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Girl Meets Change InterVarsity Press

Winner of the 2021 Christian Book Award® (Bible Study Category)

Enter the Story of Ruth Like Never Before through This 6-Week Bible Study Ruth was a vulnerable, widowed woman starting over in a foreign land. While Naomi was returning to community, Ruth was setting herself up to be the odd one out her whole life. What gave her the strength to do it? Could it be that she sensed all along that her journey away from Moab was a journey toward home? The story of Ruth is a remarkable tale of bravery, calling, and God's provision, and it will come to life in new ways as you dig deep in this 6-week Bible study. Tessa Afshar, author of award-winning biblical and historical fiction, teaches you how to study the text, discern meaning, pray through it, and live it out. She'll show you how to draw on the same strength and courage that Ruth did and accept God's invitation to new beginnings in your own life. This Bible study also includes optional teaching videos that can be purchased separately to enrich your study.

The Best Yes Harvest House Publishers

Your Invitation Awaits... You've tried harder. You've been more intentional. You've done everything "right." In your search for meaning and purpose, you've placed your hope in many different things—only to find yourself at a turning point, quietly asking, Is this it? Is this all there is? If the direction of your life is leading you away from peace, contentment, and true fulfillment, Emily Lex has some great news to share with you: God is offering you a better way. A way of real rest. A way of quiet confidence. A way to free yourself from expectations. A way to become the person he created you to be. A way to learn his unforced rhythms of grace. Do you breathe a sigh of hope when you hear this holy and gentle invitation from Jesus? "Come to me... Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly." If so, then you are ready to accept his offer to recover and renew your life. Start your journey today.

Invitation to Retreat Kregel Academic

The perfect gift! A specially priced, beautifully designed hardcover edition of *The Joy of the Gospel* with a foreword by Robert Barron and an afterword by James Martin, SJ. "The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus... In this Exhortation I wish to encourage the Christian faithful to embark upon a new chapter of evangelization marked by this joy, while pointing out new paths for the Church's journey in years to come." – Pope Francis This special edition

of Pope Francis's popular message of hope explores themes that are important for believers in the 21st century. Examining the many obstacles to faith and what can be done to overcome those hurdles, he emphasizes the importance of service to God and all his creation. Advocating for "the homeless, the addicted, refugees, indigenous peoples, the elderly who are increasingly isolated and abandoned," the Holy Father shows us how to respond to poverty and current economic challenges that affect us locally and globally. Ultimately, Pope Francis demonstrates how to develop a more personal relationship with Jesus Christ, "to recognize the traces of God's Spirit in events great and small." Profound in its insight, yet warm and accessible in its tone, *The Joy of the Gospel* is a call to action to live a life motivated by divine love and, in turn, to experience heaven on earth. Includes a foreword by Robert Barron, author of *Catholicism: A Journey to the Heart of the Faith* and James Martin, SJ, author of *Jesus: A Pilgrimage*

Women & Identity Simon and Schuster

God's invitations to rest, follow, remember or repent may seem less compelling than your to-do list. But Adele Calhoun believes invitations like these can heal, restore and shape where we go, what we do and who we become. Here she includes reflection questions, exercises and disciplines to help you attend to the quiet voice of the Great Inviter.

8 Habits for Growth InterVarsity Press

What beliefs are core to the Christian faith? This book is here to help you understand the reason for your hope as a Christian so that you can see it with fresh sight and invite others into the conversation. A lot of Christians take their story—the narratives that give rise to their beliefs—for granted. They pray, go to church, perhaps even read their Bible. But they might be stuck if a stranger asked them to explain what they believe and why they believe it. Author, pastor, and theologian Mike Horton unpacks the essential and basic beliefs that all Christians share in a way that is easy to understand and applicable to our lives today. And in a way that will make you excited to be a Christian! Core Christianity covers topics like: Jesus as both fully God and fully man. The doctrine of the Trinity. The goodness of God despite a broken world. The ways God speaks. The meaning of salvation. What is the Christian calling? Includes discussion questions for individual or group use. This introduction to the basic doctrines of Christianity is perfect for those who are new to the faith, as well as those who have an interest in deepening their understanding of what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ.

God's Invitation to You InterVarsity Press

Should Your Heart Be Tested or Trusted? Many believers are convinced they have a "deceitful" and "wicked" heart that is not to be trusted. Theirs is a faith of duty and obligation—only a faint imitation of the full and abundant life Jesus promised. This provocative book invites you to a radically different approach, an inspiring move from head to heart that affects every aspect of your life: how you handle conflict, how you communicate with and love others, and how you view yourself and God. There's a place of purity within you where Jesus lives. God calls you to live from this perfect place—not merely from your head, but from your

heart. Knowing the perfect you means no more waiting for closeness with God. Knowing the perfect you brings a freedom in Jesus that you've never experienced before. "In this captivating book, Andrew Farley and Tim Chalas invite you to celebrate God's perfect (and accurate!) view of you." —BART MILLARD, singer/songwriter for MercyMe

Trusting God's Timing InterVarsity Press

Would you like to live into your yes? Christine Wagoner invites you to be attentive to the movements of the Spirit and engage with opportunities God gives you on your spiritual journey. Sharing about her own yes moments as well as those of others, Wagoner offers practical tools for living a life of openness to the invitations of God in our lives.

Peace with God InterVarsity Press

God is to be found in the simplest of our daily activities and especially through total surrender to whatever is His will for each of us. That is the message of this 18th-century inspirational classic by Jean-Pierre de Caussade. Its encouragement to live in the present moment, accepting everyday obstacles with humility and love, has guided generations of seekers to spiritual peace and holiness. In this timeless spiritual classic, de Caussade presents the simple, profound gospel message that Jesus lived and taught: My meat is to do the will of my Father in heaven. The author states, The will of God gives to all things a supernatural and divine value for the soul submitting to it. The duties it imposes and those it contains become holy and perfect because everything it touches shares its divine character. This special volume of the famous spiritual treatise also includes the many insightful letters of Father de Caussade on the practice of self-abandonment. These numerous letters provide a great additional source of wisdom and much practical guidance for how to grow in abandonment and to deepen our union with God in our daily lives. De Caussade shows that this practice of self-abandonment to God's will is the key to attaining true peace and virtue, and that it is readily available to all people - from beginners to those well advanced in the spiritual life. He also shows how to determine what God's will is for us. He reveals that it is not extraordinary feats that God expects for our growth in holiness, but rather heroic attention to every detail in our lives and humble acceptance of our daily lot in life as coming from His hand. The rich spiritual lessons in this book have stood the test of time, offering real and practical assistance to all people because its message is simple and clear, one that the reader will find to be a rare treasure of inspiration and direction to be referred to again and again.

The Way Home InterVarsity Press

We live only a small fraction of the lives God has for us, circling around the demands of the present moment while God whispers softly or even hollers for us to harness our whole hearts. These nine sessions LifeGuide® Bible Study follow the biblical themes as well as the journeys of women showing the way to embracing God's strength and wisdom to live whole lives.

The Four Invitations Moody Publishers

Church boards and other Christian leadership teams have long relied on models adapted from the business world. Ruth Haley Barton, president of the Transforming Center, helps teams transition to a much more fitting model—the spiritual community that practices discernment together.

Chasing Francis Zonderkidz

There are four universal invitations presented to us during our lives, a synthesis of the greatest common denominators embedded in our life experiences, religious faiths, and secular thought. To God, they are truths; to humankind, they are the Four Invitations - God invites us to accept and choose to:

- Follow God equally regardless of the path we choose
- Assess without judging through our biases or issues
- Engage and respond to others with love
- Connect and spend time with God in worship

The Four Invitations are invitations that challenge us to think differently, see differently, do differently, and live differently. They are invitations from God, given to us through the transformational insights of spiritual leaders. They are invitations from the world that prompt us to respond appropriately. They are invitations from our lives that ask us to apply them in the appropriate situations. The Four Invitations - documented in religious scriptures, world literature, systematic observation, and artistic expression - are undiluted guidance to humankind. It is our human existence that transforms them from truths to invitations.

They are the foundation of our relationships, with God and others, where we follow from different places, with different cultures and spiritual beliefs, comprised of different people and backgrounds. Each of the Four Invitations consists of and is supported by:

- a central idea and definition to frame it
- Original insights and observations
- the challenges and practices of application
- examples from spiritual teachings and scientific research
- quotes from religious and worldly thinkers
- singular paintings, diagrams, and footnotes

The Four Invitations are not a substitute for practicing a spiritual faith, but an invitation to put our faith into practice. The content of each Truth can be discussed and taught within the context of any religious faith by any follower of God. The Four Invitations are a pragmatic approach that simplifies our spiritual paths in a complex world, reducing our deviation, and ultimately connects us to God.

The Practice of the Presence of God (操練神的同在) Moody Publishers

I Am Loved shares the unique insights and wisdom of the last disciple to walk with Jesus in this in-depth study of the book of 1 John. Wendy wrote this book for every woman longing to live out God's unconditional love. Her teaching compels you to walk in the fullness of God's love — because His love truly changes everything! This study will help you: Develop a more intimate understanding of God's love Transform your attitude and actions into reflections of God Identify and discern God's truth from false teaching Confront barriers keeping you from experiencing God's complete love Boldly and confidently walk as a woman loved Includes biblical and historical background insights, practical application, group discussion questions, and a memory verse for each week. This study may be completed individually or with a small group. This study can also be used with the five-session video to develop a more intimate understanding of God's love that will transform your attitude and actions into reflections of Him.

Designed for use with the I Am Loved Video Study (sold separately).

Finding Your Yes Thomas Nelson

The Kids' Travel Guide series takes children from kindergarten through 5th grade on life-impacting explorations that engage them with activities, stories, prayer, and much more. Each of the seven themed Kids' Travel Guides includes 13 imaginative, interactive Bible lessons. Lead your Sunday school or midweek program on a travel adventure packed with fun activities, creative options, and take-home pages that kids tuck into their very own travel journals. Kids' Travel Guide to the Lord's Prayer takes kids on journeys filled with stories, activities, ideas, and fun as they travel through the power of prayer. In 13 lessons, you'll use Jesus' guide to prayer to show children how God relates to them, and how they can relate to God Additional Features include: Tour Guide Tips: Ideas teachers can use to adapt the lesson for different ages. Items to Pack: Supplies and props for the journey. Scenic Routes: to give you more creative options for kids. Fun Facts: Jokes and interesting tidbits related to the lesson. Reproducible Handouts: Games, and journal "souvenirs". Kids' Travel Guide Series includes: Kids' Travel Guide to the Beatitudes (9781470704230) Kids' Travel Guide to the Lord's Prayer (9780764425240) Kids' Travel Guide to the 10 Commandments (9780764422249) Kids' Travel Guide to the Parables (9780764470134) Kids' Travel Guide to the 23rd Psalm (9780764440052) Kids' Travel Guide to the Fruit of the Spirit (9780764423901) Kids' Travel Guide to the Armor of God (9780764426957)

Undeserved Merit Hyweb Technology Co. Ltd.

Whether chosen and celebrated--like going off to college or welcoming your first baby--or unexpected and anxiety-inducing--like losing a job or grappling with a broken trust--all change brings stress. Kristen Strong knows about change--especially the kind you didn't choose or expect. What she's fought hard to learn over the years is that change is not something to be feared but something to be received as a blessing from a God who, more often than not, works through change, not in spite of it. Strong has learned to see change not as a grievance but as a grace. In this hope-filled book, she shows women how when we follow God's will, we receive blessings of contentment, purpose, and renewed strength. She encourages women to see change not as the end of their story but as the scenery for this part of life's journey. And she offers practical advice for coping with change in every part of life. Anyone who has struggled to adjust to

life's transitions will welcome this warm and personal perspective.

Stop Asking Jesus Into Your Heart Revell

“ If there were a Guinness Book of World Records entry for ‘ amount of times having prayed the sinner ’ s prayer, ’ I ’ m pretty sure I ’ d be a top contender, ” says pastor and author J. D. Greear. He struggled for many years to gain an assurance of salvation and eventually learned he was not alone. “ Lack of assurance ” is epidemic among evangelical Christians. In Stop Asking Jesus Into Your Heart, J. D. shows that faulty ways of presenting the gospel are a leading source of the confusion. Our presentations may not be heretical, but they are sometimes misleading. The idea of “ asking Jesus into your heart ” or “ giving your life to Jesus ” often gives false assurance to those who are not saved—and keeps those who genuinely are saved from fully embracing that reality. Greear unpacks the doctrine of assurance, showing that salvation is a posture we take to the promise of God in Christ, a posture that begins at a certain point and is maintained for the rest of our lives. He also answers the tough questions about assurance: What exactly is faith? What is repentance? Why are there so many warnings that seem to imply we can lose our salvation? Such issues are handled with respect to the theological rigors they require, but Greear never loses his pastoral sensitivity or a communication technique that makes this message teachable to a wide audience from teens to adults.

Kids' Travel Guide to the Lord's Prayer Group Publishing (Company)

God ’ s Unconditional Love shows how we meet God ’ s love in our places of shame and darkness and how distorted images of God such as the judging God, the indifferent God, the demanding God—keep us from approaching the God revealed by Jesus.

The Things which My Father Saw B&H Publishing Group

What is the difference between receiving the grace of God and accepting it? What does it take to accept this perfect gift from God and accept it as your own? Is it even possible to live completely in grace? Undeserved Merit tries to seek out the answers to these questions by diving into what the Word of God says about the grace of God and the supposed value that God gives His children.

Robinson pours his journey of forgiveness and grace on these pages in hopes that it might impact anyone around the world and teach them how to invite Jesus into their suffering. Through mentorship, constant reading, and perpetually praying, he found that there was nothing that Jesus couldn't do. Including breaking down the internal barrier that he put up.

God's Unconditional Love Zondervan

From the very beginning of the church, Christians have found it helpful to pause for prayer during various times of the day. Whether for morning or evening devotions or other fixed-time prayers, such spiritual respites were deemed essential to worshiping God. Over the years, Christians developed a structure for such moments of worship, keyed to the time of day and season of the year. Part of its genius was the seamless integration of Scripture and prayer. This ancient practice, called the "Daily Office," has experienced a resurgence of use in our time. "Seeking God's Face" is a user-friendly approach to this form of prayer and devotion. Each office includes a psalm of praise, a passage of Scripture, and a brief set of prayers. An introduction to prayer-book use from Eugene Peterson is included to acclimate readers to this form. This edition features 11.5 point type that makes for comfortable reading without straining.

Core Christianity Thomas Nelson

In The Set-Apart Woman, women of all ages will be encouraged to stay grounded in Jesus amid the many distractions and temptations of their daily lives. Biblical truths will help readers understand what it means to live the consecrated life, set apart for God ’ s purposes. Readers will apply these truths to practical areas of struggle that women face on a daily basis, such as sinful attitudes and patterns and other hindrances to our souls.

Knowing Christ Today Ignatius Press

What happens when the pastor of a mega church loses his faith? Discover one man ’ s life-changing journey to resolve his crisis of

faith in Italy by retracing the footsteps of Francis of Assisi, a saint whose simple way of loving Jesus changed the history of the world. Pastor Chase Falson lost his faith in God, the Bible, evangelical Christianity, and his super-sized megachurch. When he fell apart, the church elders told him to go away—as far away as possible. Broken, Chase crossed the Atlantic to Italy to visit his uncle, a Franciscan priest. There, he was introduced to the revolutionary teachings of Saint Francis of Assisi and found an old, but new way of following Jesus that heals and inspires. Chase Falson's spiritual discontent mirrors the feelings of a growing number of Christians who walk out of church asking, Is this all there is? This book is perfect for believers who are: Weary of celebrity pastors and empty calorie teaching Disappointed by worship services where the emphasis is more on Lights, Camera, Action than on Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Tired of the deepest questions of life remaining unaddressed and unanswered Remain hopeful and seek to strengthen their faith Hidden in the past lies the future of the church. Explore the life of a saint who 800 years ago breathed new life into disillusioned Christians and a Church on the brink of collapse. Chasing Francis is a hopeful and moving story with profound implications for those who yearn for a more vital relationship with God and the world.