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"A perceptive and practical book about why our calendars so rarely reflect our priorities and what we can do to regain control."—ADAM GRANT "Carey's book will help you reorganize your life. And then you can share a copy with someone you care about."—SETH GODIN You deserve to stop living at an unsustainable pace. An influential podcaster and thought leader shows you how. Overwhelmed. Overcommitted. Overworked. That's the false script an inordinate number of people adopt to be successful. Does this sound familiar: ? Slammed is normal. ? Distractions are everywhere. ? Life gets reduced to going through the motions. Tired of living that way? At Your Best gives you the strategies you need to win at work and at home by living in a way today that will help you thrive tomorrow. Influential podcast host and thought leader Carey Nieuwhof understands the challenges of constant pressure. After a season of burnout almost took him out, he discovered how to get time, energy, and priorities working in his favor. This approach freed up more than one thousand productive hours a year for him and can do the same for you. At Your Best will help you ? replace chronic exhaustion with deep productivity ? break the pattern of overpromising and never accomplishing enough ? clarify what matters most by restructuring your day ? master the art of saying no, without losing friends or influence ? discover why vacations and sabbaticals don't really solve your problems ? develop a personalized plan to recapture each day so you can break free from the trap of endless to-dos Start thriving at work and at home as you discover how to be at your best.

[I Kissed Dating Goodbye Moody Publishers](#)

This is the moving story of Matt Chandler's battle with a potentially fatal brain tumor. But it's also the stories of those in his church family who taught him, and teach him, how to walk with joy in sorrow. Readers will find encouragement and strength to get through tough times, or to support others to do so.

[Joy in the Sorrow: How a Thriving Church \(and Its Pastor\) Learned to Suffer Well Xulon Press](#)

"This book is bold and strong and unapologetic. Unflinching, even. Joy Beth doesn't back down from those hard conversations that need to be happening, not just in our churches but in our small groups, our social circles, our relationships." —Mandy Hale, creator of *The Single Woman* and New York Times bestselling author Did you enter adulthood thinking marriage would naturally find you, only to end up at a second-cousin's wedding, dodging yet another bouquet the night before you turned thirty? Maybe you've started wondering, is this the best the single life has to offer? Joy Beth Smith says it's not. The single life doesn't have to be the runner-up version of God's best. It doesn't have to leave you constantly waiting for "real life" to begin. Party of One offers a trade: let go of the tired lies weighing you down and turn toward truth. Understand that: You don't have to be married to be wise. You don't have to be a mother to have supernatural love. You don't have to own a home to be hospitable. Singleness is not meant to be pitied, shamed, fixed, or even ignored. It is to be celebrated. God doesn't promise you a husband, but he does promise comfort, intimacy, and satisfaction. With humor, self-awareness, and been-there perspective, Party of One delves into the insecurities and struggles of singleness and encourages you to find the good, the true, and the beautiful, to dive headfirst into community, and to stop pressing pause on a life you never expected.

[For the Strength of Youth WaterBrook](#)

[BOOTY CALL IN THE CHURCH Carolyn Denise Pastors, Deacons, Choir members, and members all fall prey or are themselves the culprit to the growing number of sexually active Single or adultery committing Christians. "I would love to see you in a bathing suit." The married pastor said to the church member. "Will you be my booty partner?" The deacon asked. This book goes into great detail as it dares to talk about what no one wants to talk about but all know is happening in our churches today, Booty Calls! Carolyn Denise, author of \*A Mother's Tongue\*. Overcoming Verbal Abuse. is use to dealing with tough controversial issues. The once homeless Carolyn now a published author, public speaker, college grad and home owner, can be reached at NyLoRac Enterprises Inc. PO Box 608355, Orlando, FL 32860-8355 phone number 321-251-4915 You can also contact Carolyn Denise at \[www.goodnewsfromthehood.com\]\(http://www.goodnewsfromthehood.com\) or email her at \[carolyndenisekemp@msn.com\]\(mailto:carolyndenisekemp@msn.com\)](#)

[Relationship Goals Thomas Nelson](#)

From looking outwardly to please others to looking inwardly to define ourselves, we constantly try to cultivate or construct our identities. But guided by the whims of culture or the faulty advice of tradition, we often find identity collapses when life falls apart or change threatens that fragile structure. Is it possible to discover an identity bolstered with unassailable confidence, strengthened for the challenges of life rather than destroyed by them, and free from the whims of cultural pressure? Yes! It is an identity received, not achieved—an identity established in the gospel. In *Stop Trying*, Cary Schmidt's storytelling creates compelling scenes in which you'll see yourself and your self. You'll understand why defining your identity outside of Jesus Christ is ultimately fragile, hollow, and unsatisfying. And you'll discover that your truest and most fulfilling identity is a byproduct of a relationship that changes everything.

[Stop Dating The Church! Zondervan](#)

Life Is Never Mainly About Love and Marriage. So Learn to Live and Date for More. Many of you grew up assuming that marriage would meet all of your needs and unlock God's purposes for you. But God has far more planned for you than your future marriage. Not Yet Married is not about waiting quietly in the corner of the world for God to bring you "the one," but about inspiring you to live and date for more now. If you follow Jesus, the search for a spouse is no longer a pursuit of the perfect person, but a pursuit of more of God. He will likely write a love story for you different than the one you would write for yourself, but that's because he loves you and knows how to write a better story. This book was written to help you find real hope, happiness, and purpose in your not-yet-married life.

[Goodbye Jesus McGraw Hill Professional](#)

This doctoral dissertation demonstrates that Revelation was written prior to the destruction of the Jewish Temple in AD 70, and that it was prophesying that event. It proves this early date for Revelation by providing both internal evidence from within Revelation and external evidence from Church history and tradition.

[The Hound of Heaven Zondervan](#)

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • A candid, inspiring guide to finding lasting love and sustaining a healthy relationship by getting real about your goals—based on the viral, multi-million-view sermon series about dating, marriage, and sex "No matter where you are and no matter what stage of life you are in, Relationship Goals will be a game changer."—Levi Lusko NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY COSMOPOLITAN You scroll through photo after photo of happy couples and think, I want a relationship like that! The thing is, those intimate relationships are a mirage—the closer you get to them, the more you realize they aren't real at all. So what does a real relationship look like? And how do you get there? In *Relationship Goals*, Pastor Michael Todd digs deep to give you good news and real-life ideas for making the most of your most important relationships. Take a look at • what it means to choose intentional dating over recreational dating • how to move on from mistakes you've made in the past • why love gets stronger after marriage • what the Bible has to say about sex (hot take: it's more sizzling than you think) • why the best friendships have God at the center Whether you are married, single, or it's complicated, aiming for the right targets will make all the difference in finding true satisfaction. As it turns out, God's got the best relationship goals of all for your life. Why settle for less?

[Disappointment with God Baker Books](#)

"Christians belong in churches—the only places where we can thrive and grow spiritually. In *Why Church Matters*, Joshua Harris makes this case with wisdom, clarity, and graciousness." —Charles W. Colson Church isn't where we go. It's who we are. We were never meant to live our faith in isolation. The church is the place God uses to grow us, encourage us, and use our gifts for His glory. In this honest, personal, and practical book, Joshua Harris shows you why it's time to say yes to church and how to find the right one for you—the place where you can fall in love with the family of God. Includes: What you miss when you miss church Ten questions to ask before you join How to get more out of the best day of the week What Readers are Saying: "This book shows the place of great honor that church holds in Christ's heart and encourages us to value what He values. I've bought multiple copies to give away." --Mike Neglia; Cork, Ireland "Josh Harris does an excellent job of addressing our impulse to church hop." --Garrett Watkins; Atlanta, Georgia "When our family was in the midst of a transition, *Why Church Matters* helped us find the right local church. It will do the same for you." --Andrew Hall; Ilderton, Ontario Previously published as *Stop Dating the Church*

[Notes on Love Moody Publishers](#)

Acts is the sequel to Luke's gospel and tells the story of Jesus's followers during the 30 years after his death. It describes how the 12 apostles, formerly Jesus's disciples, spread the message of Christianity throughout the Mediterranean against a background of persecution. With an introduction by P.D. James

[Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God WaterBrook](#)

In *Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus*, now expanded with bonus content, Nabeel Qureshi describes his dramatic journey from Islam to Christianity, complete with friendships, investigations, and supernatural dreams along the way. Providing an intimate window into a loving Muslim home, Qureshi shares how he developed a passion for Islam before discovering, almost against his will, evidence that Jesus rose from the dead and claimed to be God. Unable to deny the arguments but not wanting to deny his family, Qureshi struggled with an inner turmoil that will challenge Christians, Muslims, and all those who are interested in the world's greatest religions. Engaging and thought-provoking, *Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus* tells a powerful story of the clash between Islam and Christianity in one man's heart—and of the peace he eventually found in Jesus. "I have seldom seen such genuine intellect combined with passion to match ... truly a 'must-read' book."—Ravi Zacharias

[To Date or Not to Date David C Cook](#)

No part of the Bible goes unstudied in this book's search for God's hidden nature.

[Paris Talks Canongate Books](#)

Christian principles and guidelines for women who are waiting for the right man and for married women who have the right man.

[Lady in Waiting Grand Central Publishing](#)

"Gilda, a twenty-something, atheist, animal-loving lesbian, cannot stop ruminating about death. Desperate for relief from her panicky mind and alienated from her repressive family, she responds to a flyer for free therapy at a local Catholic church, and finds herself being greeted by Father Jeff, who assumes she's there for a job interview. Too embarrassed to correct him, Gilda is abruptly hired to replace the recently deceased receptionist Grace. In between trying to memorize the lines to Catholic mass, hiding the fact that she has a new girlfriend, and erecting a dirty dish tower in her crumbling apartment, Gilda strikes up an email correspondence with Grace's old friend. She can't bear to ignore the kindly old woman, who has been trying to reach her friend through the church inbox, but she also can't bring herself to break the bad news. Desperate, she begins impersonating Grace via email. But when the police discover suspicious circumstances surrounding Grace's death, Gilda may have to finally reveal the truth of her mortifying existence."—Amazon.

[Before Jerusalem Fell Crossway](#)

Purpose Driven Romance The last thing singles want is more rules. But if you're looking for an intentional, God-pleasing game plan for finding a future spouse, Joshua Harris delivers an appealing one. A compelling new foreword, an all-new "8 Great Courtship Conversations" section, and updated material throughout makes this five-year revision of the original *Boy Meets Girl* a must-have! Harris illustrates how biblical courtship—a healthy, joyous alternative to recreational dating—worked for him and his wife. *Boy Meets Girl* presents an inspiring, practical example for readers wanting to pursue the possibility of marriage with someone they may be serious about. Are you ready for "romance with purpose"? If you're fed up with self-centered relationships that end in disillusionment, it's time to rethink romance. Finding the loving, committed relationship you want shouldn't mean throwing away your hopes, your integrity, or your heart. In *Boy Meets Girl*, Joshua Harris—the guy who kissed dating goodbye—makes the

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case for courtship. As old-fashioned as it might sound, courtship is what modern day relationships desperately need. Think of it as romance chaperoned by wisdom, cared for by community, and directed by God's Word. Filled with inspiring stories from men and women who have rediscovered courtship, *Boy Meets Girl* is honest, romantic, and refreshingly biblical. Keep God at the center of your relationship as you discover how to:

- Set a clear course for your romance
- Get closer without compromise
- Find support in a caring community
- Deal with past sexual sin
- Make the right decisions about your future

New! Courtship Conversations Eight ideas for great dates that will help grow and guide your relationship. Story Behind the Book "I wrote *I Kissed Dating Goodbye* to challenge singles to drop the worldly approach to serial dating and reconsider the way they pursued romance in light of God's Word. Since then, I've received letters asking questions like, So, what comes between friendship and marriage? and, How can you know when you are ready for marriage? *Boy Meets Girl* answers those questions. Now as a happily married man I can look back on my courtship with Shannon and see from personal experience that God is faithful. If you trust Him enough to wait on romance in dating, He will lovingly guide you as you pursue it in courtship...right to that wonderful moment when you kneel together at the altar." — Joshua Harris

[No More Crumbs](#) InterVarsity Press

In this delightfully witty and uplifting book, thirty-something Lauren Windle shines a light on the trials and tribulations - and sometimes also the triumphs - of the world of Christian dating. This is not a how-to guide. Like having a coffee with your mates while you pore over your profile matches, heartbreaks and hilarious mishaps, *Notes on Love* draws on Lauren's own experiences of being single and dating in the Church to offer a funny, insightful and open-hearted collection of musings on the absurdity, messiness, pain and joy of it all. With notes on 'How to first date' and 'A million ways to meet people' to 'Disappointment' and 'Schrodinger's boyfriend', as well as looking at how you can find true love with yourself, your friends and family and above all in Christ, *Notes on Love* is a thought-provoking exploration of Christian relationships in the Church today. This is a book for anyone who has struggled with dating in Church, or who has asked themselves how to be single as a Christian only to discover there's no right answer. Warm, generous and honest, *Notes on Love* is an invitation to laugh, cry and know that whether you are male or female, single, coupled up or somewhere in between, you are not alone.

**Don't Call It a Comeback (Foreword by D. A. Carson)** Multnomah

Welcome back to Virgin River with the books that started it all... Reverend Noah Kincaid moved to Virgin River to reopen an abandoned church he bought on eBay. Like Noah, the place is a little empty inside, but all it may need is some loving care... The young widower arrives ready to roll up his sleeves and build a place of worship and welcome, but he needs some help. And the Lord works in mysterious ways. With her tight shirts and short skirts, pastor's assistant is not a phrase that springs to mind when Noah meets brassy, beautiful Ellie Baldwin. The former exotic dancer needs a respectable job so she can regain custody of her children. And Noah can't help but admire her spunk and motherly determination. Noah and Ellie are an unlikely team to revitalize a church, much less build a future. The couple has so many differences, but in Virgin River anything is possible, and happiness is never out of the question.

**Boy Meets Girl** Zondervan

A groundbreaking book--based on years of the same thorough research that made the "Dress For Success" books national bestsellers--about how women can statistically improve their chances of getting married.

**True Love Dates** Energion Publications

Journey through the pages of ancient biblical history. Relive the saga of a man whose hopelessness reached far beyond poverty and hunger, into the bottomless abyss of one who no longer lives, but merely exists. His name was Mephibosheth, the displaced grandson of King Saul. He eats scraps off the floor and pathetically settles for life's leftovers. His life might, sadly, be like your own. You too might be rejected, confused and without hope as God's promises seem so far away. Yet, like Mephibosheth, and other men and women of God in the Bible, you can find God's provision and restoration. You can break through the desert of existence into the oasis of God's abundant life.

*The Voices We Carry* Simon and Schuster

Issues of gender and sexuality are intrinsic to people's experience: their sense of identity, their lives and the loving relationships that shape and sustain them. The life and mission of the Church of England – and of the worldwide Anglican Communion – are affected by the deep, and sometimes painful, disagreements about these matters, divisions brought into sharper focus because of society's changing perspectives and practices, especially in relation to LGBTI+ people. *Living in Love and Faith* sets out to inspire people to think more deeply both about what it means to be human, and to live in love and faith with one another. It tackles the tough questions and the divisions among Christians about what it means to be holy in a society in which understandings and practices of gender, sexuality and marriage continue to change. Commissioned and led by the Bishops of the Church of England, the *Living in Love and Faith* project has involved many people across the Church and beyond, bringing together a great diversity and depth of expertise, conviction and experience to explore these matters by studying what the Bible, theology, history and the social and biological sciences have to say. After a Foreword from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, the book opens with an invitation from the Bishops of the Church of England to embark on a learning journey in five parts: Part One sets current questions about human identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage in the context of God's gift of life. Part Two takes a careful and dispassionate look at what is happening in the world with regard to identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage. Part Three explores current Christian thinking and discussions about human identity, sexuality, and marriage. In the light of the good news of Jesus Christ, how do Christians understand and respond to the trends observed in Part Two? Part Four considers what it means for us as individuals and as a church to be Christ-like when it comes to matters of identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage. Part Five invites the reader into a conversation between some of the people who have been involved in writing this book who, having engaged with and written Parts One to Four, nevertheless come to different conclusions. Amid the biblical, theological, historical and scientific exploration, each part includes Encounters with real, contemporary disciples of Christ whose stories raise questions which ask us to discern where God is active in human lives. The book ends with an appeal from the Bishops to join them in a period of discernment and decision-making following the publication of *Living in Love and Faith*. The *Living in Love and Faith* book is accompanied by a range of free digital resources including films, podcasts and an online library, together with *Living in Love and Faith: The Course*, a 5-session course which is designed to help local groups engage with the resources, also published by Church House Publishing.