

The God Dog Connection Things Ive Learned About God And Faith From The Dogs And Cats In My Life

[#God Dog Connection](#) [#faith lessons pets](#) [#spiritual insights animals](#) [#dogs cats spiritual growth](#) [#learn about God from pets](#)

Explore the profound spiritual insights gleaned from the unconditional love and unique personalities of our beloved dogs and cats. This insightful journey delves into the unexpected ways our animal companions can teach us about God, faith, and the deepest lessons of life.

The collection includes scientific, economic, and social research papers.

Welcome, and thank you for your visit.

We provide the document The God Dog Connection you have been searching for. It is available to download easily and free of charge.

Many users on the internet are looking for this very document.

Your visit has brought you to the right source.

We provide the full version of this document The God Dog Connection absolutely free.

The God-Dog Connection

Readers will be delighted by Healys 25 true stories of pets, and the connection between her dual passions: animals and God. A great gift idea for the animal lover, believer, or seeker. The parallels Healy draws between animal and human behavior are thought provoking and moving, and will give readers especially those with strong bonds to their dogs or cats a new way of picking up the pieces of faith-based wisdom these animals impart, just by being themselves. This slim, attractive book also features photographs of many of Healys canine and feline friends. Stories that illuminate spiritual truth and speak to people of many different faiths. A devoted animal lover, Healy finds meaning in her pets exploits, whether its Pookey the dog babysitting a cocker spaniel puppy, Kate the cat becoming a ventriloquist, or Trouble getting loose from the safety of the backyard. While based on primarily on Christian principles, people with many types of religious backgrounds will appreciate the lessons Healy learns from animals.

The God-Dog Connection

I'm more convinced than ever that if you're going to write a book it must come from deep inside you. I believe that's so true regarding the writing of any good book, but particularly this volume. While my first published work "The Seer's House" arrived in one single vision at 3 o'clock in the morning, my second endeavour "Miracle Dog; Miracle God" took a lot longer to emerge. For over ten years following my first publication, I was caught up in the mission field in Romania and literally didn't have time to write a follow-up. Indeed, only after I'd returned from Romania and been separated from my best friend Snowbell, our Golden Retriever Labrador, did I really begin to accept that another book may be about to be birthed. I couldn't shake off the writing of this book and so eventually I sat down and wrote it. Nevertheless, "Miracle Dog; Miracle God" hasn't been the easiest manuscript to create for various reasons. Trying to keep to my subject matter what God the Father taught me about Himself through the love of a dog, when there was so much more to tell about our Romanian endeavours, hasn't been straightforward. Writing each chapter as a parable was equally challenging, but in the end I think I've managed to produce what has been within me since 2008. Finally, the emotion I experienced writing about this remarkable little dog was quite unexpected. On numerous occasions I would have to literally down tools and shed tears, while at other times I laughed out loud and so enjoyed reminiscing about happier moments with Snowbell. My desire is that "Miracle Dog; Miracle God" will make you laugh and cry, yet also instruct you about the amazing unconditional love of God. After all, that's exactly what happened to me when I was introduced to Snowbell, a beautiful gift from God to my life, if ever there was one.

Miracle Dog Miracle God

What have dog lovers learned or can learn about God through their relationships with canines? Plenty, especially when the Lord is the trainer. What Dog Lovers Know About God consists of an easy-to-read, entertaining narrative about experiences with dogs that are full of spiritual lessons sure to benefit the individual reader and/or a Bible study group. Through stories about losing a pet and about rehabilitating rescued dogs, this book explains how to: cope with death and loss, have a relationship with God, be confident in ones salvation, be freed from those things that bind us, learn to trust God, study the Bible, do spiritual warfare, identify our true enemy, become more like Jesus, hear God, know His will, appreciate fellowship, endure and understand suffering and trials, embrace our own rehabilitation, have patience through training, love the leash, live in dog-wagging joy, and best of all, know Gods unconditional love.

What Dog Lovers Know About God

The God-given traits of cats ("you exist to serve me") and dogs ("I exist to serve you") are often similar to certain theological attitudes held by many Christians in their view of God and their relationship to him. Using the differences between cats and dogs in a light-hearted manner, the authors challenge this thinking in deep and profound ways. This life-changing book will provide a new perspective and vision for God as we delight in the God who delights in us.

Cat & Dog Theology

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.

I Love Jesus, But I Want to Die

The Dogs of My Life is a collection of stories about just that; the dogs of my life. I grew up with dogs and believe I learned, and am still learning, many lessons from them. Over the years I have thought about these lessons and what they teach me about the Kingdom of God. Isn't it just like God to use the simplest analogies, (parables), to show us the greatest truths? Each day I marvel at the things my dogs do that either teach me or remind me of something God would have me remember or know. As you read these stories, I hope you too will begin to look at your pets in a whole new way. Look at them as teachers. You will be surprised at what you learn.

The Dogs of My Life

Sometimes doubt, fear and disappointment cause the Christian to lose confidence in God. In this book, Dwayne E. Mercer helps readers see past disappointments through God's eyes and gain courage from biblical examples of faith. He provides tools for the discouraged Christian to take faith-risks for God again, stepping out in courageous faith. Sometimes doubt, fear and disappointment cause the Christian to lose confidence in God. In this book, Dwayne E. Mercer helps readers see past disappointments through God's eyes and gain courage from biblical examples of faith. He provides tools for the discouraged Christian to take faith-risks for God again, stepping out in courageous faith.

Overcoming Spiritual Vertigo

With Nihil Obstat & Imprimatur. Common to people of every time and place is a longing for the truth. We want to know! We want to know the purpose of our life, why we are here on earth, where we came

from, whether there is a God, who this God is, whether there is an afterlife, and so much more! These most basic and fundamental questions are hopefully in the forefront of our minds. And if they are not, it's never too late to start! This book offers some of the answers to these questions. It offers the answers found in our Creed. At first, the Creed can seem dry and unimpressive. It can even seem confusing and overly academic. But when properly understood, the Creed holds the answer to the questions we so deeply seek. So dig into the faith we have been given and let God's revelation change your life! About this Series: The My Catholic Life! series is a three volume series written as a complete summary of our glorious Catholic faith! The goal of these books is to answer the difficult and deep questions of life in a clear and understandable way. We need to know who we are and what life is all about. And we need to know who God is and what He has spoke to us through the ages. This volume: Volume One, My Catholic Faith! is a summary of the Apostles and Nicene Creed. This volume looks at everything from the creation of the world to God's eternal plan of salvation. Other topics include: Afterlife, saints, God, faith, and the Church. It is a summary of the teaching of the Catechism of the Catholic Church #1-1065. Volume Two, My Catholic Worship! is a summary of the life of grace found in prayer and the Sacraments. So often the Sacraments can be seen as dry and empty rituals. But they are, in reality, the greatest treasures we have! They are God's true presence among us! It is a summary of the Catechism of the Catholic Church #1066-1684 and #2558-2865. Volume Three, My Catholic Morals! is a summary of the morality itself, knowing how we choose right from wrong, as well as a summary of all the moral teachings of our faith. It is a summary of the Catechism of the Catholic Church #1691-2557. Nihil Obstat & Imprimatur granted for three volume series.

My Catholic Faith!

The relationships between owners and their pets go well beyond basic companionship. Not only do they develop a special bond, but people can gain insights on life, faith, and love from their cats and dogs. These heartwarming collections include 40 meditations each and draw from real-life experiences with the authors' own pets as well as those of their family and friends. From Katrina survivor Bess to the phone-answering dog Jordy, from the kitten-tending grandpa cat to the lifelong camp resident Sylvester, each reading is sure to delight, encourage, and inspire.

Dog//god Parables

There's a line about the difference between cats and dogs. It's said, "Dogs have masters, cats have staff." The same might be said for our relationship with God. That is, we call Him "Master," but we often treat Him like a "staff member." Our prayers often seem to be limited to, "Watch over this...give me that...and make my life safe, soft, easy, and comfortable." In doing so, we're busy telling God what we want Him to do, and if He doesn't provide it, not only are we disappointed, but we become accusatory. All too often, when people ask God "Why?"

Best Friends Forever: Me and My Dog ()

God, Animals, & Human Beings - The Big PictureThe special bond between humans and animals has been around for ages. So many people develop an intense bond with certain furry members of our world which runs so deeply, it's sometimes hard to believe. As a result, the sorrow over losing a beloved pet can summon a level of grief that is both intense and perplexing. But is this natural? Is God involved in the process somehow? Why do our pets have such relatively short life spans?If you look at the situation from a "big picture" perspective, you'll discover that loving and caring for animals is very natural. The benefits derived from caring for animals can train people to become less selfish, and if one is really paying attention, can teach you some of the most essential lessons in life.Join Christian author Wade J. Carey as he details the relationship he and his wife Elissa enjoyed with a little black dog named Cricket. Discover how this beloved dog, who his wife found roaming in the street as a small puppy, ended up molding and changing their hearts in ways they could not have possibly imagined. Learn how the pain of her passing has shaken each of their hearts to the very core. But more importantly, learn what God can do through the grief process.Losing a beloved furry friend makes the heart yearn for more. But is there something else going on? Is there a way of turning excruciating losses of pets into a spring of hope? Is this kind of encouragement even possible? Yes, because ..."Using your pain and loss as a type of fertilizer to help you grow a flowering plant of encouragement for others is the ultimate in something bad being synthesized into something good. This is an absolutely incredible phenomenon. This is the essence of redemption."

A Dog's Tale

The author, Mr. Herman says: "I have always been in love with my canine-friends. They taught me in their own unique ways to be more fully human by becoming more tender-loving and caring to both man/woman and animals. They always live for the moment; yet, never losing their gifts from God of non-judgmental, loyal friendship, and unconditional love for the human family." Mr. Herman continues:]My research on animal-soul redemption started way back, prompted by my Catholic grade school experience in the 1950's, when the catechist informed the class that man/woman have a soul to go to heaven after death, while animals only have a body without hope of ever going to heaven. I was confused. I could not believe what I was hearing, that God was selfish and unkind. He gave us our animal-friends to love and be loved, only to destroy that love. I was twelve years old, but I decided, there and then, the catechist was dead-wrong, and I was going to prove it . . . even if it took me a lifetime!" Fifty years later: The impending death of my soul mate for almost eighteen years - my poodle-terrier friend, Tiger II, prompted me to study theology at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, California, graduating in 2007 with an MA degree in Theological Studies (MTS) at age sixty-seven. My graduate studies armed me with sophisticated tools to research and write a theological treatise that addresses the Roman Catholic Church's (and other Christian Churches) age-old confused thinking and ambivalent attitude on animal soul redemption, tracing the confusion to the Church's fixation on a one-dimensional (primary only) level of relationship with God when, in reality, God has ordained a duality of relationship i.e., a primary relationship with His angels and man/woman; and, a secondary relationship with animals. There is really nothing novel about animals having eternal life. They all enjoyed eternal life at creation together with man/woman and plants in the garden-paradise of Eden on earth before the Fall when death was unknown. The story of Adam and Eve in Eden (our first parents, as humanity had to start from somewhere) is not allegorical. It is the very foundation of our Christian Faith - the *raison d'être* for the Son of God, the Incarnate Jesus Christ, coming down to earth to redeem all of fallen creation i.e., not only man/woman who caused the fall, but also animals and plants since Jesus Christ is God and the Redeemer of all creation. This Divine reality is revealed in Holy Scripture. The late Pope John Paul II acknowledged this reality in 1990, when he affirmed "animals too have a soul just like men."¹⁵ Unfortunately, the Holy Father died in 2005, unable to complete the animal redemption theology after laying the the very foundation that "animals too have a soul just like men."

Lessons I've Learned From A Little Black Dog

In *The God Whisperer*, Fred Bittner explores eight principles taught in canine obedience training that help dog owners build a trusting relationship with their pets. Then, using Scripture, he applies the same principles to faithful obedience to Christ. Use this book as a devotional guide or as curriculum in a small group or Sunday school class. Enjoy heartwarming stories and biblical illustrations while discovering new ways to approach God. By applying biblical passages to daily life, *The God Whisperer* challenges animal lovers to walk with God in a new level of obedience. In *The God Whisperer*, Fred Bittner brings us to the dog world—a simple, unpretentious world of obedience, relationship, and dependence. In three sections, Bittner covers most of the major struggles folks have in their connections with God, from God as 'Pack Leader,' to His unswerving participation in our lives that encourages us to have intimacy, trust, and patience. Bittner not only comes at this work from the perspective of a dog lover but an obvious God lover. —Rick Hathaway, author *A Love Driven Life/A Legacy of Faith*

A Christian Theology on the Redemption of Our Animal Friends

When we first become believers, we still have a natural tendency to be self-centered, especially in how we pray. As a result, many Christians prayers that are more of a laundry list of "all about me" requests. Because God doesn't answer these kinds of prayer, we tend to give up on praying believing that God doesn't answer prayer. As a result, we end up checking in from time to time making sure he knows we're there and reminding him of our needs—hoping he'll do something about them. *Cat and Dog Prayer* will help move you from self-centered prayers to God-focused prayers. You'll learn how to pray, as the authors show: How to pray prayers that God wants to answer How you've been given a Blank Check by God The six reasons why God says Wait The four reasons why God says No How to pray Cause Me Prayers releasing the Holy Spirit completely in your life, and How you need to be careful about what you pray about—because it can be the very thing that takes you away from God himself! This book will change the way you pray. It is a natural outflow of *Cat and Dog Theology* also written by Bob and Gerald.

The God Whisperer

Reaching out to the millions of dog and animal lovers, David Teems offers delightful stories that highlight spiritual principles through the antics and love of his canine companions. Just ask the dog A dog makes devotion look as if it is the best part of life. And why shouldn't it be? Author and musician David Teems examines the possibilities. Using dogs as a playful yet powerful image of devotion, he gives you a glimpse of what the devoted life is, what it looks like, how it behaves, the possibility of attaining it, and what little work it has to be. The devoted life is filled with: uncommon love irrepressible joy deep and immovable contentment wonder and fascination communion with God Worship is meant to be a way of life, a continuous day-by-day, moment-by-moment event that engages the divine among the ordinary—a life of pure possibility, life as it should be, as it was designed to be.

Cat & Dog Prayer

Sometimes human communication falls short in conveying spiritual truth. God speaks through whatever means He chooses and often he chooses animals. Dogs teach unconditional love. The purr of a kitten can bring peace. Horses show us how to harness our strength with grace. Paws to Reflect offers gentle daily reflections for those who seek to grow spiritually by observing the animal kingdom and all the lessons it teaches.

And Thereby Hangs a Tale

What if we are stubbing our toes on the sacred every day and not realizing it? We are the most connected culture in history but arguably the most disconnected from the awareness of God's presence. Waking Up Slowly is author Dave Burchett's personal challenge to live "in the moment" and find the everyday joys he misses in disconnected busyness. What moments of joy do we inadvertently miss as we stare at our screens? What performance idols destroy our ability to appreciate God's gifts? Dave Burchett sets out to find out how life might look differently if he awoke each morning consciously looking for the easy to miss "postcards from God." Waking Up Slowly is an intimate, warm, and touching story of discovering how to more fully appreciate living in the moment. During his discovery, the author finds regular reminders of daily joys from his Labrador pal, Maggie. Waking Up Slowly challenges the reader to recognize, appreciate, and celebrate the ways that God reveals himself daily. Through regular people, everyday situations, cuddly creatures, and stunning nature, God's presence is real and discoverable. We just need to wake up to it.

FALCO - Walking with God and a Dog

This small book proposes a charming way in which we might better understand and appreciate God, thereby improving our relationship with Him. It is perhaps more than coincidence that DOG backwards spells GOD. Valid comparisons can be made between our relationship with dogs and our relationship with God. Occasionally we see that dogs reflect the nature of God. Sometimes we discern dogs point the way to a better relationship with God. And at still other times we recognise that our relationship with dogs is strikingly similar to our relationship with God. In a real sense, dogs truly are messengers of God. Described as a picture book for adults, this work presents twenty comparisons between our relationship with dogs and our relationship with God. And as we think about each of the twenty comparisons, we start to realise that interacting with dogs enables us to catch tiny glimpses of God Himself. Below is a sample comparison.

Paws to Reflect

Can dogs teach us anything about God? Author Judy McWhorter has been discovering lessons from God by way of her pet dogs for many years and has collected them in Devotions for Dog Lovers: Life Lessons from Canine Companions. Lessons for us, As our dogs' masters, about finding our way back home To The Master and learning to depend on him, are supported through Scripture and real-life experiences. Each devotional is placed within the backdrop of a heartwarming dog story that will attract non-believers, encourage believers, and stir the hearts of dog lovers everywhere. Devotions for Dog Lovers will inspire readers to seek a closer relationship with God while seeing God's truths through the eyes of man's best friend.

Waking Up Slowly

Have you watched in awe as dogs performed amazing feats on TV? Do you wonder, "Why doesn't my dog mind me?" Packed with dog training tips in every chapter, this book challenges you to explore and expand your relationship with your dog. But the author does not stop there. She goes on to employ the same training principles we use with our dogs to evoke a deeper relationship with our Creator. Often, we respond to God the same way our dogs respond to us—confused, distracted, or downright disobedient! Can we learn about obedience, teamwork, and developing a relationship with God by observing our dogs? Margie Clutter's strong Christian faith and proven dog training ability have given her a unique perspective on relationships between dogs and humans, and humans and God. The result is this collection of practical, scriptural, modern-day parables for spiritual growth in your relationship with God.

Dog Backwards Spells God

"Paws for Praise" is about Cassy, a Westie Poo dog, who captured her owner's heart & opened her eyes in a unique way, to a richer understanding of God. Spiritual applications in each entertaining story depict profound lessons our dogs & pets teach us. Life & love lessons compel in this pet devotional. It is light yet deep & "pawfectly" delightful.

Devotions for Dog Lovers

For the cover of my first *What Dog Lovers Know About God*, I used a picture of Lyssie, who was my first cocker spaniel and who lived with me for nearly twenty years. In that photo, she looked as if she were listening to Jesus, and I have absolutely no doubt that she is with Him now. The picture on this sequel's cover is of Annie on the left and Gracie on the right, posed as if they are in class, eager to learn something. As any dog lover knows, however, dogs usually teach the owner more than the owner teaches the dogs. Through the invaluable relationship between a dog lover and a beloved dog, there is a lot of teaching and learning going on. The title of their class should be GOD 101: Introduction to God's love. After all, "dog" is "God" spelled backward, so it is no small wonder there is a correlation between the two; both give unconditional love, and where else in the universe can you find that? Dr. Brenda Ayres has been teaching British literature for nearly forty years and currently teaches graduate courses online for Liberty University. To date she has published 75 books, most of them scholarly and focused on eighteenth- and nineteenth-century American and British literature. This is her second sequel of *What Dog Lovers Know About God*, with the hope that she will publish eight more sequels.

Dog//God Parables

Illustrates parallels between the author's love for her dog and God's love for her.

Paws for Praise

Collection of short stories relating spiritual experiences and lessons while walking with dogs.

What Dog Lovers Know About God

"Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?" —MATTHEW 6:26 God of All Creation recounts how a miniature dachshund taught her owner, James Robison, profound insights about life, faith, and God's care for all of His creation. A devoted dog lover and co-host of the television program *Life Today*, James shares how the antics of his own dog, Princess, as well as observations from all animals in creation, reveal "expressions of God's love, lessons of His grace, warnings about sin, and other eternal truths." Heart-warming stories and winsome line drawings bring to life the lessons James has learned from his pets and creatures living in the wild. And through his inspiration and spiritual insights, you, too, will learn to know God's voice, to submit to Him, and to trust Him with your every need. "I love that James did this book!" —BETH MOORE "You are about to read some poignant lessons we can learn from pets and all creatures—a clear revelation of the love God has for each of us. I share what I've learned as I've watched, held, and loved our little Princess and as I've watched wild animals in nature. Only a God who truly loves us as individuals could bless us with such treasured moments with our pets and wildlife, if we will just take notice... 'A friend once said, 'If you can't see God in everything, you won't see God in anything.' In this book we will explore...eternal truths as we consider our pets and other awesome residents of God's vast creation." —JAMES ROBISON

Will I See My Dog in Heaven

Dog lovers of all stripes will enjoy the captivating stories of the author's pets, and his thoughtful musings about them and their lives with him and his family. Convinced that his pooches have all been blessings from God, Sam further sees the Creator using them to graphically illustrate vital life principles. In *Talking Dogs* those principles emerge from a new perspective as you catch an over-the-shoulder view of Sam's experiences with his beloved furry companions, and the wonderful Scriptural insights that have flowed from those relationships. "Every pet lover will enjoy this great book by my friend Sam Mason. It's a page-turner filled with refreshing scriptural insights on living the life God wants each of us to enjoy." - BOB GASS, author of the *The Word for You Today* "This book is full of great lessons about how the way dogs interact with us can teach us about our relationship with God. I really enjoyed reading it. I'm not aware of any other book like this. As a great dog lover all my life, I highly recommend *Talking Dogs*." - JOHN P. MCTERNAN, author of *As America Has Done to Israel* "As I read Sam's book I was reminded of a line from the greatest of all dog book authors — Albert Payson Terhune. Terhune said that humans were unlucky because they didn't see their God until they died while a dog saw his god each time he looked into his master's face. This book might just help you find a deeper relationship with God by getting to better know Him through the canines He sends into your life. I know that has been true for me." - ACE COLLINS, best-selling author

What My Dog Taught Me about God

Every dog is different, but each loves his or her human in a special way. Often they are brave, noble, and strong. Sometimes they make us laugh, at them and at ourselves. Always they make us feel less alone and more loved. These ninety devotions will encourage and inspire you as you see how God is revealed in the antics and actions of our four-legged friends.

Walking with Dogs

With a keen sense of humor and never taking himself too seriously, Michael Ellerbe, who is an ordained Baptist Preacher, has captured in words some of the more laughable moments in life in this his first book. Be prepared to meet Michael's four-footed furry children--Biscuit, Catfish, Blueberry and Highway--and come away with insights into a relationship with the Lord that transcends all religiousness and drives home the point that in life, keeping your sense of humor is sometimes the only way to survive. What People Are Saying About "Dog is God Spelled Backwards" and Michael Ellerbe: "As a fellow pastor, I've always found Michael's viewpoints strange, but what the heck, I bought the book to help the boy out." Cleve, fellow pastor and friend (I think?!) "I guess I should be lucky I'm mentioned in the book, with the furry fours' adoration of their father, it's kind of hard to get attention around here!!" Elaine, Michael's wife of 33 years "We hope this book sells well so we don't have to support him in his old age." Ari and Chet (daughter & son in law) "Whatever!\\

God of All Creation

The Author truly believes that the dog is God's most perfect creation, and it shows by the unconditional love dog shows for man. This trait is not shown by any other creature and only shown in the relationship dog has with man, and is a gift from God to man. God is the only other that shows this unconditional love towards man, so the Author feels the dog is very special in God's eyes, even the name "Dog" is a reflection of the name "God". This book will touch on all your emotions, happiness, sadness, anger and in the final chapter this Author's vision of why dogs go to heaven, you will feel the unconditional love given to man only from God and Dog. We all have heard the Gospel stories of Jesus, but the Author tastefully injected a loving companion dog into some of these beautiful stories. He knew some might take offense with him messing with the Gospels, but he is a man of great faith as well as a dog parent, and he takes great pain in writing this book so as to not change the Gospel's real meaning. The best way to see if this book is for you is to hit the look inside button, and you will be able to read the full chapter before you buy. There are a few purely fictional chapters that were added, but they are respectfully written and take nothing from the scriptures.

Talking Dogs

Dogs are referred to as "man's best friend." They love their masters unconditionally, no matter how the master behaves. Even if the master has flaws, a dog will still show love and devotion. They are forgiving, compassionate, and attentive, and what do they ask in return? To be loved—simply, honestly, all a dog

wants is to be loved. So what do dogs have to do with God? More than you might think! In *Walking with Dog*, Labrador enthusiast and dog lover Tom Vint provides an enlightening view of our loving housemates. He asks the question: What if God built human relationships with dogs as mirrors of God's relationship with His people? After all, God loves us unconditionally. God is willing to forgive our flaws. God is always attentive, and He only asks for our love in return. As Christians, we were all puppies once. We all had need of training and guidance in the ways of our Master. We were never perfect; we will never be perfect. Yet God gives us loving discipline to keep us on the right path, just as we do with our furry friends. There are heartwarming correlations between God and dogs, and Christian dog owners will relate. Dogs may be man's best friends, but we are God's best friends, and He is waiting to open His arms and love us.

So God Made a Dog

"I know dogs in my life the way I know people and cats and trees and landscapes. Dogs help me shape my thoughts, feelings, and prayer life. Dogs have taught me attributes I feel in myself when reflecting and praying. Dogs have shown me the spirit of being loyal, glad, overwhelmed, protective, committed, vigilant, patient, kind, energetic, discerning, forgiving. Unfolding these attributes of dog life opens my own spiritual being. My relationship with dog mirrors my relationship with God." In *Dog Psalms* the reader can use a dog's attributes to speak to God.

Dog Is God Spelled Backwards

Can animals be messengers sent to help us? These stories will show how that can happen. It can feel like negativity dominates the world today. This book offers an alternative through sharing heartwarming stories, including those that demonstrate how a dog can act like a secret agent and those that teach the healing power of love. The stories in this book show how God can move through our beloved animals so that you can learn to watch for these experiences in your own life.

Jesus and His Dog (Colored Version)

The Advocate is a lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender (LGBT) monthly newsmagazine. Established in 1967, it is the oldest continuing LGBT publication in the United States.

Walking with Dog

The great writing team behind the popular *Four Paws from Heaven* (more than 125,000 copies sold) presents even more reasons to celebrate dogs and faith. This gathering of pup tales combines true stories about dogs with what we can learn from them about handling real-life situations. More than 50 humorous, poignant, and spiritually insightful stories are packed together under themed sections: Paws for Love: Curl Up with the Master Paws for Training: Sit, Stay, Grow Paws for Healing: Let God Smooth Out the Tangles Paws for Guidance: Follow Your Alpha This special gathering of short devotions reminds dog lovers everywhere about the wonderful treats of love, faithfulness, and companionship...and the rewards of following the Master.

Dog Psalms

Shares tales about dogs who advanced spiritual enlightenment in the humans whose lives they touched, from a Chihuahua who detected breast cancer in her owner to a Rottweiler who prevented her owner from committing suicide.

God Gives You the Dog You Need

There's a line about the difference between cats and dogs. It's said, "Dogs have masters, cats have staff." The same might be said for our relationship with God. That is, we call Him "Master," but we often treat Him like a "staff member." Our prayers often seem to be limited to, "Watch over this...give me that...and make my life safe, soft, easy, and comfortable." In doing so, we're busy telling God what we want Him to do, and if He doesn't provide it, not only are we disappointed, but we become accusatory. All too often, when people ask God "Why?"

The Advocate

Paws for Reflection

