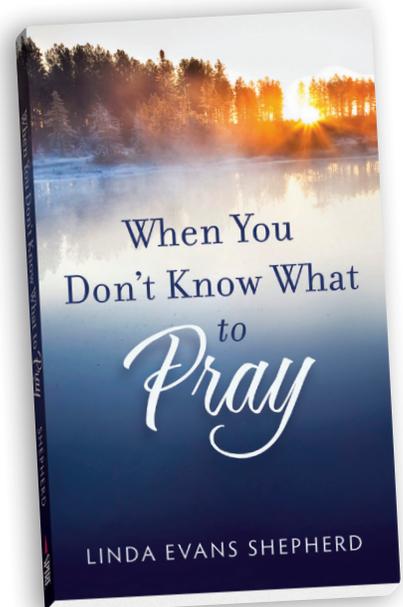
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