

Flabbergasted Ray Blackston

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Light from Heaven Penguin

“ Why don ’ t I have more faith? ” “ Why am I so bored with Jesus? ” “ Why are Christians so hard for me to like? ” There are many questions we ’ re not supposed to ask when playing by the religious rules. It makes people uncomfortable. So why is it that Jesus invited questions and even asked some of them himself? What is it that you ’ re afraid to ask God? It ’ s a risky prospect to begin asking – but far riskier to continue simply trying to get by without knowing. Author C. D. Baker asked himself 40 soul-searching questions which started a conversation in his heart and ultimately showed him more about God than He ever expected. Can we become more honest with who we really are and find who God says He really is at the same time? Come indulge yourself in daily readings with an honest exploration of your secret fears and thoughts, and know that you will always be welcomed in God ’ s unconditional love. Search me, O God ... and know my anxious thoughts. – Psalm 139:23 NIV

The Weight of Mercy Crossway

She's smart. She's savvy. She's...well, she's working on the thighs. And with God as her witness, she'll never let that man spoil her happy ending! Phoebe Grant is everyone's favorite movie geek-unbeatable at trivia, convinced that all the world's a movie screen. She can organize a four-hankie chick-flickathon with a wave of her tall, nonfat, double mocha. And she's a shoo-in for the job of her dreams-movie reviewer for the newspaper where she works. Enter Alex Spencer-not only gorgeous but also a film buff, perfectly cast for a celluloid kiss and a fade to sunset. Unfortunately, Alex is the villain who sends Phoebe packing to the last place on earth she wants to be-back home to boring little Barley, California. But wait. It couldn't be. Dark, handsome, and annoying Alex...in Barley? Can Phoebe protect her hometown-and her heart-and prove It's a Wonderful Life? Or is her promising future truly Gone with the Wind?

The Sex-Starved Marriage Circle

In early 1960s South Carolina, Jeru Lamb is ten years old and trying to come to terms with his brother's death. He's also trying to understand his mother's conversion to Christian Science, his father's literary ambitions (and recent calling as "a Waffle House mystic"), the racial landscape of the segregated South, and a new classmate from the wrong side of town who claims to be his half-sister. "It was not lost on me that by expecting the worst every breathing moment, I backed into prophecy once in a while," says Jeru, and when his mother finds herself "in the family way"-against her doctor's orders-Jeru is left to wonder just what he might lose next.

Flabbergasted Hachette UK

Number-cruncher-turned-missionary Jay Jarvis and his poetry-enthused girlfriend, Allie Kyle, are in for the trip of a lifetime. Joined by their friends, sports enthusiast Steve Cole and lime-lover Darcy Yeager, they head into the Outback of Australia, hoping for adventure. As the girls catch up on their girl talk and plan their next sight-seeing activity, Jay and Steve do a little planning of their own. With marriage proposals on their minds and little black jewelry boxes in their pockets, the guys chart out the perfect opportunity to pop the question. But will roo-chasing and busted Land Cruisers spoil their plans for perfect proposals? Ray Blackston's side-splitting humor, quirky characters, original poetry, song, and electrifying dialogue are back in this exciting sequel to *Flabbergasted* and *A Delirious Summer*.

Last Mango in Texas Catapult

Now in paper! Follow Jay as he goes to church to meet girls--and finds an unlikely assortment of believers who turn his perceptions of God upside down.

Baseball in Greenville and Spartanburg Sterling Lord Literistic

"A work of extraordinary imagination and sympathy, a journey from slavery to the mountaintop, perfectly realized." —Ken Burns, American filmmaker Born on Emancipation Day, 1863, to a sharecropping family of black and Indian blood, Elijah Yancy never lived as a slave—but his self-image as a free person is at war with his surroundings: Spartanburg, South Carolina, in the Reconstructed South. Exiled for his own survival as a teenager, Elijah walks west to the Nebraska plains—and, like other rootless young African-American men of that era, joins up with the US cavalry. The trajectory of Elijah's army career parallels the nation's imperial adventures in the late 19th century: subduing Native Americans in the West,

quelling rebellion in the Philippines. Haunted by the terrors endured by black Americans and by his part in persecuting other people of color, Elijah is sustained only by visions, memories, prayers, and his questing spirit—which ultimately finds a home when his troop is posted to the newly created Yosemite National Park in 1903. Here, living with little beyond mountain light, running water, campfires, and stars, he becomes a man who owns himself completely, while knowing he's left pieces of himself scattered along his life's path like pebbles on a creek bed. "Seen through the fresh eyes of buffalo soldier Elijah Yancy, Yosemite is Gloryland, his true home. Shelton Johnson has written a beautiful novel about Elijah's journey." —Maxine Hong Kingston, author of *China Men* and *The Woman Warrior*

Green Bethany House

Some memories will find you no matter where you hide... Cindy James is a cognitive behavioral therapist in a quiet Missouri town, but her precisely patterned life spins into chaos when she is besieged by panic attacks. Forced to undergo counseling with a new, peculiar therapist in town, Tony Prost, Cindy defiantly resists both his unnerving charm and the truth behind the haunting images that are unleashing her anxiety. As Cindy's memory flashes increase in frequency, she is jolted by the terrible deed her beloved mother committed to gain their freedom from her father. That memory is one clue to the mystery behind her compulsive behaviors: carrying a headless Raggedy Ann doll throughout the five-story mansion in which she lives alone, spot cleaning the mansion's thirty-one rooms, and crying herself to sleep in an empty red room. Cindy slowly recalls her grandmother's dominating, divisive presence and a violent history shrouded by years of silence, binding three generations. She soon realizes that the key to her future is buried in her past, but finding the truth means embarking on a harrowing journey back into the heart of her darkest fears.

Chasing Sunsets (The Cedar Key Series Book #1) Revell Return to the world of the Wingfeather Saga with Andrew Peterson and his all-star author friends—now featuring new illustrations and the first-ever Wingfeather comic! Immerse yourself in a land of bonnubbles and quarreling cousins, sea dragons and book publishers, thieves and Fangs and secret maps. Here within these pages lie seven stories of the distant past, lost adventures, forgotten songs, and heartbreaking histories. The Shining Isle is restored, but Aerwiar is vast—and these authors have tales yet to tell: • Explore the inner walls of Yorsha Doon, just West of the Woes of Shreve, on the edge of the Dark Sea of Darkness, from the eyes of young Safiki in "The Prince of Yorsha Doon" from the creator of Aerwiar, Andrew Peterson. • Jennifer Trafton's warm and whimsical writing brings to life a publishing nightmare populated by the many beasts of Skree in "The Wooing of Sophelia Stupe." • Learn the origins of Ollister Pebrnick's mysterious entry in the Creaturepedia about his encounter with a raggant in "Willow Worlds" by N. D. Wilson. • Travel with young Podo Helmer on an epic hunt for sea dragons in "From the Depths of the Dragon King" from A. S. Peterson. • Jonathan Rogers presents "The Ballad of Lanric and Rube," sung by Armulyn the Bard, tale-spinner of the imaginary Shining Isle of Anniera, in *On the Edge of the Dark Sea of Darkness*. • Discover what life was like for Maraly and Gammon in post-war Skree in "Shadowblade and the Florid Sword"—the first-ever Wingfeather comic—by Andrew Peterson. • Douglas McKelvey's epic, heartbreakingly hopeful novella "The Places Beyond the Maps" recounts a father's journey to redemption. You'll also find delightful illustrations by Justin Gerard, Hein Zaayman, Cory Godbey, John Hendrix, Nicholas Kole, Aedan Peterson, Joe Sutphin, Jay Myers, and Doug TenNapel. Enter a rich, imaginative world that becomes more real, more mysterious, more dangerous, and more beautiful with each story's telling.

The Warden and the Wolf King Candlewick Press

Would you know if he did, if God really spoke to you—would it be booming from the heavens or just in your head? If it was in your head, how would you know if it was God or wasn't? Is God speaking right now but we're just not listening? And if God does tell you something...what would you do about it? Meet Parrish. He's a regular guy, owns a coffee shop. He happens to be shooting the breeze with his buddies at the neighborhood Chinese buffet, talking about the dents in golf balls and such, when the discussion develops into a debate on whether or not God still speaks to people. When his friends skip out and he is left alone, Parrish tells God he's "all in." Ready to listen, do what he's told, and see what happens. Only moments later, back at his table, he opens his fortune cookie to find a surprise -- instead of a proverbial statement, he reads a directive from God. "Take the corner." God, via cookie, sends him on this first step of a seemingly absurd adventure. His quest sends him to the corner bus stop, where he finds a dropped and forgotten letter, written in a desperate tone, to help those God brings across his path. There, Parrish befriends Audra, a

nursing student who rides the bus home. And together they begin to follow the god cookie message, pursuing the random threads of the experiment, tying them together and discovering more about themselves than either ever imagined possible.

Prophet Eric Praschan

CBA BESTSELLER • More than a million copies sold! An invitation for every woman who's ever felt she isn't godly enough, isn't loving enough, isn't doing enough. "Easy to read, personal, and well-written with a message much more than surface deep. Joanna probed, challenged, and encouraged me to live day by day as Mary in a Martha world."—Carole Mayhall, author of *Come Walk with Me* and *Here I Am Again*, Lord The life of a woman today isn't all that different from the lives of Mary and Martha in the New Testament. Like Mary, you long to sit at the Lord's feet . . . but the daily demands of a busy world just won't leave you alone. Like Martha, you love Jesus and really want to serve him . . . yet you struggle with weariness, resentment, and feelings of inadequacy. Then comes Jesus, into the midst of your busy life, to extend the same invitation he issued long ago to the two sisters from Bethany. Tenderly, he invites you to choose "the better part"—a joyful life of intimacy with him that flows naturally into loving service. With her fresh approach to the familiar Bible story, Joanna Weaver shows how all of us, Marys and Marthas alike, can draw closer to our Lord: deepening our devotion, strengthening our service, and doing both with less stress and greater joy. This book includes a twelve-week Bible study for individual or group use. A Study Guide and a corresponding ten-session video series on DVD or online are available separately.

Changes of Heart (Montana Skies Book #1) WaterBrook To Neil Rucker, seven months, one week, and a day is too long to wait in between dates. But life as a Spanish language teacher to missionaries in Ecuador affords little opportunity for romance. When his worst student, Jay Jarvis, suggests a respite in Greenville, South Carolina, so begins Neil's delirious summer. Neil sees his chance to meet a sweet succession of southern women, but little does he know that the girls of Greenville are now more elusive than a snowflake in the Ecuadorian jungle. As they church-hop in search of the perfect man, Neil tries to find the perfect girl among the Neapolitan choices: a demanding redhead, a joy-riding blonde, and a very tardy but intriguing girl with raven hair and a pierced eyebrow. Who knew relational gumbo would look like this?

Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World WaterBrook PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLER • Things are about to go from bad to wolf in the howlingly entertaining third book of the beloved Wingfeather Saga, with more than one million copies sold! NOW AN ANIMATED SERIES • Based on Andrew Peterson's epic fantasy novels—starring Jody Benson, Henry Ian Cusick, and Kevin McNally. Executive Producer J. Chris Wall with Shining Isle Productions, and distributed by Angel Studios. Janner, Tink, and Leeli Igiby, the Lost Jewels of Anniera, are hiding from Gnag the Nameless in the Green Hollows, one of the few places in the land of Aerwiar not overrun by the Fangs of Dang. But there's a big problem. Janner's little brother—heir to the throne of Anniera—has grown a tail. And gray fur. Not to mention two pointed ears and long, dangerous fangs. To the suspicious folk of the Green Hollows, he looks like a monster. But Janner knows better. His brother isn't as scary as he looks. He's perfectly harmless. Isn't he? Full of characters rich in heart, smarts, and courage, *The Monster in the Hollows* is a tale children of all ages will cherish, families can read aloud, and readers' groups are sure to enjoy discussing for its many layers of meaning. Extra features include new interior illustrations from Joe Sutphin, funny footnotes, a map of the fantastical world, inventive appendices, and fanciful line art in the tradition of the original Frank L. Baum *Wizard of Oz* storybooks. Can't get enough of Aerwiar? Collect the whole set! ON THE EDGE OF THE DARK SEA OF DARKNESS • NORTH! OR BE EATEN • THE MONSTER IN THE HOLLOWES • THE WARDEN AND THE WOLF KING • WINGFEATHER TALES • PEMBRICK'S CREATUREPEDIA • A RANGER'S GUIDE TO GLIPWOOD FOREST

The God Cookie HarperChristian + ORM

Bring the spark back into your bedroom and your marriage with gutsy and effective advice from bestselling author Michele Weiner-Davis. It is estimated that one of every three married couples struggles with problems associated with mismatched sexual desire. Do you? If you want to stop fighting about sex and revitalize your intimate connection with your spouse, then you need this book. In *The Sex-Starved Marriage*, bestselling author Michele Weiner Davis will help you understand why being complacent or bitter about ho-hum sex might cost you your relationship. Full of moving firsthand accounts from couples who have struggled with the erosion of sexual desire and rebuilt their passionate connection, *The Sex-Starved Marriage* addresses every aspect of the sexual libido problem: If you're the more highly sexed partner, you'll breathe a sigh of relief. At last someone understands your feelings about the void in your marriage. Discover why your pleas for touch have fallen upon deaf ears and why your approach to the lull in your sexual relationship could be a sexual turnoff. Most important, learn new ways to motivate your spouse to take your needs for more physical closeness to heart. If you're the spouse with a lagging libido, you're far from alone. You'll learn about the physiological and psychological factors, including unresolved relationship issues, that may contribute to the chill in your bedroom and what you can do to melt the ice. And if you're a man, you'll be surprised to learn that staggering numbers of men, even men whose sexual machinery works just fine, "get headaches" too! *The Sex-Starved Marriage* will give you and your spouse the inspiration, encouragement, and answers you need.

In the Family Way Thomas Nelson

PUBLISHERS WEEKLY AND ECPA BESTSELLER •

Now in paperback! Once, in a cottage above the cliffs on the Dark Sea of Darkness, there lived three children and their trusty dog, Nugget. NOW AN ANIMATED SERIES • Based on Andrew Peterson's epic fantasy novels—starring Jody Benson, Henry Ian Cusick, and Kevin McNally. Executive Producer J. Chris Wall with Shining Isle Productions, and distributed by Angel Studios. Janner Igbly, his brother, Tink, and their disabled sister, Leeli, are gifted children as all children are, loved well by a noble mother and ex-pirate grandfather. But they will need all their gifts and all that they love to survive the evil pursuit of the venomous Fangs of Dang, who have crossed the dark sea to rule the land with malice. The Igblys hold the secret to the lost legend and jewels of good King Wingfeather of the Shining Isle of Anniera. Full of characters rich in heart, smarts, and courage, *On the Edge of the Dark Sea of Darkness* is a tale children of all ages will cherish, families can read aloud, and readers' groups are sure to enjoy discussing for its many layers of meaning. Extra features include new interior illustrations from Joe Sutphin, funny footnotes, a map of the fantastical world, inventive appendices, and fanciful line art in the tradition of the original Frank L. Baum Wizard of Oz storybooks.

101 Cups of Water Harper Collins

The best days of your life might be still to come... When 73 year old Jen announces that she is going to marry Eddie, a man she met just a few months previously on a beach on Boxing Day, her four best friends from aqua aerobics are flabbergasted. The wedding is booked and, when the groom decides to have a stag trip to Las Vegas, the ladies arrange a hen party to beat all others -a week in the city of love, Paris. From misadventures at the Louvre, outrageous Parisian cabarets, to drinking champagne with a dashing millionaire at the casino, Paris lives up to all their hopes and dreams. But a week can change everything, and the women that come home have very different dreams from the ones who got on the plane just days ago. Funny, fearless and with a joie de vivre that reminds you to live every day like it's your last. Judy Leigh has once again written the perfect feel-good novel for all fans of Cathy Hopkins, Dawn French and Fiona Gibson Praise for Judy Leigh's books: 'Brilliantly funny, emotional and uplifting' Miranda Dickinson 'Lovely . . . a book that assures that life is far from over at seventy' Cathy Hopkins bestselling author of *The Kicking the Bucket List* 'Brimming with warmth, humour and a love of life... a wonderful escapade' Fiona Gibson, bestselling author of *The Woman Who Upped and Left* What readers are saying about *Five French Hens* 'It was laugh out loud funny at times and I would definitely recommend giving it a go.' 'highly amusing and gives her characters depth and feeling.' 'very enjoyable novel which I have no hesitation in recommending.' 'The story was great fun, covered each of the ladies in depth, and was very well-written. I loved it and would highly recommend it.' 'their transformation was absolutely awe-inspiring.' 'I enjoyed every bit of the story!' 'This book has a little bit of everything, romance, humor, and suspense' 'this book is a delightful, poignant read - one that reminds readers that life doesn't end when you reach a certain age - in fact, it just gets better.'

Flabbergasted WaterBrook

In the year 1912, nineteen-year-old Christy Huddleston leaves home to teach school in the Smoky Mountains -- and comes to know and love the resilient people of the region, with their fierce pride, their dark superstitions, their terrible poverty, and their yearning for beauty and truth. But her faith will be severely challenged by trial and tragedy, by the needs and unique strengths of two remarkable young men, and by a heart torn between true love and unwavering devotion. And don't miss another heart-soaring bestseller from Catherine Marshall: Julie

[Will You Be My Friend?](#) Fleming H Revell Company

Alex Lord is thirty and a rising young lawyer at the largest law firm in Orlando. But the demands of his job strain both his marriage and his relationship with his childhood friend. A nuisance lawsuit brought on the firm by an impoverished old man results in an angry confrontation that brings Alex a new mission, to salvage his marriage and to find his soul.

[Courting Trouble](#) Open Road Media

For every time you've tried too hard, fell too far, or struggled too much, the refreshing cups in this book—or reminders of God's infinite grace and mercy—will renew you like cool, clear water after a long, dry walk on a dusty, pitted, uphill road. "I've been a believing Christian since childhood," author C. David Baker explains, "but it's my personal failures that have led me to the deep well of Grace." David poured his dashed hopes, broken dreams, haunting doubts, and paralyzing fear down that well and found all that's collected here, all he, like you, needs for living with peace, joy, and purpose: cool cups of relief, comfort, revival, and sustenance. Because Water Is Life. And 101 Cups of Water Will Quench Your Thirst.

Christy Monarch Books

Anchorman John Barrett knows something is wrong. The story doesn't add up. Prompted by extraordinary spiritual experiences, he begins to uncover a story about abortion that no one wants to hear. [A Delirious Summer \(Flabbergasted Trilogy Book #2\)](#) Baker Books

Kimberly Tucker's life hasn't turned out the way she thought it would. A divorced mother of two, Kim resents her ex-husband for moving on with his life and living it up while she struggles to understand what went wrong. When her sons end up spending five weeks of summer vacation with their father, Kim's own father suggests a respite in the family vacation home on tiny Cedar Key Island. As Kim revisits her childhood memories and loves, she soon discovers that treasures in life are often buried, and mistakes--both past and present--become redeemable in God's hand. Readers will be swept away to an island retreat where they walk alongside Kim as she discovers that God's answers may not come easily, but they do come.