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[Subversive Sabbath](#) Springer

"A SKILLFUL BLEND OF CHARACTER, PHILOSOPHY AND NARRATIVE. . .Formidable personalities embroil themselves in ruthless power struggles that would make a corporate raider blush." --The Washington Post Book World It is 1965, and Charles Ashworth has attained the plum position of bishop of Starbridge, an honor that keeps him in a heady whirl of activity that would exhaust the most seasoned corporate executive. With the invaluable support of his minions and his attractive, unsinkable wife, Ashworth stands against the amorality and decadence of the age--"Anti-Sex Ashworth." He slays his opponents by being a tough, efficient, confident churchman, the torments of his past long since dead and buried. And then the unexpected, the unthinkable, strikes. Suddenly Ashworth finds himself staring into the chasm of all the lies he has been telling himself for years: about his marriage, his children, even his views on the Church. And as he suspects his old nemesis and dean, Neville Aysgarth, of drinking too much, of financial chicanery, of--God forbid--having an affair, Ashworth discovers to his horror that he is tempted to commit the very acts that he has so publicly denounced. . . . "ENTHRALLING. . .Rich, dense, almost indecently entertaining." --San Jose Mercury News "POWERFUL. . .MIRACULOUS." --Booklist (starred review) SELECTED BY THE BOOK-OF-THE-MONTH CLUB The News from Paraguay Fawcett

Where is hope when there is no hope? First-time parents Joe and Tahni Cullen were thrust into the confusing world of autism when their toddler, Josiah, suddenly lost his ability to speak, play, and socialize. The diagnosis: Autism Spectrum Disorder. In their attempts to see Josiah recover and regain speech, the Cullens underwent overwhelming physical, emotional, and financial struggles. While other kids around him improved, Josiah only got worse. Five years later, Josiah, who had not been formally taught to read or write, suddenly began to type on his iPad profound paragraphs about God, science, history, business, music, strangers, and heaven. Josiah ' s eye-opening visions, heavenly encounters, and supernatural experiences forced his family out of their comfort zone and predictable theology, catapulting them into a mind-blowing love-encounter with Jesus. Find hope in hardship. Catch a fresh glimpse of heaven. Learn to hear and trust God ' s voice. Identify the roles of Father, Son, and Spirit. Be aware of the workings of angels, and much more! Follow a trail of truth into Josiah ' s mysterious world, and see why his family and friends can no longer stay silent.

[Introducing Evangelical Ecotheology](#) Mosaic Press (NY)

This book brings together the author's interviews with many prominent figures in fantasy, horror, and science fiction to examine the traditions and extensions of the gothic mode of storytelling over the last 200 years and its contemporary influence on film and media.

[The Age of International Radio](#) Simon and Schuster

Today's church finds itself in a new world, one in which climate change and ecological degradation are front-page news. In the eyes of many, the evangelical community has been slow to take up a call to creation care. How do Christians address this issue in a faithful way? This evangelically centered but ecumenically informed introduction to ecological theology (ecotheology) explores the global dimensions of creation care, calling Christians to meet contemporary ecological challenges with courage and hope. The book provides a biblical, theological, ecological, and historical rationale for earthcare as well as specific practices to engage both individuals and churches. Drawing from a variety of Christian traditions, the book promotes a spirit of hospitality, civility, honesty, and partnership. It includes a foreword by Bill McKibben and an afterword by Matthew Sleeth.

A Question of Integrity Baker Academic  
"Darkly satisfying."—Martha Stewart Living "A diabolical page-turner . . . impossible to put down."—Forbes "Darkly funny."—Fashionista "As

awesome as it sounds."—Book Riot A thrilling take on the fashion world, #FashionVictim is Dexter meets The Devil Wears Prada. Fashion editor Anya St. Clair is on the verge of greatness. Her wardrobe is to die for. Her social media is killer. And her career path is littered with the bodies of anyone who got in her way. She ' s worked hard to get where she is, but she doesn ' t have everything. Not like Sarah Taft. Anya ' s obsession sits one desk away. Beautiful, stylish, and rich, she was born to be a fashion world icon. From her beach-wave blonde hair to her on-trend nail art, she ' s a walking editorial spread. And Anya wants to be her friend. Her best friend. Her only friend. But when Sarah becomes her top competition for a promotion, Anya ' s plan to win her friendship goes into overdrive. In order to beat Sarah...she ' ll have to become her. Friendly competition may turn fatal, but as they say in fashion: One day you ' re in, and the next day you ' re dead.

[Redeeming How We Talk](#) Cambridge University Press

Doctors' Wives' Disease is not an imaginary ailment. For, in the closed, inbred society of a great medical center, these women, the wives of superbly successful physicians, are driven by loneliness, boredom, and frustration along forbidden pathways. And alcohol, drugs, and promiscuity become their alternatives to despair. A radio bulletin tears the camouflage from the apparent prosperous tranquility of the community: "A prominent Weston physician has just shot and killed his wife. A man, with the victim at the time and identified only as another doctor, was also seriously wounded." Five doctors' wives hear the announcement, and each one of them comes with despair and terror to realize that her husband, himself, just might be involved in the scandal—either as philanderer or killer. Where has trust gone? And where is love? Beneath this scandalous and passionate picture of human weakness, is a tale, perhaps even more striking: and that is Dr. Slaughter's brilliant, minute, expert's picture of the urgent business of an ultramodern hospital. His descriptions—in fascinating detail—of a heart operation and a brain operation, are breathtakingly suspenseful, and based on the most advanced medical and surgical knowledge.

[Woman of Rome](#) Harper Collins

An "emotion-packed" New York Times –bestselling saga by the author of Cashelmara, set on a Welsh family estate in the early twentieth century (San Francisco Chronicle). Tucked in the hills of South Wales is Oxmoon, the ancestral estate of the Godwin family. In the summers before 1914, music streams through the family home as the Godwins, at the height of their prosperity, dance in the ballroom with their guests. But despite the remarkable talents of heir-apparent Robert Godwin, the fates have a rough, tough ride planned for him and those he loves. Fortunes shift during two world wars, disastrous love affairs leave the family battered, and finally jealousy threatens to destroy Oxmoon and all it symbolizes. Based on a true story that has been updated to modern times, The Wheel of Fortune is a timeless tale of love, hatred, revenge, redemption, and forgiveness. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Susan Howatch including rare photos and never-before-seen documents from the author ' s personal collection.

[Debates in British Politics Today](#) BroadStreet Publishing Group LLC

The first science fiction course in the American academy was held in the early 1950s. In the sixty years since, science fiction has become a recognized and established literary genre with a significant and growing body of scholarship. The Cambridge History of Science Fiction is a landmark volume as the first authoritative history of the genre. Over forty contributors with diverse and complementary specialties present a history of science fiction across national and genre boundaries,

and trace its intellectual and creative roots in the philosophical and fantastic narratives of the ancient past. Science fiction as a literary genre is the central focus of the volume, but fundamental to its story is its non-literary cultural manifestations and influence. Coverage thus includes transmedia manifestations as an integral part of the genre's history, including not only short stories and novels, but also film, art, architecture, music, comics, and interactive media.

[Ultimate Prizes](#) University of Chicago Press

The biblical model for church leadership is found not only in pastors but also in teams of elders who oversee, shepherd, teach, equip and guide the community into God's mission. In this practical guide, J.R. Briggs and Bob Hyatt unpack the role, character and posture of a mission-oriented elder. [Faith Speaking Volumes](#)

The author ' s most famous and well-loved work, the Starbridge series, six self-contained yet interconnected novels that explore the history of the Church of England through the 20th century.

[Renegade Magic](#) Open Road Media

Twelve-year-old Kat tries to use her untrained magical powers to prevent use of the wild magic of Sulis Minerva found in Bath, England, where Stepmama has brought the family in hopes of finding Kat's sister a proper match. [Sins of the Fathers](#) Fawcett

The third in Susan Howatch's Church of England novels, Ultimate Prizes begins in 1942 with the world at war, as narrator and archdeacon Nevill Aysgarth finds himself falling into a hopeless

obsession over Dido Tallent, beautiful celebrity, and finds himself pursuing her through a swamp of guilt and the destruction of his valued moral compass. . . . Praise for Ultimate Prizes " I did not want to put the book down. . . . [Howatch] is a skilled storyteller who makes the reader wonder and care about her people. " —The Washington Post Book World " Thoughtful and thought-provoking . . . Almost every newspaper carries an article or two on the scandalous private life of a public figure. . . . Ultimate Prizes offers a look at both the sacred and profane aspects of religious life as it is lived on the front lines—the story just behind the front page. " —Chicago Tribune " Howatch writes thrillers of the heart and mind. . . . Everything in a Howatch novel cuts close to the bone and is of vital concern. . . . You ' ll want to have tea with this wise, witty woman. " —New Woman " Vibrant . . . The author of Glittering Images and Glamorous Powers scores a hat trick with this third novel in her series set amidst the ' cut-and-thrust battles ' and ' sheer Machiavellian skulduggery ' of the Church of England. " —Kirkus Reviews

The Chateau Crooked Lane Books  
Young, lonely, and insecure, Alice Fletcher is on the verge of emotional collapse when she stumbles into St. Benet's Church to dodge the London drizzle. There, she witnesses a group of gifted healers led by the charismatic Nicholas Darrow. Gaining refuge at last, Alice is drawn--inexorably, seductively--into the complex network of relationships at St. Benet's healing center--as she falls immediately, dangerously, in love with Darrow himself. Yet Darrow and his cutting-edge clergy are not all what they seem. And while Nicholas's dazzling powers now threaten to ruin all he attempts to save--including his own disturbed marriage--Alice's devotion to him deepens. Then a devastating tragedy transports her to the shocking center of truth. Yet fueled by her love for Nicholas and a boldly emerging intuition, she will hold together the lives spinning wildly out of control--as she herself is transformed forever.

Scandalous Risks American Library Association  
A significant contribution to our understanding of the role of media in the shaping of our age! International radio has been a very in the significant instrument in the evolution of media and as an instrument of foreign policy for many nations. It has also undergone major transformations over the past 50 or more years. Every major political power, many countries around the world, and many other quasi-national bodies and organisations, such as the Vatican, have used international radio to get their

messages disseminated internationally. THE AGE OF INTERNATIONAL RADIO examines the many players, organisations and national agencies which have been active in the arena of international radio. The volume unravels the many transformations and evolutions of international radio and focuses on Radio Canada International, RCI, which has been one of the prime players in the field. The intent of the volume, as the author states, is "...through a discussion of successive comparative and internal program evaluations, to reveal, if not a full picture, at least a reasonable glimpse of the output of RCI and several international broadcast organizations during the last two decades."

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Through every turn of the biblical story, God's people are a wandering people. When they are rescued from slavery in Egypt, God sends them into the desert, where they wander for a generation. Jesus and his disciples wander from town to town. In fact, some of God's most important truths are imparted to people with dusty feet as they travel on the road. With his trademark thoughtful introspection, A. J. Swoboda boldly suggests that wandering is not an absence of faith but a central component of faith. In *The Dusty Ones*, he leads the restless, the frustrated, and the curious on a spiritual journey to uncover the answers to questions like - Do I wander because I'm failing or because God has left me? - Is the desert something I can overcome? - Why is God sometimes "hidden" in the Bible? - What do I do when the end seems nowhere in sight? This compassionate and contemplative book offers hope and peace to Christians and seekers alike as they make their way down the winding road of faith.

[The Good Gift Giver](#) Ballantine Books

Deftly combining the sacred and the profane—the unmistakable hallmark of her fiction over the past decade—Susan Howatch gives us a spellbinding, suspenseful and psychologically intense new novel. The financial heart of London—the City—is an adrenaline-charged square mile deep in recession in the 1990s, a place where sex is just another commodity to be bought and sold in the marketplace. And the City is where the life of Gavin Blake, who sells sex to high flyers, is finally about to unravel. In the center of the City is St. Benet's, a church that ministers to the casualties of this affluent but amoral society. Carta Graham, the St. Benet's fundraiser, is at once attracted to Gavin when they meet through a mutual friend, but slowly she realizes that she has entered a relationship far more complex than she could ever have imagined. Gavin is desperate to escape from his world of prostitution, pornography and violence, but as his involvement with Carta and St. Benet's deepens, the dangers that encircle him escalate until his life itself is on the line. Carta is determined to help him—but will their mysterious journey together be lifesaving or soul-destroying? All she can do is fight her hardest to help Gavin survive. Consistently surprising and powerfully moving, *The Heartbreaker* is Susan Howatch's most gripping novel yet.

[The Wheel of Fortune Dell](#)

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows." James 1:17 NIV Joe and Tahni Cullen's life spun into supernatural mode when their seven-year-old, nonverbal autistic son, Josiah, who had never been traditionally taught to read or write, suddenly typed his first independent sentence on an iPad: God is a good gift giver. As told in the book *Josiah's Fire*, God unlocked Josiah's spiritual senses to the deep joys of heaven—renewing their hope, joy, and excitement for God's Word, power, and presence. Josiah's gems on their *Josiah's Fire* Facebook page delight people from around the world with his wise, thought-provoking insights. This 21-day devotional unites three inspired voices—Tahni Cullen, Josiah Cullen, and Cheryl Ricker—as they share Josiah's revelatory quotes, personal stories, Scripture for meditation, and prompts for reflection. You will see that blessings come in unexpected forms, personally prepared for you by the good gift giver himself. When received as gifts, these blessings will increase your gratitude, joy, and hope.

[The Wonder Worker](#) Open Road Media

Best Books About the Church from Byron Borger, Hearts and Minds Bookstore "I thought God had called me to plant this church. Why did we have to shut our doors after only three years?" "I was at my breaking point. Then I got the news that our nine-year-old daughter had leukemia. I would have quit ministry forever, but I had no other employable skills." "False

accusations were made against me and my family, wrecking our reputation permanently and forcing us to leave not only the church, but move out of the area." "I've served my church for the past 27 years and I've grown that church from 150 to 24 people." What do we do when we've failed? Some ministries are shipwrecked by moral failures like affairs or embezzlement. But for most of us, the sense of failure is more ordinary: disillusionment, inadequacy, declining budgets, poor decisions, opposition, depression, burnout. Many pastors are deeply broken and wounded, and we come to doubt that God has any use for us. J.R. Briggs, founder of the Epic Fail Pastors Conference, knows what failure feels like. He has listened to pastors who were busted in a prostitution sting or found themselves homeless when ejected from ministry. With candid vulnerability, Briggs explores the landscape of failure, how it devastates us and how it transforms us. Without offering pat answers or quick fixes, he challenges our cultural expectations of success and gives us permission to grieve our losses. Somehow, in the midst of our pain, we are better positioned to receive the grace of healing and restoration.

[Josiah's Fire](#) Alien Ebooks

As the Jack-of-All-Wicked-Trades for a secretive French military intelligence agency, Lieutenant Kingsley Boissonneault has done it all—spied, lied, and killed under orders. But his latest assignment is quite out of the ordinary. His commanding officer's nephew has disappeared inside a sex cult, and Kingsley has been tasked with bringing him home to safety. The cult's holy book is "Story of O," the infamous French novel of extreme sado-masochism. Their châteaueau is a looking-glass world where women reign and men are their willing slaves. Or are they willing? It's Kingsley's mission to find out. Once inside the châteaueau, however, Kingsley quickly falls under the erotic spell cast by the enigmatic Madame, a woman of wisdom, power, and beauty. She offers Kingsley the one thing he's always wanted. But the price? Giving up forever the only person he's ever loved.

[Jitterbug Perfume](#) Simon and Schuster

The New York Times bestselling novel about a powerful Wall Street family in the 1920s and the illicit affair that threatens their empire. During the Roaring Twenties, Paul Van Zale is the undisputed king of the financial industry, an influential man of great wealth, unparalleled power, enormous ego, and insatiable appetites. He's also exactly what Dinah Slade is looking for: a millionaire susceptible to seduction who can rescue her endangered ancestral estate and make her dream of creating her own business empire come true. All it takes is one look at the intoxicating young Englishwoman—"delivered" in secret to his London office—and all thoughts of his wife and other mistresses are instantly banished from Van Zale's mind. But their ensuing love affair has repercussions that will shake the foundations of the banking tycoon's Wall Street firm, especially when his dynamic, impulsive right-hand man also falls victim to Dinah's vibrant sensuality. Perhaps graver still is her effect on Van Zale's family, among whom greed, rage, and jealousy are prime motivating factors. And as the boom of the twenties gives way to the despair of the Great Depression, everything threatens to come tumbling down in an avalanche of treachery and murder. Inspired by the love triangle involving Caesar, Cleopatra, and Mark Antony, the author of *Sins of the Fathers* and *The Wheel of Fortune*—known for writing "impressive fiction imbued with moral questions"—presents an unforgettable saga of an American dynasty in the tumultuous years between the two world wars (Publishers Weekly). This ebook features an illustrated biography of Susan Howatch including rare photos and never-before-seen documents from the author's personal collection.