

## The Hollywood Commandments A Spiritual Guide To Secular Success

The bestselling author returns with his biggest book yet in which he teaches us the secret to living a happier life: get rid of as many expectations as possible—of ourselves, our future, our relationships, our career and our family. Expectations are the secret software, running on the hardware of our minds, controlling our emotions, decisions, and actions. How? Think about your life. How much of the sadness you feel derives from what you think should have happened—than with what actually happened? Think about your career. How much of the discontent you feel comes from your belief about where you'd be at this point—than with the progress you've actually made? Think about your relationships. How much of your dissatisfaction with friends, family, significant others, or spouses has to do with your unspoken presumptions—than with the people themselves? Having so many expectations is distorting your perspective, decreasing your happiness and disrupting your joy. You can live a life of true freedom, greater peace and less stress: release as many expectations as possible. This, DeVon Franklin argues, is the secret to a better life now. In a culture obsessed with more, *Live Free* is a bold counterintuitive book that can start a cultural revolution, Franklin contends. Everyone struggles with unnecessary expectations. But once you learn to let go of them, you can set the stage for the life you've always wanted.

*The Hollywood Commandments: A Spiritual Guide to Secular Success* HarperCollins  
Is God Just a Distant Concept? An Award-Winning Religion Correspondent is Convinced the Answer is No and Explores the Possible Relationship with Our Creator  
Fox News Religion Correspondent Lauren Green uses her wealth of stories, vast network of contacts, and her own extensive study of theology to take the reader on a unique journey of spiritual discovery. With few female authors writing in the field of theology, Green provides an important perspective to all who wish to move closer to not only a deeper relationship with God but an understanding of what makes that possible. Green gathers insight from some amazing guides along the way, through personal conversations with some of the leading minds in the world on the topic of Christianity. These include: Timothy Keller John Piper Alister McGrath William Lane Craig John Lennox Sir John Polkinghorne Amy Beckman Elizabeth Lev ... and many more Is God simply an accessory that we carry with us? Something similar to what we might download from a music site to suit our personal tastes—a personal assistant in a way? Or is He His law, His structure, and His authoritative Word contained in the Holy Scripture, an objective reality to which you daily shape your life? If we believe or know we should believe that it's the latter, how do we make this happen? How do we live joyfully under God's will in a world so drenched in the will of human desire? *Lighthouse Faith* explores the heart of the Christian doctrine and a pathway of perceiving God as an interactive hands-on presence; a caring and loving being. The first commandment is a life-giving force loaded with information about the world in which we live. This law stands atop the other nine commandments as a beacon of light, illuminating the created order, just as a lighthouse lamp shines in a darkened space, heralding a way to safety. *You Can Destroy What Steals Your Strength* Just like Superman, who can leap over any hurdle and defeat every foe, followers of Christ have the supernatural ability to conquer the challenges we face. But the problem for both Superman and us is there's

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a kryptonite that steals our strength. Of course, both Superman and kryptonite are fictional. But spiritual kryptonite is not. This book offers answers to why so many of us are unable to experience the divine strength that was evident among first-century Christians. In *Killing Kryptonite*, John Bevere reveals what this kryptonite is, why it's compromising our communities, and how to break free from its bondage. Not for the faint of heart, *Killing Kryptonite* is anything but a spiritual sugar high. This is serious truth for any Christ-follower who longs to embrace the challenging but rewarding path of transformation. Includes discussion questions for group study

Introduces young readers to Catholic beliefs as expressed in the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

*After the Altar Call: The Sisters' Guide to Developing a Personal Relationship With God* is a fresh, real and relevant how-to manual for African-American Christian women who desire to move past the "church speak" and into an intimate relationship with their Creator. What makes this book unique from other "relationship with God" books is that this book is written from an African-American perspective and spans a variety of issues typically not included in one book--from being thrice-married to leaving the Jehovah's Witnesses. The book includes interviews with 24 remarkable women with compelling stories such as the "The View" co-host Sherri Shepherd; Valorie Burton, life coach, author and co-host on the Emmy award-winning show "Aspiring Women" and the former co-host of the national daily television program, "The Potter's Touch" with Bishop T.D. Jakes; and Bishop Vashti Murphy McKenzie, the 117th elected and consecrated bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and the first woman elected to Episcopal office in over 200 years of A.M.E. history.

The subject of continuity and discontinuity between the Testaments is one of the "hot button" issues in theology today. How many of the laws in the Old Testament are Christians to obey today and how many are fulfilled and done away in Christ? Some theologians divide the Law of Moses into three lists of laws: "the ceremonial law, the civil law, and the moral law (the Ten Commandments)." The ceremonial and civil laws have been fulfilled, but the moral law is still in effect without change. Any suggestion that the Ten Commandments have been altered or dropped in any sense earns the label "antinomian." This book affirms the following: the Ten Commandments are a vital part of a Christian's rule of life, not as they were written on the tablets of stone for Israel (Exodus 34:27, 28), but as they were interpreted and applied by Christ and His apostles. Our Lord raised the moral standard in the Sermon on the Mount and in the epistles. He changed some laws, dropped some laws, and added some laws. He never contradicted Moses, but He did contrast His new and higher law with Moses. The real issue is this: Does Jesus replace Moses as a new lawgiver in the same sense that He replaces Aaron as high priest? Is Jesus a new lawgiver, or is He merely the final interpreter of Moses? The answer comes as part of a larger question about continuity and discontinuity. When we discuss "covenants," there is total discontinuity--the Old Covenant, in its entirety, has been replaced by the New Covenant. If we discuss God's one unchanging purpose in sovereign grace, there is one hundred percent continuity. Declare God's Word in your life every day with insightful reflection, relevant Scripture, and space for your own thoughts and revelations in this helpful companion guide from Lakewood Church pastor Joel Osteen. Words have power. Whenever we speak something either good or bad, we give life to what we are saying. In his bestselling

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book, *I Declare*, Pastor Joel Osteen reveals 31 declarations that can bring God's favor and blessing to the reader's life in a greater way. Now, Joel Osteen offers a practical tool that will help ensure that what you say about yourself and others are positive, inspiring, and encouraging. In this personal application guide, you will also see how God helps you see His favor and blessings every day. So if you want to know what life will be like five years from now, take this faithful companion in hand, and begin the next 31 days with the only One who has the power to bless the future.

Jodorowsky's memoirs of his experiences with Master Takata and the group of wisewomen--magiciennes--who influenced his spiritual growth • Reveals Jodorowsky turning the same unsparing spiritual vision seen in *El Topo* to his own spiritual quest • Shows how the author's spiritual insight and progress was catalyzed repeatedly by wisewoman shamans and healers

In 1970, John Lennon introduced to the world Alejandro Jodorowsky and the movie, *El Topo*, that he wrote, starred in, and directed. The movie and its author instantly became a counterculture icon. The *New York Times* said the film "demands to be seen," and *Newsweek* called it "An Extraordinary Movie!" But that was only the beginning of the story and the controversy of *El Topo*, and the journey of its brilliant creator. His spiritual quest began with the Japanese master Ejo Takata, the man who introduced him to the practice of meditation, Zen Buddhism, and the wisdom of the koans. Yet in this autobiographical account of his spiritual journey, Jodorowsky reveals that it was a small group of wisewomen, far removed from the world of Buddhism, who initiated him and taught him how to put the wisdom he had learned from his master into practice. At the direction of Takata, Jodorowsky became a student of the surrealist painter Leonora Carrington, thus beginning a journey in which vital spiritual lessons were transmitted to him by various women who were masters of their particular crafts. These women included Doña Magdalena, who taught him "initiatic" or spiritual massage; the powerful Mexican actress known as La Tigresa (the "tigress"); and Reyna D'Assia, daughter of the famed spiritual teacher G. I. Gurdjieff. Other important wisewomen on Jodorowsky's spiritual path include María Sabina, the priestess of the sacred mushrooms; the healer Pachita; and the Chilean singer Violeta Parra. The teachings of these women enabled him to discard the emotional armor that was hindering his advancement on the path of spiritual awareness and enlightenment.

DeVon Franklin, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Wait* and prominent Hollywood producer, reveals that secular and spiritual success are not opposites. To have one, you need the other. You can be wildly successful without losing your faith. In fact, your secular success will strengthen your faith if you allow it. Too often we believe that success in secular environments contradicts the core principles of faith, but the opposite is true: Your faith was designed to thrive in the secular world and to transform it as a result. You may never experience the true fulfillment you were created for until you pursue the secular ambitions in your heart. *New York Times* bestselling author DeVon Franklin knows this to be true. In *The Hollywood Commandments*, the prominent Hollywood producer and spiritual success coach reveals 10 life-changing lessons picked-up from his over-twenty-year career in the entertainment business. You won't learn these lessons in the church yet they will help you achieve an amazing life and thriving career that glorifies God. *The Hollywood Commandments* will help you: Identify how to use what makes you unique to propel your career. Overcome fear and build the courage to pursue new opportunities waiting for you. Gain the confidence to

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make important life decisions with greater peace and clarity. Negotiate the life and career advancement you deserve. No, you don't have to work in Hollywood for this book to work for you, these "commandments" apply to every walk of life! If you are stuck, looking for the secrets to advance your career, or have a feeling there's more to life, this book is for you.

A wonderfully clear and concise, yet complete exploration of the validation of the Ten Commandments for life today.

**Baby Boomer Alert** Get ready for the next prime of your life! Today we're living so much longer and more productively that age sixty has truly become the new age forty-the prime of life when our careers are in full swing, our minds are at their most creative, and our passions burn their hottest. -Mark Victor Hansen and Art Linkletter So how do we ensure that our bodies remain fit, our minds alert and creative, our finances stable-even growing-throughout our senior years? TV icon Art Linkletter (incredibly active in several enterprises at the age of 94) and Chicken Soup for the Soul® cocreator Mark Victor Hansen team up to show us how. Much more than a pep talk about maintaining a youthful attitude in our Second Prime, *How to Make the Rest of Your Life the Best of Your Life* provides tools we can use: strategies, self-tests, worksheets and resources, plus dozens of inspiring stories and humorous anecdotes. Woven together by the authors' own invincible spirits, these empowering principles come alive as Hansen and Linkletter motivate us to find greater purpose and passion in what we do, making the rest of our lives the best ever.

Want to get in touch with your spiritual side? *Spirituality For Dummies*. 2nd Edition, shows you how to use spiritual principles to understand and improve your life, empower you mind, and nourish your soul. Complete with a CD filled with calming, spiritual music, it is your personal guide to serenity and spiritual healing. Spiritual philosopher Sharon Janis shows you how to discover the deeper calling of your soul, survive and thrive through adversity, and look at the world with optimism. You'll learn how to use meditation, yoga, prayer, and journaling for inward reflection and to spark new vistas as you unfold your own spiritual wisdom and move forward on your spiritual journey in your own individual way. You'll find similarities and differences among a variety basic spiritual concepts from different religious and philosophical traditions, and you'll discover how to: Find your spiritual path Uplift your body, mind, and spirit Fulfill your greatest dreams Spiritualize your relationships Cultivate your spiritual virtues Increase your inner peace and happiness Turn troubles into triumphs Recognize yourself as a co-creator Be a VIP: a very inspired person The companion CD that accompanies this gentle guide brings you more than 60 minutes of inspirational music from around the world. It features the author and other artists performing songs and chants from Christian, Jewish, Buddhist, and Hindu traditions in their native languages. Note: CD-ROM/DVD and other supplementary materials are not included as part of eBook file. Foreword by Robert Morris When Jesus needed help, He went to the Helper. Where do you go? If Jesus needed help, we all do. *Spirit-Filled Jesus* explores the role of the Holy Spirit in and through the life of Jesus, revealing aspects of His life that have not been examined before and helping you see how this applies to you. In understanding how Jesus lived His life through the power of the Holy Spirit, you will learn how to: Maintain emotional health even during hardship Redeem your relationships with friends, family, and enemies Be perfected through suffering Forgive others as Jesus forgives you



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Defeat the demonic with five God-given weapons Everyone knows the Holy Spirit as the Helper but may not realize He helped Jesus. Jesus resisted temptation, endured suffering, and overcame Satan, all by the power of the Spirit. You can do the same. The Spirit that empowered Jesus also lives in you! God wants us not only to admire the life of Jesus and reflect it in our lives but also to experience the same source of life-giving power that Jesus did. ?

A daily devotional based on the New York Times bestselling *The Wait*, filled with inspiring readings about how having the patience to wait for God's best—instead of grasping for what you want right now—can transform your life. In *The Wait*, DeVon Franklin and Meagan Good, a Hollywood power couple who famously saved sex for marriage, shared the life-changing message that waiting—rather than rushing—can be the key for finding the person you're meant to be with. Now, their powerful message is reflected again in *The Wait Devotional*. Filled with scripture, prayers, and DeVon and Meagan's trademark conversational style, this 90-day devotional is packed with real-time advice for men and women trying to successfully navigate the ins and outs of dating, love, and relationships. You'll discover how waiting for everything—from sex to getting engaged—can transform your entire life by giving you greater patience, joy, peace, healing, faith, and love. Whether you're waiting for the right person to come along or you're searching for the strength to put intimacy on hold, *The Wait Devotional* can help you slow down and trust in God's perfect timing, day by day.

"At the heart of the Christian message is God Himself waiting for His redeemed children to push in to conscious awareness of His Presence." - A.W. Tozer David was a man after God's own heart. He slew Goliath, ruled Israel and wrote such inspiring scriptures as Psalm 139. Yet David had an affair with Bathsheba, breaking multiple commandments including having Bathsheba's husband murdered. How can we guard our walk and prevent catastrophic mistakes like those that David made? How can we lead a life that bears the fruit of an effective faith? God's Word realistically portrays authentic people of faith. Their true stories are preserved for us as teachable moments. Are we listening? *Before God's Face* takes a practical approach drawing from Biblical stories and modern parallels to help us draw near to God as we learn the simple spiritual discipline of *coram Deo* - living in God's presence. Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, Lord. (Psalm 89:15)

The provocative and authoritative history of the origins of Christian America in the New Deal era We're often told that the United States is, was, and always has been a Christian nation. But in *One Nation Under God*, historian Kevin M. Kruse reveals that the belief that America is fundamentally and formally Christian originated in the 1930s. To fight the "slavery" of FDR's New Deal, businessmen enlisted religious activists in a campaign for "freedom under God" that culminated in the election of their ally Dwight Eisenhower in 1952. The new president revolutionized the role of religion in American politics. He inaugurated new traditions like the National Prayer Breakfast, as Congress added the phrase "under God" to the Pledge of Allegiance and made "In God We Trust" the country's first official motto. Church membership soon soared to an all-time high of 69 percent. Americans across the religious and political spectrum agreed that their country was "one nation under God." Provocative and authoritative, *One*

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Nation Under God reveals how an unholy alliance of money, religion, and politics created a false origin story that continues to define and divide American politics to this day.

Offers advice on personal finance and creating wealth based on the principles of Jewish tradition.

“In her long and extraordinary career, Cicely Tyson has not only succeeded as an actor, she has shaped the course of history.” –President Barack Obama, 2016 Presidential Medal of Freedom ceremony “Just as I Am is my truth. It is me, plain and unvarnished, with the glitter and garland set aside. In these pages, I am indeed Cicely, the actress who has been blessed to grace the stage and screen for six decades. Yet I am also the church girl who once rarely spoke a word. I am the teenager who sought solace in the verses of the old hymn for which this book is named. I am a daughter and a mother, a sister and a friend. I am an observer of human nature and the dreamer of audacious dreams. I am a woman who has hurt as immeasurably as I have loved, a child of God divinely guided by his hand. And here in my ninth decade, I am a woman who, at long last, has something meaningful to say.” –Cicely Tyson

DeVon Franklin, New York Times bestselling author of *The Wait* and prominent Hollywood producer, reveals that secular and spiritual success are not opposites. To have one, you need the other. Are you tired of living a life paralyzed by fear? Are you anxious to break free of the “beware mentality” that has kept generations of well-meaning people living beneath the fullness of their calling? You’re unfulfilled because you’ve been convinced that you would lose your faith if you pursued the secular ambitions God has put in your heart. However, until you pursue those ambitions you will miss out on the fullness of God and the success you were created to have. For too long there’s been a line drawn between the spiritual and the secular, and we have been conditioned to believe that if we cross this line in either direction, we will have gone too far. It’s time to break down this barrier so you are free to go further than any believer has gone before. *The Hollywood Commandments* combines spiritual teachings with secular strategies to help you achieve unprecedented success and live the life you were destined to live.

A spirited and sweeping account of how the crusades really worked—and a revolutionary attempt to rethink how we understand the Middle Ages. The story of the wars and conquests initiated by the First Crusade and its successors is itself so compelling that most accounts move quickly from describing the Pope's calls to arms to the battlefield. In this highly original and enjoyable new book, Christopher Tyerman focuses on something obvious but overlooked: the massive, all-encompassing and hugely costly business of actually preparing a crusade. The efforts of many thousands of men and women, who left their lands and families in Western Europe, and marched off to a highly uncertain future in the Holy Land and elsewhere have never been sufficiently understood. Their actions raise a host of compelling questions about the nature of medieval society.

How to Plan a Crusade is remarkably illuminating on the diplomacy, communications, propaganda, use of mass media, medical care, equipment, voyages, money, weapons, wills, ransoms, animals, and the power of prayer during this dynamic era. It brings to life an extraordinary period of history in a new and surprising way.

Candace Cameron Bure first became known to millions as a co-star on the hit ABC television series Full House. Today, like her brother Kirk Cameron (Growing Pains, Fireproof), she is the rare Hollywood actor who is outspoken about her Christian faith and how it helps overcome certain obstacles. Bure's healthy lifestyle has been featured in US Weekly and People magazines as well as national talk shows including The View and NBC's Today. In Reshaping It All, she continues the story, inspiring women to embrace a healthier lifestyle by moving faith to the forefront, making wise choices, and finding their worth in the eyes of God. Candace shares a candid account of her struggle with food and ultimately her healthy outlook on weight despite the toothpick-thin expectations of Hollywood. More than a testimony, here is a motivational tool that will put readers on the right track and keep them there. In addition to practical advice, Candace offers a biblical perspective on appetite and self control that provides encouragement to women, guiding them toward freedom. Includes 16-page black and white photo insert.

Best-selling author Myles Munroe reveals in this book the key to personal fulfillment: purpose. We must pursue purpose because our fulfillment in life depends upon our becoming what we were born to be and do. In Pursuit of Purpose will guide you on that path to finding God's purpose for your life.

STRAIGHT FROM HOLLYWOOD comes a dynamic business model for building a thriving career without compromising your faith. DeVon Franklin, vice president of production for Columbia Pictures, shares how being bold about his Christian faith while being driven and ambitious has actually helped him to excel in a high-profile, fast-paced, competitive industry. You are the movie. Produced by Faith parallels each step of the Hollywood filmmaking process with the faith-making process God uses to turn your career into a success. You will discover that it is possible to be both wildly successful and completely committed to God—and that you will be even more successful when you place your faith at the center of your career. You can unleash the power of your faith as your greatest professional advantage and use the compass of God's Word to guide you to your true passion and purpose in life. In this informative, inspiring book, DeVon reveals the secrets to maintaining your faith while advancing in your career. Here he shows you:

- How to discover The Big Idea for your life
- How to take your career to the next level
- How to recognize the signs God sends you that indicate when it's time to move in a new direction
- How to stand firm on your Christian principles without compromise
- How to work with people who don't understand your beliefs
- How to choose a profession, industry, or company that is in tune with your purpose

DeVon says, "I know from my own experiences that if you will put

your career in God's hands and trust him, you can't account for all the ways he will bless you. When you step out in faith, he will open doors and bring you opportunities that will surpass even your wildest expectations. . . . If I have learned anything, it's this: to get where you want to go, you first have to become the person God wants you to be."

The authors discuss the circumstances that brought them together and their decision to abstain from sex until marriage.

Rest your mind, body, and spirit and focus on God's principles for keeping the Sabbath with this helpful guide from bestselling author Robert Morris. A constant stream of busyness can slowly wear away at us over time: physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually. Yet believers often forget that taking a day of rest is one of the Ten Commandments! When we don't give our minds and emotions a break, our will to make good choices can often become compromised. Resting is also important to those around you. If you have a weary soul, you can't pour yourself into others at home, work, or wherever you are. It's vital -- you must take the day off. In *Take the Day Off*, Pastor Morris explains why rest is central to your wellbeing, how to do it, and how helpful it can be. You will be inspired to experience true rest and make it a priority in the rhythm of your weekly schedule. Don't wait and delay God's blessings in your life. Start implementing the principle of rest in your life and you will see eternal benefits.

From New Age spirituality, to Bible-based Christianity, to Scientology, to Buddhist retreats, to meditation classes, to Atheism studies, to the mega-church of the nation's top TV preacher, journalist Ken Baker immerses himself in a range of spiritual practices side by side with the celebrity set, revealing a Hollywood that is deeper, more questioning and more God-centered than you'd ever imagine.

Do you have a real relationship with God, or do you just have a religion? Do you know God, or do you just know about God? In *How Big Is Your God?* Paul Coutinho, SJ, challenges us to grow stronger and deeper in our faith and in our relationship with God—a God whose love knows no bounds. To help us on our way, Coutinho introduces us to people in various world religions—from Hindu friends to Buddhist teachers to St. Ignatius of Loyola—who have shaped his spiritual life and made possible his deep, personal relationship with God.

From bestselling author Stormie Omartian comes a brand-new look at one of God's most amazing gifts to those who believe in Him: the Holy Spirit. Readers can walk in the power and presence of the Holy Spirit in every area of life. With a sure hand, Stormie helps readers to see that the Holy Spirit wants those who know Him to hear His gentle leading when He speaks to their heart, soul, and spirit. He wants to help believers enter into the relationship with God they yearn for, the wholeness and freedom God has for them, and the fulfillment of God's promises to them. He wants to lead them. As readers trust in the Holy Spirit and His great love for them, they will be filled with His mind, knowledge, wisdom, understand their special calling, and sense His guidance in the way they should go.

A few minutes of prayer and meditation--a deeper connection with God Prayer and meditation go hand in hand. Even a few moments in stillness can help us better embody Jesus's likeness. Open your mind and heart to Him with *Meditations on Christ*, a meditation journal with 27 meditations to deepen your faith. The thoughtful prompts and blank writing pages of this meditation journal make it easy to absorb and reflect on Biblical truths--while gaining the stress-relieving benefits of meditation. Discover how to integrate meditation practices into your modern Christian life. Explore a wide variety of meditations, paired with scriptural passages and prayers that you can make your own. The open-ended topics in this meditation journal can apply to your own experiences at work, at home, or at church. Inside this guided meditation journal, you'll find: Meditate and reflect--Each meditation includes a Biblical verse, a unique prayer and meditation practice, and two journal prompts. Guided by Scripture--Choose from



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meditations on joy, patience, faithfulness, and other qualities the Bible calls the "Fruit of the Spirit." Space for the Spirit--The beautifully illustrated format of this meditation journal includes room for you to write as you reflect on each prompt. Find God's guidance, clarity, and peace every day with Meditations on Christ--a guided meditation journal for your Christian faith.

Charles M. Schulz's Peanuts comic strip franchise, the most successful of all time, forever changed the industry. For more than half a century, the endearing, witty insights brought to life by Charlie Brown, Snoopy, Linus, and Lucy have caused newspaper readers and television viewers across the globe to laugh, sigh, gasp, and ponder. A Charlie Brown Religion explores one of the most provocative topics Schulz broached in his heartwarming work--religion. Based on new archival research and original interviews with Schulz's family, friends, and colleagues, author Stephen J. Lind offers a new spiritual biography of the life and work of the great comic strip artist. In his lifetime, aficionados and detractors both labeled Schulz as a fundamentalist Christian or as an atheist. Yet his deeply personal views on faith have eluded journalists and biographers for decades. Previously unpublished writings from Schulz will move fans as they begin to see the nuances of the humorist's own complex, intense journey toward understanding God and faith. "There are three things that I've learned never to discuss with people," Linus says, "Religion, politics, and the Great Pumpkin." Yet with the support of religious communities, Schulz bravely defied convention and dared to express spiritual thought in the "funny pages," a secular, mainstream entertainment medium. This insightful, thorough study of the 17,897 Peanuts newspaper strips, seventy-five animated titles, and global merchandising empire will delight and intrigue as Schulz considers what it means to believe, what it means to doubt, and what it means to share faith with the world.

The New York Times bestselling author of *The Wait* and "spiritual teacher for our times" (Oprah Winfrey) frankly and openly explores why men behave the way they do and what everyone—men and women alike—need to know about it. We hear it all the time. Men cheat. Men love power. Men love sex. Men are greedy. Men are dogs. But is this really the truth about men? In this groundbreaking book, DeVon Franklin dishes the real truth by making the compelling case that men aren't dogs but all men share the same struggle. He provides the manual for how men can change, both on a personal and a societal level by providing practical solutions for helping men learn how to resist temptation, how to practice self-control, and how to love. But *The Truth About Men* isn't just for men. DeVon tells female readers everything they need to know about men. He offers women a real-time understanding of how men's struggles affect them, insights that can help them navigate their relationships with men and information on how to heal from the damage that some misbehaving men may have inflicted. This book is a raw, informative, and accessible look at an issue that threatens to tear our society apart yet it offers a positive way forward for men and women alike.

Keeping the Lord's Day holy is obeying the 4th of the 10 commandments, which are commandments and not suggestions. And as Jesus states they are here until Heaven and Earth pass away (Matt 5:17-20). The church from the Book of Acts time gathered on the first day of the week, the day Jesus was resurrected, calling it the "Lord's Day" and set it aside as their sabbath – 1 Cor 16:1-2, Acts 20:7 & Rev 1:9, keeping it holy and wholly for God in worship, giving, Bible study, church, prayer, evangelising (and not for worldly things, sports, restaurants, shopping, TV etc). This is a most neglected command today, but it was not neglected in church history. Many of the greatest revivalists and reformers in Church history preached and kept the Lord's Day holy such as: John Wesley, DL Moody, Charles Spurgeon, David Livingstone, William Wilberforce, Hudson Taylor, Charles Finney, William Booth, George Whitfield and many others who have massively impacted the church. In fact during times of revival it is highly significant that revivals were always accompanied by a renewal and revival of keeping the

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sabbath day (the Lord's day) as well. Exodus 20:8-11 (The 4th Commandment) "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy."

Jesus was not afraid to shake people up. He spoke openly of their sinful nature and the righteousness of God. He forced people to confront their sin head-on, and He brought them face-to-face with their need for salvation — because He loved them. Who do you know who isn't saved? If they died tonight, where would they spend eternity? Do you care? If so, what are you doing to help them? The Way of the Master will put a great tool into your hand and will teach you how to share the message of the gospel simply, biblically, and without fear — the way Jesus did! You will become equipped to confidently lead anyone — friend, family member, coworker, neighbor, or stranger on the street — to a clear understanding of repentance and what it means to be a true and active follower of Jesus Christ.

In this New York Times bestseller, Hollywood power couple DeVon Franklin and Meagan Good candidly share their courtship and marriage, and the key to their success—waiting. President/CEO of Franklin Entertainment and former Sony Pictures executive DeVon Franklin and award-winning actress Meagan Good have learned firsthand that some people must wait patiently for “the one” to come into their lives. They spent years crossing paths but it wasn't until they were thrown together while working on the film *Jumping the Broom* that their storybook romance began. Faced with starting a new relationship and wanting to avoid potentially devastating pitfalls, DeVon and Meagan chose to do something almost unheard of in today's society—abstain from sex until they were married. DeVon and Meagan share the life-changing message that waiting—rather than rushing a relationship—can help you find the person you're meant to be with. *The Wait* is filled with candid his-and-hers accounts of the most important moments of their relationship and practical advice on how waiting for everything—from dating to sex—can transform relationships, allowing you to find a deep connection based on patience, trust, and faith.

This book provides a new introduction to the study of Christian spirituality, exploring it through the human sciences and ranging from philosophy and hermeneutics to psychology, history, sociology and anthropology. Systematic and progressive, it introduces the key approaches and shows how they relate to the understanding, study and practice of spirituality. Covering a vast amount of ground - from traditional themes such as images of God, spiritual direction and pilgrimage to more contemporary issues, such as place and space, cyberspace and postcolonialism - the author takes an ecumenical, inclusive stance, allowing the book to be used in a wide variety of courses and across denominations.

Author John Wesley Downey, in his first non-fiction book, creatively combines basic Judeo-Christian beliefs with the simplest and most compelling concepts of Eastern religions such as Buddhism and Hinduism to give readers *The Ten Commandments of Spirituality*. By combining basic spiritual concepts from multiple religions with pop

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