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*To Be Told* Baker  
Books  
DON'T WASTE YOUR  
PAIN. None of us  
escapes the  
heartache and  
disappointments of

life. To live is to  
hurt, and we all  
have the wounds to  
prove it.  
Regardless of how  
we've been hurt, we  
all face a common  
question: What  
should we do with  
our pain? Should we  
stoically ignore  
it? Should we just  
"get over it?"  
Should we let it  
"make us stronger?"

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Should we optimistically hope that everything will work out in the end? If we fail to respond appropriately to the wounds that life and relationships inflict, our pain will be wasted; it will numb us or destroy us. But suffering doesn't have to mangle our hearts and rob us of the joy of life. It can, instead, lead us to life-if we know the path to healing. Healing is not the resolution of our past; it is the use of our past to draw us into deeper relationship with God and his purposes for our lives. We don't have to be held captive by the hurts of our past. We can move from feelings of powerlessness, betrayal, and ambivalence into faith, hope and love. The Healing Path takes us beyond self-discovery to God-discovery, giving us the tools to excavate the riches that lay beneath the surface of our pain. If you're ready to use the experiences of the past and present to shape a future characterized by love, service, and joy, now is the

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time to step out onto The Healing Path.

**To Be Told** Thomas Nelson

Dan B. Allender and Tremper Longman III lead you to discuss with your spouse healthy ways of expressing sexuality within marriage.

Hidden In Plain Sight InterVarsity Press

This book provides a well-researched biblical and scientific overview of abuse. A broad overview, it deals with the various types of abuse, the various effects of abuse, and the means of healing. Abuse can be sexual, physical, neglect, spiritual, and verbal. The chief arguments pursued throughout the book are: (1) abuse is far more rampant than most Christians realize, but due to human depravity and satanic influence, widespread abuse is predictable. (2) All types of abuse create profound, long-term soul damage due to the way abuse perverts various aspects of the

image of God. (3) God is the healing redeemer. Human salvation came through horrible physical abuse. (4) Healing must take place in the context of relationships. Humans are deeply impacted by others due to being made in the image of God. Just as surely as abusive relationships have tremendous power to wound the soul, so healthy relationships have tremendous power to nurture and heal the soul. Questions answered in the book include: - How can a genuine believer abuse a child? - Why would someone abuse a child? - How can parents and childrens ' workers identify abusers? - How can abuse victims heal? - What does genuine healing look like? - Is anger appropriate or hurtful for abuse victims? - Where does forgiveness fit in? Helpful sample child protection policy, application, screening interview, and warning signs of potential abusers equip ministry leaders. Illustrations, case studies, and art therapy drawings.

Communication New Growth Press

Parenting with Humility...We

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often realize that we learn as much from our children as they learn from us. So why don't parents approach the task of child-rearing as a learning experience, rather than a mandate to make sure their kids succeed in life? To reduce the pressure and enjoy greater closeness in your family, turn your parenting upside-down by allowing God to use your children to help you grow up. Imagine what would happen if you began to prize what you're being taught by your children's quirks, failures, and normal childhood dilemmas, rather than worrying about whether you're doing everything right as a parent. Now you can let go of the pressure to make sure your children succeed, and instead learn to grow into spiritual maturity by listening to your children.

**Tell Me Who You Are**  
**Thomas Nelson**  
An excerpt from the

foreword by Joni Eareckson Tada: "With the book you are holding, you have stumbled upon the best of guides. I should know. I first read *The Cry of the Soul* decades ago when I was still sorting through a lot of hurt and frustration connected with my quadriplegia (yes, I read it on that music stand holding a mouth stick). *The Cry of the Soul* showed me what to do with my anger and hurt—not stuff it under the carpet of my conscience, or minimize it, but actually do something good with it." All emotion—whether positive or negative—can give us a glimpse of the true

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nature of God. We want to control our negative emotions and dark desires. God wants us to recognize them as the cry of our soul to be made right with Him. Beginning with the Psalms, Cry of the Soul explores what Scripture says about our darker emotions and points us to ways of honoring God as we faithfully embrace the full range of our emotional life. Wounds That Heal InterVarsity Press Find freedom and healing from painful memories and relational struggles and learn how your past has uniquely prepared you to experience more joy. Tragedy and pain inevitably touch

our lives in some way. We long to feel whole, but more often than not, the way we've learned to deal with our wounds pushes us away from the very restoration we need most. Renowned psychologist Dr. Dan Allender and counselor and teacher Cathy Loerzel present a life-changing process of true connection and healing with ourselves, God, and others. With a clear, biblically trustworthy method, Allender and Loerzel walk you through a journey of profound inner transformation--from the shame and hurt of old emotional wounds to true freedom and healing. Drawn from

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modern research and their pioneering work at The Allender Center, they will help you identify your core trauma in one of the three outcast archetypes--the widow, orphan, or stranger--and chart your path of growth into the God-given roles of priest, prophet, or leader. This book will help you learn: What to do about feeling out-of-place and directionless How your coping mechanisms create a false sense of health How to embrace your divine calling and find lasting reconciliation How your heart wounds are your unique invitation to true strength and purpose. Your past pain does not

dictate your life. Answer the call to healing and discover your life's beautiful story and a future of hope and freedom. God Loves Sex NavPress Publishing Group We live in a sexually mad world where God's gift of sex has been distorted through pornography, promiscuity, prostitution, abuse, trafficking, and rape. The church's position on sexual matters has been made clear throughout history: all sexual activity outside the boundaries of Christian marriage is sin. But rarely has the church honestly addressed the true needs of Christians who are struggling with sexual desires they believe to be counter to the Bible. So we hide our struggles and pretend to live above the erotic fray, or else we cozy up to the culture's redefinition of which sins are acceptable. But what

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does the Bible really say about sexual desire and sexual intimacy? *God Loves Sex* offers a truly liberating, godly view of holy sensuality by recovering the clear meaning of the Song of Songs as God-sanctioned eroticism. Then it uses that lens to answer questions posed by a fictional new Christian struggling with expectations of sexual purity. It asks provocative questions, such as What does it mean to be both holy and filled with rich sexual desire? and How can our sexual struggles take us deeper into the purposes of God? Pairing psychological insight with sound biblical scholarship, Allender and Longman bring it all out into the open, allowing Christians of any age and any marital status to discover sex the way God meant it to be.

[Mending the Soul](#)  
InterVarsity Press

Put your flawed foot forward. Pick up most leadership books and you ' ll find strategies for leveraging your power and minimizing your areas of weakness. But think about the leaders whose names have gone down in history. Most of them were so messed up that, if they were looking for work today, no executive placement service would give them the time of day. God ' s criteria for choosing leaders runs counter to the conventional wisdom. Our culture equates strength with effectiveness, but God favors leaders who know the value of brokenness. In *Leading With a Limp*, you ' ll

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discover what makes flawed leaders so successful. They're not preoccupied with protecting their image, they are undaunted by chaos and complexity, they are ready to risk failure in moving an organization from what is to what should be. God chooses leaders who aren't deceived by the myths of power and control, but who realize that God's power is found in brokenness. If you are a leader – or if you have been making excuses to avoid leading – find out how you can take full advantage of your weakness. A limping leader is the person God uses to accomplish amazing things. To go deeper, check out the

## Leading With a Limp Workbook.

Family Ties John Wiley & Sons

Those who are in the unenviable position of living or working with a narcissist have learned by sad trial and error that they are the only one in the relationship who can change the dynamic. Certainly narcissists don't think they need to change.

Enough About You, Let's Talk About Me is a hands-on resource for helping colleagues, families, and spouses deal with people who exhibit narcissistic tendencies by learning how to change their own attitudes and responses.

Bold Love InterVarsity Press

Encouragement is more than a compliment or a pat on the back. It's a skill that can be mastered by anyone. What must we know in order to fulfill the biblical exhortation to



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"encourage one another"?  
Encouragement: The Key to Caring tells you. Part one deals with understanding encouragement, and part two explores the process of encouragement, including such practical how-tos as - developing a careful selection of encouraging words - cultivating active listening skills - using biblical fellowship to move beyond superficial smiles and shallow greetings - recognizing subtle opportunities for encouragement -- Without the encouragement of a caring community, biblical truth taught in church tends to just thicken people's defense layers. But authenticity, freedom, and greater love for God and others are the fruit of encouragement, and evidence of the tremendous power God invests in individuals who practice it. Leading with a Limp

Workbook InterVarsity Press

An eye-opening exploration of race in America In this deeply inspiring book, Winona Guo and Priya Vulchi recount their experiences talking to people from all walks of life about race and identity on a cross-country tour of America. Spurred by the realization that they had nearly completed high school without hearing any substantive discussion about racism in school, the two young women deferred college admission for a year to collect first-person accounts of how racism plays out in this country every day--and often in unexpected ways. In Tell Me Who You Are, Guo and Vulchi reveal the lines that separate us

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based on race or other perceived differences and how telling our stories--and listening deeply to the stories of others--are the first and most crucial steps we can take towards negating racial inequity in our culture. Featuring interviews with over 150 Americans accompanied by their photographs, this intimate toolkit also offers a deep examination of the seeds of racism and strategies for effecting change. This groundbreaking book will inspire readers to join Guo and Vulchi in imagining an America in which we can fully understand and appreciate who we are. Forgiveness Zondervan This leader's guide by Dan B. Allender and Tremper Longman III will show you, step by step, how to put

together the materials in the Intimate Marriage Series to create a powerful marriage emphasis experience for individual couples, groups of couples and your entire church, including singles. Leading with a Limp InterVarsity Press Relates the experience of a woman who struggled with her husband's addiction to pornography The Cry of the Soul WaterBrook What would you do for twenty-four hours if the only criteria were to pursue your deepest joy? Dan Allender 's lyrical book about the Sabbath expels the myriad myths about this "day of rest," starting with the one that paints the Sabbath as a day of forced quiet, spiritual

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exercises, and religious devotion and attendance. This, he says, is at odds with the ancient tradition of Sabbath as a day of delight for both body and soul. Instead, the only way we can make use of the Sabbath is to see God ' s original intent for the day with new eyes. In Sabbath, Allender builds a case for delight by looking at this day as a festival that celebrates God ' s re-creative, redemptive love using four components: Sensual glory and beauty Ritual Communal feasting Playfulness Now you can experience the delight of the Sabbath as you never have before—a day in which you receive and extend

reconciliation, peace, abundance, and joy. The Ancient Practices There is a hunger in every human heart for connection, primitive and raw, to God. To satisfy it, many are beginning to explore traditional spiritual disciplines used for centuries . . . everything from fixed-hour prayer to fasting to sincere observance of the Sabbath. Compelling and readable, the Ancient Practices series is for every spiritual sojourner, for every Christian seeker who wants more. Peacemaking Women WaterBrook First published in 1989, Dan Allender's The Wounded Heart

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has helped hundreds of thousands of people come to terms with sexual abuse in their past. Now, more than twenty-five years later, Allender has written a brand-new book on the subject that takes into account recent discoveries about the lasting physical, emotional, relational, and spiritual ramifications of sexual abuse. With great compassion Allender offers hope for victims of rape, date rape, incest, molestation, sexting, sexual bullying, unwanted advances, pornography, and more, exposing the raw wounds that are left behind and clearing the path toward wholeness and healing.

Never minimizing victims' pain or offering pat spiritual answers that don't truly address the problem, he instead calls evil evil and lights the way to renewed joy. Counselors, pastors, and friends of those who have suffered sexual harm will find in this book the deep spiritual guidance they need to effectively minister to the sexually broken around them. Victims themselves will find here a sympathetic friend to walk alongside them on the road to healing.

How Children Raise Parents Zondervan  
Don't Waste Your Pain  
None of us escapes the heartache and disappointments of life. To live is to hurt, and

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we all have the wounds past to draw us into  
to prove it. Regardless deeper relationship  
of how we've been hurt, with God and his  
we all face a common purposes for our lives.  
question: What should If you're ready to shape  
we do with our pain? a future characterized  
Should we stoically by love, service, and  
ignore it? Should we joy, now is the time to  
just "get over it"? step out onto The  
Should we Healing Path.  
optimistically hope that Dreams and Demands  
everything will work Tyndale House  
out in the end? If we "By his wounds we are  
fail to respond healed"--Isaiah 53:5. We  
appropriately to the are wounded people. In  
wounds that life and this fallen world, people  
relationships inflict, our are hurt and exploited.  
pain will be wasted; it Children are abused.  
will numb us or destroy Marriages are broken.  
us. But suffering Tragedies of all kinds  
doesn't have to mangle afflict us and the ones  
our hearts and rob us we love. Woundedness,  
of joy. It can, instead, it seems, is simply a fact  
lead us to life--if we of life. But we are not  
know the path to alone in our suffering.  
healing. Healing is not Despite our emotional,  
the resolution of our psychological and  
past; it is the use of our physical injuries, God  
has not abandoned us.

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God is not distant or aloof. On the contrary, through the ministry of Jesus, God enters our painful situations to bring healing and redemption. Balancing sound biblical exposition with sensitive pastoral care, Stephen Seamands examines the profound implications of Jesus' crucifixion for our healing and restoration. Because Jesus experienced abuse, shame and rejection, he understands the hurts we experience today. And his response to pain and suffering gives us hope that we too can experience forgiveness and new life. Filled with real-life stories of people's brokenness and healing, *Wounds That Heal* offers comfort for our wounded souls. Ultimately, we take heart that God not only understands our

pain but has done something about it. Encounter here the promise that the wounds of Jesus are wounds that heal. Encouragement NavPress Publishing Group  
Becky often felt "Hidden In Plain Sight" behind her more vocal husband. She felt swept aside and lost in his frenzied world and words. This memoir is about a woman's journey becoming visible through the power of remembering stories and embracing them with kindness. By offering care and intrigue to her experience it enabled her to gain new freedom to open her life and highlight the good, the bad and the memorable. Becky invites readers to ponder their stories and to prize the way God

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quietly reveals himself in the mundane and the magnificent parts of our story. This book is a must read for those who want to transform their lives and become visible in plain sight.

Redeeming Heartache  
Abingdon Press

What happens when you fail your spouse? How does forgiveness work in marriage? Dan B. Allender and Tremper Longman III have together written this inductive Bible study guide to help couples build healthy and happy marriages. Through six study sessions for individuals, couples or groups, they encourage you to examine dynamics of conflict and forgiveness that can keep your marriage strong. Intimate Marriage Bible studies bring spouses into deeper communion with God and with each other. In marriage a man and a

woman are called to leave their families of origin, to weave their individual lives into a unity and to cleave to each other. How can fallen human beings even begin to contemplate this ideal--God's ideal? These studies will help you take small but real steps toward honoring the image of God in each other and living out God's goal for marriage. As you explore and respond to Scripture together, you will discover strength and beauty in your marriage and become even more intimate companions.

Breaking the Idols of Your Heart WaterBrook

God wants to reveal himself through your story. Discover how he has written your life so far, and how he is leading you into the rest of your story. " This is a book worth reading. To make sense of your life. To discover the role God

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is giving you in his story. ” —John Eldredge, bestselling author of *Wild at Heart* and *Get Your Life Back* Everyone wants clearer guidance from God on what to do with their future. In this insightful book, therapist and professor Dan Allender shows you how to listen to the stories of your life and identify the themes that God has written there. As you begin to understand both the hope and the heartache, you will gain a clearer sense of the meaning that God has written into every detail of who you are. You ’ ll also see how he invites you to join him in coauthoring the rest of your story. God is your Author, and he is showing you how to follow him into the future.