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Handbook for Christ-Centered Substance Abuse and Addiction Counselors

Respected Christian counselor and founder of Hope
for the Heart ministries June Hunt knows that

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countless lives are impacted and detoured by addictions. People are desperate for answers. They are hungry for hope. In this insightful book, June provides compassionate biblical guidance to help readers recognize addictive impulses and habits, set boundaries, seek help, and trust the power of Christ and God's Word to release them from the hold of addictions including: overeating alcohol and drug abuse sexual addiction codependency anorexia and bulimia and more For those struggling with addiction or watching a loved one caught in its destructive cycles, this is an encouraging resource of lasting answers and a path to healing God's way.

Loving Your Spouse When You Feel Like Walking Away

Countless couples today face major marital struggles. Dr. Gary Chapman communicates genuine hope for every marriage- even for those with deeply rooted wounds. Chapman provides positive steps for dealing with spouses who are: Workaholics Controlling Uncommunicative Physically, verbally, or sexually abusive Unfaithful Alcoholic or drug-abusing Depressed Irresponsible

Desperate

In this sharply observed novel set in and around London, three college friends, now in their thirties, must come to terms with the gap between the lives they imagined for themselves and reality in the face of marriage, fertility struggles, and loss. In her first

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year of motherhood after an unplanned pregnancy, Cate is constantly exhausted, spiraling into self-doubt and postpartum anxiety. Her husband Sam seems oblivious, but maybe she'd prefer he remain in the dark. How can she admit the unthinkable—that she misses her freedom? In contrast, Hannah continues to endure round after round of unsuccessful IVF treatments. The process is taking its toll on her physically and emotionally—and, she worries, creating distance between her and her husband Nathan. She is godmother to Cate's son, but every time they get together, it's a trigger. Beautiful and unattached, Lissa is re-evaluating what it means to be an actress in her thirties. While she fiercely resists convention, she's also lonely. A chance encounter in the British Library with Nathan has her wondering if she missed her best chance at love when she introduced him to Hannah. As each woman longs for what the others seemingly possess, will their bonds of friendship sustain them in this liminal phase of their lives—or will their envy and desire tear them apart?

One More Try

Sometimes, we just need hope (and maybe a long uninterrupted nap). We need someone to help tune our hearts to the voice of the Father and to remind us that He has not forgotten about us.

Love is a Verb

The human heart was created with a great capacity to love. But along with that comes a great capacity to

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feel pain. There is no denying that those who love us, who are closest to us, can wound us the most profoundly. That kind of pain can be difficult, if not impossible, to overcome. And it can feel even more impossible to continue loving in the face of it. Yet that is exactly what we are called to do. Sharing his own story of personal pain, pastor and New York Times bestselling author Jentezen Franklin shows us how to find the strength, courage, and motivation to set aside the hurt, see others as God sees them, and reach out in love. Through biblical and modern-day stories, he discusses different types of relational disappointment and heartache, and answers questions such as Why should I trust again? and How can I ever really forgive? The walls we build around our hearts to cut us off from pain are the very walls that block us from seeing hope, receiving healing, and feeling love. Here are the tools and inspiration you need to tear down those walls, work through your wounds, repair damaged relationships, and learn to love like you've never been hurt.

To Sir Phillip, With Love

Does Christianity have an answer for addiction? As longtime pastor Mike Quarles's alcoholism worsened over eight years, churches and Christians referred him to treatment, 12-Step programs, therapy nothing worked. Steve McVey, also a pastor, repeatedly dished out the same advice Mike received, with similarly poor results Until, in their frustration, God led them back to basic, addiction-breaking truths of His Word. The authors explain these for readers who want

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to help someone or who struggle themselves, because freedom from addiction is found only when Christians fully believe what God says about their identity move beyond the 12-Step concept of inescapable “addict identity” stop harboring unforgiveness, get radically right with God, and dwell in who they are in Christ, which excludes engaging in addictive behaviors as a lifestyle Material on codependency is included, as is information on implementing recovery/support groups for those leaving addiction and starting to live in God’s glorious freedom.

Marriage

Sir Phillip knew that Eloise Bridgerton was a spinster, and so he'd proposed, figuring that she'd be homely and unassuming, and more than a little desperate for an offer of marriage. Except . . . she wasn't. The beautiful woman on his doorstep was anything but quiet, and when she stopped talking long enough to close her mouth, all he wanted to do was kiss her . . . and more. Did he think she was mad? Eloise Bridgerton couldn't marry a man she had never met! But then she started thinking . . . and wondering . . . and before she knew it, she was in a hired carriage in the middle of the night, on her way to meet the man she hoped might be her perfect match. Except . . . he wasn't. Her perfect husband wouldn't be so moody and ill-mannered, and while Phillip was certainly handsome, he was a large brute of a man, rough and rugged, and totally unlike the London gentlemen vying for her hand. But when he smiled . . . and when

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he kissed her . . . the rest of the world simply fell away, and she couldn't help but wonder . . . could this imperfect man be perfect for her?

Helping Others Overcome Addictions

Dr. Michael Belzman is the founder of the Association of Christian Alcohol & Drug Counselors (ACADC). An educator, counselor and pastor, he is also a speaker at congressional hearings warning law makers against making laws that exclude Faith-Based counselors from participation in the professional arena or infringe upon their religious freedom. ACADC is the only Christ-centered counselor certification organization authorized by any state government. ACADC Institute trains their students biblically so they can provide addiction counseling to Christians in need of the biblical rather than secular options. Few thought it possible that a Christ-centered certification board could exist in today's postmodern society, yet ACADC was written by the hand of God into the California Code of Regulations, opening a door that no man could close. From a background of teaching psychology at secular universities, and a false belief in human solutions to the problems of the soul, Dr. Belzman surrendered his life to Christ in 1980. By nurturing a personal relationship with Him through prayer and Bible study, he found that God's life principles and promises changed his life in a way that psychology or prescribed drugs could not do. He saw first-hand how God's power not only overcomes deep addiction, but can direct the decisions of kings. Dr. Belzman pastors ACADC Christian Fellowship founded

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on the notion that healing of the soul best takes place in the context of Christ-centered relationships bathed in prayer. He lives with his family in Calimesa, California and welcomes communication from anyone desiring to serve God by becoming a Christ-centered counselor. He and his staff of Christ-centered professionals may be contacted by email at acadc@acadc.org, or by letter addressed to the Association of Christian Alcohol & Drug Counselors, attn: Mike Belzman, PO Box 8604, Redlands, CA 92375.

A Shelter of Hope (Westward Chronicles Book #1)

Smart follows up her book "My Story" with this memoir about what it takes to overcome trauma, find the strength to move on, and reclaim one's life in a personal glimpse into her healing process and guide for readers to make peace with the past and embrace the future.

The Path to Forgiveness Study Guide

Jeffery O'Donnell is captivated by the mysterious Simone, who arrives at his office hoping to acquire a position as a Harvey Girl at the popular way-stops along the frontier rail line. Jeffery is torn, however, when he suspects that Simone may harbor a disturbing secret. Westward Chronicles Book 1.

How to Defeat Harmful Habits

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Marriage is God's answer for our deepest human need—companionship. And that, according to counselor and relationship expert Dr. Gary Chapman, is to have deep and lasting union with another, and to truly become one. But how can you build that oneness from the beginning? With the expert wisdom and practical common sense that have made him a popular speaker worldwide, Dr. Chapman helps couples with such questions as: Why won't my spouse change? What does it really mean to love someone else? How do I get him to listen to me? What if I'm the only one working at the marriage? Formerly titled *Toward a Growing Marriage*, Dr. Chapman covers topics like meaningful communication, expectations, and money management. Questions at the end of each chapter encourage interaction between husbands and wives. Includes an updated resource list at the end of the book.

Keeping Hope Alive

God intends marriages to be filled with love. Why are so many faltering with distrust, anger, and contempt? The authors of *Love After Marriage* believe that the Holy Spirit is ready to pour out healing and anointing on couples who seek God for themselves and their family. Using the book's proven strategies, based on the successful *Love After Marriage* workshops, couples can bring an atmosphere of loving transparency and vulnerability into their relationship and develop a beautiful God-designed intimacy that can last throughout their life together. Couples will find clear teaching on God's perspective of marriage,

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as well as methods for listening to the Holy Spirit and tools to develop the breakthroughs the Spirit brings to their marriage. They will be refreshed by the knowledge marriage can be deeply enjoyable even if it is a little hard work.

The Impossible Will Take a Little While

Bestselling author Larry Crabb cuts to the heart of the biblical view of marriage: the "one-flesh" relationship. He argues convincingly that the deepest needs of human personality—security and significance—ultimately cannot be satisfied by a marriage partner. We need to turn to the Lord, rather than our spouse, to satisfy our needs. This frees both partners for "soul oneness," a commitment to minister to our spouse's needs rather than manipulating them to meet our own needs. With "soul oneness" comes renewed "body oneness," where couples enjoy sexual pleasure as an expression and outgrowth of a personal relationship. The Marriage Builder also identifies three building blocks essential to constructing marriage: the grace of God, true marriage commitment, and acceptance of one's mate. Discussion questions are included to aid couples who want to dig into it and apply the principles to their own lives and marriages. The Marriage Builder is for anyone who longs to transform marriage from trial to triumph.

The Emotionally Destructive Marriage

Eloise Drake's prim demeanor hides the turbulent

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past she's finally put behind her--or so she thinks. A mathematical genius, she's now a successful accountant for the largest engineering project in 1908 New York. But to her dismay, her new position puts her back in the path of the man responsible for her deepest heartbreak. Alex Duval is the mayor of a town about to be wiped off the map. The state plans to flood the entire valley where his town sits in order to build a new reservoir, and Alex is stunned to discover the woman he once loved on the team charged with the demolition. With his world crumbling around him, Alex devises a risky plan to save his town--but he needs Eloise's help to succeed. Alex is determined to win back the woman he thought he'd lost forever, but even their combined ingenuity may not be enough to overcome the odds against them before it's too late.

Expectation

Compares the transitional cycles of marriage to those of nature, describes the attitudes and emotions of each season, and offers seven strategies that enable couples to enhance and improve their marital relationship.

Behind the Beautiful Forever

Desperate is for those who love their children to the depths of their souls but who have also curled up under their covers, fighting back tears, and begging God for help. It's for those who have ever wondered what happened to all their ideals for what having

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children would be like. For those who have ever felt like all the “experts” have clearly never had a child like theirs. For those who have prayed for a mentor. For those who ever felt lost and alone in motherhood. In *Desperate* you will find the story of one young mother’s honest account of the desperate feelings experienced in motherhood and one experienced mentor’s realistic and gentle exhortations that were forged in the trenches of raising her own four children. Also in *Desperate*: QR codes and links at the end of each chapter that lead to videos with Sarah Mae and Sally talking about the chapter Practical steps to take during the desperate times Bible study and journal exercises in each chapter that will lead you to identify ways in which you can grow as a mom Mentoring advice for real-life situations Q & A section with Sally where she answers readers questions

Hope Unfolding

Dr. Gary Chapman has spent his life helping people communicate love more effectively and in turn build more satisfying and lasting relationships. His book *The Five Love Languages* is a regular on the New York Times Best Sellers list--even after being in print for fifteen years--and has made the term "love language" a part of everyday speech. *Love Is a Verb* takes his teaching to the next level. Rather than a typical marriage self-help book filled with lengthy explanations of principles and techniques, it is a compilation of true stories displaying love in action. These stories--written by everyday people--go straight to the hearts of readers, who often say that

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illustrations are the most effective parts of a book. Gary Chapman adds a "Love Lesson" to each story, showing readers how they can apply the same principles to their own relationships.

Family by Choice

Life is not a flow chart. We weren't meant to master it on our own. The discussion guides in the Transformation of a Man's Heart series put us in conversation with God and with one another to see how God shapes and transforms us in the ordinary experiences of our lives. This guide by Stephen W. Smith and Gary Chapman demystifies marriage for men.

Covenant Marriage

In this brilliant, breathtaking book by Pulitzer Prize winner Katherine Boo, a bewildering age of global change and inequality is made human through the dramatic story of families striving toward a better life in Annawadi, a makeshift settlement in the shadow of luxury hotels near the Mumbai airport. As India starts to prosper, the residents of Annawadi are electric with hope. Abdul, an enterprising teenager, sees "a fortune beyond counting" in the recyclable garbage that richer people throw away. Meanwhile Asha, a woman of formidable ambition, has identified a shadier route to the middle class. With a little luck, her beautiful daughter, Annawadi's "most-everything girl," might become its first female college graduate. And even the poorest children, like the young thief

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Kalu, feel themselves inching closer to their dreams. But then Abdul is falsely accused in a shocking tragedy; terror and global recession rock the city; and suppressed tensions over religion, caste, sex, power, and economic envy turn brutal. With intelligence, humor, and deep insight into what connects people to one another in an era of tumultuous change, *Behind the Beautiful Forevers*, based on years of uncompromising reporting, carries the reader headlong into one of the twenty-first century's hidden worlds—and into the hearts of families impossible to forget. Winner of the National Book Award | The PEN/John Kenneth Galbraith Award | The Los Angeles Times Book Prize | The American Academy of Arts and Letters Award | The New York Public Library's Helen Bernstein Book Award NAMED ONE OF THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New York Times • The Washington Post • O: The Oprah Magazine • USA Today • New York • The Miami Herald • San Francisco Chronicle • Newsday NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New Yorker • People • Entertainment Weekly • The Wall Street Journal • The Boston Globe • The Economist • Financial Times • Newsweek/The Daily Beast • Foreign Policy • The Seattle Times • The Nation • St. Louis Post-Dispatch • The Denver Post • Minneapolis Star Tribune • Salon • The Plain Dealer • The Week • Kansas City Star • Slate • Time Out New York • Publishers Weekly NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER “A book of extraordinary intelligence [and] humanity . . . beyond groundbreaking.”—Junot Díaz, The New York Times Book Review “Reported like Watergate, written like *Great Expectations*, and handily the best international nonfiction in years.”—New York “This book is both a

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tour de force of social justice reportage and a literary masterpiece.”—Judges’ Citation for the PEN/John Kenneth Galbraith Award “[A] landmark book.”—The Wall Street Journal “A triumph of a book.”—Amartya Sen “There are books that change the way you feel and see; this is one of them.”—Adrian Nicole LeBlanc “[A] stunning piece of narrative nonfiction . . . [Katherine] Boo’s prose is electric.”—O: The Oprah Magazine “Inspiring, and irresistible . . . Boo’s extraordinary achievement is twofold. She shows us how people in the most desperate circumstances can find the resilience to hang on to their humanity. Just as important, she makes us care.”—People

Where There's Hope

As her younger brother battled for life in the ICU, musician Candi Pearson-Shelton and her family sat waiting and praying, clinging to hope. Rick Pearson died anyway, at age 23. But in those tense ICU days and the painful months following Rick's death, the family found a shared purpose and a new hope: to see God glorified no matter what. This remarkable book chronicles their journey offering a song of praise to One who not only revealed His glory, but also granted a shifted perspective that changed nothing but somehow made all the difference. Includes the story behind the author's song, "Glory Revealed."

A Desperate Hope (An Empire State Novel Book #3)

A story of family identity and belonging follows an

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Indian family through the marriage of their daughter, from the parents' arrival in the United States to the return of their estranged son.

Vertical Marriage

The unfortunate reality is that Christians are separating and divorcing at the same rate as the unbelieving world. But does separation have to mean the end? You may not feel like reconciling. You may not see hope for a reunion. But the biblical ideal for a separated couple is reconciliation. So how do you do it? When doors slam and angry words fly, when things just aren't working out, and even when your spouse has abandoned your trust, there is hope. Hope for the Separated will show you through God's Word that your marriage can be restored. Recognizing that restoration will not happen for everyone, Dr. Chapman also gives insightful advice for those who experience the pain of divorce.

Secret Sexual Sins

Help to Heal a Hurting Marriage—Three books from Dr. Gary Chapman, author of the New York Times bestseller, *The 5 Love Languages®*. Learn to identify the unhealthy patterns in your marriage and take positive steps to get your marriage back on track. *Loving Your Spouse When You Feel Like Walking Away* provides practical solutions and genuine hope for overcoming major marital struggles. Millions of couples are struggling in desperate marriages, but the story doesn't have to end there. Dr. Gary

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Chapman writes, "I believe that in every troubled marriage, one or both partners can take positive steps that have the potential for changing the emotional climate in their marriage." With Anger learn how to channel your charged emotions in ways that are healthy and productive. Anger is a cruel master. If you struggle even a little with anger, you know how it feels to get mad too easily. There is hope. Gary Chapman shares insights about anger, its effect on relationships, and how to overcome it. When Sorry Isn't Enough Gary Chapman and Jennifer Thomas unveil new ways to effectively approach and mend fractured relationships. Discover why some apologies clear the path to emotional healing while others fall short. You'll discover how meaningful apologies provide the power to make your friendships, family, and marriage stronger than ever before.

Their Eyes Were Watching God

The activist and TED speaker Megan Phelps-Roper reveals her life growing up in the most hated family in America At the age of five, Megan Phelps-Roper began protesting homosexuality and other alleged vices alongside fellow members of the Westboro Baptist Church in Topeka, Kansas. Founded by her grandfather and consisting almost entirely of her extended family, the tiny group would gain worldwide notoriety for its pickets at military funerals and celebrations of death and tragedy. As Phelps-Roper grew up, she saw that church members were close companions and accomplished debaters, applying the logic of predestination and the language of the King

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James Bible to everyday life with aplomb—which, as the church’s Twitter spokeswoman, she learned to do with great skill. Soon, however, dialogue on Twitter caused her to begin doubting the church’s leaders and message: If humans were sinful and fallible, how could the church itself be so confident about its beliefs? As she digitally jostled with critics, she started to wonder if sometimes they had a point—and then she began exchanging messages with a man who would help change her life. A gripping memoir of escaping extremism and falling in love, *Unfollow* relates Phelps-Roper’s moral awakening, her departure from the church, and how she exchanged the absolutes she grew up with for new forms of warmth and community. Rich with suspense and thoughtful reflection, Phelps-Roper’s life story exposes the dangers of black-and-white thinking and the need for true humility in a time of angry polarization.

Hope For the Separated

The Path to Forgiveness Study Guide is designed as a companion to the book, *The Path to Forgiveness*, to help you look deeper into the forgiveness process and find the peace and healing you need from interpersonal conflict and pain. In addition to the quotes, narratives, reflection questions, and affirmations in the book, this study guide also incorporates biblical references and thoughtful questions for further application and insight. You can use this study guide, along with *The Path to Forgiveness*, at a pace that is comfortable to you so

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that you can move forward from the unjust suffering you have experienced. This study guide can also be used in small groups to lead you and others down the path to forgiveness over a forty-day or eight-week period as you seek to restore meaning and direction to your life.

A Place for Us

He never saw it coming. It was the night of Dave and Ann's tenth wedding anniversary and if asked how their marriage was doing, Dave would have said a 9.8 out of 10 and he even guaranteed Ann would say the same. But instead of giving a celebratory kiss, Ann whispered, "I've lost my feelings for you." Divorce seemed inevitable. But starting that night, God began to reveal to Dave and Ann the most overlooked secret of getting the marriage we are looking for: the horizontal marriage relationship just doesn't work until the vertical relationship with Christ is first. As founders of a multi-campus church and marriage coaches with 30 years of experience, Dave and Ann share the hard-earned but easy-to-apply biblical principles that ensure a strong marriage. Written in a funny and highly relatable dialogue between both husband and wife, *Vertical Marriage* will guide you toward building a vibrant relationship at every level including communication, conflict, intimacy, and romance—though Dave is still figuring that last one out. Through their unique perspectives, they share an intimate, sometimes hilarious and at times deeply poignant narrative of one couple's journey to reconnecting with God and discovering the joy and

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power of a vertical marriage. For anyone who is married, preparing for marriage, or desperate to save a relationship teetering on the edge of disaster, Dave and Ann offer hope and strategies that really work. Vertical Marriage will give you the insight, applications, and inspiration to reconnect with God together and to transform your marriage to everything you hoped it would be.

Love After Marriage

When doors slam and angry words fly, when things just aren't working out, and even when your spouse has destroyed your trust, there is still hope. If you feel like your marriage is near the breaking point, or even if you've already separated, Gary Chapman will show you how you can give your marriage one more try. One More Try will help you . . . Take the next step when blindsided in marriage; Discover healthy ways to manage frustration and anger; Effectively deal with loneliness; Renew hope and trust in your spouse; and Rebuild your marriage from the ground up. Distress or even separation do not necessarily mean divorce is imminent. Matter of fact, it's possible that these may even lead to a restored, enriched, growing marriage. The outcome of this challenging time is determined solely by the individuals involved. If you're willing to make the most of that process, then begin the journey with confidence as Gary walks you step-by-step towards healing and hope. *The content of this book has been significantly revised and updated from its previous title Hope for the Separated.*

Desperate Marriages

In *The Impossible Will Take a Little While*, a phrase borrowed from Billie Holliday, the editor of *Soul of a Citizen* brings together fifty stories and essays that range across nations, eras, wars, and political movements. Danusha Goska, an Indiana activist with a paralyzing physical disability, writes about overcoming political immobilization, drawing on her history with the Peace Corps and Mother Teresa. Vaclav Havel, the former president of the Czech Republic, finds value in seemingly doomed or futile actions taken by oppressed peoples. Rosemarie Freeney Harding recalls the music that sustained the civil rights movement, and Paxus Calta-Star recounts the powerful vignette of an 18-year-old who launched the overthrow of Bulgaria's dictatorship. Many of the essays are new, others classic works that continue to inspire. Together, these writers explore a path of heartfelt community involvement that leads beyond despair to compassion and hope. The voices collected in *The Impossible Will Take a Little While* will help keep us all working for a better world despite the obstacles.

The 4 Seasons of Marriage

In this new book, the bestselling author of "The Five Love Languages" shows how communication and intimacy are two of the most important aspects in developing a successful Covenant Marriage.

Help to Heal a Hurting Marriage

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Their Eyes Were Watching God is a 1937 novel by African-American writer Zora Neale Hurston. It is considered a classic of the Harlem Renaissance of the 1920s, and it is likely Hurston's best known work.

Love Like You've Never Been Hurt

Book one in the bestselling series that has captivated millions of readers around the world! A NEW YORK TIMES, USA TODAY, and PUBLISHERS WEEKLY bestseller "Her Mother's Hope has all the meaty elements of a blockbuster." Denver Post The first in a two-book saga by the beloved author of Redeeming Love and The Masterpiece, Her Mother's Hope is a rich, moving epic about faith and dreams, heartache and disappointment, and the legacy of love passed down through four generations in one family. Near the turn of the twentieth century, fiery Marta Schneider leaves Switzerland for a better life, determined to fulfill her mother's hope. Her formative journey takes her through Europe and eventually to Canada, where she meets handsome Niclas Waltert. But nothing has prepared her for the sacrifices she must make for marriage and motherhood as she travels to the Canadian wilderness and then to the dusty Central Valley of California to raise her family. Marta's hope is to give her children a better life, but experience has taught her that only the strong survive. Her tough love is often misunderstood, especially by her oldest daughter, Hildemara Rose, who craves her mother's acceptance. Amid the drama of World War II, Hildie falls in love and begins a family of her own. But unexpected and tragic events force mother and

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daughter to face their own shortcomings and the ever-widening chasm that threatens to separate them forever. "Emotionally rich. . . . As her compelling characters seek to do what they feel their faith demands, Rivers sets their resonant struggles against dusty streets, windswept Canadian plains, and California vineyards in vivid scenes readers will not soon forget." Booklist, starred review "Writers like Rivers are why people buy Christian fiction: it's dramatic, engaging . . . [and] this well-told tale will have readers eagerly awaiting the story's resolution." Publishers Weekly

Love Must Be Tough

What to do when you feel like giving up When you said, "I do," you entered marriage with high hopes, dreaming it would be supremely happy. You never intended it to be miserable. Millions of couples are struggling in desperate marriages. But the story doesn't have to end there. Dr. Gary Chapman writes, "I believe that in every troubled marriage, one or both partners can take positive steps that have the potential for changing the emotional climate in their marriage." *Loving Your Spouse When You Feel Like Walking Away*, the revised and updated edition of the award-winning *Desperate Marriages*, teaches you how to: Recognize and reject the myths that hold you captive Better understand your spouse's behavior Take responsibility for your own thoughts, feelings, and actions Make choices that can have a lasting, positive impact on you and your spouse An experienced marriage and family counselor, Gary

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Chapman speaks to those whose spouse is any of the following: Irresponsible A workaholic Controlling Uncommunicative Verbally abusive Physically abusive Sexually abusive Unfaithful Addicted to alcohol or drugs Depressed Marriage has the same potential to be miserable as it does to be blissful. Read *Loving Your Spouse When You Feel Like Walking Away* to learn how you can turn things around.

The Marriage You've Always Wanted

"While Partnered Parenting is an emotional experience, this book focuses on practical issues: Is partnered parenting right for you? What's the best way to screen potential partners on the Internet? What's a co-parenting courtship like? Will a partnered parenting contract be fair, effective, and legal?" Partnered Parenting encompasses a wide variety of arrangements in which parents do not have a marital or romantic connection. It's a family by choice that thousands of people are creating for many different reasons -- To relieve the pressure of finding the "perfect" life partner. -- To avoid the ticking clock of needing to be married while still fertile. -- To freely search for an ideal marriage partner while moving forward with a family plan. -- To sustain a romantic interest with someone who can't have children or doesn't want a family. -- To continue a career without sacrificing the dream of having a family. -- To create a family that is compatible with many alternative lifestyles. -- To build a secure, loving home that fulfills material, emotional, and spiritual needs of parents and children alike. Rachel has been featured in

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national and international media, including ABC World News with Diane Sawyer, CNN, BBC, The Randy Martin Show KTOP (Washington DC), The Ricky Lake Show, The Jeff Probst Show, Sunrise Australia, Daybreak (UK), the New York Times, Al Jazeera, You Magazine (UK), The Observer (UK), Grazia Magazine (UK) and more. Rachel is also a regular contributor to the Google blog mom.me. She will be a featured speaker at the Fertility Planit conference at UCLA, in April 2014. She and her family are dual residents of Los Angeles and Hawaii.

Desperate Hope

The moving memoir of one brave woman who, along with her daughters, has kept 90,000 of her fellow citizens safe, healthy, and educated for over 20 years in Somalia. Dr. Hawa Abdi, "the Mother Teresa of Somalia" and Nobel Peace Prize nominee, is the founder of a massive camp for internally displaced people located a few miles from war-torn Mogadishu, Somalia. Since 1991, when the Somali government collapsed, famine struck, and aid groups fled, she has dedicated herself to providing help for people whose lives have been shattered by violence and poverty. She turned her 1300 acres of farmland into a camp that has numbered up to 90,000 displaced people, ignoring the clan lines that have often served to divide the country. She inspired her daughters, Deqo and Amina, to become doctors. Together, they have saved tens of thousands of lives in her hospital, while providing an education to hundreds of displaced children. In 2010, Dr. Abdi was kidnapped by radical

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insurgents, who also destroyed much of her hospital, simply because she was a woman. She, along with media pressure, convinced the rebels to let her go, and she demanded and received a written apology. Dr. Abdi's story of incomprehensible bravery and perseverance will inspire readers everywhere. . .

Her Mother's Hope

Something Has to Change... You can't put it into words, but something is happening to you. Your stomach churns, your heart aches, and the tension in your marriage is making you feel weary and a little crazy. The constant criticism, disrespect, cruelty, deceit, and gross indifference are eroding your confidence and breaking your spirit. For any woman caught in an emotionally destructive marriage, Leslie Vernick offers a personalized path forward. Based on decades of counseling experience, her intensely practical, biblical advice will show you how to establish boundaries and break free from emotional abuse. Learn to:

- identify damaging behaviors
- gain the skills to respond wisely
- promote healthy change
- stay safe
- understand when, why, and even how to leave
- recognize that God sees and hates what is happening to you

Trying harder to be a perfect fantasy wife won't help fix what's wrong your marriage. Discover instead how you can initiate effective changes to stop the cycle of destruction and restore hope for the future. "Women in an emotionally abusive marriage do not need another book on how to have a good marriage; those books rub salt in raw wounds. No, they desperately need this book so that

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they can diagnose just how bad their marriage is and then, with Leslie's clear expertise, develop a plan that will either begin to turn their marriage around or give them a wise route of escape." —Dee Brestin, author of *Idol Lies* and *The Friendships of Women* From the Trade Paperback edition.

Deal Breakers

Withering Hope

You've forgiven a thousand times. You've bent over backwards to make your partner feel loved and accepted. But the only reward for your loyalty has been anger, indifference, infidelity, or abuse. Your spouse may even be ready to walk out the door. Do you feel like all is lost? Are you ready to give up? There IS still hope. Dr. James Dobson's "tough love" principles have proven to be uniquely valuable and effective. Unlike most approaches to marriage crisis, the strategy in this groundbreaking classic does not require the willing cooperation of both spouses. *Love Must Be Tough* offers the guidance that gives you the best chance of rekindling romance, renewing your relationship, and drawing your partner back into your arms.

The Marriage Builder

Deciding when to work on a relationship and when to walk away is a skill that can prevent us wasting months and even years of our lives on partners that

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will never make us truly happy. Once we have learned to identify the deal breaker in a relationship we can empower ourselves to action, and then change and improve our lives. Whereas books like 'He's Just Not That Into You' explored relationship troubles in black and white, 'Deal Breakers' covers all the shades of grey that lie in between - all those areas where relationships can hit an impasse. Some deal breakers are easy to identify - one partner wants marriage, the other doesn't - yet many are more subtle and difficult to pinpoint. Dr Bethany Marshall is a relationships expert. She has identified specific male archetypes and the traits that frustrate and infuriate their partners. Here, for the first time in book form, is advice that can help any woman who is trying too hard to make her relationship work.

Unfollow

Devoted to God and each other Spend each day growing in the Word of God and drawing closer as a couple with the practical counsel of #1 New York Times bestselling author Dr. Gary Chapman. Gary Chapman's readers call his teaching relevant, helpful, simple, and effective—and he brings this style to The Love Languages Devotional Bible. As you read through Scripture together, you will enjoy brief devotional readings that apply the text to your relationship, and you'll deepen your understanding of God and each other. Research has shown that couples who read their Bibles and pray together enjoy a much healthier relationship. This Bible makes reading God's Word and praying as a couple enjoyable and

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rewarding. It even covers special topics, like communication, expectations, roles, sex, conflict, money, children, and more. Key features include: New Living Translation, clear and elegant, ideal for reading aloud Scripture reading plan, making it easy to read through the entire Bible in a year 260 daily devotions, one for each weekday 52 feature articles, one for each weekend Prayer guides, reducing awkwardness by providing specific cues Select readings addressing a wide variety of couple-oriented topics Bible book introductions providing context and essential background information

The Love Languages Devotional Bible

Discover the Light that Will Lead You Out of Your Most Shameful Sins It's destroying the lives of an astounding number of Christian men - and women. Yet most of us are afraid to talk about it. It's pornography. And if it's invaded your life or the life of a loved one, you can't afford to put this book down. Secret Sexual Sins tackles the problem of pornography addiction from a Christian perspective. Completely non-judgmental and biblically based, this accessible and comforting book breaks new ground in pornography addiction management by combining proven treatment techniques with scripture. And it does so with a personal standpoint that's instantly relatable. You'll learn: Why good men (and women) succumb to the allure of pornography - even when they know better What the Bible really says about self-pleasure - and its consequences The most important warning signs of a pornography addict How to draw

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upon the strength of the Lord to beat back the urge
Recommendations for wives - what's a woman to do?
The truth about homosexuality and lesbianism
Whether you're a man struggling with an Internet
porn addiction, a woman who has fallen into
pornography, Secret Sexual Sins has the answers
from the highest authority - God Himself. You can
recover from this debilitating sin. Let Pastor Fred C.
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