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Discovering the City of Sodom Lifeway Church Resources

A 2014 Christianity Today Award of Merit winner from the best-selling author of War Room! Devin Hillis is a struggling documentary filmmaker who stumbles onto the story of a lifetime while interviewing subjects at an Arizona retirement home. One of the employees—a seemingly ordinary young woman named Treha Langsam—has no family and little memory of her childhood. She does, however, possess an extraordinary gift for connecting with dementia patients. Even more gripping is the story that begins to unravel when a cryptic letter from one of the home's residents reveals clues to Treha's shrouded past, setting into motion a chain of events that captures national interest.

[Where Do I Go From Here?](#) Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

From the best-selling author of War Room comes a Christy Award finalist, now a Lifetime original movie called Child of Grace. "I believed everything my daddy told me until I walked into Wal-Mart and saw my picture on a little poster..." For as long as she can remember, June Bug and her father have traveled the back roads of the country in their beat-up RV, spending many nights parked at Wal-Mart. One morning, as she walks past the greeter at the front of the store, her eyes are drawn to the pictures of missing children, where she is shocked to see herself. This discovery begins a quest for the truth about her father, the mother he rarely speaks about, and ultimately herself. But when her father's past catches up with them, forces beyond his control draw them back to Dogwood, West Virginia, down a winding path that will change their lives forever.

Borders of the Heart Crossway

When a potentially career-ending shoulder injury left quarterback Drew Brees without a team—and facing the daunting task of having to learn to throw a football all over again—coaches around the NFL wondered, Will he ever come back? After Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans, leaving more than 80 percent of the city underwater, many wondered, Will the city ever come back? And with their stadium transformed into a makeshift refugee camp, forcing the Saints to play their entire 2005 season on the road, people questioned, Will the Saints ever come back? It takes a special person to turn adversity into success and despair into hope—yet that is exactly what Super Bowl MVP Drew Brees has done—and with the weight of an entire city on his shoulders. Coming Back Stronger is the ultimate comeback story, not only of one of the NFL's top quarterbacks, but also of a city and a team that many had all but given up on. Brees's inspiring message of hope and encouragement proves that with enough faith, determination, and heart, you can overcome any obstacle life throws your way and not only come back, but come back stronger.

[Almost Heaven](#) Moody Publishers

Life has a way of tilting. Jobs are lost. Children leave. Homes foreclose. Spouses die. Everyone experiences the loss of something or someone precious at some point. And more often than not a loss is unexpected, certainly unwanted, and can be our undoing. Miriam Neff, M.A. in counseling, has experienced loss in many manifestations from her beloved soul mate Bob going home to the Lord to a close family member's incarceration. Yet, she has learned "that good things are still possible." "Life is like a kaleidoscope. We point our sphere toward the light, peer in, and see a beautiful array of glass and stones reflecting beauty, diversity, and contrast. We adjust the lens, and another beautiful, yet different combination of color evolves. Then suddenly the kaleidoscope is thrust to face a black hole. No light means no beautiful display. When you timidly, maybe fearfully, tilt your kaleidoscope back toward the light, you'll see a new combination you've never seen before, colors you didn't know existed. Location and contrast create new and unexpected beauty. " More than a

"survival" book, Where Do I go From Here raises the bar in life after loss to include love, laughter, and adventure. This is a book about facing forward, not backwards. It is about purposely moving into a bolder and broader future. Includes practical help and chapter discussion questions for individual or group study.

Lit! Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

The fascinating, true account of the quest for one of the Old Testament's most infamous cities. Like many Christians today in the academic world, Dr. Steven Collins felt pulled in different directions when it came to apparent conflicts between the Bible and scholarly research and theory—an intellectual crisis that inspired him to lay it all on the line as he set off to locate the lost city of Sodom. Recounting Dr. Collins's quest for Sodom in absorbing detail, this adventure-cum-memoir reflects the tensions that define biblical archaeology as it narrates a tale of discovery. Readers follow "Dr. C" as he tracks down biblical, archaeological, and geographical clues to the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, narrowing the list of possible sites as he weighs evidence and battles skeptics. Finally, he arrives at a single location that looms as the only option: a massive ancient ruin called Tall el-Hammam in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. Many scholars who were initially opposed to Dr. Collins's theory now concede that history books may need to be rewritten in light of his groundbreaking discovery. It—along with several other recent finds—is challenging the assumptions of academics and asserting a new voice in the controversy of biblical archaeology and the dispute over using the Bible as a credible historical source. *** From respected archaeologist Dr. Steven Collins and award-winning author Dr. Latayne C. Scott comes the fascinating, true account of the frustrating search and exciting excavation of the city the Bible calls Sodom, which scholars and others had "misplaced" for hundreds of years. Like many modern-day Christians, Dr. Collins struggled with what seemed to be a clash between his heritage of belief in the Bible and the research regarding ancient history and human evolution. This crisis of faith led him to embark on a quest to put both his archaeological education and the Bible to the test by seeking out the lost ancient city, an expedition that has led to one of the most exciting finds in recent archaeology. Challenging the assumptions of academics around the world, Discovering the City of Sodom may well inspire a revision of the history books. Dr. Collins has become a new voice in the controversy over using the Bible as a credible source of understanding the past—and opened a new chapter in the struggle over the soul of biblical archaeology.

Over the Wall Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

The thrilling conclusion to the New York Times Bestselling Matched Trilogy! Perfect for fans of 1984, Brave New World, Black Mirror, and The Handmaid's Tale. Cassia's journey began with an error, a momentary glitch in the otherwise perfect façade of the Society. After crossing canyons to break free, she waits, silk and paper smuggled against her skin, ready for the final chapter. The wait is over. One young woman has raged against those who threaten to keep away what matters most—family, love, choice. Her revolution is about to explode into full-scale rebellion. As an incurable plague sweeps through the Society, Cassia races to save both the lives and freedom of those she loves. With exquisite prose, the emotionally gripping conclusion to the international – bestselling Matched trilogy returns Cassia, Ky, and Xander to the Society to save the one thing they have been denied for so long, the power to choose. Almost Heaven Turtleback Books

Billy, a gifted mandolin player in Dogwood, West Virginia, lives his life as an offering to his divine creator, and when Malachi, an angel sent to observe Billy, begins to see the bigger picture of how each painful step Billy takes is a note added to a beautiful symphony, it will forever change the lives of those who hear it.

War Room Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

A MURDERER who would change the WORLD From multi-million copy best-selling novelist Jerry Jenkins comes a compelling international thriller that conveys you from present-day Texas to a dank Roman dungeon in A.D. 67, then down the dusty roads of ancient Israel, Asia, and back to Rome. A young seminary professor, Augustine Knox, is drawn into a deadly race to save priceless parchments from antiquities thieves and discovers a two-thousand-year old connection with another who faced death for the sake of the truth. I, Saul consists of two riveting adventures in one, transporting you between the stories of Augustine Knox and Saul of Tarsus. Filled with political intrigue, romance, and rich historical detail, I, Saul is a thrilling tale of loyal friendships tested by life-or-death quests, set two millennia apart, told by a master storyteller.

Fire from Heaven Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

When the pain of loss shatters two people—one from the inside out and the other from the outside in—how do they find their way to faithfulness, grace, and love? Only over time and distance will they eventually discover that it is through turning to the One who is faithful, whose love never fails. Lenore and Daniel have a cozy home and a wonderful son, a mirror image of his father. Lenore loves her life and wants nothing to change—except for one thing. As innocent as it seems, her request is the beginning of the end, and their life together unravels. Lenore takes little Scottie and begins her quest for meaning, purpose, and a new start—as far away from those bittersweet memories as she can get...By the bestselling author of Not a Sparrow Falls. [Suncatchers](#) Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

I love to read. I hate to read. I don't have time to read. I only read Christian books. I'm not good at reading. There's too much to read. Chances are, you've thought or said one of these exact phrases before because reading is important and in many ways unavoidable. Learn how to better read, what to read, when to read, and why you should read with this helpful guide from accomplished reader Tony Reinke. Offered here is a theology for reading and practical suggestions for reading widely, reading well, and for making it all worthwhile.

How to Tell a Story, and Other Essays Simon and Schuster

What does a transformed life actually look like? In his follow-up to the critically acclaimed Imaginary Jesus, Matt Mikalatos tackles this question in an entertaining and thought-provoking way—with MONSTERS!!! While Christians claim to experience Christ's resurrection power, we sometimes act like werewolves who can't control our base desires. Or zombies, experiencing a resurrection that is 90 percent shambling death and 10 percent life. Or vampires, satiating ourselves at the expense of others. But through it all we long to stop being monsters and become truly human—the way Christ intended. We just can't seem to figure out how. Night of the Living Dead Christian is the story of Luther, a werewolf on the run, whose inner beast has driven him dangerously close to losing everything that matters. Desperate to conquer his dark side, Luther joins forces with Matt to find someone who can help. Yet their time is running out. A powerful and mysterious man is on their trail, determined to kill the wolf at all costs... By turns hilarious and heartbreaking, Night of the Living Dead Christian is a spiritual allegory that boldly explores the monstrous underpinnings of our nature and tackles head-on the question of how we can ever hope to become truly transformed.

A Marriage Carol NavPress

A CBA Bestselling AuthorA Christy Award-winning AuthorEvery day, Paige Redwine is haunted by a choice she made at seventeen. Just past forty and single, she's a respected English professor at a Nashville college. Nothing could prepare her for the day Treha Langsam -- the daughter Paige placed for adoption -- walks into her classroom as a student, fulfilling both her greatest longing and her greatest fear.

Not in the Heart WaterBrook

People have always fascinated sociologist Perry Warren, yet his most personal relationships—with his wife and young son—are in shambles. If his marriage crumbles, will his son be raised fatherless, just as he was? Hoping distance will offer answers, Perry accepts a writing project in the town of Derby, South Carolina, and there discovers a wealth of research—and a reason to hope—in the strange yet fascinating neighbors next door. Eldeen Rafferty seems completely unfettered by the sorrows she has known. Instead, she embraces life in all its gritty, glorious detail, determined to leave cheer in her wake. Perry is baffled by her unending joy and her boundless gratitude, and he wonders what she might be able to offer to a life haunted by troubles...a life he is at a loss to repair on his own. Suncatchers, Jamie Langston Turner's first novel, launched this premier novelist's journey toward recognition of her Winter Birds in Publishers Weekly's Best Books of 2006.

The Song Worthy Books

Billy, a gifted mandolin player in Dogwood, West Virginia, lives his life as an offering to his divine creator. Malachi is an angel sent to observe Billy. He begins to see the bigger picture of how each painful step Billy takes is a note added to a beautiful symphony that will forever change the lives of those who hear it.

The Dogwood Collection: Dogwood / June Bug / Almost Heaven NavPress

Everyone yearns for the mountaintop. We search for the conference that will (God willing) be life-changing. The moment when everything in our lives will neatly come together. (It could happen.) Yet daily experience teaches us that we don't — and probably never could — permanently live at such heights. The opposite is also true. Tragedies touch our lives every now and then. When they do we hold on to God with all our might — because He's the only thing that's real to us in those times. But just like life at the heights, life in "the pit" is not the norm. The truth is, most of life is lived somewhere between Mt. Everest and the Grand Canyon. We reside at the corner of Mundane and Grace. The bad news? It gets boring and a little tough to

keep going. The good news? That 's exactly where God wants you. With light-hearted humor, gentle encouragement, and a healthy dose of wisdom and insight, Chris Fabry reveals the beauty in where you are today — encouraging you to step forward in faith and to encounter God as you have never before At the Corner of Mundane and Grace. You will laugh, cry, and pray as Chris Fabry takes you to the corner of Mundane and Grace. He writes with wonderful, penetrating, down-to-earth insights into both human foibles and the wonders of God 's grace. At the corner of Mundane and Grace you will see God in your life in the most marvelous ways. --Charles W. Colson, Prison Fellowship Ministries If your life is rather ordinary, this book will lead you to the extraordinary stuff that God has hidden in your daily routines. --Joseph M. Stowell, President, Moody Bible Institute A big problem in our Christian faith is that we think God is with us only in the pew, when we 're spit-shined and all tucked in. Chris Fabry tells us otherwise — that God is with us when we 're elbow-deep in dirty diapers, when our marriages are faltering, when the kids are sick and the dog is dying. --Philip Gulley, Author, Front Porch Tales Warm, witty, winsome! This happy volume will have a special place in my heart and in my home. I predict that others who taste and feast will be delighted and nourished as I have been. --Adrian Rogers, Pastor, Bellevue Baptist Church

[I, Saul](#) NavPress

In a language kids can understand, Randy Alcorn explores Biblical answers to the questions kids often have about heaven. As in the adult title, Heaven, he addresses the difference between the present Heaven, where we go when we die, and the New Earth, where we will live forever with Jesus after he returns. Intended for kids age 8-12, Heaven for Kids is sure to be an excellent resource for families, especially those in which the parents have read the adult title and wish to pass on that same level of understanding to their children. The book features ten chapters of questions, and answers based on scripture and written in a style relevant to today's kids. The book also has a summary of the Gospel for those who want to be sure they are going to Heaven someday. Randy encourages kids to live "in Light of Heaven."

[Heaven for Kids](#) Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

2017 Christianity Today "Award of Merit" winner 2017 Christy Award winner! (General Fiction category) The summer of 1972 was the most pivotal of Matt Plumley 's childhood. While his beloved Pirates battle for back-to-back World Series titles, Matt 's family moves from Pittsburgh to Dogwood, West Virginia, where his father steps into the pulpit of a church under the thumb of town leader Basil Blackwood. A fish out of water, Matt is relieved to forge a fast bond with two unlikely friends: Dickie Darrel Lee Hancock, a mixed-race boy, and Jesse Woods, a tough-as-nails girl with a sister on her hip and no dad in sight. As the trio traipses the hills and hollers, Matt begins to fall for Jesse, and their promises to each other draw him deeper into her terrifying reality. One night, the wrath of the Blackwoods and the secrets of Jesse 's family collide, and Matt joins Jesse in a rescue that saves one life and ends another . . . and severs the bond of their friendship. Years later, Matt is pulled back to Dogwood and to memories of that momentous summer by news of Jesse 's upcoming wedding. He could never shake the feeling that there was more to the story of that fateful night, and he 's determined to learn the truth behind the only promise Jesse Woods ever broke.

Practicing the Present Moody Publishers

From the bestselling author of War Room comes a gripping novel that was awarded both an ECPA Christian Book Award for fiction and a 2011 Christy Award! Billy Allman is a hillbilly genius. People in Dogwood, West Virginia, say he was born with a second helping of brains and a gift for playing the mandolin but was cut short on social skills. Though he 'd gladly give you the shirt off his back, they were right. Billy longs to use his life as an ode to God, a lyrical, beautiful bluegrass song played with a finely tuned heart. So with spare parts from a lifetime of collecting, he builds a radio station in his own home. People in town laugh. But Billy carries a brutal secret that keeps him from significance and purpose. Things always seem to go wrong for him. However small his life seems, from a different perspective Billy 's song reaches far beyond the hills and hollers he calls home. Malachi is an angel sent to observe Billy. Though it is not his dream assignment, Malachi follows the man and begins to see the bigger picture of how each painful step Billy takes is a note added to a beautiful symphony that will forever change the lives of those who hear it.

Extraordinary Grace Moody Publishers

On Christmas Eve twenty years earlier, Marlee and Jacob were married in a snowstorm. This Christmas Eve, they are ready to quit, divorce is imminent. Their relationship is as icy as the road they 're traveling and as blocked with troubles as the piling snow. They take a shortcut to get to the lawyer 's office, on a slippery, no-fault path. She thinks they need to stay on the main road. He disagrees. They fight. Story of their lives and they slam into a bank of snow, spinning, drifting, falling, out of control. Just like their lives. Reluctantly, freezing cold, hungry, scared, she trudges up the hill. Jacob is nowhere to be found. Her ears frozen, fingers and hands red, she comes to a house on the hillside, built like a Bed and Breakfast, a green wreath on the red door and the door-knocker is in the shape of a wedding ring. The red door opens and the first thing she notices is the fire in the room, blazing hot, a warm, inviting, friendly place and the voice of an old man welcomes her in. There are three golden pots on the hearth, shining, glimmering things. The old man claims that they are used to restore marriages. She laughs—and begins a journey through her past, present, and future that will test how she views her lifelong love. There are two futures available. Which will she choose?

[At the Corner of Mundane and Grace](#) Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

God 's extraordinary grace is hard to grasp—but made easier to understand through stories of God 's people. Gary Chapman and Chris Fabry search the Scriptures for examples of God 's grace

in the lives of those named in Jesus ' lineage, but what they find are people with faults, foibles, and sins, just like the rest of us. So obviously, grace is not about doing everything exactly right. It is a gift . . . an astonishing gift given by God. In Extraordinary Grace, you will hear the call of grace; laugh because of grace; apply grace; be overtaken by grace; and know the extraordinary grace that comes from loving Jesus. Chapter studies, for individuals or groups, will help you to find examples of extraordinary grace reflected in the lineage of Jesus.