

Deep Questions To Ask About God

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The Deepest Questions You Can Ask about God

William Gerber has matched his keen analysis of the key problems concerning God with a wealth of reflections from the wisdom of the ages. Thus, he has gotten the great thinkers of the world to work for him - and for you [...] This handy book has considerable value as a reference work while giving abundant thought to the reflective reader who wonders about God. Philosophy as an art of wondering must face the God questions. These are questions not only of God's existence, but of what God might exist as, of how we might know that, and of what such a God's relationship to human beings may be. Reading through this book is journeying through our humanity caught in a universe of wonder [...] Gerber's comments - critical, gentle, eminently reasonable - are a consolation as well as guide to the reader. Even if this work of erudition and inquiry doesn't answer all our questions about God, we are better human beings for reading it and taking it to heart. Maybe God could learn something about us from it too. - Robert Ginsberg, Executive Editor

Girl Defined

In a Culture of Distortions, Discover God-Defined Womanhood and Beauty In a culture where air-brushed models and career-driven women define beauty and success, it's no wonder we have a distorted view of femininity. Our impossible standards place an incredible burden of stress on the backs of women and girls of all ages, resulting in anxiety, eating disorders, and depression. One question we often forget to ask is this: What is God's design for womanhood? In *Girl Defined*, sisters and popular bloggers Kristen Clark and Bethany Beal offer women a countercultural view of beauty, femininity, and self-worth. Based firmly in God's design for their lives, this book helps women rethink what true success and beauty look like. It invites them on a liberating journey toward a radically better vision for femininity that ends with the discovery of the kind of hope, purpose, and fulfillment they've been yearning for. *Girl Defined* helps readers · discover God's design for femininity and his definition of a successful woman · uncover the secrets of lasting worth, purpose, and fulfillment · be equipped and empowered to live out a radically better vision for womanhood · gain personal insight through the chapter-by-chapter study guide

365 Questions for a Woman's Soul

Why do so many people have to suffer? Why doesn't my spouse love me? Why can't I get a job? Why can't we all just get along? Why doesn't God seem to care what happens to me? It is human nature to have a multitude of questions swirling around in your mind. Sometimes you wonder if asking these questions about God, the Bible, and our world show signs of unbelief or doubt. Or maybe you wonder if there is any point in asking questions of God at all. *365 Questions for a Woman's Soul* asks the deep questions for which our souls long for answers. Some of these questions can be clearly answered from the pages of Scripture. Other questions do not have tidy answers, but by wrestling with them in relationship with God's Word, we can gain perspective, wisdom, and a better understanding of who God is and why he allows events to unfold as they do.

Questions God Asks Us

Instead of always looking for answers in the Bible, Trevor Hudson suggests that we start thinking more carefully about the questions that God asks. God desires a conversational relationship with us, and He shows this desire by asking questions. God also gives greater dignity to us by allowing us to wrestle with the questions rather than if we are simply given answers. *Questions God Asks Us* presents ten questions – five from the Old and five from the New Testament – which God had asked and is still asking us as well. They include: Where Are You? Where Is Your Brother? What Are You Doing Here? Who Do You Say I Am? Do You Want to Get Well? Why Are You Crying? There is a much greater power to transform us in a question than there is in a straightforward answer – each chapter includes a section with practical suggestions to answer God's question and discover this for yourself. It also includes discussion questions for study groups. *Questions God Asks Us* is bound in a handy gift format with beautiful full-colour images printed on gloss art paper.

Questions from the God Who Needs No Answers

The God Who Wants Us to Know Him Why would an omnipotent God ask questions of people? Because the questions are not for him; they are for us. In *Questions from the God Who Needs No Answers*, authors Carolyn and Craig Williford show how God's inquiries in the Old Testament reveal who he is and how he wants to be in relationship with us. From "Where are you?" to "Is anything too hard for the Lord?" and "Am I not sending you?" God's questions encouraged and challenged biblical characters—and they can teach us the same powerful truths today. This in-depth Bible study will help you: · Discover a deeper and more intimate relationship with God · Gain a better understanding of the people God questioned in the Bible · Learn to use God's questions to unravel the assumptions you have about God's character and capabilities · Uncover and study the truths of the Bible and how they apply to us today. Through description, guided reading, and interactive questions, Carolyn and Craig Williford reveal a God whose timeless questions call us to a deeper faith in him.

If You Could Ask God One Question

Answers to the 12 most frequently-asked questions about God. If you could ask God one question, and you knew it would be answered, what would it be? Paul Williams and Barry Cooper have spent several years asking people that question. And inside this book, they reveal the results: the 12 most frequently

asked questions about God. But this isn't just a book about questions. There are answers too. Answers from the lips of the most powerful, insightful and extraordinary figure in all of human history.

Just a Little Talk with God

This book is an inquiry with God regarding some tough questions we humans have been reluctant to ask. It comes out of a background in which the author has had his job threatened and his integrity as a Christian doubted because of questions he has asked regarding what both religion and society have told him is true. The author believes that we still live in the dark ages of relationships because we have been afraid to ask those questions that, had we asked and found answers to them, could have delivered us from the kind of suspicion, distrust and hatred that permeates life around the world. The author calls into question the very purpose of some religions because they have often placed shackles on the best resource God has given us, which is none other than our magnificent brains. Some religious leaders claim to know everything humans will ever need to know, and, therefore, require their followers to accept without question what they tell them to believe. This claim is nothing other than an attempt to play God, for it is only God who knows all there is to know. By limiting ourselves to knowledge given in the past, we have no chance to discover truth that continues to evolve in many different areas of life. The intention of this book is to help us realize that it is okay to ask God some tough questions, and that it is through asking about things we do not yet understand that life will become more meaningful, not only for us, but for those with whom we live.

Who Made God?

In the quest for the truth, you need to know what you believe and why you believe it. Who Made God? offers accessible answers to over 100 commonly asked apologetic questions. Bringing together the best in evangelical apologists, this guide is standard equipment for Christians who want to understand and talk about their faith intelligently. Part one answers tough questions about the Christian faith such as: • Who made God? • How can there be three persons in one God? • What is God's ultimate purpose in allowing evil? • Where did the universe come from? • How long are the days of creation in Genesis? • Did Jesus rise from the dead? • Are the records of Jesus' life reliable? • Does the Bible have errors in it? Part two answers tough questions about other faiths, including Islam, Mormonism, Hinduism, Transcendental Meditation, Yoga, Reincarnation, Buddhism, and Black Islam. Relevant stories, questions for reflection and discussion, and a comprehensive list of suggested resources help you dig deeper so you can be prepared to give careful answers that explain the reasons for your faith.

Devotions Below the Surface

Dive in to find the truth below the surface! God has an exciting purpose for your kids' lives, but they might need to look below the surface to discover it. These 52 devotions use memory verses, fun activities and games, and questions of the week to get kids thinking deeper about the truth and focused on their faith. They'll learn what treasures they are to Jesus and how to navigate the waters of life with Him at the helm. Devotions Below the Surface will encourage kids to submerge themselves in God's Word and discover that Jesus doesn't just see what's on the outside of people; He sees the value that's deep inside. And we can do the same! So explore each week with Jesus—get out of the boat and dive in to find the truth below the surface.

The Deep Things of God

Now..... the answers to many of the hardest questions people ask about God, the Creation, and the Bible. The Deep Things of God by M.M. Tauson is an eye-opening reference work that all believers, as well as skeptics and unbelievers, must read, and keep! A Biblically, scientifically, and historically documented saga of the universe, the Earth, mankind, and Israel, this book has something for everybody - from the beginner to the master (436 pages). Some unsolicited comments about the book: The Deep Things of God "is excellent! Highly recommended to our readers. It contains a wealth of knowledge in various areas: History, theology, science, Scripture. (The author's) insights are amazing... I kid you not. This book is phenomenal!" - Richard Chaimberlin, Litt. D.; editor-publisher, Petah Tikvah ("Door of Hope"), Rochester, New York, USA. "Wow, what a book! ...It is a very interesting book, in many areas. I am reading it, a little everyday, along with my devotions... I would like to purchase 2 more copies... to share with brother Bill... and another friend." - Brian Allen, minister, The Indian Sabbath Trail, McEwen, Tennessee, USA. The Deep Things of God is "such an earth-shaking book. Turned my beliefs profoundly. I talk about it... in my radio program much... I discovered the Bible is truly fascinating,

which you really brought out. From a former doubter, I was suddenly converted." - Manny Topacio, radio program host, "Somewhere in Time," DWBR 104.3 FM, Philippines. "I thank you profusely with deep gratitude for this opportunity to learn of the really important matters. I truly believe you were led by the Holy Spirit... I would like to purchase 10 books... God bless you immensely... I would request some time to talk about your WORK. I have so many questions. God bless you." - Carlos A. Pedrosa, former president, Philippine National Bank, Manila, Philippines. "What you wrote is excellent! This could have only been inspired by the One True God..." - Ferdy Corcuera, Bible student/researcher, Quezon City, Philippines.

Keeping Your Kids on God's Side

Empower Your Kids to Respond Well to the Hard Questions That Threaten Their Faith It's no secret that children of all ages are being exposed to negative criticism of Christianity as they spend time at school, with friends, or online. Are you prepared to talk with your kids about how they can effectively answer the tough questions that come their way? In *Keeping Your Kids on God's Side*, you'll find 40 of the most common challenges kids face—along with clear, easy-to-understand responses you can discuss together. This book will help you... encourage open dialogue on issues your kids might hesitate to talk about replace your children's doubts with the confidence only God's truth can give equip your kids to build the good thinking skills essential for today "I almost wish my children were young again so I could use Natasha Crain's book with them." Nancy Pearcey Bestselling author of *Total Truth*

Discovery

MANY CHRISTIANS SPEND THEIR LIVES TRYING TO ACT RIGHT, THINK RIGHT, AND PRAY RIGHT - BASED ON WHAT THEY'VE HEARD GOD EXPECTS - ONLY TO END UP FRUSTRATED, BURNED OUT, AND WONDERING "IS THIS REALLY WHAT GOD WANTS FOR HIS CHILDREN?" OTHER BELIEVERS FACE A PERPETUAL WRESTLING MATCH WITH GUILT, DOUBTS, AND QUESTIONS ABOUT THEIR FAITH. IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE THAT WAY. MANY OF US RELY ON SECONDHAND INFORMATION TO UNDERSTAND THE KIND OF RELATIONSHIP GOD WANTS WITH US, INSTEAD OF LOOKING TO THE SCRIPTURES. YET IF WE TAKE A CLOSER LOOK, WE FIND THAT HE HAS GIVEN US THE ANSWERS TO MANY OF OUR DEEPEST QUESTIONS IN HIS WORD. DISCOVERY ADDRESSES MANY OF THESE QUESTIONS, GUIDING READERS THROUGH OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT PASSAGES TO FIND THE ANSWERS WE YEARN FOR. THOUGHTFUL QUESTIONS AT THE END OF EACH CHAPTER HELP US TAKE THE NEXT STEP - MOVING "HEAD KNOWLEDGE" TO "HEART KNOWLEDGE" AS WE DISCOVER HOW GOD'S ANSWERS APPLY PERSONALLY TO OUR LIVES. DISCOVERY HELPS REDIRECT THOSE WHO HAVE GROWN UP KNOWING ABOUT THE LORD, BUT WHO HAVE NOT EXPERIENCED THE DEEP, MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIP HE WANTS WITH THEM. AND FOR NEW BELIEVERS, THIS STUDY WILL HELP THEM BEGIN THEIR WALK WITH GOD ON THE RIGHT FOOT. ALL BELIEVERS CAN EXPERIENCE JOY, PEACE, AND A SENSE OF GOD'S LOVE, EVEN IN THE MIDST OF A QUESTION-FILLED WORLD.

A Curious Faith

God created us to be curious. We innately wonder about the world, one another, ourselves, and our Creator. But fear of the unknown, cultural taboos, technology, or even church leaders can smother our curiosity. Popular writer Lore Ferguson Wilbert has belonged to Christian communities that discouraged curiosity. The point of the Christian life was to have the right answers, and asking questions reflected a wavering faith. But Wilbert came to discover that the Bible is a permission slip to anyone who wants to ask questions. Reflecting her own theological trajectory toward a more contemplative, expansive faith, Wilbert invites readers to foster curiosity as a spiritual habit. This book explores questions God asks us, questions we ask God, and questions we ask each other. Christianity is not about knowing good answers, says Wilbert, but about asking good questions--ones that foster deeper intimacy with God and others. *A Curious Faith* invites readers to go beyond pat answers and embrace curiosity, rather than certainty, as a hallmark of authentic faith. Foreword by Seth Haines.

Ask God. Becoming Comfortable Asking God Questions

I would like for you to search deep inside your soul and pull those questions out that you have been wanting to ask God. I want you to know that by asking questions you can discover who you are. Yes, God will reveal some things to you about yourself. It is great when God shows us things about ourselves,

because it gives us an opportunity to change. With God's grace, I will guide you in this book and provide scriptures to help answer some of the questions you have been asking Him or desiring to ask Him. It is my sincere hope and prayer that God will open your eyes and mind and give you wisdom to journey with Him as He reveals many things to you throughout this book.

P.S. It's Gonna Be Good

How can I hope for a good future with my bad past? Why them and not me? Why me and not them? What if I just don't know what to do? In our current climate of rising anxiety, we frequently run through worst-case scenarios. So many questions constantly circulate in our minds, and despite our best intentions and honest efforts, fear seems to be winning. We know the Bible repeats, "Do not fear," but how do we do that? What do we do after we've cast our cares on the Lord, memorized Scripture, pumped worship music through every speaker, and yet still feel stuck? In *P.S. It's Gonna Be Good*, writer and popular Instagram content creator Heidi Anderson offers a hope-filled response to these questions by using her own journey, as well as pointing us to God's people who have come before us. In each chapter of her insightful, conversational, and highly relational book, she focuses on a different Bible character as if we were walking behind their footsteps in real time, looking at the deep questions that plagued their minds and hearts—the same questions we face today. We will encounter: Gideon: "What if I don't have what it takes?" Esther: "What do I do when God feels silent?" Joshua: "What if God's promises don't line up with my reality?" Martha: "What about when the worst-case happens?" And more! Join Heidi as she walks us straight into the heart of God's Word, where we will experience His peace, find confidence in His good plans, and be set free to meet the future we were made for. And P.S. . . . It's gonna be good.

Unveiling the Godhead

Have you ever asked yourself the following hard questions about God's existence? Is God a personal transcendent being? Does He abide in a real place in the heavens, sit on a real throne or are these only metaphors of reality. Another way, in laymen terms, to ask this question is God a real person that lives above all His creation? Or is He a ethereal bodiless being that is imminent throughout all creation? If you find yourself pondering these things, you are not alone. These are questions that even the great philosophers, theologians and Christian thinkers ponder. Many books have been written on the subject. Every denominational Church, Catholic and Protestants alike have written Creeds to explain these often asked questions about God. Does God reveal Himself in His Word? The Word of God is self revelation of Himself, and In the end, that which will build our faith is His Word. May God bless our journey together in His Word as we seek out the answers to these deep questions about God.

Life's Ultimate Question: Does God Exist?

Why are we here? What is our place in the universe? What is the purpose of life? The questions have been asked for centuries. But they all revolve around what is perhaps the most fundamental question of all: Does God exist? -- Inside this booklet: -- Asking the Crucial Questions -- Evidence All Around Us -- The Beginning of the Universe -- Our Awesome Universe: How Big is Big? -- Science and Discomfiting Discoveries -- Our Amazing Spaceship Earth -- The Importance of Life-Sustaining Water -- The Giver of Life -- The Tiny Miracle That's Toppling Evolution -- A Deeper Look at the Evidence -- Scientists' Thundering Silence -- Life's Purpose and the Consequences of Ideas -- Groping for Meaning and Morality -- Why Were You Born? -- Man's Natural Hostility Toward God -- Meet God -- How Does God Reveal Himself? -- A God Not Bound by Space and Time -- Our Window of Opportunity

Reaching for the Invisible God

Author Philip Yancey asks the question: How does a relationship with God work? And then he answers it with an investigation that turns up surprising and satisfying answers about life and communication with an invisible God.

Faithfully Different

Welcome to Your Place in a Worldview Minority In an increasingly secular society, those who have a biblical worldview are now a shrinking minority. As mainstream culture grows more hostile toward the Bible's truths and those who embrace them, you'll face mounting pressures—from family, friends, media, academia, and government—to change and even abandon your beliefs. But these challenges

also create abundant opportunities to stand strong for Christ and shine light to those hurt by the darkness of our day. In *Faithfully Different*, author and apologist Natasha Crain shares how you can live out your faith with conviction, discernment, and courage. You'll be equipped to identify and respond to today's most significant worldview pressures, such as cancel culture, secular social justice, progressive Christianity, deconstruction, virtue signaling, and more engage effectively with a world that ridicules biblical truths defend your faith from misguided influences and live as a bold witness for the Lord. As the standards of our day mutate and devolve, *Faithfully Different* will give you the insight and encouragement you need to believe, think, and live biblically no matter what you face in these turbulent times.

Why God Created the World

It is entirely possible that God could have existed without the universe, and without humans, for all eternity. But for some reason, He decided to create anyway. What inspired Him to start the human story in the first place, and how should the answer to that question affect the way we view our lives? Few Christians ever stop to seriously consider these deepest-of-all deep questions. Jonathan Edwards explains, in his original dissertation: God's inherent predisposition to spread out His truth, goodness, and beauty motivates everything He does. So, His decision to create our universe was motivated not by a desire or need for us, but by a desire to glorify Himself. Ben Stevens' remarkable new adaptation brings Edwards' powerful arguments to life in fresh, contemporary language. In addition, thought-provoking questions for discussion or reflection invite readers to engage with the concepts and begin to apply them.

And When You Pray: The Deeper Meaning of the Lord's Prayer

Katie's Questions about God accompanies a little girl, Katie, and her mother as they spend a day at the beach and then return home. In the quiet time they spend with the waves and sand, in the car, and in preparing the family dinner, they dip their toes and then wade into the deep and mysterious questions about God that naturally arise. Deborah Owen, author, relies upon her vibrant faith in God and her decades of experience as a mother, grandmother, and schoolteacher to help shape this approachable and engaging exploration of the most significant questions one can ask about life with God. As Katie and her mother spend the day together, they discuss a collection of questions, including "Who is God?," "What did Jesus do when he was alive?," "What do you pray about?," "Why does God make bad things happen?," and "How do we stay close to God?" If you find yourself blessed with time to spend with children who want to ask questions about God, or if you feel such questions tugging at your own heart, then *Katie's Questions about God* can serve as a trusted and approachable guide. It will help you to ask and answer the questions that come to mind among all of God's children, whatever their ages.

Katie's Questions about God

After more than two decades and over two thousand presentations, my interactions with parents reveal that although most want to learn and parent their best, they feel ill-equipped. Kids don't come with manuals. The goal of this book is to equip and empower you as a parent, grandparent, or youth leader to help kids navigate all aspects of life in the current culture. How do we sift through the unending philosophies on parenting and be intentional in how we choose what's best for our family? The number of voices is overwhelming. This book distills the essential elements of parenting so you can apply them in your own home. It approaches parenting from a Christian perspective and is filled with practical advice that is applicable to everyone. As we explore the foundations of parenting, we will look at: Parenting. What are the stages of parenting? What is the current state of parenting? What is the purpose of parenting? Parenting styles. What are they and which ones should I be using? What might I need to alter about my current parenting style? Progression of parenting. What are the skills our children need to learn? Time. What does quality time and being present with my kids look like? Communication. How can I gain better communication skills so that I can more effectively connect with my kids? Discipline. How do I effectively discipline my children? Family discipleship. Why is our worldview important, and how we can raise kids with a Christian worldview? Mental Health. How do we address issues like anxiety, panic attacks, and depression? Engaging the Culture. How do we empower our kids to engage the culture around us without compromising their faith? Media. How can we help our kids navigate technology? Sexuality. How do we direct our kids towards healthy sexuality? Pornography. What is the prevalence of pornography and how do we address its impact on our kids? Dating. How do we best avoid pitfalls in dating? Finances and education. How can we help our children make sound financial and education

choices? Drugs and alcohol. What tools are available to assist in drug-proofing our kids? Loneliness. How do we prevent disconnection in our kids and help them to create community?

Parenting

Imagine that you had the opportunity to speak to God and ask Him any questions that you want. What would you ask? After a visit to a local book sale in his small mountain town, that's exactly what happens to Justin, a 30 something computer network engineer. The question that starts the tumult in his mind and emotions is, simply, "Does God Exist?" Justin and his fiancée Alex are reeling from a catastrophic situation that nearly leaves their life in ruins. Alex thinks that the conversations Justin is having with "God," are internally manifested as a result of the trauma. Encouraged by Alex, a child psychiatrist and atheist, he decides to seek out answers direct from the Divine and gets more than he bargained for. As Justin navigates the realm of Spirit, his world is turned upside down as he engages with God in deep question and answer sessions.

And God Laughed

"This is a book I'll be recommending for years to come." -- Lysa TerKeurst, New York Times bestselling author Do you believe God is just not fair? If you're like Jennifer Rothschild, you wrestle with questions when you experience painful circumstances. Does God care? Does he hear my prayers? Is he even there? Blinded as a teenager, Jennifer overcame daunting obstacles, found strength in God, and launched a successful speaking and writing ministry. Then in her 40s, everything changed. Jennifer hit a wall of depression and discontent that shook her to her core, undermining many of her past assumptions about her faith. She wondered who God was and why he continued to allow her to struggle and doubt. Where, she pleaded, is his hand of healing and hope in my life now? This is a book about finding more than just answers. It's for anyone who needs hope when life doesn't make sense--for all who reach for a God who feels distant. As Jennifer tackles the six big questions of faith, she will help you: Trust God more than your feelings. Strengthen your faith when you feel beat up by life. Embrace your obstacles and start experiencing their purpose. Face your disappointment and grow stronger from your loss.

God Is Just Not Fair

Discover the self-care tips specifically designed for your Enneagram type with this simple yet illuminating guide from popular Enneagram expert Christina S. Wilcox. Many of us have used the Enneagram of Personality to understand ourselves on a profoundly intimate level. But despite what our Enneagram type reveals, it's not always easy to know the best ways to take care of ourselves according to our unique personalities. In *Take Care of Your Type*, Enneagram expert and social media sensation Christina S. Wilcox uses her knowledge of the Enneagram to illuminate how each of the nine Enneagram types can practice better self-care. Answering questions ranging from "What is the best morning routine for my type?" to "What boundaries are important to set based on my individual personality traits?" this handy guide filled with beautiful color illustrations will help you recenter and reconnect with yourself amid the stress of daily life and will leave you feeling happier and healthier in mind, body, and spirit.

The Good News of God

The volume documents, and makes an original contribution to, an astonishing period in twentieth-century philosophy—the progress of Arne Naess's ecophilosophy from its inception to the present. It includes Naess's most crucial polemics with leading thinkers, drawn from sources as diverse as scholarly articles, correspondence, TV interviews and unpublished exchanges. The book testifies to the skeptical and self-correcting aspects of Naess's vision, which has deepened and broadened to include third world and feminist perspectives. *Philosophical Dialogues* is an essential addition to the literature on environmental philosophy.

Take Care of Your Type

"This volume ... is a revision and updating of *The Soul of the American University: From Protestant Establishment to Established Nonbelief* (1994)"--Acknowledgments

Before You Save the Date

How belief in a loving and sovereign God helps us to make sense of and cope with the coronavirus outbreak. We are living through a unique, era-defining period. Many of our old certainties have gone, whatever our view of the world and whatever our beliefs. The coronavirus pandemic and its effects are perplexing and unsettling for all of us. How do we begin to think it through and cope with it? In this short yet profound book, Oxford mathematics professor John Lennox examines the coronavirus in light of various belief systems and shows how the Christian worldview not only helps us to make sense of it, but also offers us a sure and certain hope to cling to.

Philosophical Dialogues

Is there a way to walk faithfully through doubt and come out the other side with a deeper love for Jesus, the church, and its tradition? Can we question our faith without losing it? Award-winning author, pastor, and professor A. J. Swoboda has witnessed many young people wrestle with their core Christian beliefs. Too often, what begins as a set of critical and important questions turns to resentment and faith abandonment. Unfortunately, the church has largely ignored its task of serving people along their journey of questioning. The local church must walk alongside those who are deconstructing their faith and show them how to reconstruct it. Drawing on his own experience of deconstruction, Swoboda offers tools to help emerging adults navigate their faith in a hostile landscape. Doubt is a part of our natural spiritual journey, says Swoboda, and deconstruction is a legitimate space to encounter the living God. After Doubt offers a hopeful, practical vision of spiritual formation for those in the process of faith deconstruction and those who serve them. Foreword by pastor and author John Mark Comer.

The Soul of the American University Revisited

Autobiographical writings on faith frequently come from the lives of ordinary persons whose struggles with faith are often lived at the margins of the church, academy, and society. Yet these voices have the potential to reshape the ways in which each of these fields function. To find out what it means to stand before God with all of one's humanity on display is to engage in not only the act of confession, but to demonstrate a bold theological reflection that needs to be more explicitly understood. By turning to spiritual autobiographies as theological source texts, we learn to place our emphasis where it matters most, on the people whose lives of faith move us deeply and cause us to re-examine our own lives in light of their witness. Moving through a range of ancient, early modern, and contemporary spiritual writers in order to demonstrate a profound connection that unites them all, this book portrays how a critical self-examination of one's most personal, internal fractures (our "poverty" as it were) is the only way to develop a life of faith--the dual meaning of the word "confession," which expresses both a revealing of one's sins, or brokenness, and the articulation of what one believes.

Where is God in a Coronavirus World?

Christian parenting is hard work--and it's getting harder. Parents have a deep desire to pass on their faith, but fear that today's increasingly skeptical and hostile world will eventually lead their kids to reject the truth of Christianity. That leaves many parents feeling overwhelmed--uncertain of what they can do to help their children, given the difficulty and extent of the faith challenges they will face. This practical and timely resource gives parents the confidence of knowing what to discuss with their children and how to discuss it in order to facilitate impactful conversations that will form the basis of a lifelong faith. In a friendly, parent-to-parent voice, Natasha Crain identifies 30 specific conversations about God that parents must have with their children, organizing them under the categories of - the existence of God - science and God - the nature of God - believing in God - the difference God makes Chapters are sequenced in a curriculum-oriented way to provide a cumulative learning experience, making this book a flexible resource for use in multiple settings: homes, church classes, youth groups, small groups, private Christian schools, and homeschools. Every chapter has a step-by-step conversation guide with discussion questions and tips, and content is readily adaptable for use with kids of any age (elementary through high school). Endorsements: "My prayer is that God will use this book to both motivate and equip you to help your kids develop convictions about their faith."--From the foreword by Sean McDowell, PhD, Biola University professor, speaker, and author of more than eighteen books, including A New Kind of Apologist "I can't think of a more relevant or more needed book for parents raising kids in today's culture. This book on apologetics will lead parents in critical conversations that will help grow and guide kids to be lifelong followers of Christ."--Kristen Welch, author of Raising Grateful Kids in an Entitled World "Hey parents: Do you want to reduce the chances that your child will follow the crowd to the point of rejecting Christ and the values and truths you hold so dearly? Then you need to

have the conversations that Natasha Crain so brilliantly describes in this book. Prevent heartbreak later by reading and heeding this book now!"--Frank Turek, PhD, president of CrossExamined Ministries and author of *I Don't Have Enough Faith to Be an Atheist* and *Stealing from God* "May this book lead to thousands more Moms and Dads engaging with their kids through an intelligent faith. And may there be tens of thousands more kids who feel loved because the adults in their lives take their questions seriously."--Jeff Myers, PhD, president, Summit Ministries

After Doubt

Why does God feel so far away? The reason--and the solution--is in your attachment style. We all experience moments when God's love and presence are tangible. But we also experience feeling utterly abandoned by God. Why? The answer is found when you take a deep look at the other important relationships in your life and understand your attachment style. Through his years working in trauma recovery programs, extensive research into attachment science, and personal experiences with spiritual striving and abuse, licensed therapist Krispin Mayfield has learned to answer the question: Why do I feel so far from God? When you understand your attachment style you gain a whole new paradigm for a secure and loving relationship with God. You'll gain insights about: How you relate to others--both your strengths and weaknesses The practical exercises you can use to grow a secure spiritual attachment to God How to move forward on the spirituality spectrum and experience the Divine connection we all were created for You'll learn to identify and remove mixed messages about closeness with God that you may have heard in church or from well-meaning Christians. With freedom from the past, you can then chart a new path toward intimate connection with the God of the universe.

Theology as Autobiography

"There is an incredible truth about the nature of Christ: the Son of God is a curious God who asks. And His questions are life changing. The answer to your need for connection, to your spiritual doubt and restlessness, can be found by examining God's questions. Scripture reveals that Jesus asked over 300 questions to teach, engage, and invite us closer. Now, experience an intimate and transformative conversation with the Son of God by exploring twelve of the most powerful questions from the Gospels. Through Christ's questions, you'll journey deeper into a Kingdom existence and be taken by the truth of His love and desire to walk in union with you, His Kingdom preparations for you, and the relevance of His promises in your life. Let Jesus ask--and He'll ignite your imagination, intellect, heart, and soul"--

Talking with Your Kids about God

Worship is a dominant theme in the Old Testament. It is spoken about not only to provide words for worship, guidance about its leadership, or to express censure for its inadequacies, but also to depict places for worship and their significance, and to speak of the high calling of those who had particular roles and responsibilities in worship. Worship for the Old Testament authors has a vital place in the covenantal relationship between the Lord and his people. Michael Thompson considers Israel's worship under a series of themes and aspects--the place of worship (holy places, temples, and homes); the various people at worship (the people, priests and Levites, and kings); the liturgy of worship (prayers, psalms, sacrifices, feasts, festivals, and calendars); and visions of worship (in the proclamations of prophets, wisdom writers, theologians, and Israelite priests). These and many other matters relating to worship in the Hebrew Bible are presented in this fresh and wide-ranging study.

Attached to God

A compassionate, shame-free guide for your darkest days "A one-of-a-kind book . . . to read for yourself or give to a struggling friend or loved one without the fear that depression and suicidal thoughts will be minimized, medicalized or over-spiritualized."—Kay Warren, cofounder of Saddleback Church What happens when loving Jesus doesn't cure you of depression, anxiety, or suicidal thoughts? You might be crushed by shame over your mental illness, only to be told by well-meaning Christians to "choose joy" and "pray more." So you beg God to take away the pain, but nothing eases the ache inside. As darkness lingers and color drains from your world, you're left wondering if God has abandoned you. You just want a way out. But there's hope. In *I Love Jesus, But I Want to Die*, Sarah J. Robinson offers a healthy, practical, and shame-free guide for Christians struggling with mental illness. With unflinching honesty, Sarah shares her story of battling depression and fighting to stay alive despite toxic theology that made her afraid to seek help outside the church. Pairing her own story with scriptural insights, mental health research, and simple practices, Sarah helps you reconnect with the God who is present in our deepest

anguish and discover that you are worth everything it takes to get better. Beautifully written and full of hard-won wisdom, *I Love Jesus, But I Want to Die* offers a path toward a rich, hope-filled life in Christ, even when healing doesn't look like what you expect.

INQUISITIVE CHRIST

God, what's it all about? How often have you heard these exact words? How many people ask that question? What is it that they are asking? Why are they asking such a question of God? When do they ask these questions? Most importantly, how do we get our answers to what it is all about? These answers, just like all of the answers in the universe, come from God's will. This is why we always confirm with God, God, your will, not mine be done! God loves us more than we could ever understand. That's why deep in our soul, we know God's will will be the driving force for our success here on Earth, but most importantly in heaven. With God's help, you will create an ongoing relationship with the Holy Spirit's message. Once you accept God's Word and you listen openly to it, you will only need to listen, and you will hear what God is saying to you.

Greatly to be Praised

This book shares what a diverse array of Jewish thinkers have said about the interrelated questions of God, the Book, the Jewish people, and the Land of Israel. Accessible chapters present fascinating insights from ancient times to today, from Philo to Judith Plaskow. An intriguing and provocative book for readers wrestling with big questions.

I Love Jesus, But I Want to Die

Finding the Holy Spirit