

## The Relationship Principles Of Jesus Tom Holladay

Is adulthood a curse? What should I do with all these participation trophies? As young adults try to figure things out and answer deep, soul-heavy questions, they're given flak for living in "extended adolescence." In a world that insists we can (and should) have it all, *Adulting for Jesus* uses humor to offer topical advice and encouragement for those who are asking, "Is this really all there is?" Develop realistic expectations and a healthy, godly outlook on life for: relationships calling blessings serving sabbath social media anxiety Readers will find that by learning to laugh at themselves and find humor in situations, the reduced stress and anxiety makes the ride so much more enjoyable. Most importantly, the more young adults learn about God and see His faithfulness in their lives, the more they grow to love His will, even if it's not exactly what they imagined.

Just as Jesus shows us the character of God, diving deeper into the events surrounding his birth gives us a better understanding of that character. Christmas is so much more than the holiday we've turned it into. It's the birth of a promise-God's promise to redeem humankind to himself. Sending Jesus was always God's plan, and there is something for us to learn in every detail surrounding his birth. *Christmas Speaks* is a simple yet perceptive devotional that's broken down into easily understood segments that weave together scripture and insight, giving the reader a deeper understanding of the vast love God has for us and how we should respond to that love. Each chapter examines a different aspect of the Christmas narrative. As we come to better know the people central to this story, we can begin to apply aspects of their character to our own lives for a more meaningful relationship with God. By coming to a deeper understanding of scripture, we can see how God speaks to the world-if we have ears to listen. Reflect on the words within these pages, and receive what the Holy Spirit has for you.

Does your family need a five-star general at the helm? A psychologist? A referee? Ken Blanchard, best-selling co-author of *The One Minute Manager* and *Lead Like Jesus*, points to a better role model: the Son of God. Joined by veteran parents and authors Phil Hodges and Tricia Goyer, renowned business mentor Blanchard shows how every family member benefits when parents take the reins as servant-leaders. Moms and dads will see themselves in a whole new light—as life-changers who get their example, strength, and joy from following Jesus at home. This user-friendly book's practical principles and personal stories mark the path to a truly Christ-centered family, where integrity, love, grace, self-sacrifice, and forgiveness make all the difference.

Do you ever feel like Jesus couldn't possibly know what you are going through? He's the God of the universe after all! Does he really know your daily struggles? The good news is: he does. For thirty-three years Jesus felt everything you have ever felt. Weakness. Weariness. Sadness. Rejection. His feet got tired. And his head ached. He was tempted and his strength was tested. And you know why? Because in becoming human, Jesus made it possible for us to see God. His tears, God's tears. His voice, God's voice. Want to know what matters to God? Find out what matters to Jesus. Want to know what in the world God is doing? Ponder the words and life of Jesus. For more than three decades, pastor and bestselling author Max Lucado has shown us Jesus. In this capstone book, he takes us further on the journey to know the life and character of the Savior. Divided into six sections (Immanuel, Friend, Teacher, Miracle Worker, Lamb of God, Returning King), each containing multiple chapters, this book describes both the person Jesus was on earth and how to live in a personal relationship with him. By exploring Jesus' life, death, and resurrection as well as specific details like how he interacted with his friends and his enemies, what he did with time alone, how he acted at a party, this compilation from Max Lucado—now with original never-before-read content from Max—gives readers the chance to become more familiar with the man at the center of the greatest story ever told. Max writes "Don't settle for a cursory glance or a superficial understanding. Look long into the heart of Christ and you'll see it. Grace and life. Forgiveness of sin. The defeat of death. This is the hope he gives." Jesus wants you to know him. As you read these pages, may the Hero of all history talk to you personally, and may you find in him the answer to your deepest needs.

The book walks you day by day, step by step, through how to live out six fundamental truths taught by Jesus.

This 50th-anniversary edition, with a new foreword by the distinguished historian Martin E. Marty, who regards this book as one of the most vital books of our time, as well as an introduction by the author never before included in the book, and a new preface by James Gustafson, the premier Christian ethicist who is considered Niebuhr's contemporary successor, poses the challenge of being true to Christ in a materialistic age to an entirely new generation of Christian readers.

*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

Do you share your faith often--or at all? All Christians are called to be evangelists. But many believers ask: What is an evangelist? How do I begin to talk to someone about Jesus? What must I say? This book offers answers about evangelism straight from the pages of Scripture.

This Purpose-Driven resource helps small groups connect the central truths of Christianity with how group members actually live their lives. An integral part of Saddleback Church's discipleship program, *Foundations* now comes as a series of eleven small group DVDs and participant's guides taught by Tom Holladay and Kay Warren. Focus on the topic your group wishes to explore.

"A six-session video-based study for small groups"--Container.

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monumental bestseller, *The Purpose Driven Life*, this book invites you to learn from the Master of relationships. *The Relationship Principles of Jesus* will profoundly shape how you view relationships.

“Incredibly rich with wisdom and insight that will leave the reader, whether single or married, feeling uplifted.” —*The Washington Times* Based on the acclaimed sermon series by New York Times bestselling author Timothy Keller, this book shows everyone—Christians, skeptics, singles, longtime married couples, and those about to be engaged—the vision of what marriage should be according to the Bible. Modern culture would have you believe that everyone has a soul mate; that romance is the most important part of a successful marriage; that your spouse is there to help you realize your potential; that marriage does not mean forever, but merely for now; and that starting over after a divorce is the best solution to seemingly intractable marriage issues. But these modern-day assumptions are wrong. Timothy Keller, with insights from Kathy, his wife of thirty-seven years, shows marriage to be a glorious relationship that is also misunderstood and mysterious. *The Meaning of Marriage* offers instruction on how to have a successful marriage, and is essential reading for anyone who wants to know God and love more deeply in this life.

Origen's *On First Principles* is a foundational work in the development of Christian thought and doctrine: it is the first attempt in history at a systematic Christian theology. For over a decade it has been out of print with only expensive used copies available; now it is available at an affordable price and in a more accessible format. *On First Principles* is the most important surviving text written by third-century Church father, Origen. Origen wrote in a time when fundamental doctrines had not yet been fully articulated by the Church, and contributed to the very formation of Christianity. Readers see Origen grappling with the mysteries of salvation and brainstorming how they can be understood. This edition presents G. W. Butterworth's trusted translation in a new, more readable format, retains the introduction by Henri de Lubac, and includes a new foreword by John C. Cavadini. As St. Gregory of Nazianzus, Doctor of the Church, wrote: “Origen is the stone on which all of us were sharpened.”

*Love-Powered Parenting* is written out of a love for parenting and a deep desire to encourage parents. Yes, there are experiences in parenting that can cause deep hurt. Yes, there are realities in parenting that certainly will cause you to feel inept. Yet at the core of it all there is a deep gratefulness for the gift that God gives in the opportunity to love a child. This book is a biblical guide to parenting. And by “biblical guide” we mean these pages are intended to take you on a journey through what the truth of God's Word has to say about parenting. The main goal is not to uncover psychological truths about your child—there are many good resources on psychological theory; nor does it include practical tips for everyday circumstances such as how to get your kids to eat their green beans. Here, we will explore the simple and profound principles of God's Word to distinguish psychological truth from error, educational reality from untested theory, and we'll be looking at these tips within the broader context of God's principles for parenting.

Much human understanding occurs visually. When it comes to quickly grasping and retaining information, the human brain functions best with a combination of both words and pictures. That's where *The Most Significant Teachings in the Bible* comes in. Like an infographic survey of Scripture's main lessons, *The Most Significant Teachings in the Bible* makes the Bible accessible and memorable for students, laypeople, and anyone curious to know more about God's Word. In under 200 pages it presents dozens of at-a-glance snapshots that visually communicate the wisdom of the Bible in an informative and understandable way. Author Christopher D. Hudson summarizes the most important teachings of the Bible on topics such as friends, family, work, struggles, sin, God, the supernatural world, and more. Using lists, charts, and other visual aids, *The Most Significant Teachings in the Bible* brings to vivid clarity the overarching message of Scripture. Readers will gain a greater understanding and appreciation for the book of books.

The music we listen to, the movies we watch—they're all telling us to keep chasing love, and that we'll finally be happy when we find it. But is love really all we need? The love that the world tells us to pursue is all about self, about following your heart's desires. But what is the Christian worldview on love? When we follow Jesus, we realize that he invites us to reorient the focus of our lives, so instead of chasing love primarily for our own happiness, we are first and foremost to give love—to God and to others. In *Chasing Love*, Sean McDowell will invite readers into Jesus' radical, upside-down approach to love, and in doing so, he'll answer some of the toughest questions we're asking about love today: How does Jesus speak to singleness? What does the gospel say about LGBTQ issues? Can sexual sin truly be forgiven? What if I'm not happy in my marriage?

The New York Times #1 bestselling book by Pastor Rick Warren that helps you understand and live out the purpose of your life. Before you were born, God already planned your life. God longs for you to discover the life he uniquely created you to live--here on earth, and forever in eternity. Let *The Purpose Driven Life* show you how. As one of the bestselling nonfiction books in history, with more than 35 million copies sold, *The Purpose Driven Life* is far more than just a book; it's the road map for your spiritual journey. A journey that will transform your life. Designed to be read in 42 days, each chapter provides a daily meditation and practical steps to help you discover and live out your purpose, starting with exploring three of life's most pressing questions: The Question of Existence: Why am I alive? The Question of Significance: Does my life matter? The Question of Purpose: What on earth am I here for? The book also includes links to 3-minute video introductions and a 30- to 40-minute audio Bible study message for each chapter. Plus questions for further study and additional resources. *The Purpose Driven Life* is available in audiobook, ebook, softcover, and hardcover editions. Also available: *The Purpose Driven Life* video study and study guide, journal, devotional, book for kids, book for churches, Spanish edition, Large Print edition, and more.

The earliest of the four Gospels, the book portrays Jesus as an enigmatic figure, struggling with enemies, his inner and external demons, and with his devoted but disconcerted disciples. Unlike other gospels, his parables are obscure, to be explained secretly to his followers. With an introduction by Nick Cave

Find the revolutionary path to success in the ultimate human challenge: truly loving other people. In this groundbreaking new book, #1 New York Times bestselling author Dr. Les Parrott weaves together insights from theology, psychology, and sociology to show ordinary believers how to radically change their relationships. Psychologist and relationship expert Dr. Les Parrott provides a revolutionary path to success in the ultimate human challenge: truly loving other people. Let's be honest. How many times have you fallen short at being a good friend, a wise parent, or a self-giving spouse because you didn't love--truly love--at the highest level? It's tough. We're bound to fail. The bar is so

high, especially if you aspire to love like Jesus. But it's not impossible. In *Love Like Jesus*, Dr. Parrott takes the latest findings from sociology and psychology and blends them with biblical understanding to reveal practical and often counter-intuitive ways of loving like never before. He breaks them down into five factors--being mindful, being approachable, being a grace-giver, being vulnerable, and being empathetic--and shows how to practice them in daily life. The result will be deeply fulfilling and meaningful connections with nearly anyone you encounter--but especially in the relationships that matter most.

*Your Grace-Filled Guide to Relationships* It's hard, sometimes, to get over that thing your husband said weeks ago; or to resolve that tension with your colleague at work; or to fix a lifelong friendship that's taken a bad turn. The biggest problem with relationships is they always seem to involve sinners--including ourselves. So how can we form strong, resilient bonds with people who, like us, are bound to mess up?

Thankfully, it's not all on us. Through stories and biblical teaching, Jessica Thompson helps us move beyond trying to "fix" the people we interact with, and shows us a better way. Though our relationships may be marred by tension and frustration, because we are welcomed and known by Christ, they don't have to stay that way. "Nothing changes the way we relate to others more than knowing how God relates to us. Knowing how God loves us and forgives us and is gracious and merciful toward us and forbears with us inevitably affects the way we think about other people. My good friend Jessica Thompson has written a book that articulates who God is for us and then shows how that changes the way we are toward others. Thank you, Jessica, for reminding me that God always meets my mess with his mercy and my failure with his forgiveness. Knowing this makes me want to love God and others."--Tullian Tchividjian, founder of Liberate and author of *One Way Love: Inexhaustible Grace for an Exhausted World* "We need grace in all our relationships. So much loneliness, feeling betrayed, alienation, anger, vengeance, sadness, grief find their roots in relational conflict. Jessica humbly guides us to see that only by being a recipient of God's grace can we be agents of grace in our relationships. She does this with humor, honesty, and confession from her own experience, not with advice as a relational guru."--Justin S. Holcomb, Episcopal priest, seminary professor, and author of *On the Grace of God* "Everyday Grace is for all who have struggled to accept their children and honor their parents and initiate with their neighbors and forgive their spouses and respect their bosses and celebrate their rivals. But it is not filled with practical tips that would trivialize the difficulty of these things. Nor is it a book of relational psychology that would strategize a resolution to these things. Instead, it is filled with the Scriptures that speak to these things--helping us to rest in Christ's covering of all our relational failure and inviting us to change by the power of the Holy Spirit."--Nancy Guthrie, Bible teacher and author "Relational paradise was lost when our first parents fell into sin. Our desire for change in this area is anywhere between cautiously optimistic and downright cynical. What I enjoy about *Everyday Grace* is that Thompson simply cannot get over the one hope for true reconciliation: God, in Christ, has befriended us."--Gloria Furman, author of *Glimpses of Grace and Treasuring Christ When Your Hands Are Full* "Relationships are hard. We know this. Jessica Thompson knows this too and shares how she fights to take her gaze off herself and onto the only one who can help our broken relationships--Jesus. Her method doesn't come from a list of ways to implement change; rather, she focuses on the gospel that transforms hearts and minds. Be encouraged by the good news as you read *Everyday Grace*, for it is the gospel that is our only Hope for our relationship problem."--Trillia Newbell, author of *Fear and Faith: Finding the Peace Your Heart Craves* and *United: Captured by God's Vision for Diversity*

A blueprint for men who want to instill their love for God in the hearts of their children. Who is that guy in the mirror? To your son or daughter, he's 'Dad'---the most important man in the world. Men's leaders, speakers, and authors Patrick Morley and David Delk share with you the secrets of grace-filled dads who understand that their most important work is to help shape the attitudes and beliefs of the next generation. This book shows you how to father from your heart to your child's heart. Rather than only seeking the right performance from them, you can move into a dynamic relationship with your children that models what it means to love God and others truly and passionately. Start by asking the right question---not 'What is my child doing?' but 'Why is my child doing this?' Practical guidelines show you simple ways to help your children thrive, to build a firm foundation of faith for your family, and to empower your children by giving them both roots and wings. Currently, only sixty percent of children raised in church follow Jesus as adults. Will your son or daughter be one of them? We believe God will use this book to help you disciple your children to love God for a lifetime.

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What do Alfred Adler, William Glasser, Albert Ellis, and Jesus have in common? Together they can help you have healthier relationships now. You don't have to be an ordained minister or a trained psychologist to appreciate the simple concepts found in this book: • "Who am I?" and "What's Wrong with Me?" Are Not Helpful Questions. • Better than "Who am I?" and "What's Wrong With Me?" • Are the Questions, "Where am I?" and "Where am I Going?" • Where I go (my behavior) is motivated toward achieving a goal. • Understand the goal, understand the behavior. • People and Events Don't Bother Us. Our Perceptions of Them Do. • We can't always choose our circumstances, • but we can always choose our response to circumstances. Along with these concepts, *The Psychology of Jesus* offers practical help for living in relationship through a close study of Jesus' encounters with people in the gospels and opportunities to examine your own life as you live it in relationship. REVIEWS: David Jones achieved the pledge he made in the book's introduction to offer from psychology and the gospel accounts of the life of Jesus practical help for living in relationships. In each chapter he uses biblical texts, stories and quotations to challenge the reader's thinking. A section on applying each chapter's content to life is included, along with a personal exercise. He effectively challenges the questions people ask themselves to achieve personal and spiritual growth. Instead of "Who is God?" Jones says we should ask "Where is God?" A better self-directed question than "Who am I?" should be "Where am I going?" In answering these questions, we come to understand God is where the sinners are and we should be where God is. I strongly recommend this book. Ann Bishop I read this book in a group setting over the course of several weeks. We discussed 2 chapters at a time in the group each week. The subtitle of the book is very revealing and very appropriate---"Practical Help for Living in a Relationship". The author takes various text readings from the Bible all involving Jesus obviously and then breaks down the "movements" of Jesus. Jesus is interacting with people in all the chosen text excerpts--and so the challenge is to see how we can apply this interaction into our own modern day relationships. I'm not sure I like the first part of the Title of the book---The Psychology of Jesus--only because it made me feel (before I picked up the book) that Jesus was pre-planning and/or pre-meditating all of his encounters in the Bible in order to prove a point. Perhaps he was. But Psychology is pretty much a modern day term and so the beauty of the book is that the author applies modern day psychology to the actions of Jesus way back when. And it works. The insights about the "movements" of Jesus both away from and towards his encounters along with the exercises at the end of each chapter helped me to understand more clearly how we should all strive to have meaningful relationships. And what happens when a relationship ceases to grow. Mark Oldham David Jones offers solid practical guidance for understanding what motivates our behavior in relationships. He weaves a number of psychological theories with examples from relationships in the life of Jesus to illustrate that Jesus' interpersonal style is to be a loving presence. "The Psychology of Jesus" as described by David is a way of relating that supports our innate desire for growth and change in our lives. It is not a psychology intended to "fix us" or our circumstances but rather to enable us. This type of relationship provides a safe place where we can understand and be understood. It is this climate of "understanding" that is the source or power to effect meaningful change in our lives, as much as, or more than "doing." Throughout his book, the message is clear - IF action is

warranted, it is far more likely to have the desired effect when nonjudgemental understanding precedes it. David's writing is insightful and sensitive and reflects a Pastor's heart. It provokes self-examination without any sense of self-recrimination. I have witnessed the use of the book's material in a group discussion setting where it fosters a climate of trust that allows for openness and positive change for the better. I have found it very helpful for understanding my behavior and relationships. Jim Quiggins

"The Seven Laws of Love is insightful, compelling, inspiring, grounded, and immeasurably practical. We love this book! Everyone needs to read it. Don't miss out on its powerful message." —Drs. Les & Leslie Parrott, authors of *Saving Your Marriage Before It Starts* In our fast-paced, success-obsessed culture, we're constantly tempted to chase after things that don't matter. We've been conditioned to value possessions over people, status over relationships, and ourselves over God. But the reality is this: God created love to be the centerpiece of our lives. In *The Seven Laws of Love*, Dave Willis makes the case for a love revival and proves that in returning to a life of love we have no greater model than the one who is love himself. In Dave's humorous, touching, down-to-earth style, *The Seven Laws of Love* takes you on a journey through the ins and outs of everyday relationships—with your spouse, your children, your friends, and your coworkers—using practical, applicable examples and guiding principles that demonstrate what a life of love actually looks like. There is no higher calling on earth than to love and be loved. It's time to learn *The Seven Laws of Love*, and to make loving a priority over all other pursuits. Anything else isn't really living.

John Eldredge revises and updates his best-selling, renowned Christian classic. God designed men to be dangerous, says John Eldredge. Simply look at the dreams and desires written in the heart of every boy: To be a hero, to be a warrior, to live a life of adventure and risk. Sadly, most men abandon those dreams and desires-aided by a Christianity that feels like nothing more than pressure to be a "nice guy." It is no wonder that many men avoid church, and those who go are often passive and bored to death. In this provocative book, Eldredge gives women a look inside the true heart of a man and gives men permission to be what God designed them to be-dangerous, passionate, alive, and free.

"All through the Bible, we see stories of bold and brash men who followed God's call into some incredible adventures. In *How God Makes Men*, Patrick Morley reminds us that God still makes those kinds of guys."—Dave Ramsey, New York Times bestselling author and nationally syndicated radio show host *God's Way for You to Become God's Man* Let's face it—men today are under severe attack. The battle line against biblical manhood is clearly drawn and fiercely contested. More than ever, men who want to follow Christ are asking: • Why is it so hard to live an authentic Christian life? • Who will show me how to thrive as a father, a husband, and on the job? • What should I do when I'm being tested to the breaking point? Fortunately, the Bible preserves crucial details about the powerful lessons learned by men who have already faced and answered these questions. In *How God Makes Men*, renowned expert on men's issues Patrick Morley takes you into Scripture for a first-hand encounter with: • Ten epic stories of the Bible's most talked-about men • Ten proven principles—based on their failures and successes—that show how God works in a man's life, and how you can cooperate with Him in yours • The huge promise that you can become the man God created you to be Don't settle for less. Join Patrick on this epic adventure of becoming God's man. You'll discover how to prevail in tough times and release God's power in every area of your life.

Do you want to sense God's encouragement, comfort, and love for you every day? Dr. Tony Evans reveals that as you give these things away to others, you will personally experience them with God in a new way. Jesus empowers His church to be His hands and feet in the world today—to share His life in your horizontal relationships. Dr. Evans demonstrates how you can become a horizontal Jesus—a channel of God's blessings to everyone around you—using several "one another" passages of Scripture, including... Love one another (John 13:34)., Welcome one another (1 Peter 4:9)., Encourage one another (Hebrews 3:13)., Forgive one another (Colossians 3:13)., Accept one another (Romans 15:7)., Restore one another (Galatians 6:1-2)., As you fulfill your God-given destiny to be a conduit of God's grace, you will experience His flow of life in and through you like never before.

Probably no other dimension of human experience has been pondered, discussed, debated, analyzed, and dreamed about more than the nature of true love. Love is everywhere -- in songs and in books, on televisions and on movie screens. Yet, for all of our thinking and talking, how many of us truly understand love and where can we turn for genuine insight in matters of true love?

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Jesus came to earth so that we can have a personal relationship with God. Unfortunately, most so-called "Christians" are either bored with their relationship with God or they are going through the motions via hollow religious activity. Many have accepted or even rejected the wrong Jesus. "Love Jesus" lays out how Jesus came to be "with us" and even "in us" in a oneness love-relationship. In that relationship, God truly becomes our Father.

A thought-provoking retelling of the Gospel story from an atheist perspective. Upon its hardcover publication, renowned author Philip Pullman's *The Good Man Jesus and the Scoundrel Christ* provoked heated debates and stirred a frenzy of controversy throughout the clerical and literary worlds alike with its bold retelling of the life of Jesus Christ. In this remarkable piece of fiction, famously atheistic author Philip Pullman challenges the events of the Gospels and puts forward his own compelling and plausible version of the life of Jesus. Written with unstinting authority, *The Good Man Jesus and the Scoundrel Christ* is a pithy, erudite, subtle, and powerful book by a beloved author, a text to be read and reread, studied and unpacked, much like the Good Book itself. "The erudite fantasy author, Philip Pullman, makes explicit his complaint against Christian dogma with [this] challenging deconstruction of the Gospels." —Entertainment Weekly "Inspiring . . . Again and again, [Pullman] displays a marvelous sense of the elemental power of Jesus's instructions and parables." —The Washington Post

Life crises can throw you into a tail-spin—a lost job, a failed relationship, a struggling business, a financial mess. Where do you start? How do you pull it together? How do you begin again? Tom Holladay experienced a catastrophe first-hand when a sudden flood in California destroyed his home, his church, and the homes of many church members. Tom and his congregation had to rebuild, and they used the principles in the book of Nehemiah to get back on their feet. Now a teaching pastor at Saddleback Church, Tom will help you discover seven principles for putting it together again that will give you the direction you need to get rolling on that fresh start. Holladay will walk you through seeing every problem as an opportunity, facing the obstacles head on and taking your first step, knowing how to expect and reject opposition, build on your success, and dedicating yourself to the One who rebuilds our souls. The task of starting again can seem impossible. And sometimes you just need to rebuild your confidence and regain a sense of purpose. If you're trying to find the emotional energy, but you just don't have it in you, let Holladay encourage you. He understands how difficult and rewarding the business of rebuilding is. This book is your encouraging how-to guide to starting again and stepping into a better future.

*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.

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. A Study Guide and a Teacher's Manual Gospel Principles was written both as a personal study guide and as a teacher's manual. As you study it, seeking the Spirit of the Lord, you can grow in your understanding and testimony of God the Father, Jesus Christ and His Atonement, and the Restoration of the gospel. You can find answers to life's questions, gain an assurance of your purpose and self-worth, and face personal and family challenges with faith.

Rev. ed. of: The purifying power of living by faith in-- future grace. c1995.

While skillfully identifying the deeper issues that keep relationships less than they are designed to be, Tim Lane and Paul Tripp show readers how to experience the other side of relationships as well. They convincingly testify of the power of God's presence to bring believers to the place where: Conflicts actually get resolved Tough conversations turn out positive Forgiveness is granted and real love is expressed and shared Casual relationships mature into deep friendships Weaknesses are overlooked and strengths are applauded People are honest without being mean A book about relationships, written within the context of their own friendship, Tim and Paul's new offering is straightforward about the relational disappointments that we all suffer. But they are also optimistic about the power of grace to redeem and restore our relationships. Rather than presenting new or sophisticated techniques to make relationships flourish, the authors instead focus on the basic character qualities that can only be formed in the heart by the gospel. "We are called to be people of great character so that when we do come in contact with the world our character shapes and influences those around us. Even though relationships are messy, they are also what God uses to rescue us from ourselves," say Tim and Paul.

This 10-week study of Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and the Song of Solomon mines the Wisdom Literature not only for wise principles for living, but also for the wise person these books point to through their drama, poetry, proverb, and song. In her accessible and authentic style, Nancy Guthrie focuses on seeing Jesus in the Old Testament instead of emphasizing works-based moralism. She presents clear commentary and contemporary application of gospel truths, speaking directly to issues such as repentance, submission, happiness, and sexuality. Each weekly lesson includes questions for personal study, a contemporary teaching chapter that emphasizes how the passage fits into the bigger story of redemptive history, a brief section on how the passage uniquely points to what is yet to come at the consummation of Christ's kingdom, and a leader's guide for group discussion.

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