

God Never Wastes a Hurt by Jim Reeve

Learn how God sees our hurts and uses them for our good. The true stories tell of how people responded to hurt. Rick Warren says this book shows how God can bring good results out of your worst situations if you will trust Him.

90 Minutes in Heaven by Don Piper

This is a true story of death and life. This book not only offers a glimpse into a real dimension of God's reality, but also offers encouragement for those recovering from serious injuries or loss.

Heaven Is Real by Don Piper

Don Piper's experiences of heaven (90 Minutes in Heaven) strengthened his faith, but it didn't take away his earthly suffering. Piper now finds purpose in his pain and puts everyday hardships into proper perspective.

Tony Dungy; Quiet Strength by Tony Dungy with Nathan Whitaker

Tony Dungy, the first African American coach to win the Super Bowl, did so with dignity and Christian values. These memoirs show how he successfully led his players with a quiet strength that was representative of his love for God and family. He is an example of a sports hero who is a positive role model for professionals who achieve without sacrificing positive values.

100 Christian Women Who Changed the Twentieth Century by Helen K. Hoosier

This book shares the life stories of one hundred women who have made a difference – women who have literally changed the twentieth century. Their lives are a rich tapestry of experiences and backgrounds, vocations and nationalities. From Twila Paris to Mother Teresa, Amy Carmichael to Joni Eareckson Tada, this collection reveals insights into what enabled dozens of women to bring about change throughout the century. *(From the publisher: Baker Publishing Group)*

Zig: The Autobiography of Zig Ziglar by Zig Ziglar

In Zig, Ziglar chronicles another kind of journey: his own transformation from a struggling, not terribly successful salesman to the sales champion of several different companies, and finally to his current position as one of the world's best-known and most highly regarded motivational speakers and trainer. At the heart of Ziglar's story are the people who taught him the importance of balancing a commitment to hard work with compassion for others. *(From the Publisher: Doubleday)*

Out of the Depths: Autobiography of John Newton (Author of Amazing Grace

John Newton was an eighteenth century sea captain who made his living as a slave trader. In the midst of a Caribbean storm, he turned to God, and eventually used his experiences to write the song the world knows as “Amazing Grace.” In this autobiography that was written through his letters, he described how he was converted from a sinful life to one that was filled with God’s grace.

Broken on the Back Row by Sandi Patty

Sandi Patty tells the story of herself as a successful Christian singer who saw her career nearly destroyed through her personal failures. She described the heart wrenching experience of divorce and the building of a blended family with God’s help through her church and friends. Her career was renewed with a different perspective that she shared as she found comfort in Christ.

The Road to Unafraid: Captain Jeff Struecker by Jeff Struecker

Jeff Struecker, a “Black Hawk Down” hero, the Army’s Top Ranger, now an Army Chaplain, relates his own tales from the frontlines of every U.S. initiative since Panama, and tells how God taught him faith from the front in fear-soaked times. As readers go on mission with Struecker through his harrowing tales, they will learn how to face their own fears with faith in a mighty God. (*Book description from Amazon.com*)

End of the Spear by Steve Saint

Steve Saint was five years old when his father, missionary pilot Nate Saint, was speared to death by a primitive Ecuadorian tribe. In adulthood, Steve, having left Ecuador for a successful business career in the United States, never imagined making the jungle his home again. But when that same tribe asks him to help them, Steve, his wife, and their teenage children move back to the jungle. There, Steve learns long-buried secrets about his father’s murder, confronts difficult choices, and finds himself caught between two worlds. (*Cokesbury Book Description*)

Bachelor’s Puzzle by Judith Pella

The new circuit-riding preacher is welcomed with a patchwork quilt which includes blocks each of the young women has created in an effort to gain the young bachelor’s attention. However, the new preacher’s secret and deception leave the entire town with a variety of emotions.

White Chocolate Moments by Lori Wick This is a tender, modern story about a young girl who is hurt by her grandfather's favoritism and her struggle to be accepted for who she really is. Through circumstances she could not have imagined, she experiences reconciliation and love.

A Skeleton in God's Closet by Paul Maier This is the story of a Harvard professor and biblical scholar who anticipates spending a year on an archaeological dig in Israel. A surprising discovery may shed light on Jesus' life, or shake the faith of Christians.

More Than a Skeleton by Paul Maier Once again, the Harvard professor is drawn to Israel to sort out fact from fiction. Has the Second Coming arrived - in a totally unexpected way? The professor faces danger to try to reveal the truth.

Divine by Karen Kingsbury This is a modern day retelling of the story of Mary Magdalene, revealing how God reaches out to the needy of this world.

Redeeming Love by Francine Rivers This is a retelling of the biblical love story of Gomer and Hosea. It is set in California at the time of the gold rush.

9 Critical Mistakes Most Couples Make by Dr. David Hawkins
Dr. Hawkins says that mistakes happen, but in this book he explains the nine critical mistakes that lessen the quality of a marriage. Some of the areas covered are emotional explosions, communicating clearly, forgiveness, and angry words

Talking About Death; A Dialogue Between Parent and Child by Earl A Grollman
This book includes a Children's Read-Along where the name of the person who has died can be used. It explains the thoughts and emotions the children often have trouble expressing when a loved one dies. This Read-Along is followed by an extensive Parents' Guide with many suggestions for helping children understand death.

When Our Parents Need Us Most by David McKenna
This book offers help to caregivers of aging parents. Dr. McKenna writes from his own experiences and explores the biblical meaning of care giving. One reviewer says that it is a wise, compassionate geriatric guidebook.

The Jesus I Never Knew by Philip Yancey
James I. Packer, author of *Knowing God*, says that Yancey's flair for honest, vivid, well-informed down-to-earthness gives piercing power to these broodings of the gospel facts about Jesus Christ. He says that Yancey's pages offer major help for seeing the Savior as he really was.

Unshaken by Francine Rivers
You will feel that you are experiencing Ruth's journey as her dedication to the Lord is described in a very personal way. Francine Rivers wrote this book of fiction that is very closely based on the Bible account of her life that changed eternity. You will feel that you know Ruth and have been on her journey.

Book highlight written by Anne McCommas

A Day With a Perfect Stranger by David Gregory
What if a stranger knew you better than you know yourself? A woman finds herself seated next to a passenger who shares her scorn for religion. Their conversation includes exploration of spirituality, God, and the quest for meaningful connection. Her skepticism warms to the perceptive insights of this stranger, and she finds herself confronting the

unspoken longings of her soul for true intimacy and lasting fulfillment. An easy and thought-provoking 100 pages.

Book highlight written by Carol Bigelow

The Ultimatum by Nancy Moser

Colleen Coble, author of *Without a Trace*, says this book kept her up until 2 A.M. She also says that Nancy did a wonderful job of portraying the conflict that can happen when Christ moves into only one half of a marriage partnership.

It's Not About Me by Max Lucado

Have you ever been told “just do what is good for you?” Max Lucado shows you that peace and happiness will not come until you truly let God control your life. He shows you that you should be a reflection of Christ – and that may take a major change of your attitude! This simple little book packs a lot of powerful suggestions about dealing with the circumstances of everyday life. You will see yourself and others differently if you read and study this little book!

Book highlight written by Anne McCommas

Covenant Child; A Story of Promises Kept, by Terri Blackstock

Twins know they are heirs to a fortune but are forced to live with uncaring relatives in squalor. Thinking that their step-mother has stolen their inheritance, they can't wait 'til the day they turn 18 and can sue her. They never guessed the riches held in trust for them or the love that lived to call them home. Easy and fast 300 pages.

Book highlight written by Carol Bigelow

Let's Roll by Lisa Beamer

We have all heard stories about the 911 tragedy. Our lives have been shaken and our faith reawakened by the events and stories that followed. Lisa Beamer, wife of hero Todd Beamer on United Flight 93, shows us how faith and courage can sustain us through personal tragedy. This young mother of three, homemaker and widow, shares the story of an ordinary woman in an international tragedy.

Book highlight written by Anne McCommas

The Red Tent by Anita Diamant

This book was a New York Times bestseller. The Boston Globe said this fiction story is about what the Bible would be like if it had been written by women.

The Case For Faith by Lee Strobel

Lee Strobel is a former atheist who is now a teaching minister. In his journalism career he sought the answers to questions many people ask. As you read this book, you will see that faith is the ultimate anchor that he describes over and over again. The book examines your own doubts and gives you support for knowing that Christ is the only way.

Book Highlight written by Anne McCommas

Dinner With a Perfect Stranger by David Gregory

What would you discuss over dinner with Jesus? A businessman accepts an invitation to join Jesus of Nazareth for dinner. The ensuing conversation covers family relationships, world religions and the afterlife. Along the way, the man confronts his own unfulfilled longings, spiritual uncertainties, and anger with God – and he begins to wonder if the man across from him holds the answers to his deepest questions. This is an easy and enjoyable 100 pages.

Book highlight written by Carol Bigelow

Angels by Billy Graham

If you have ever wondered about angels, this book will give you insight into their origin, existence, and purpose in our lives. Angels may appear as people, but we will never become angels. Billy Graham repeatedly uses scripture to lend support to his explanations of “ministering servants” who do God’s work.