

A Water Lily among the Wildflowers

Hope and Truth for Moms after Pregnancy Loss

Rachel Dickey

Every day is a struggle. You may not believe it, but your shattered heart can heal.

When a mother loses a baby, a depth of grief emerges that is unlike anything else. Family members and friends are usually at a loss regarding what they should do or say, and their sometimes-callous words only compound a grieving parent's anxiety and anguish of spirit.

This is what happened to Rachel Dickey, a registered nurse who tragically lost a baby during pregnancy. Having faced this overwhelming grief, she speaks directly to readers about her firsthand experiences and encourages moms to look to the truth of Scripture as they navigate their loss.

Looking for answers, Rachel began an in-depth study of what the Bible says regarding the unborn, answering critical questions like, when does life begin, did God love my unborn baby, and is my baby in heaven? *A Water Lily among the Wildflowers* delves into these answers and discusses how men and women grieve differently. Rachel then offers tools to keep a marriage strong. She also addresses the wounding impact other people have, looking at some of the hurtful statements she heard as she was grieving pregnancy loss.

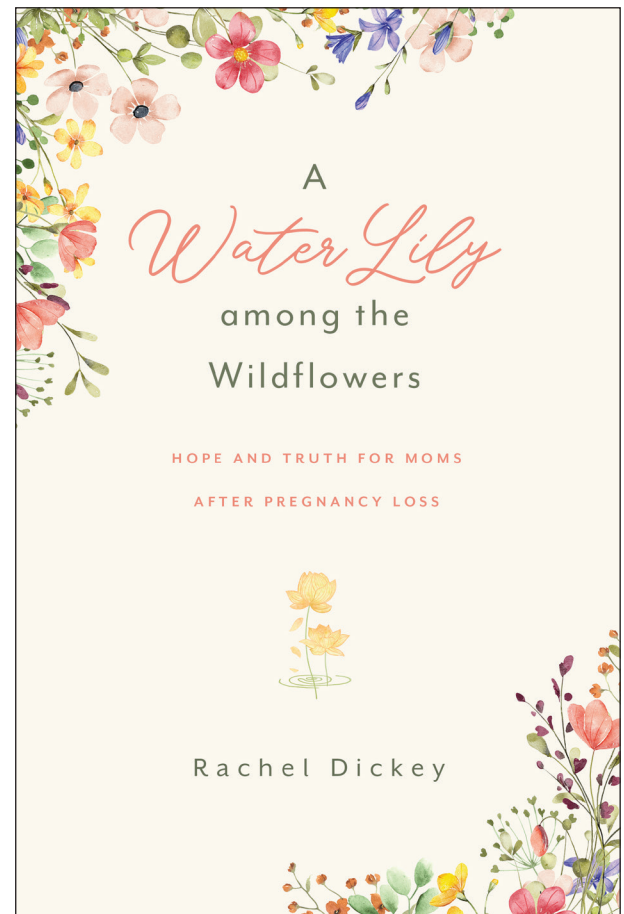
Those reeling from the trauma of losing a baby need support and friendship. Rachel offers that to the millions of mothers who said goodbye to their babies too soon.

1. **AUDIENCE:** Christian women who have experienced any kind of pregnancy loss, and the spouses, families, pastors, grief counselors, and friends of someone who has faced this loss.
2. **UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE:** This book is the only one I've found to offer an in-depth understanding of what Scripture says regarding unborn babies while simultaneously offering guidance from a mother who has experienced this loss. Many other books only offer a few comforting verses or focus solely on a single passage of Scripture.

Praise for *A Water Lily among the Wildflowers*

"Both vulnerable and insightful, A Water Lily among the Wildflowers sheds light on personal loss. There is a message throughout that shakes the hand of grief, benefitting from its work, but also agrees with hope, knowing that one day, grief retires. Readers will be inspired, and couples need to know and understand the difference between male and female grief to avoid mistaking their differences for a lack of care or abandonment."

—**Megan Hood**, certified mental health coach, family advocate, public speaker, and author



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After graduating from UNC Greensboro with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, **RACHEL DICKEY** followed her dream of becoming a Labor and Delivery nurse. But years later, after experiencing the death of her son at eighteen weeks gestation, her passion became to write a book providing biblical truths and much-needed support for the millions of mothers who have experienced pregnancy loss. Outside of this passion, you'll find her either spectating at the baseball field with her two young sons, working on and photographing their twenty-five-acre family farm, leading Bible study for her local church, or cheering on her husband, who is a pit crew athlete in NASCAR. Information regarding the book and email sign-up can be found at www.racheledickey.com.



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Cooperating with the Holy Spirit

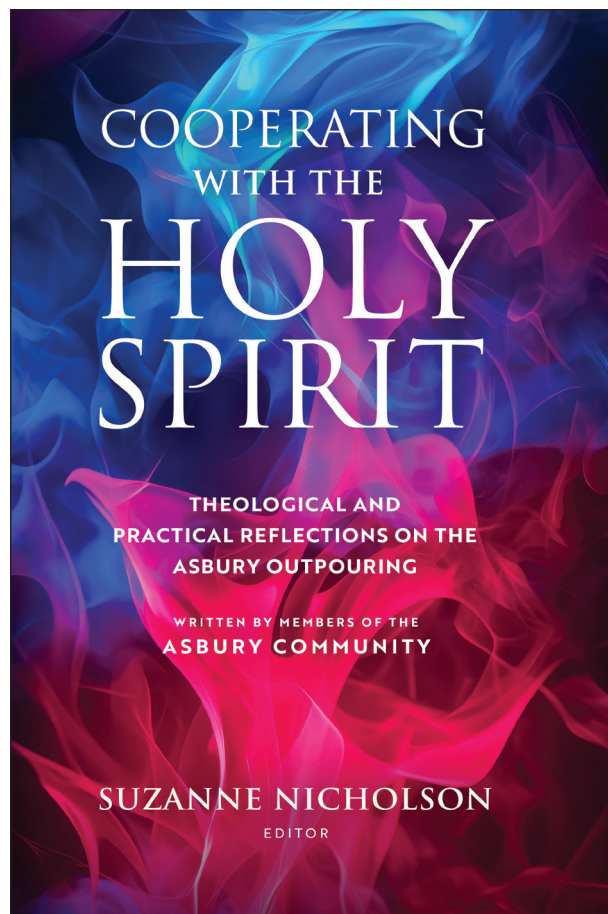
Theological and Practical Reflections on the Asbury Outpouring

Written by members of the Asbury community
Suzanne Nicholson, editor

On February 8, 2023, the Holy Spirit suddenly and powerfully poured forth on students lingering after chapel at Asbury University, located in the small town of Wilmore, Kentucky (population 6,000). For the next sixteen days, more than 50,000 pilgrims from around the world flocked to experience God's sweet, gentle presence in Hughes Auditorium. Many sought counsel, confessed patterns of addiction and sin, and sought to reorient their lives toward God in the context of vibrant, 24-hour worship. Overflowing to other venues, the Asbury community—its faculty, staff, administrators, students, and community members—worked together to steward this amazing movement of God.

While other sustained revivals have happened throughout human history, despite its humble beginnings, this event grew exponentially because of social media and national and international news coverage. *Cooperating with the Holy Spirit* recounts the events of the Outpouring; offers biblical, historical, and theological reflections on revivals; and provides practical insights for addressing the challenges that arise when God moves in powerful ways among his people.

1. The Asbury University website received over 285 million hits as the Outpouring unfolded. As word spread, the event garnered sustained coverage from the national news cycle. Many notable Christian celebrities contacted university officials and appeared in Wilmore, ready to offer their leadership. But the focus of the Outpouring remained on GenZ students and never devolved into a cult of personality.
2. Despite the sustained news coverage, little is understood of what was actually happening in Wilmore. University officials sought to allow the Spirit to work on those present, and they did not permit cameras to be used inside the venue until a late simulcast as the Outpouring drew to a close. *Cooperating with the Holy Spirit* allows readers to see what God was doing.
3. Only one other book has been written about this revival. School officials commissioned *Cooperating with the Holy Spirit* through a series of writing retreats to capture a rich collection of perspectives on why the revival began, how it was sustained, and the logistics that made possible this movement of God. It includes reflections from many participants, including the university president and the mayor of Wilmore.



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Glow Up

A Teen's Guide to Flipping the Script

Brittany Estes

Author, life coach, and mom of eight Brittany Estes offers an engaging and powerful tool to help teens overcome negative thoughts and see life more positively.

It's tough to be a teen these days. You're growing up in a world constantly feeding you information on who you should be and what you should do. You strive to follow in the footsteps of the influencers online, the friends you see in the hallways, or the parents who set the bar high. But more times than not, you are left feeling helpless and hopeless. You find yourself stuck, broken, and alone, wishing for a better life, thinking there has to be a better way.

The truth is, *there is!* Girl, it's time for your glow up!

Learn to uncover the scripts that have broken you down. Then, you'll discover how to stop listening to the negative scripts playing through your mind, causing you to believe lies about yourself. Soon, you'll be seeing life in a brand-new way.

Are you ready? Let's shine!

Glow Up addresses five main areas where teens are overwhelmed and stuck in a negative mindset. Through engaging, relatable stories and Scripture, this book offers hope for a new way of thinking. It gives this generation practical steps to flip their internal scripts and embrace a more positive outlook.

1. AUDIENCE: Teens aged 11–16. The girl who feels alone, wishing she had friends. The girl who believes she always messes up and will never be good enough. The girl who tries to be like everyone else but never fits in. The girl who questions her worth and is stuck seeking the approval of friends and family. The girl trying to look like what social media tells her is best.
2. BOOK IN A SERIES: 1st was *Flip the Script: Make Your Move from Broken to Brilliant*
3. UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE: There aren't many authors writing to this generation, and *Glow Up* provides a fun, fresh, and relatable take on helping teens rewrite the broken, negative statements that play in their minds.

Praise for Brittany and *Glow Up*

"When I hear Brittany teach or I read her words, I want to get going. I want to stand up, live boldly, and not quit. This generation needs her words and her leadership."

—**Jess Connolly**, author of *You Are the Girl for the Job* and founder of Go + Tell Gals

"What an accomplishment! I'm looking forward to seeing it on shelves."

—**Bob Goff**, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Dream Big*

"Brittany's heart for young women stepping into their identity in Christ is infectious, and this book is further equipping her mission that I love and champion so deeply!"

—**Ainsley Britian**, author of *Don't Date a Boo Boo Dude*



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Beyond the Shallows

Life Is Better in the Deep End

Jason Hundley

Is your heart sabotaging your life?

God has created you with a beautiful, wondrous, and powerful spiritual center. But you are not alone if you don't understand how to take control of your inner life. You don't have to live in the shallow end or stuck on cruise control. Coasting through life always leaves you wishing for more and wreaks havoc on your emotional, mental, and spiritual health. If you're tired of living this way, *Beyond the Shallows* can show you God's tools to dig yourself out of the muck.

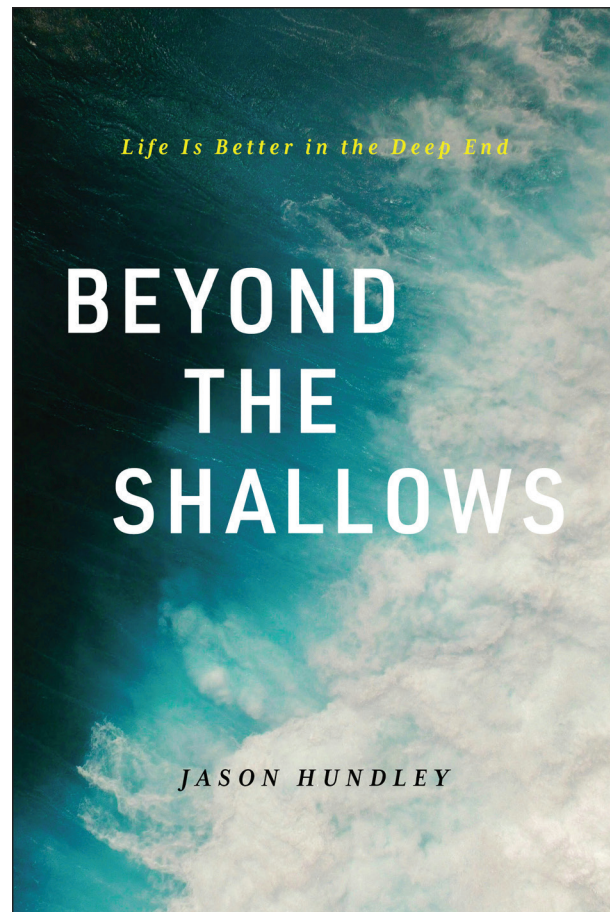
Your heart should guide you to spiritual freedom, emotional maturity, deeper intimacy with God, wisdom in relationships, and confidence in your sense of purpose. Learn to grow in these areas and find proven ways to understand your heart and its motives. Get unstuck and begin to live with deep purpose, authenticity, and fulfillment.

1. AUDIENCE: Young adults and those early in their careers
2. UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE: Emotional, mental, and spiritual maturity are all referred to as the heart in the Bible. That is why progress in one area is progress in all areas.

Praise for *Beyond the Shallows*

"Jason Hundley's new book is a tender but strong study of the heart and the issues we face as we try to grow in our spiritual maturity. The book is a deep dive with great hope for those who nourish their soul through it. The goal is to know God's heart and ours more deeply. Beyond the Shallows focuses on God's heart for us and his presence with us as we seek him."

—**Dr. Helen B. McIntosh, EdD**, Counseling Psychology, author of *Messages to Myself* and coauthor of *Mended*, *I Love You, Mom!*, and *I Love You, Dad!*



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Christian Living / Spiritual Growth



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Faithful Defiance

Marshall Keeble's Life and Legacy

C. Leonard Allen, editor

Marshall Keeble, the premier evangelist in Churches of Christ in the twentieth century, died in April 1968, the same month as Martin Luther King Jr.

Keeble spent fifty-five years as a full-time evangelist using his remarkable gifts, steadfastness, toughness, and tactical navigation of the Black/White divide to baptize as many as forty thousand people. He planted and raised over three hundred congregations and mentored powerful sons and grandsons in the faith, including Fred Gray, the famous civil rights attorney.

Keeble's message was simple, but his life is more complicated than many have thought. Even his closest admirers disagreed with him and were baffled by his unflinching silence on the topic of race. Never in his life did Keeble openly defy segregation, although he did confront the innumerable racist attacks and humiliations he experienced. His commitment to evangelism was unwavering; he wanted nothing to get in the way of it. He championed self-help and personal morality and thought broader politics were of little value.

Faithful Defiance recounts the remarkable story of Keeble's life, revealing fresh insights into how his legacy continues to challenge and inform the present day.

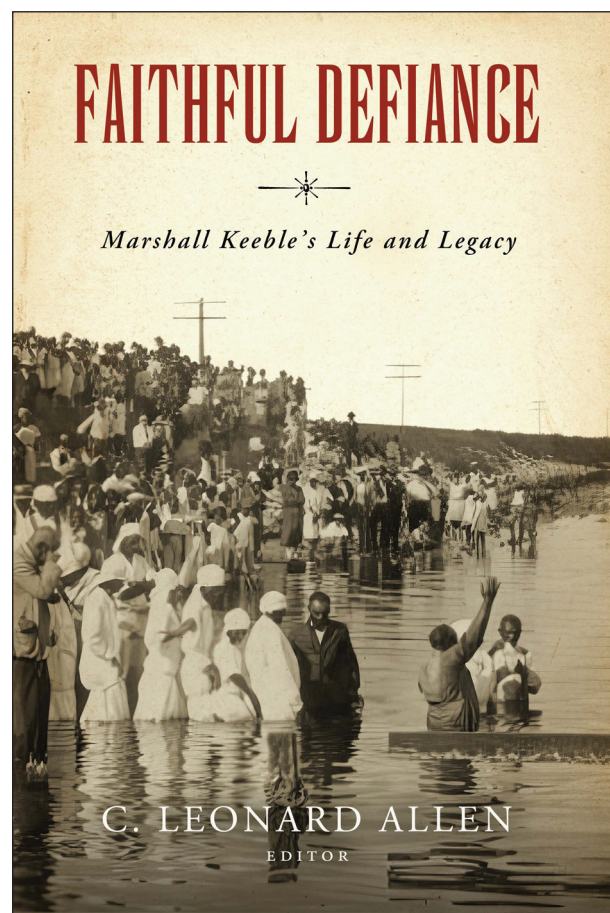
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Praise for *Faithful Defiance*

"We best understand our times and ourselves by looking to history and giants of the faith. We learn how they navigated their troubled times, modeling how to serve faithfully. We learn from their victories and their mistakes. This volume is a shining example of high-impact historical analysis and biography informing our current, divisive times. Be inspired by Marshall Keeble's life and faith. Be challenged. Consider how to apply the lessons of this fascinating volume in your own life. You will be thrilled you did."

—**Michael O. Emerson**, Chavanne fellow in Religion and Public Policy, the Baker Institute for Public Policy, Rice University; coauthor of *Divided by Faith* and *The Religion of Whiteness*



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Surrendering Certainty

Hearing God Today by Letting Go of Tomorrow

Abby McDonald

The God of the universe is trying to communicate with you. Are you listening?

Have you ever felt like God was prompting you to do something but questioned whether it was his voice? Instead of acting, you waited for another sign. What if God has already given us what we need to know a word is from him?

Surrendering Certainty addresses a key misconception about God's voice: that it will tell us what will happen tomorrow. We've mistaken God's voice in our lives for a means of obtaining knowledge instead of embracing its power to give us peace for today. Since the fall in the garden of Eden, humanity has carried the same deception that misled Eve. We think more information will give us more freedom. But if we look at Jesus's teachings, we see that his direction was never intended to give us a roadmap.

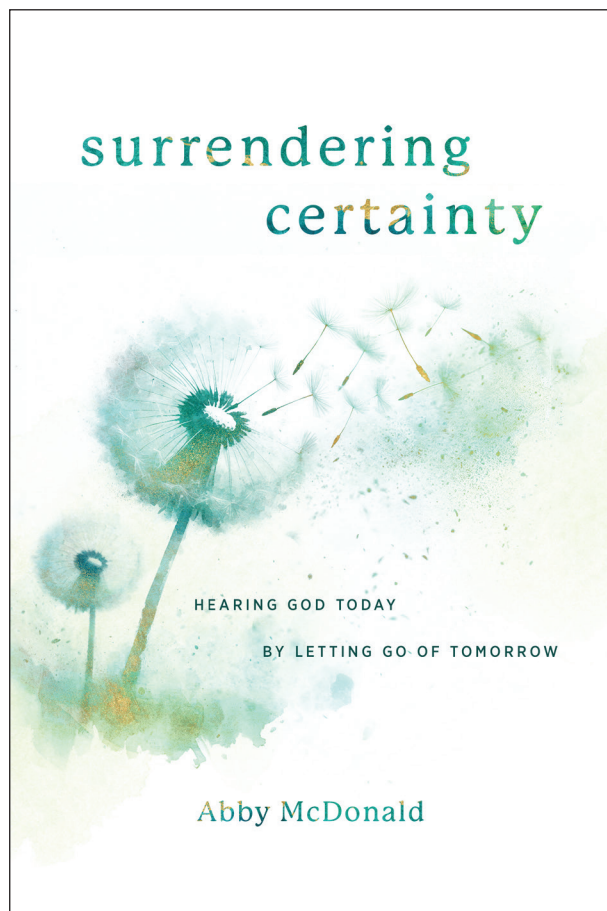
We can trade the yoke of certainty we carry for a better one: Jesus's yoke. By focusing on three promises Jesus gave us in John 10, *Surrendering Certainty* shows a better way to live, empowered by God's word instead of a false sense of security. We will be free from a weight we were never intended to carry: the burden of being "like God."

1. AUDIENCE: Christian women, aged 30–55, who feel stuck and doubt their ability to hear God's voice
2. EXPERIENCED AUTHOR: Writing coach, contributor for Proverbs 31 Ministries' *Encouragement for Today*, and author of *Shift*
3. UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE: Other books on the market don't address our desire for certainty as being a key reason we have difficulty hearing and responding to the voice of God. This book not only addresses this desire but shows the reader how to fulfill it in a healthier way.

Praise for *Surrendering Certainty*

"Reading Surrendering Certainty helped dispel all my fearful thoughts about taking the wrong next step and ruining my life. Abby invites her reader to ask the right questions and rest in our Heavenly Father's certain faithfulness. Every chapter is grounded in biblical wisdom and provides practical guidance so that even indecisive people like me can make well-informed choices and move forward with confident faith."

—**Lyli Dunbar**, Biblical Life Coach, Host of *The Wildfire Faith* podcast, and Writer for Love God Greatly and Proverbs 31 Ministries' First 5 app



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Real Marriage Made Simple

Proven Principles for Thriving Together

Dr. Chris Thurman

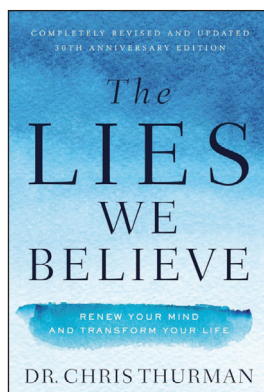
Start Your Journey to a Stronger Marriage Today

Are you ready to take the guesswork out of your relationship? *Real Marriage Made Simple* offers straightforward guidance to tackle the complexities of marriage. Dr. Chris Thurman draws on his extensive counseling experience and helps couples take an honest but lighthearted look at important topics. He presents ten essential principles to help couples navigate common challenges and strengthen their marriages, including:

- Stay in Your Own Backyard
- Own Your Own Stuff
- Give More Than You Take
- Get Your Mind Right
- Shoot Straight for Their Good

Each partner will discover how biblical wisdom can help them actively contribute to a healthier, more loving relationship. However, this book provides much more than just advice. The included workbook and a small group guide help readers make meaningful progress toward a better marriage by putting their learning into action.

Author of:
THE LIES WE BELIEVE
*Renew Your Mind and
Transform Your Life*



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