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## A Way to Garden

"What can I do?" That was the question Diane Latiker asked of herself as she watched the teens in her Chicago neighborhood succumb at an alarming rate to gangs and gun violence. Her answer started small, inviting ten kids into her living room to talk about their struggles and dreams. But over the years it grew. With the help of God, her family, and many other people along the way, Diane's Kids Off the Block morphed from a personal crusade to do what she could into a nationally known program that has helped more than 3,000 at-risk Chicago teens. In this powerful, energizing book, she tells her incredible story to men and women who are sick of sitting behind their keyboards watching the world crumble and are

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ready to do something to make a difference. Through doubt, financial strain, and deep grief over lives lost, Diane has never lost her faith that God called her to this life-transforming work. In these pages she'll show you that God is calling you to do something too. Maybe something that feels small . . . definitely something that will change the world.

### **Start Where You Are**

Lizzie O'Malley is back with a purpose in life. Still flighty and unpredictable, she knows that loving and losing Teagan Gallagher has changed her life forever. As she navigates her new life in Boston as a full time working mother, she promises herself she will never fall in love again. But can she keep that promise after meeting Nick Sawyer, the gorgeous Texan who has fallen for her? Follow Lizzie to Ireland where she struggles with tragedy and rediscovers herself all over again.

### **Come Matter Here**

Winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award for Autobiography A New York Times 2016 Notable Book National Best Seller Named one of TIME magazine's "100 Most Influential People" An Amazon Top 20 Best Book of 2016 A Washington Post Best Memoir of 2016 A TIME and Entertainment Weekly Best Book of 2016 An illuminating debut memoir of a woman in science; a moving portrait of a longtime friendship; and a stunningly fresh look at plants that will forever change how you see the natural world Acclaimed scientist Hope Jahren has built three laboratories in which she's studied trees, flowers, seeds, and soil. Her first book is a revelatory treatise on plant life—but it is also so much more. Lab Girl is a book about work, love, and the mountains that

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can be moved when those two things come together. It is told through Jahren's remarkable stories: about her childhood in rural Minnesota with an uncompromising mother and a father who encouraged hours of play in his classroom's labs; about how she found a sanctuary in science, and learned to perform lab work done "with both the heart and the hands"; and about the inevitable disappointments, but also the triumphs and exhilarating discoveries, of scientific work. Yet at the core of this book is the story of a relationship Jahren forged with a brilliant, wounded man named Bill, who becomes her lab partner and best friend. Their sometimes rogue adventures in science take them from the Midwest across the United States and back again, over the Atlantic to the ever-light skies of the North Pole and to tropical Hawaii, where she and her lab currently make their home. Jahren's probing look at plants, her astonishing tenacity of spirit, and her acute insights on nature enliven every page of this extraordinary book. Lab Girl opens your eyes to the beautiful, sophisticated mechanisms within every leaf, blade of grass, and flower petal. Here is an eloquent demonstration of what can happen when you find the stamina, passion, and sense of sacrifice needed to make a life out of what you truly love, as you discover along the way the person you were meant to be.

### **Dirt**

English translation (1561) of the 1528 text which portrays Renaissance court society in Italy

### **Lab Girl**

Garden Myths examines over 120 horticultural urban legends. Turning wisdom on its head, Robert Pavlis dives deep into

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traditional garden advice and debunks the myths and misconceptions that abound. He asks critical questions and uses science-based information to understand plants and their environment. Armed with the truth, Robert then turns this knowledge into easy-to-follow advice. - Is fall the best time to clean the garden? - Do bloom boosters work?- Will citronella plants reduce mosquitoes in the garden?- Do pine needles acidify soil?- Should tomatoes be suckered?- Should trees be staked at planting time? - Can burlap keep your trees warm in winter?- Will a pebble tray increase humidity for houseplants? "Garden Myths is a must-read for anyone who wants to use environmentally sound practices. This fascinating and informative book will help you understand plants better, reduce unnecessary work, convince you to buy fewer products and help you enjoy gardening more."

### **Eavesdropping on Lucifer**

### **Fifty Sandwiches**

In A Modern Utopia, two travelers fall into a space-warp and suddenly find themselves upon a Utopian Earth controlled by a single World Government.

### **Inside Facts of Profitable Fruit Growing**

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Mary has known what it is to feel broken and disqualified because of the muddy scars leaving smudged fingerprints across our lives. Generations of her family lived and logged in those hauntingly treacherous woods, risking life and limb just to barely scrape by. And yet that very struggle became the redemption song God used to write a life she never dreamed of. Mixed with warmth, wit, and the bittersweet, sometimes aching heartbreak places we go when we dig in instead of give up, *Dirt* is a story of healing. With gut-wrenching honesty and hard-won wisdom, Mary shares her story for anyone who has ever walked into the world and felt like their scars were still on display, showing that you are braver, better, and more empathetic for what you have survived. Because God does his best work in the muddy, messy, and broken--if we'll only learn to dig in.

### **Kids Off the Block**

From the author of the best-selling, widely acclaimed *Heat*--a new hilariously self-deprecating, highly obsessive account of the author's adventures, this time, in the world of French haute cuisine Bill Buford turns his inimitable attention from Italian cuisine to the food of France. Baffled by the language, but convinced that he can master the art of French cooking--or at least get to the bottom of why it is so revered--he begins what becomes a five-year odyssey by shadowing the esteemed French chef Michel Richard, in Washington, D.C. But when Buford (quickly) realizes that a stage in France is necessary, he goes--this time with his wife and three-year-old twin sons in tow--to Lyon, the gastronomic capital of France. Studying at L'Institut Bocuse, cooking at the storied, Michelin-starred La Mère Brazier, enduring the endless hours and exacting rigueur of the kitchen, Buford becomes a man

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obsessed--with proving himself on the line, proving that he is worthy of the gastronomic secrets he's learning, proving that French cooking actually derives from (mon dieu!) the Italian. With his signature humor, sense of adventure, and masterly ability to immerse himself--and us--in his surroundings, Bill Buford has written what is sure to be the food-lover's book of the year.

### **Fighting Forward**

### **From the Days of Dirt**

TINKER BELL TALKS, Tales of a Pixie Dusted Life, is a memoir of Margaret Kerry and the magic of being Walt Disney's Tinker Bell a Hollywood kid-performer who turns into a Hollywood grown-up entertainer and story teller dozens of show-biz photos (including rare 'Little Rascals' images) along with unique art work to keep things even more interesting. The book is a dance through a life that's always been tempered with FAITH TRUST and PIXIE DUST! The book is divided into 6 parts (so the author could keep track). PART ONE: A child-actress at Warner Brothers, Hal Roach, MGM tap dancing acting growing up with a Hollywood Mother. PART TWO: An eager teenager in films on stage learning a cockamamie view of life at dance studios night clubs school. PART THREE: A happy-to-please teenager finding the way local and network TV shows RKO and Eddie Cantor and a new name. PART FOUR: Courtin' married on ABC-TV cast as Tinker Bell in Disney's Peter Pan Marc Davis Walt Disney Disneyland Traveling for Tink to London aboard the Disney Magic. PART FIVE: Cast as the Mermaid in Peter Pan 600 voice-over jobs for cartoons growing a family starting a riot on

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campus work with The 3 Stooges Andy Griffith George Clinton The Lone Ranger Public Relations exec. PART SIX: At USC KKLA 99.5 FM finding my family losing a husband and finding a new husband Tink's trips and stories then suddenly I'm 80 and attending a birthday bash!!

### **Tinkerbell Talks**

Would it surprise you to know that Joanna Gaines, Abraham Lincoln, Albert Einstein, Oprah, Jerry Seinfeld, C. S. Lewis, Max Lucado, and Meryl Streep are all introverts? Even though introverts make up half the population, most people still don't fully understand what it means to be one. Research shows the qualities introverts may see as struggles can be their greatest strengths. Introverts don't need to act more like extroverts to thrive, lead, and make a difference. Instead, they need to truly understand who God created them to be so they can avoid pitfalls like insecurity or anxiety and bravely offer their gifts to the world. In this transformative book, Holley Gerth dives into the brain science behind introversion to help you understand the psychological, relational, and spiritual aspects of being an introvert. She explores how introverts can make meaningful connections, experience quiet confidence, cultivate soul-filling solitude, exercise unexpected influence, and much more. If you're an introvert, or if you love, lead, or share life with an introvert, you need this empowering, insightful book!

### **Dirt**

Family Saga/Historical Fiction novel set in Scituate, MA. Four siblings face a heart-wrenching dilemma after the death of their mother and learning that they have inherited their 200

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year old family home. The story, told in part from the perspective of the house, weaves the tale of five generations of a family in Scituate, MA.

### **What the Mountains Know**

It's Halloween Eve, and Austyn is enjoying a midnight ride on his prized dirt bike. When three scary zombies interrupt his thrills and chills, he challenges them to learn to ride as well. Soon, a race is underway, and the zombies forget about everything but the ride. Austyn's quick thinking gives everyone a chance to win.

### **A Modern Utopia Annotated**

Jennifer Johnson is blessed with a beautiful singing voice but cursed with type 1 diabetes and stepparents who are intent on making life miserable. By seventeen, Jennifer leaves home. Determined, she kisses Colorado goodbye and sets off on a one-way trip to New York City where events set her on the rockiest road to dreams come true.

### **Wisconsin Horticulture**

Should you allow your kids to play in the dirt? Why not? Not only does it boost your child's immunity, it's also rich with learning opportunities! Though messy in theme, this coloring book does not need dirt to complete. Rather, your child will require coloring tools like markers, pens, crayons and pencils. Allow your little ones the freedom to learn through hands-on experience. Encourage coloring today!

### **Stillwater**

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How would you describe your walk with God? Fresh and passionate? Vibrant and full of life? Stagnant? Nonexistent? No matter where you are on your walk, that's exactly where God promises to meet you--even if it's messy. Sharing his own story of spiritual drifting, popular online pastor Rashawn Copeland encourages you to accept yourself as a glorious work in progress, a beloved child in whom God delights, a person on the brink of revival. Anchoring everything in Scripture, he shows you how to start your walk with God now, even in the midst of your mess. Even in the midst of addiction, doubt, depression, fear, and years spent running from God, he shows it is possible to - find God's love and acceptance - develop strong character - choose to rejoice - move out of your mess - see life through God's eyes - be a loving person in a hateful world - never settle for less than God's best - and more The change you long to see in the world starts in your own heart. Thankfully, that's exactly where God is waiting for you.

### **Lovey**

"Melissa Ohden is fourteen when she learns she is the survivor of a botched abortion. In this intimate memoir she details for the first time her search for her biological parents, and her own journey from anger and shame to faith and empowerment"--

### **Austyn's Awesome Zombie Dirt Bike Ride**

What, exactly, do you know about your body? Do you know how your immune system works? Or what your pancreas does? Or the myriad -- and often simple -- ways you can improve the way your body functions? This full-color, visually

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rich guide answers these questions and more. Matthew MacDonald, noted author of *Your Brain: The Missing Manual*, takes you on a fascinating tour of your body from the outside in, beginning with your skin and progressing to your vital organs. You'll look at the quirks, curiosities, and shortcomings we've all learned to live with, and pick up just enough biology to understand how your body works. You'll learn: That you shed skin more frequently than snakes do Why the number of fat cells you have rarely changes, no matter how much you diet or exercise -- they simply get bigger or smaller How you can measure and control fat That your hair is made from the same stuff as horses' hooves That you use only a small amount of the oxygen you inhale Why blood pressure is a more important health measure than heart rate -- with four ways to lower dangerously high blood pressure Why our bodies crave foods that make us fat How to use heart rate to shape an optimal workout session -- one that's neither too easy nor too strenuous Why a tongue with just half a dozen taste buds can identify thousands of flavors Why bacteria in your gut outnumber cells in your body -- and what function they serve Why we age, and why we can't turn back the clock What happens to your body in the minutes after you die Rather than dumbed-down self-help or dense medical text, *Your Body: The Missing Manual* is entertaining and packed with information you can use. It's a book that may well change your life. Reader comments for *Your Brain: The Missing Manual*, also by author Matthew MacDonald: "Popular books on the brain are often minefields of attractive but inaccurate information. This one manages to avoid most of the hype and easy faulty generalizations while providing easy to read and digest information about the brain. It has useful tricks without the breathless hype of many popular books."-- Elizabeth Zwicky, *The Usenix Magazine* "a unique guide that should be sought after by any who want to

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maximize what they can accomplish with their mental abilities and resources."-- James A. Cox, The Midwest Book Review - Wisconsin Bookwatch "If you can't figure out how to use your brain after reading this guide, you may want to return your brain for another."-- The Sacramento Book Review, Volume 1, Issue 2, Page 19 "It's rare to find a book on any technical subject that is as well written and readable as Your Brain: The Missing Manual. The book covers pretty much anything you may want to know about your brain, from what makes it up, through how it develops to how to mitigate the affects of aging. The book is easy reading, fact packed and highlighted notes and practical applications. So if you want to learn more about your brain, how it works, how to get the best out of it or just want to stave off the ravages of Alzheimers (see chapter ten for details of how learning helps maintain your brain) then I can't recommend this book highly enough."-- Neil Davis, Amazon.co.uk "MacDonald's writing style is perfect for this kind of guide. It remains educational without becoming overly technical or using unexplained jargon. And even though the book covers a broad scope of topics, MacDonald keeps it well organized and easy to follow. The book captures your attention with fun facts and interesting studies that any person could apply to their own understanding of human ability. It has great descriptions of the brain and its interconnected parts, as well as providing full color pictures and diagrams to offer a better explanation of what the author is talking about."-- Janica Unruh, Blogcritics Magazine

## **The Powerful Purpose of Introverts**

### **Garden Myths**

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The idea of information on research and development carried out on bamboo has emerged with the paradigm shift in the area of utilization of natural fibres in various industries. Technological advancements in bamboo sustenance have involved chemical and physical modification that has led to products of high-performance index. This book provides the latest research developments in many aspects of bamboo process, manufacture and commercialization potential. Apart from the interest to facilitate a complete assessment of bamboo as well as assist readers in achieving their goals, this book is intended to be of value to both fundamental research and also to practicing scientists and will serve as a useful reference for researchers, agricultural practitioners and organizations involved in the bamboo-based industry.

### **More Power to You**

Dear readers, this book is written about personal experiences and growth in eighty-five years of life. I've been putting it on paper for the last thirty to forty years, and that is what you hold in your hand. What this book hopefully will accomplish is to inspire and enlighten. In the process of reading these shared life stories, whether it brings a smile to your face or perhaps a tear in your eye, it is in the same manner that it did to us while living the stories out in real life. The stories also will describe some of the Amish culture and beliefs. Each story is true, even the ones that seem to be unbelievable. The stories are of experiences that have happened from youth to adulthood. The lessons learned here are invaluable to all—young, old, women, or men. Also included in this book are religious beliefs that have changed and developed over the years. Once you have read even one line of this book, or if you read it from cover to cover and found it inspiring, praise

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God and give him the glory. In the name of Jesus Christ, his bond servant.

### Hope Returns

Do you trust God? Meg Apperson grew up having a relationship with Jesus and would say she had trusted God her entire life. But when her daughter Avery—a miracle in so many ways—was born with a syndrome of severe birth defects, Meg began to fully understand what it really means to trust Jesus with everything. In this tender memoir, full of gut-wrenching emotion, you'll hear a mother's personal story of fighting for her child, her family, and even herself as she grapples with the weight of failure—of letting down everyone around her and feeling let down by God. But in the midst of the fight, through heavy grief, she not only discovers her own voice—she discovers that God is good and God is faithful. If you have ever experienced grief, suffering, or pain ... If God has ever asked you to surrender more than you thought possible ... If you've ever questioned how God is at work in the darkness ... *A Sky Full of Stars* is for you. This book will show you that when everything is dark around you, goodness can be found in the suffering. Reading it will help you discover new ways to rely on God's trustworthiness.

### Growing Up Between Stops on the A-Train

*Fighting Forward* is the empowering anthem you need to take the next small step to a better life. At the darkest point of a life-altering depression, Hannah Brencher took a silver marker and labeled a composition book "Fight Song." In that little notebook, she poured hope-filled truths and affirmations, knowing that one day, she--and you--would need a reminder

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to stay in the fight. Drawn from those glow-in-the-dark words, *Fighting Forward* is your empowering invitation to show up, claim hope, and take back your life one small win at a time. Popular blogger, viral TED Talk speaker, and founder of *The World Needs More Love Letters*, Hannah shares personal stories of developing daily rhythms and sustainable faith in a culture of hustle. With a heap of hope for those who long to move from anxiety and fear into action steps, the power-ballad essays in this book will encourage you to savor the milestones you've already reached, root yourself in the next small step, welcome healthy routines into your day, and apply grace like sunscreen in the process of your own becoming. *Fighting Forward* champions the truth that each song starts with a single note. With trust and a little time, each note and every small step adds up to a victorious anthem of showing up to this life and staying in the fight to become who God made you to be.

### **Powerhouse Woman**

Each of the 52 devotions in *More Power to You* by Bible teacher Margaret Feinberg examines a popular lie in our culture, helps us understand how that lie shows itself in our lives, and invites us to replace that lie with a biblical affirmation of truth that will bring joy to your soul. In a culture that constantly tells us we're not good enough, not beautiful enough, and not doing enough, it's easy to feel as if we have nothing to offer. Lies about who we are and how we are failing slip into our thinking until we believe they are reality. But that's not what God intends for us. In *More Power to You*, Margaret Feinberg exposes these false beliefs and shows you that the places of your deepest hurts can become wellsprings of your greatest healing. Here Margaret shares

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the daily practice that has been so life changing for her: the 90-Second Daily Declaration Challenge. You'll launch into each day by reading the Daily Declaration aloud, paying attention to what the Holy Spirit may be highlighting for you. Then you'll read through the weekly devotions that examine each line of the Daily Declaration, exploring the what and the why behind those biblical truths. These brief but powerful devotions are designed to unleash the true you--and remind you of who you really are. More Power to You equips you to embrace your true identity every day. You'll find power in knowing you are already worthy in God's eyes. As you begin to live out that truth, you will break free from the negative thoughts that hold you hostage and experience the joyous life God wants for you.

### **Fractured Not Broken**

On the heels of her mother's death, Hope Logan reluctantly returned to her grandparents' home place in search of a journal that revealed explosive crimes and atrocities of the past that had haunted her grandma for nearly sixty-five years. Bitterness, unforgiveness, and anger consumed her as she set out to solve the mystery that surrounded her grandma's life. The dark evil secret that was contained in the journal only deepened her resentment of God. Because of her quest, she came in contact with many strong believers, especially a handsome young pastor and three senior citizens. In that small town in the foothills of the mountains of North Carolina, Hope's bitterness, unforgiveness, and anger slowly began to fade in the light of the strong faith of the young pastor and three senior citizens. She discovered the true meaning of faith and hope in Christ in the midst of adversity. Carolyn Digh Griffin, a native North Carolinian, resides in Waxhaw, North

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Carolina, with her husband, Hoyle. She is retired from Union County Public Schools where she was an Administrative Assistant to the Assistant Superintendent. She has two daughters and four grandchildren who also reside in the Old North State.

### **Bamboo**

Similar to the Screwtape Letters by C.S. Lewis, the book is an entertaining and thought-provoking story about how the devil is corrupting modern-day culture. Lucifer, the "Boss," interviews a potential new apprentice. The story follows the apprentice as he tries to silence a fire-and-brimstone preacher, encourages abortion, tries to convince some college students that there is no devil, and encourages divorce. But much of his evil work is undone by God's angel - Angelica - who has been sent to do good. The Boss explains to his apprentice how he used ridicule, logic, "compassion," and the courts to turn the United States from a Christian nation into a largely secular one. But he complains about how the Son has made his work much more difficult, because anyone who believes in the Son and asks for forgiveness is saved. Lucifer's explanation to his apprentice of how evil came to prominence in our culture, and how he can be defeated, is a story every Christian should hear and understand. "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms." (Ephesians 6:12 NIV)

### **Rainbow Pie**

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## **Inside Facts of Profitable Fruit Growing**

From the Days of Dirt is the memoir of Marcus Hastings, a rebellious teenager who grew up in Maine in the 1990's. Marcus believed it was his mission as a young person to have as much fun as possible by causing high-quality mischief. Even when he isn't looking for trouble, which isn't often, trouble seems to find him. Marcus' journal entries trigger a series of stories chronicling his crooked, haphazard journey into adulthood. His cynical and oddly refreshing perspective on what it means to feel alive finds humor in just about everything- whether that be setting his pants on fire, falling in love or being thrown in jail. Many of his recollections are timeless and relatable. We all had that crazy friend or that weird neighbor, and if not, now you do.

## **The Book of the Courtier**

While Obama's triumphant 'Yes we can' continued to reverberate, it was tempting to believe that a new era of opportunity had dawned. But for several million dirt-poor, disgruntled Americans the possibility of change is as far away as ever. These are the gun-owning, donut dunkin', uninsured, underemployed rednecks who occupy America's heartland: the ones who never got a slice of the pie during the good times, and the ones who have been hit hardest by the economic slump. Theirs is a hard-luck story that goes back generations and Joe Bageant tells it here with poignancy, indignation, and tinder-dry wit. Through the tale of his own rambunctious Scots-Irish family, starting with his grandparents Maw and Pap, Bageant traces the post-war migration of the rural poor to the sprawling suburbs where they found, not the affluence they'd dreamed of, but isolation

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and deprivation, and the bitter futility of hope. What do the white working poor of America want, and what does America want for them?

### **Dirt**

What *The Mountains Know* takes you beyond the world's deafening noise, to a quiet space—a path that will lead you back to your soul. It is here that you can unify the fragmented elemental particles of the stardust from which you are made, from which we are all made. You were created to play with fire, to make waves, to whip up the wind, to seed the earth, and to move mountains.

### **Sky Full of Stars**

**UNDER THE SURFACE, DANGER LURKS** Twelve-year-old Grace believes that all adults are trustworthy and good. So begins a coming-of-age story full of laughter and tears that takes place one hot summer in upstate New York in the 1950s. On the surface, Stillwater seems an idyllic place, but danger lurks underneath. Grace and her best friends, Maggie and Louanne, grapple with divorce, domestic violence, and mental illness. Grace is devastated when she finds out her father committed suicide when she was eight. Several suspicious fires break out in the area, and Louanne's schizophrenic uncle Tony, the town bogeyman, is accused of setting them. Grace believes he's unfairly targeted because he's mentally ill and convinces her friends to help her find the real arsonist. Hazard weaves themes of loss and recovery in a story filled with quirky characters and invaluable lessons about love, life, and survival.

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## Growing Deep Roots

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## Becoming Home

AWARD-WINNING and BESTSELLING AUTHOR Parts of this memoir appeared on ESPN and in *Rosie*. *Fractured Not Broken* is a true story of loss, faith, and a rare love that only happens in nonfiction. In a sweeping and heart-wrenching narrative, Kelly exposes the truth about what happened after a drunk driver rendered her a quadriplegic. She shares how she found her way back—through faith and pain, her

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community, her family, and the love of a man she'd prayed for. This book has been a true encouragement to me. Thank you Kelly for sharing your story—the loss and the unexpected joy—so that each reader can be uplifted knowing there is a full, rich life available to those who lean in to our Lord Jesus.

—Renee Bondi, Award-Winning Singer and Songwriter Life has its tragic moments of defeat, setbacks, and fracturing for everyone. Kelly's story proves, however, that individual momentum, personal progress, and genuine achievement can still be attained. Her courage and optimism are uplifting. Open these pages and experience the joy of ultimate victory.

—Dr. Dennis E. Hensley, Author, *Jesus in All Four Seasons* This is a real life story of heroic virtue—especially of courage, humility, and generosity—a triumph of faith, hope and love. This story involves the very essence of the human spirit, family, and community. To know Kelly and her journey of miracles is to know that with God all things are possible.

—Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson Bishop of Evansville

### **Your Body**

Hannah was a hopeless child. Everyone agreed on that—public school authorities, psychiatrists, even the mother who loved her but could not reach her. Everyone, except one remarkable teacher who understood what it was like to be eight years old and hurt and angry and confused. A teacher who saw Hannah as she could be rather than as she seemed to be. One child. One teacher. Just enough to add up to a very human miracle

### **Dirt**

Have you ever felt a subtle nudge that there's MORE for you

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in life? Maybe a message that you want to share or a passion project you want to create? Is there a bigger purpose for you to fulfill? A lot of us women feel these subtle love taps from our souls, but it takes a special kind of woman to follow her nudge--someone like you. Whether you're already crystal clear about your purpose, or you've simply felt a subtle nudge that you are meant for more, this interactive book will show you how to leverage the power that's already within you to make your mark on the world. You'll learn how . . . You always have access to confidence and how to tap into it. Comparing yourself to others kills off all your creativity and what to do about it. Releasing the death grip you have on your comfort zone will allow you to fly. Leveraging the power of language can manifest results quickly. Mastering these simple concepts gives you the ability to create results in ANY area of life that's important to you.

### **You Carried Me**

"Those with dirt already under their fingernails will treasure Roach's in-depth knowledge, wry humor, and reflective look at how seasons in gardening mirror the passage of time."  
—Publishers Weekly For Margaret Roach, gardening is more than a hobby, it's a calling. Her unique approach, which she refers to as "horticultural how-to and woo-woo," is a blend of vital information you need to memorize (like how to plant a bulb) and intuitive steps you must simply feel and surrender to. In *A Way to Garden*, Roach imparts decades of garden wisdom on seasonal gardening, ornamental plants, vegetable gardening, design, gardening for wildlife, organic practices, and much more. She also challenges gardeners to think beyond their garden borders and to consider the ways gardening can enrich the world. Brimming with beautiful

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photographs of Roach's own garden, *A Way to Garden* is practical, inspiring, and a must-have for every passionate gardener.

### **Unchosen**

“Someday, somewhere” is a dangerous game. The real stuff of life is here and now. Life is scary. Adulthood is hard. When faced with the challenges of building a life of your own, it's all too easy to stake your hope and happiness in “someday.” But what if the dotted lines on the map at your feet today mattered just as much as the destination you dream of? Hannah Brencher, TED Talk speaker and founder of *The World Needs More Love Letters*, thought Atlanta was her destination. Yet even after she arrived, she found herself in the same old chase for the next best thing...somewhere else. And it left her in a state of anxiety and deep depression. Our hyper-connected era has led us to believe life should be a highlight reel—where what matters most is perfect beauty, instant success, and ready applause. Yet, as Hannah learned, nothing about faith, relationships, or character is instant. So she took up a new mantra: be where your feet are. Give yourself a permission slip to stop chasing the next big thing, and come matter here. Engage the process as much as you trust the God who lovingly leads you. If you are tired of running away from your life or tired of running ragged toward the next thing you think will make you feel complete, *Come Matter Here* will help you do whatever it takes to show up for the life God has for you. Whether you need to make a brave U-turn, take a bold step forward, or finish the next lap with fresh courage, find fuel and inspiration for the journey right here.

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## **Destroyed**

The year is 1985, and twenty-two-year-old Galen lives with his emotionally dependent mother in a secluded old house surrounded by a walnut orchard in a suburb of Sacramento. He doesn't know who his father is, his abusive grandfather is dead, and his grandmother, losing her memory, has been shipped off to a nursing home. Galen and his mother survive on the family's trust fund—old money that his aunt, Helen, and seventeen-year-old cousin, Jennifer, are determined to get their hands on. Galen, a New Age believer who considers himself an old soul, yearns for transformation: to free himself from the corporeal, to be as weightless as air, to walk on water. But he's powerless to stop the manic binges that overtake him, leading him to fixate on forbidden desires. A prisoner of his body, he is obsessed with thoughts of the boldly flirtatious Jennifer and dreams of shedding himself of the clinging mother whose fears and needs weigh him down. When the family takes a trip to an old cabin in the Sierras, near South Lake Tahoe, tensions crescendo. Caught in a compromising position, Galen will discover the shocking truth of just how far he will go to attain the transcendence he craves. An exhilarating portrayal of a legacy of violence and madness, *Dirt* is an entirely feverish read.

## **Playing in the Dirt**

Jade is a ten thousand year old vampire whose life was shattered by a curse from the Fates and a brother who took their words seriously. In an instant the lives of his friends and family were jeopardized and ruined. His twin brother, Corbin, took away the only girl that Jade ever loved, his fiancée Eliza. After her death, Jade turned away from humans and turned

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toward revenge. When Jade has a vision of the girl around the corner dying in the hands of his brother, he has only two choices: save her, or let her turn rogue and ruin the world forever. Will he save her or will he let the world burn?

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