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**Dear God**-Bunmi Laditan 2021-01-26 Dear God is a poignant collection of funny, often heartbreaking, and deeply insightful letters to God that bravely share the emotions we all feel as we grapple with this broken world and search for divine love. With the same gutsy and poetic honesty that charmed readers around the world, Bunmi now shares prayers and poems that chart her faith journey toward reconnecting with the God she loved, lost, and realized had never left her side even while she wandered. These candid fieldnotes will stir your heart and make you laugh out loud with Bunmi's self-aware humor and profound insight into the spiritual journey we're all trying to navigate. Join Bunmi as she journeys through emotions we all experience--doubt, anger, joy, desperation, love, loneliness, and gratefulness. Wittingly fresh and stunningly relatable, she exquisitely names our fears, voices our painful questions, and bravely says what we're all thinking anyway in our prayerful wrestling with God. For those who find themselves thirsting for something more, those who seek to reconnect with God, or those who really don't know what they believe but appreciate a good word, this poignant collection of prayers is a strengthening reminder that the same Love that rises and sets the sun cares for you with particular affection.

**Dear God, It's Me and It's Urgent**-Marion Stroud 2013-08-21 Addressing the different seasons and concerns of a woman's life, this beautiful, elegantly designed book takes you before God's throne of grace with honest and heartfelt prayers. You may be dealing with the clutter and demands of your career. Or perhaps you're experiencing the strange mix of anticipation and anxiety a bride feels on the night before her wedding, or counting the blessings and the frustrations of motherhood, or remembering the echo of children's voices in your now empty nest. Whatever your circumstances, God is with you, filling the corners of your life, inviting you to come as you are and draw strength and reassurance from His presence. Woven throughout with Scripture verses and quotes from writers of the past and present, Dear God, It's Me and It's Urgent will help you find the words for things you sometimes find it hard to express, and gain new perspective as you draw close to your heavenly Father in prayer.

**The Honest Toddler**-Bunmi Laditan 2013-05-07 As seen on Good Morning America, the irreverent, bracingly honest, and “awfully funny” (The Boston Globe) satirical parenting guide from the Internet’s most infamous tot, whose unchecked sense of entitlement and undeniable charm have captivated hundreds of thousands of fans. Are you the confused parent of a toddler? Are you constantly disappointing the 2T in your life? Are you tired, stressed out, and looking for relief? I can’t help you with that last one, but if you want to become an A+ servant to your small child, this book is for you. Who better to teach you about toddlers than another toddler? In this book you’ll learn: • How time-outs make you look like a fool • Why potty training is not only unnecessary but unrealistic for children under eighteen • Why toddler beds are OUT and letting your child sleep on the diagonal in your bed is IN • The best way to apologize to your toddler for all of those Pinterest casseroles • That when you love someone, you accept them as they are, pants or no pants The hard-hitting knowledge in The Honest Toddler will save you thousands of dollars in unnecessary whole grains and toothbrushes. Happy reading. You’re doing the right thing. For once.

**Confessions of a Domestic Failure**-Bunmi Laditan 2017-05-02 Instant Bestseller "Freaking hilarious. This is the novel moms have been waiting for."—Jenny Lawson, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Let's Pretend This Never Happened "Perfect for readers looking for a funny, realistic look at motherhood."—Booklist (starred review) From the creator of The Honest Toddler comes a fiction debut sure to be a must-read for moms everywhere There are good moms and bad moms—and then there are hot-mess moms. Introducing Ashley Keller, career girl turned stay-at-home mom who’s trying to navigate the world of Pinterest-perfect, Facebook-fantastic and Instagram-impressive mommies but failing miserably. When Ashley gets the opportunity to participate in the Motherhood Better boot camp run by the mommy-blog-empire maven she idolizes, she jumps at the chance to become the perfect mom she’s always wanted to be. But will she fly high or flop? With her razor-sharp wit and knack for finding the funny in everything, Bunmi Laditan creates a character as flawed and lovable as Bridget Jones or Becky Bloomwood while hilariously lambasting the societal pressures placed upon every new mother. At its heart, Ashley’s story reminds moms that there’s no way to be perfect, but many ways to be great.

**A Rhythm of Prayer**-Sarah Bessey 2021-02-09 An antidote for our age of anxiety--thoughtful, moving prayers from Barbara Brown Taylor, Amena Brown, Nadia Bolz-Weber, and other artists, creatives, and thinkers, curated by the author Glennon Doyle calls "my favorite faith writer." It's no secret that we are overworked, overpressured, and edging burnout. Unsurprisingly, this fact is as old as time--and that's why we see so many prayer circles within a multitude of church traditions. These gatherings are a trusted space where people seek help, hope, and peace, energized by God and one another. This book, curated by acclaimed author Sarah Bessey, celebrates and honors that prayerful tradition in a literary form. A companion for daily inspiration, this collection gives women permission to recognize the weight of all they carry, while also offering a broadened imagination of hope--of what can be restored and made new. Each prayer is an original piece of writing, with a short introduction from Bessey sharing exactly why she loves and looks up to the writer. This book is a literary hug, an invitation for respite, and a chance for readers to pause and celebrate who they are, beyond what they do.

**Dear Mother**-Bunmi Laditan 2019-04-02 The first collection of poetry from Bunmi Laditan, bestselling author of Confessions of a Domestic Failure and creator of The Honest Toddler, capturing the honesty, rawness, sheer joy and total madness of motherhood. With the compassion and wit that have made her a social media sensation among mothers around the world, Bunmi Laditan puts into evocative and relatable words what so many of us feel but can't quite express. For mothers who love their children with a fiery fierceness but know what it is to feel crushed at the end of those long days, Dear Mother is like a warm hug that says, “I get it.”

**Dear God, I Have a Question**-Kathryn Slattery 2020-06-16 Through short and kid-friendly entries, trusted children's author Kathryn Slattery answers questions about God, Christianity, and living out your faith in a straightforward way that points children to God's amazing plan for their lives in Dear God, I Have a Question. Your kids have great questions about God, but sometimes it can be hard to know how to answer them. Author Kathryn Slattery helps you and your kids ask and answer questions such as these: How can God be three persons at the same time? What is the Kingdom of God? Is it okay if I have friends who aren't Christians? Can God really talk to me? Why does God allow evil to exist? Was there really a worldwide flood? How can I know for sure that God loves me? Is it okay to have doubts about God? With respectful but kid-friendly language, Slattery also addresses topics such as Christian traditions, the historic growth of Christianity, how to become a Christian, and what it means to be a Christ-follower in today's world. You'll appreciate the thorough research and accuracy in this wide range of theological, historical, and faith topics. Supplementary sidebars, Scriptures, and takeaways will assist young readers as they investigate the questions and answers. Whether you are celebrating a child coming to faith, a birthday, holiday, or baptism or simply want to honor your young reader's beautiful curiosity about God, Dear God, I Have a Question will engage your child's mind and heart as they grow in knowledge and faith.

**Dear God, We Need to Talk**-Darren Schalk 2014-03-04 Dear God, We Need to Talk will help you actively engage God, the Christian faith, and the Bible by interacting with them in a logical, practical, and humorous way.

**Dear God, He's Home!**-Janet Thompson 2013-03-05 What do you do when your husband calls and says he's lost his job? How do you handle a husband who has been diagnosed with Parkinson's and is now homebound? Will your routine ever get back to normal now that your loving husband who has been deployed for 12 months is now suddenly back at home? Regardless of the reason he's home, one fact is clear . . . he's home. Dear God, He's Home! is a practical, honest look at how women can deal with a spouse—regardless of the reason—who is forced to become a stay-at-home man. Husbands across the country are experiencing life changes and are being forced home for multiple reasons including health changes, job loss, end of military deployment, and other factors. Their wives are being forced to deal with these changes, too, and the combination of stresses can take its toll on a marriage. Couples do not have to go through these changes alone. Author and former Saddleback Church leader Janet T. Thompson shares from her heart and her personal experience on how to deal with the paralyzing shock that comes with life changes; what to do next; how to deal with people's reactions; grieving the losses associated with any change; discovering a new focus and purpose as a couple; and restoring the joy to your marital relationship. Dear God, He's Home! includes personal thought questions, discussion questions for couples, and a small-group discussion guide.

**She Is Yours**-Wynter Pitts 2017-09-01 I prayed for this child, and the Lord answered my prayer. He gave me this child. And now I give this child to the Lord. 1 Samuel 1:27 ERV Do you remember when you first held your newborn daughter and sensed the awesome responsibility and immense privilege of parenthood? God gave you this precious gift to care for and to love, and He may have even whispered to your heart, "She is yours." Now comes the hard part—raising her up from a baby to a happy, healthy adult—and remembering that everything you have is God's, including your daughter. Wynter and Jonathan Pitts want you to know you are not alone. The proud parents of four young daughters, they've gained a wealth of valuable insights on the unique challenge of raising girls. They've been right where you are and now they want to share what they've learned with you. With this practical advice and encouragement, you can help your daughter develop awesome relationships with God, with you, and with the world around her. Start this journey by making this commitment to God: Lord, she is Yours and I trust You with her.

**Dear God, I'm a Faggot.**-Timothy Arliss O'Brien 2019-01-12 A memoir of poetry and short prose on christianity, conversion therapy, and moving the f\*ck on.

**A Prayer Journal**-Flannery O'Connor 2013-11-12 "I would like to write a beautiful prayer," writes the young Flannery O'Connor in this deeply spiritual journal, recently discovered among her papers in Georgia. "There is a whole sensible world around me that I should be able to turn to Your praise." Written between 1946 and 1947 while O'Connor was a student far from home at the University of Iowa, A Prayer Journal is a rare portal into the interior life of the great writer. Not only does it map O'Connor's singular relationship with the divine, but it shows how entwined her literary desire was with her yearning for God. "I must write down that I am to be an artist. Not in the sense of aesthetic frippery but in the sense of aesthetic craftsmanship; otherwise I will feel my loneliness continually . . . I do not want to be lonely all my life but people only make us lonelier by reminding us of God. Dear God please help me to be an artist, please let it lead to You." O'Connor could not be more plain about her literary ambition: "Please help me dear God to be a good writer and to get something else accepted," she writes. Yet she struggles with any trace of self-regard: "Don't let me ever think, dear God, that I was anything but the instrument for Your story." As W. A. Sessions, who knew O'Connor, writes in his introduction, it was no coincidence that she began writing the stories that would become her first novel, Wise Blood, during the years when she wrote these singularly imaginative Christian meditations. Including a facsimile of the entire journal in O'Connor's own hand, A Prayer Journal is the record of a brilliant young woman's coming-of-age, a cry from the heart for love, grace, and art.

**Dear God, Please Make Me Pretty**-Krista Nabors 2014-12-29 A young girl, a reject, a misfit, the ultimate outcast; she's anything but pretty. She's heard the whispers and seen the invitations that never arrived. That's because she exists only on the fringes of society watching all the other girls enjoy high school, boys, dances, and all the pleasure that comes with a normal life. Night after night, she gets down on her knees and prays to God for a miracle, "Dear God, please make me pretty." Then she crawls into bed, pulls up the covers just wishing, hoping, and desperately pleading to God for help, but each morning she awakes to find that her prayers have been ignored. Until that morning, when she wakes up and to discover that things are different. She looks in the mirror and extraordinarily finds that she's both thin and beautiful. In fact, people at school don't even recognize her. Good Morning America comes calling and puts her on national TV to show everyone this incredible miracle. Overnight, she has the world by the tail and her future is beyond bright. But as time goes by, she begins to wonder if this truly is a prayer answered by God or just some twisted wish granted by a cruel enemy. Has she actually sold her soul to the devil? When life becomes complicated and confusing for this newly transformed girl, the footprints she leaves in the sand illustrate her fascinating journey from ugly duckling to beautiful swan... to what comes next. Dear God, Please Make Me Pretty will blow you away!

**Dear God, Why Can't I Have a Baby?**-Janet Thompson 2011 This book seeks to ease readers pain and accompany them on their infertility

**A Simple Way to Pray**-Martin Luther 2000-01-01 When asked by his barber and good friend, Peter Beskendorf, for some practical guidance on how to prepare oneself for prayer, Luther responded by writing this brief treatise, first published in the spring of 1535. After 500 years, his instruction continues to offer words of spiritual nurture for us today.

**My Day-by-Day Praises**-Martin Manser 2019-09-03 Share Special Praises with God Thank you, dear God, for today. Thank you for who you are. Thank you for my family. Please help me to sleep well tonight. Thank you that Jesus watches over me. Amen. \*\*\* Little ones will love learning simple praises they can offer to the Lord about all the special people, places and things in their lives. When your children start to recognize that the good things in their life from God, they’ll discover a world of blessings to thank him for every day. Day by day, watch them develop a heart of gratitude toward God!

**Toddlers Are A\*\*holes**-Bunmi Laditan 2015-04-07 Toddler a\*\*holery is a normal part of human development—not unlike puberty, except this stage involves throwing food on the floor and taking swings at people who pay your way in life. For parents of toddlers, it's a "you better laugh so you don't cry" period. Bunmi Laditan's hilarious, satirical guide to toddlerhood offers parents instant (and very welcome) comic relief—along with the very good news that "It's Not Your Fault." Chapters

cover the cost of raising a toddler, feeding your toddler, potty-training, tantrums, how to manage the holidays, and "how not to die inside." Parents will see themselves in the very funny sections on taking your toddler to restaurants ("One parent will spend their time walking your toddler around the restaurant and outside like a cocker spaniel, while the other, luckier parent will eat alone."), Things You Thought You'd Never Say That You Now Say As a Parent of a Toddler ("I can tell you're pooping because your eyes are watering."), and how to order pizza ("Spend \$40 on pizza delivery. Listen to your toddler cry for 30 minutes about how the pizza is all wrong. Watch your toddler take a small bite of crust. Google 'can anger give you a heart attack?' Start the bedtime routine."). Laditan's wildly funny voice has attracted hundreds of thousands of fans of Honest Toddler on social media; here she speaks parent-to-tired-parent, easing the pains and challenges of raising toddlers with a hefty dose of adult humor and wit.

David Brazzeal

**Pray Like a Gourmet**-David Brazzeal 2015-04-01 Imagine that prayer could be like savoring a fine French meal—a flow of engaging courses featuring creative recipes, infusing all your senses, and enticing a return for more. Is it possible? Yes! David Brazzeal stirs together a love of French dining and his innovative prayer practices with a dash of international adventure to concoct an inspiring, reinvigorating prayer experience. Fun, yet profound, from confession to meditation, from observing to lamenting to praising, this book is full of practical ideas. Some can be used immediately; others take a lifetime to master. Some can be used with groups, while others work well throughout the day. Brazzeal (Now Paul, He was a Servant) has written a cookbook for prayer—literally. After a first section that likens learning to pray to learning to cook and also notes the importance of food in the Bible, the author, who lives in Paris, divides the book into sections. Instead of soups, salads, sides, main courses, and desserts, these sections cover different types of prayer, such as thanksgiving, confessing, and asking, complete with “recipes.” Thus “praising” prayers, which are likened to hors d’oeuvre, contain “recipes” that call for praying by writing down all the verbs in Psalm 147 or by creating a physical movement that opens you to God. Likewise, recipes for “blessing” prayers include visualizing a friend in a setting that represents well-being and joy. The book’s voice is exuberant and the cookbook idea clever and appealing. Rather than a tome to be read and forgotten, the volume is formatted as a resource to keep handy, maybe even among cookbooks. The book might benefit from less autobiography and even more recipes, but it’s still a delectable read, supplemented by tasty quotes from Christian sages. —Publishers Weekly “Pray like a gourmet—I love the metaphor. I know what it means to have been preoccupied by excellent food and wine. I have also learned to apply that strong desire to my personal relationship with Jesus Christ and to be nourished and sustained, even to the point of resilience. I shall keep this series of “tasteful disciplines” close at hand and consume them daily as I hunger and thirst after his righteousness.” —Graham Kerr, The Galloping Gourmet “Pray Like a Gourmet is the gentlest, most readable, kindest guide to prayer one could ever hope to explore. Reading through its storied pages, one goes from ‘I never thought of that before’ to ‘I could do that’ to ‘I want to do that’ and back again. This one is an adventure for the believing heart.” —Phyllis Tickle, compiler, The Divine Hours “If I were a beginning cook, I would want a guide who was experienced, flexible, enthusiastic, and sensitive to the questions and insecurities of an absolute beginner. And if I were a beginner in prayer, I would want David Brazzeal to be my teacher. Even as someone who has prayed for most of my life, I found Pray Like a Gourmet to be nourishing, delicious, and delightful.” —Brian D. McLaren, author and speaker (brianmclaren.net) “From the moment you read the Menu. - oops, my error! Let's start again. From the moment you read the Table of Contents, Pray Like A Gourmet becomes a banquet for the soul and for the spirit. Since when has prayer been such a mouth-watering, taste-bud awakening experience? Like food and wine, artisan bread and spring-fed water, prayer in its' multiple forms is to be savored as it feeds our inner beings. Prayer is the place of communion and of life-giving union with God. No room for deprivation here. Come and most heartily feast!” —Pierre LeBel, author and teacher, Member of the Canadian Leadership Team and the NA Cities Leadership Team for YWAM.

Adam Weber

**Talking with God**-Adam Weber 2018-02-27 Offers advice for people who might feel a bit awkward about Christian prayer, or might not even know how to go about it, emphasizing the simplicity of the act of talking with God.

Bunmi Laditan

**The Big Bed**-Bunmi Laditan 2018-02-06 From Bunmi Laditan, the creator of the Honest Toddler blog, The Big Bed is a humorous picture book about a girl who doesn't want to sleep in her little bed, so she presents her dad with his own bed—a camping cot!—in order to move herself into her parents' big bed in his place. A twist on the classic parental struggle of not letting kids sleep in their bed.

Anne Lamott

**Help, Thanks, Wow**-Anne Lamott 2012-11-13 A New York Times bestseller from the author of Dusk, Night Dawn, Hallelujah Anyway, Bird by Bird, and Almost Everything. Author Anne Lamott writes about the three simple prayers essential to coming through tough times, difficult days and the hardships of daily life. Readers of all ages have followed and cherished Anne Lamott’s funny and perceptive writing about her own faith through decades of trial and error. And in her new book, Help, Thanks, Wow, she has coalesced everything she knows about prayer to these fundamentals. It is these three prayers - asking for assistance from a higher power, appreciating what we have that is good, and feeling awe at the world around us - that can get us through the day and can show us the way forward. In Help, Thanks, Wow, Lamott recounts how she came to these insights, explains what they mean to her and how they have helped, and explores how others have embraced these same ideas. Insightful and honest as only Anne Lamott can be, Help, Thanks, Wow is the everyday faith book that new Lamott readers will love and longtime Lamott fans will treasure.

Pastor James Madison

**Dear God**-Lakisha Johnson 2018-02-20 Since the age of 14, Jayme's life has been hell and she has one person to thank for it, Pastor James Madison. He stood in the pulpit on Sundays waving the same hands that abused her at night. He glorified God with the same mouth he used to chip away her self-esteem, daily. He was a man of God who had turned her away from the same God he told people they needed to serve. He was the man who was supposed to pray for, take care of and eventually love her. Instead he preyed on, took advantage of and shattered her heart before it had a chance to truly love someone else.Now, 14 years and a son later, she finds herself needing God yet she doesn't know how to reach Him. She longs for God but isn't sure He can hear a sinner's prayer until she starts to say, Dear God ...

Maria Shriver

**I've Been Thinking** . . -Maria Shriver 2018-02-27 INSTANT #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER “[I’ve Been Thinking...] is beautiful...I felt your soul on these pages.” –Oprah Winfrey “If you are feeling stuck, lost, or you just need a pick-me-up, this is the book for you. Shriver’s wisdom will fill you up.” —Hoda Kotb, coanchor, The Today Show The ideal book for those seeking wisdom, guidance, encouragement, and inspiration on the road to a meaningful life. As a prominent woman juggling many roles, Maria Shriver knows just how surprising, unpredictable, and stressful everyday life can be. In this moving and powerful book, she shares inspiring quotes, prayers, and reflections designed to get readers thinking, get them feeling, get them laughing, and help them in their journey to what she calls The Open Field--a place of acceptance, purpose, and passion--a place of joy. I've Been Thinking . . . is ideal for anyone at any point in her life. Whether you feel like you've got it all together or like it's all falling apart--whether you're taking stock of your life or simply looking to recharge, this is the book you will turn to again and again. Spend the weekend reading it cover to cover, or keep it on your nightstand to flip to the chapter you need most. Like talking with a close friend, it's the perfect daily companion—an exceptional gift for someone looking to move forward in life with hope and grace.

Church of England

**The Book of Common Prayer, and Administration of the Sacraments ... Together with the Psalter ...**-Church of England 1745

Jackie Hill Perry

**Dear God**-Norhafсах Hamid In Dear God (the sequel to Letters To God), author Norhafсах Hamid weaves a tender story of young love, second chances and a soul that is lost, seeking to find what has been missing in his heart all along. Jonah thought he had everything a guy could ever needed to sail through life. A family that is supportive, cool friends that made university life a breeze and looks that won him the affection of many girls. Except for one - Sarah. An encounter with Sarah made Jonah realise that there is more than the one revolving around him. Jonah decides to brave the path least taken in the search for the meaning of eternal contentment. He found himself connecting to the One that he has long forgotten since he was little. Is there still hope for him? ‘Dear God, grant me strength’, prayed Jonah silently.

Stanley Hauerwas

**Prayers Plainly Spoken**-Stanley Hauerwas 2003-01-20 ÒIf anything, these prayers are plain. They are so because I discovered I could not pray differently than I

speak. In other words, I thought it would be a mistake to try to assume a different identity when I prayed. I figured (Texans 'figure') that God could take it, because God did not need to be protected. I think I learned this over the years by praying the Psalms in church. God does not want us to come to the altar different from how we live the rest of our lives. Therefore I do not try to be pious or use pious language in these prayers. I try to speak plainly, yet I hope with some eloquence, since nothing is more eloquent than simplicity.Ó So writes Stanley Hauerwas in the introduction to this collection of prayers, as inimitable as the widely respected (and argued with) theologian himself. Originally prayed in Hauerwas' divinity school classroom - on a variety of occasions including war, births, Yom Kippur and the death of a beloved cat - they not only display an invigorating faith but demonstrate how late-modern Christians can pray with all the passion, turbulence and life of the ancient psalmists.

Janet Thompson

**Dear God, They Say It's Cancer**-Janet Thompson 2013-06-04 A Friend to Help You Through... No matter where you are in your breast cancer journey, this book is the companion you need. Whether... you've just heard the dreaded diagnosis for the first time you're in the middle of decisions and treatments you're experiencing the disappoint of recurrence or you're several years beyond the initial trauma... No matter where you are in that journey, you need someone who understands. You need a trusted friend to walk along beside, someone who's gone before you. You'll find that friend between the pages of this book. This book is yours to use in whatever way serves you best. You can start in the beginning and work your way through, or you can use the detailed table of contents to help you find just what you need for what you are experiencing on any given day. This Helpful Guide Will Be Your \* Mentor \* Record keeper \* Journal \* Devotional \* Prayer guide \* And friend Each chapter includes A Sister Shares -- stories from breast cancer "sisters" Mentoring Moment -- lessons learned, helpful hints, encouragement God's Love Letter to You -- paraphrased scripture for you to personalize Journaling Guides -- encouraging prompts to help you journal your own breast cancer journey And more! You don't have to make this journey alone. Hope and help await you in the pages of this book, written just for you in your time of need. Bonus! Sanity Tools Appendix includes How to do research National contacts Decision-making worksheets Breast cancer journey map Finding your purpose in your pain And much, much, more

Pete Greig

**God on Mute**-Pete Greig 2020-09-22 What do you do when God is silent? Writing out of the pain of his wife's fight for life but also the wonder of watching the prayer movement they founded touch many lives, Pete Greig wrestles with the dark side of prayer and emerges with a hard-won message of hope, comfort, and profound biblical insight for all who suffer in silence. Pete Greig, the acclaimed author of Red Moon Rising, has written his most intensely personal and honest account yet in God on Mute, a book born out of his wife Sammy’s fight for her life and diagnosis of a debilitating brain tumor. Greig asks the timeless questions of what it means to suffer and to pray and to suffer through the silence because your prayers seem unanswered. This silence, Greig relates, is the hardest thing. The world collapses. Then all goes quiet. Words can’t explain, don’t fit, won’t work. People avoid you and don’t know what to say. So you turn to Him and you pray. You need Him more than ever before. But somehow . . . even God Himself seems on mute. In this heart-searching, honest, and deeply profound book, Pete Greig looks at the hard side of prayer, how to respond when there seem to be no answers, and how to cope with those who seek to interpret our experience for us. Here is a story of faith, hope, and love beyond all understanding.

Jared Byas

**Love Matters More**-Jared Byas 2020-09-08 For years, Christians have argued, debated, and fought one another while "speaking the truth in love," yet we are no closer to the grace-filled life Jesus modeled. Biblical scholar and popular podcast host of The Bible for Normal People, Jared Byas casts a new vision for the Christian life that's built not on certainty, but on the risk of love. A biblically-based Christian life is not grounded in having all the answers but in a living relationship. This ultimately shifts our focus from collecting the "right" answers to loving others deeply and authentically. With stories and insights drawn from his years as a pastor, professor, and podcast host, Jared Byas calls us back to the heart of the Bible: that truth is only true when it's lived out in love. In a refreshing voice that's both witty and profoundly revelatory, Jared unpacks the concept of truth, its meaning, and why we so often fight over it. He makes a compelling case for how what we believe is less important than how we believe it and that, more than anything else, telling the truth in love is about following Jesus. For anyone who has ever felt forced to choose between truth and love, acceptance and rightness, this book offers a path forward beyond truth wars and legalistic religion to a love that matters more.

Norhafсах Hamid

**Letters to God**-Norhafсах Hamid 2018-04-10 Letters to God is about a journey of a young girl named Sarah in trying to find her footing in a challenging world. An introvert by nature, Sarah struggles to balance her work, life and her spiritual longing while trying to adapt to her new surroundings. She found friendship along the way and also experienced hostility and heartache. Not knowing who to turn to, she turned to God. This book tells the story of how a young girl, who made a decision to write letters to God, telling Him of all her worries, pain and also her happiness. She believes that one can talk to God at any time, any place, even outside prayers, as He is All Hearing (As-Sami) and All Knowing (Al-Alim).

Lisa Whittle

**I Want God**-Lisa Whittle 2014-10-01 It is in the heart of every person to want God, but life gets loud and we forget Him. We get consumed by our problems, our desires, ourselves. We forget our first encounter with the Savior and how much we once wanted Him... the way we believed He could use our life...the fulfillment He provides that everyday life cannot. A guidebook, a teacher and a resource, all in one, I Want God brings rich simplicity to life-altering principles. With her signature boldness and raw authenticity, author and speaker Lisa Whittle inspires with bottom line truth about what happens when life gets off track and how to find our way back to the God we want most.

Judy Blume

**Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret.**-Judy Blume 2014-04-29 Faced with the difficulties of growing up and choosing a religion, a 12-year-old girl talks over her problems with her own private God. Reissued with a fresh new look and cover art. Simultaneous.

Jarrett Stevens

**Praying Through**-Jarrett Stevens 2020-01-07 Life can be hard. Prayer doesn’t have to be. Whatever is going on with you right now, God is actually interested. And yet connecting with God through prayer can often feel foreign, challenging, or beyond our reach. But here’s the thing: You’re already awesome at prayer. You just don’t know it . . . yet. Through over twenty years of pastoring and writing, Jarrett Stevens has made it his mission to connect the dots between God and our everyday lives. With fresh biblical insights, powerful stories, and spiritually practical practices, Praying Through will help you connect with God in fresh and meaningful ways no matter what season you may be going through. Whether you’re new to prayer, or God seems silent, or you’re grieving a loss, or you need direction, or you’re feeling grateful and don’t know how to express it—you don’t have to let these obstacles keep you from God. There is a way for you to pray through!

Jackie Hill Perry

**Gay Girl, Good God**-Jackie Hill Perry 2018-09-03 “I used to be a lesbian.” In Gay Girl, Good God, author Jackie Hill Perry shares her own story, offering practical tools that helped her in the process of finding wholeness. Jackie grew up fatherless and experienced gender confusion. She embraced masculinity and homosexuality with every fiber of her being. She knew that Christians had a lot to say about all of the above. But was she supposed to change herself? How was she supposed to stop loving women, when homosexuality felt more natural to her than heterosexuality ever could? At age nineteen, Jackie came face-to-face with what it meant to be made new. And not in a church, or through contact with Christians. God broke in and turned her heart toward Him right in her own bedroom in light of His gospel. Read in order to understand. Read in order to hope. Or read in order, like Jackie, to be made new.

Marianne Richmond

**Bedtime Blessings**-Marianne Richmond 2017-01-15 Marianne Richmond's heartfelt gift books have sold over two million copiesThis is a debut entry into the blessings/religious field for a beloved children's book author, combining bedtime tradition with gratitude and reverenceThe perfect gift for baptisms, birth, first communions, Easter, and Christmas; in multiple formats!The very first religion-oriented book from a beloved bestselling author whose books have become childhood classics, Bedtime Blessings is a celebration of thankfulness for all the gifts a child is given. A beautiful way to say good night and thank you to God, this heartwarming story is sure to become a bedtime tradition.

**The Power of Praying® for Your Adult Children**-Stormie Omartian 2014-02-01 Stormie Omartian's bestselling The Power of a Praying® series (more than 28 million copies sold) is rereleased with fresh new covers and new material to reach a still-growing market of readers eager to discover the power of prayer for their lives. In this important follow-up to The Power of a Praying® Parent (2 million copies sold), Stormie addresses areas of concern you may have for your grown children and shares how to lift them up to God. With stories from other parents and insight gleaned from personal experience, Stormie helps you pray with the power of God's Word over your adult children and their career choices and sense of purpose marriages and other vital relationships parenting skills and leadership struggles, addictions, or emotional trials faith commitment and prayer life Perhaps you are watching your grown children step out into the world and wishing you could do more to support them while giving them the freedom they crave. You can. It doesn't matter how young or old they are, you can rest in the power of God working through your prayers.

**God Is Just Not Fair**-Jennifer Rothschild 2014-03-25 "This is a book I'll be recommending for years to come." —Lysa TerKeurst, New York Times bestselling author Do you believe God is just not fair? If you're like Jennifer Rothschild, you wrestle with questions when you experience painful circumstances. Does God care? Does he hear my prayers? Is he even there? Blinded as a teenager, Jennifer overcame daunting obstacles, found strength in God, and launched a successful speaking and writing ministry. Then in her 40's, everything changed. Jennifer hit a wall of depression and discontent that shook her to her core, undermining many of her past assumptions about her faith. Jennifer wondered who God was and why he continued to allow her to struggle and doubt. Where, Jennifer pleaded, is his hand of healing and hope in my life now? This is a book about finding more than just answers. It's for anyone who needs hope when life doesn't make sense—for all who reach for a God who feels distant. As Jennifer tackles the six big questions of faith, she will help you: Trust God more than your feelings. Strengthen your faith when you feel beat up by life. Embrace your obstacles and start experiencing their purpose. Face your disappointment and grow stronger from your loss.

**Peace with God**-Billy Graham 2011-11-21 It May Not Be a Coincidence That This Book Has Crossed Your Path... In Peace with God Dr. Billy Graham asks God to help this book "find its way into the hands and hearts of a lost, confused, and searching world . . . men, women, and young people everywhere [who] thirst for peace with God." In spite of a life drenched with responsibilities and rewards, are you thirsting? Searching for some nameless thing that is more important than anything in life? You are not alone. All mankind is seeking the answer to the confusion, the moral sickness, the spiritual emptiness that oppresses the world. All humanity is crying out for guidance, for comfort . . . for peace. Dr. Graham shares God's gentle, reassuring promise of spiritual calm—of authentic personal peace—amidst a personal life wracked with too much stress, too many burdens, too great a heartache. "I know men who would write a check for a million dollars if they could find peace," writes Dr.

Graham. "Millions are searching for it. But we Christians have found it! It is ours now and forever. We have found the secret of life! . . . When your spouse dies or your children get sick or you lose your job, you can have a peace that you don't understand. You may have tears at a graveside, but you can have an abiding peace, a quietness. "God's peace can be in your heart—right now . . . Whatever the circumstances, whatever the call, whatever the duty, whatever the price, whatever the sacrifice—His strength will be your strength in your hour of need. "It's all yours, and it's free. You don't have to work for it . . . Do not put it off."

**My Secret**-Frank Warren 2006-10-24 A collection of artfully decorated postcards with secrets anonymously written on them by people from all over the world and sent to the founder of PostSecret, a community art project that evolved into a website.

**The Very Worst Missionary**-Jamie Wright 2018-04-03 "The reason you love Jamie (or are about to) is because she says exactly what the rest of us are thinking, but we're too afraid to upset the apple cart. She is a voice for the outlier, and we're famished for what she has to say." --Jen Hatmaker, New York Times bestselling author of Of Mess and Moxie and For the Love Wildly popular blogger "Jamie the Very Worst Missionary" delivers a searing, offbeat, often hilarious memoir of spiritual disintegration and re-formation. As a quirky Jewish kid and promiscuous punkass teen, Jamie Wright never imagines becoming a Christian, let alone a Christian missionary. She is barely an adult when the trials of motherhood and marriage put her on an unexpected collision course with Jesus. After finding her faith at a suburban megachurch, Jamie trades in the easy life on the cul-de-sac for the green fields of Costa Rica. There, along with her family, she earnestly hopes to serve God and change lives. But faced with a yawning culture gap and persistent shortcomings in herself and her fellow workers, she soon loses confidence in the missionary enterprise and falls into a funk of cynicism and despair. Nearly paralyzed by depression, yet still wanting to make a difference, she decides to tell the whole, disenchanted truth: Missionaries suck and our work makes no sense at all! From her sofa in Central America, she launches a renegade blog, Jamie the Very Worst Missionary, and against all odds wins a large and passionate following. Which leads her to see that maybe a "bad" missionary--awkward, doubtful, and vocal—is exactly what the world and the throngs of American do-gooders need. The Very Worst Missionary is a disarming, ultimately inspiring spiritual memoir for well-intentioned contrarians everywhere. It will appeal to readers of Nadia Bolz-Weber, Jen Hatmaker, Ann Lamott, Jana Reiss, Mallory Ortberg, and Rachel Held Evans.