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The statistics are jarring. One in four women and one in six men are or will be victims of sexual assault in their lifetime. But as sobering as the statistics are, they don't begin to speak to the darkness and grief experienced by these victims. Because sexual assault causes physical, psychological, emotional, and spiritual pain, victims need

clear help, hope, and healing. Justin and Lindsey Holcomb's acclaimed book, *Rid of My Disgrace* (Crossway Books, 2011), offered a new vision of how the grace of God can heal the broken and restore the disgraced. When *Rid of My Disgrace* was published, it exposed many Christians to the horrors of sexual abuse and assault for the first time. It enabled many who have been victimized to finally seek help and hope within the framework of their faith. *Rid of My Disgrace* was a gift to these men and women and all the people who seek to come alongside them in their journey toward healing. But *Rid of My Disgrace* forced us—as a church—to ask ourselves further questions. How can our churches become a safe place to talk about abuse? Can we participate somehow in the healing of the men and women among us who have been abused? This brand new *Rid of My Disgrace* Small Group Discussion Guide answers our collective questions, bringing healing and hope into the safety of the faith community. What does it mean to live God in your everyday life? It means knowing and following God's perfect plan for you as a young woman. Learn how to... grow close to God get along with your family and friends make the right kinds of choices become more like Jesus prepare for the future fulfill the desires of your heart As you read along, you'll find yourself caught up in the exciting adventure of a lifetime—that of becoming a woman after God's own heart! You'll love the special "Heart Response" sections created just for you. And the practical "Things to Do Today" will help you in your desire to know and follow God. Includes new and updated content. When scandal surpasses discretion... James Trelissick, Marquis of Lasterton, will do anything to free his mother and sister from a notorious pirate. Their disappearance threatens his sister's reputation and future. Desperate after months of fruitless searching, he disguises himself as a servant for the pirate's daughter and kidnaps her, intending to exchange the hoyden for his beloved family. Daniella Germaine's only wish is to be back on the deck of her father's pirate ship, the wind in her hair and adventure on the horizon. But her father foisted her off on her brother to join London's marriage market and find a husband. To prove herself unmarriageable, Daniella hurls herself into scandal after scandal only to be 'rescued' by her handsome but disapproving coachman who takes his protection duties far too seriously for her agenda. When the rescue turns into a hostage swap, Daniella finds herself knee-deep in intrigue and adventure that could prove as deadly to her heart as it is to her life. Helps adult victims of sexual assault move from brokenness to healing. This

book outlines a theology of redemption and includes an application of how the disgrace of the cross can lead victims toward grace. *Impulsive and irresistible: Can a Corretti tame a sheikh?* Rosa Corretti cannot forget the one unguarded night she spent with Kulal, when she buried her disgrace beneath the seductive sighs of passion. Now this hard, demanding sheikh wants to control her! Rosa has been too good for too long and will not jump from one gilded cage to another—no matter how brightly it glitters! But Kulal has centuries of the desert in his blood and the more Rosa resists, the hotter it fires in his veins. As their passion burns through the tethers around his heart, will this arrogant sheikh accept this Corretti? Hope Carpenter nearly destroyed her family, her church, and her ministry by living a double life, but then God did something miraculous. Out of her brokenness, He made something beautiful. As co-pastor of one of the nation's largest megachurches, Hope Carpenter had perfected the roles of supportive wife, good mother, devoted worship leader, and dutiful homemaker. But inside, she was secretly ashamed, sad, and afraid. She didn't know who she was, and she didn't know how to ask for help without bringing down the whole façade. A series of bad choices led to multiple affairs; her husband kicked her out and announced from the pulpit of their church that their marriage was over. Hope was sure her life was done. But in her lowest moments, something beautiful happened. God met her there, and, with a lot of hard work, time, and mountains of therapy, she started to understand the pain that had caused her to act out. She and her family faced their brokenness together, and in powerful acts of forgiveness only God could have arranged, they all found real breakthrough and healing. Ron and Hope rebuilt their marriage and their family, and their ministry thrives today. In *The Most Beautiful Disaster*, Hope helps readers understand the lasting impact of childhood trauma and gives readers practical steps to uncovering the root of pain in their own lives. She shows how small decisions can lead to big changes, and helps readers find healing and wholeness in Scripture and prayer. Ultimately, readers will be led to hope, reconciliation, and true freedom. In the second novel in USA Today bestselling author Bronwen Evans's sexy *Disgraced Lords* series, two very independent souls find themselves fighting to resist a deepening passion. When Beatrice Hennessey sets out to confront Lord Coldhurst, the notorious rogue who killed her brother in a duel, her intent is to save her family from destitution. She's determined to blackmail the man into a loveless marriage. She'll make the wealthy Lord Coldhurst

pay for the rest of his life. But while greeting his ship, Beatrice takes a tumble into the Thames—only to be fished out by a pair of strong masculine arms that tempt her to stay locked in their heated embrace forever. That is, until she realizes those arms belong to Sebastian Hawkestone, Lord Coldhurst himself. The little drowned mermaid has an interesting proposition indeed; one that Sebastian is surprised to find quite agreeable. Although he’s had women more beautiful, she is pleasing to the eye, and besides, it’s time he fathered an heir. Beatrice promises to be the ideal wife; a woman who hates him with an all-consuming passion is far too sensible to expect romance. However, it isn’t long before Sebastian’s plan for a marriage of convenience unravels, and he’s caught up in the exhilarating undertow of seduction. Look for the enchanting Disgraced Lords series from Bronwen Evans: **A KISS OF LIES | A PROMISE OF MORE | A TOUCH OF PASSION | A WHISPER OF DESIRE | A TASTE OF SEDUCTION | A NIGHT OF FOREVER** And don’t miss her novels in the Imperfect Lords series: **ADDICTED TO THE DUKE | DRAWN TO THE MARQUESS | ATTRACTED TO THE EARL** “Bronwen’s historical romances always make the top of my reading list!”—New York Times and USA Today bestselling author Jen McLaughlin “A page-turning, sensual adventure.”—New York Times bestselling author Elizabeth Boyle “Evans pulls the reader into the story and holds them there long after the last page. I can hardly wait to see what’s next in this fast-paced, drama-filled [series]. . . . A must read!”—My Book Addiction Reviews “Five out of five stars . . . I just loved this second book in The Disgraced Lords series. I was hooked from the first chapter.”—Laura Tague “There is immense power in loving and forgiving someone. Ms. Evans demonstrates that more than once in Sebastian and Beatrice’s relationship.”—Written Love Includes an excerpt from another Loveswept title. A reader’s delight, *A Scandalous Freedom* sometimes shocks with challenges to prevailing wisdom, but it follows up with compelling validations of our need to celebrate real, unstinted freedom in Christ. Christians do not trust freedom. As author Steve Brown explains in this brave new book, they prefer the security of rules and self-imposed boundaries, which they tend to inflict on other Christians. Brown asserts that real freedom means the freedom to be wrong as well as right. Christianity often calls us to live beyond the boundaries, bolstered by the assurance that we cannot fall beyond God’s love. Freedom is dangerous, but the alternative is worse—boxing ourselves up where we cannot celebrate our unique gifts and express our joy in

Christ. Each of the book's eleven chapters explores a common pharisaic, freedom-stifling tendency, then opens the door to the fresh air of a remedial liberty. The statistics are jarring. One in four women and one in six men have been sexually assaulted. But as sobering as these statistics are, they can't begin to speak to the darkness and grief experienced by the victims. The church needs compassionate and wise resources to care for those living in the wake of this evil. Other books attempt to address the journey from shame to healing for victims of sexual abuse, but few are from a Christian perspective and written for both child and adult victims. In *Rid of My Disgrace*, a couple experienced in counseling and care for victims of sexual assault present the gospel in its power to heal the broken and restore the disgraced. Justin and Lindsey Holcomb present a clear definition of sexual assault and outline a biblical approach for moving from destruction to redemption. *Rid of My Disgrace* applies a theology of redemption to the grief, shame, and sense of defilement victims experience. This book is primarily written for them, but can also equip pastors, ministry staff, and others to respond compassionately to those who have been assaulted. Part of the *Re:Lit* series. Childhood sexual abuse is running rampant, yet it's the best-kept secret in our nation today. Its victims grow into adulthood with their little child's heart trapped in the pain and torment of their past. Nicole Braddock Bromley shares her own story and the steps to moving from silence to healing. *Hush* exposes the harsh realities of childhood abuse, explains the pain it causes, examines the false beliefs it creates, and empowers survivors to begin a personal journey toward healing by breaking the silence. With words of understanding and comfort, Nicole tells the real-life stories of those whose voices would otherwise never be heard. She is straightforward enough to pierce the hearts of those in a survivor's circle of influence, yet careful to tread lightly on what could be tender words. For all women who know and love a survivor of sexual assault, best-selling author Cecil Murphey has penned an honest and forthright book about helping the man in your life survive--and thrive--despite past abuses. This book investigates the changes and continuities in the ways in which sexual violence has been interpreted and represented in Britain since 1965. It explores the representational trail of the Moors murders and subsequent trial of 1966, the emergence of age of consent abolitionism in the 1970s, Cleveland's child sexual abuse crisis of 1987-8, and 2010 and 20s contemplations on the Jimmy Savile scandal. Harnessing research into popular media forms and a huge range of

personal, political and professional records, Nick Basannavar carefully parses and illustrates the ways in which journalists, medical workers, politicians, lobbyists and other groups assembled and animated their narratives, revealing complex rhetorical and emotional processes. This book challenges problematic conceptual dichotomies such as silence/noise or ignorance/knowledge. It shows instead that although categories such as ‘child sexual abuse’ and ‘paedophilia’ may be relatively recent linguistic value-constructs, sexual violence against children has existed and been represented across historical moments, in changeable and challenging ways. Psychiatrist and theologian Richard Winter explores the complex issues surrounding depression. He sorts through scientific research, dispels common misunderstandings and looks at how biblical characters experienced despair. Here is help for all those who find themselves, loved ones or those they counsel vulnerable to depression. *God Made All of Me* by Justin and Lindsey Holcomb is an invaluable resource and beautifully illustrated story to help families talk about sensitive issues with two- to eight-year-old children. Because the private parts of our bodies are private, home is the ideal environment for a child to learn about his or her body and how it should be treated by others—without conveying a message of shame. Through carefully written language and relatable storytelling, *God Made All of Me* helps parents navigate discussion that can so easily be warped into confusion, embarrassment, and secrecy. Instead of instilling a message that their bodies are shameful—which can often prevent children from recognizing and reporting sexual abuse—Justin and Lindsey Holcomb equip parents to build a first line of defense against sexual abuse in the safety of their own homes. This helpful guide starts from the fundamental truth that God created everything and applies that truth—the doctrine of creation—to kids and their bodies. With the help of *God Made All of Me*, parents and caregivers can begin conversations with boys and girls about their bodies, helping kids understand the difference between the appropriate and inappropriate touch of others. This life-changing resource shows readers how to establish the foundation for a healthy bond with their children to meet increasing challenges of sexuality, which they will inevitably confront in childhood and adolescence. By teaching their children how to establish body and health boundaries, parents are imparting invaluable skills for their kids to express thoughts and feelings. *God Made All of Me* is the first children’s book written by *Rid of My Disgrace* authors, Justin and Lindsey Holcomb. Parents of

young children themselves, the Holcombs are profoundly aware of the dangers kids face, and they regularly counsel victims of sexual abuse. Explore *God Made All of Me* and find encouragement, clear guidance, and the tools necessary to facilitate open conversations about how your children can protect their bodies, an important step in keeping them as safe as possible. Why is grace such a big deal? What does God tell us about it in Scripture? Can radical grace really be true? If so, what are the implications for our lives? This book will answer these questions and more as we explore the all-important theme of God's gratuitous grace throughout the Bible. Packed with big truth, this little book on grace can be read in roughly one hour--ensuring you'll actually read it. A Book You'll Actually Read Series Part of the Re:Lit line, these inexpensive and accessible books give clear, biblical answers to difficult theological questions and controversies. Through this series, readers will get a solid and simple introduction to biblical concepts by investing just a little time. Since the early 1980s, when the federal courts began dismantling the landmark ruling in *Brown v. Board of Education*, segregation of black children has reverted to its highest level since 1968. In many inner-city schools, a stick-and-carrot method of behavioral control traditionally used in prisons is now used with students. Meanwhile, as high-stakes testing takes on pathological and punitive dimensions, liberal education has been increasingly replaced by culturally barren and robotic methods of instruction that would be rejected out of hand by schools that serve the mainstream of society. Filled with the passionate voices of children, principals, and teachers, and some of the most revered leaders in the black community, *The Shame of the Nation* pays tribute to those undefeated educators who persist against the odds, but directly challenges the chilling practices now being forced upon our urban systems. In their place, Kozol offers a humane, dramatic challenge to our nation to fulfill at last the promise made some 50 years ago to all our youngest citizens. An orphan and a disgraced Viscount...will they work together to clear his name...and find happiness along the way? Miss Delilah Johnson has been left orphaned. When her new guardian - an old decrepit uncle - arranges a marriage to a disgraced Viscount, Delilah can only think the worst. What she discovers is that her betrothed is a broken man, tainted by a crime he insists he did not commit. Will Delilah allow herself to trust him and try to clear his name? Or will she continue to consider him guilty, turning her back on him completely? If you like gripping historical romance with period-perfect

detail, then you'll love this page-turning Regency romance. Grab your copy today! The Convenient Arrangements series tells the stories of ladies who manage to find love and a Happy Ever After amidst some difficult and "convenient" situations. Other books by Rose Pearson: The Duke's Daughters Series The Duke's Daughters: A Sweet Regency Romance Boxset A Rogue for a Lady My Restless Earl Rescued by an Earl In the Arms of an Earl The Reluctant Marquess (Prequel) A Smithfield Market Regency Romance The Smithfield Market Romances: A Sweet Regency Romance Boxset A Rogue's Flower Saved by the Scoundrel Mending the Duke The Baron's Malady The Returned Lords of Grosvenor Square The Returned Lords of Grosvenor Square: A Regency Romance Boxset The Waiting Bride The Long Return The Duke's Saving Grace A New Home for the Duke The Spinsters Guild A New Beginning The Disgraced Bride A Gentleman's Revenge A Foolish Wager Convenient Arrangements A Broken Betrothal In Search of Love Wed in Disgrace A Family for Christmas Mistletoe Magic Love and Christmas Wishes: Three Regency Romance Novellas

When Emily Joy Allison outed her abuser on Twitter, she launched #ChurchToo, a movement to expose the culture of sexual abuse and assault utterly rampant in Christian churches in America. Not a single denomination is unaffected. And the reasons are somewhat different than those you might find in the #MeToo stories coming out of Hollywood or Washington. While patriarchy and misogyny are problems everywhere, they take on a particularly pernicious form in Christian churches where those with power have been insisting, since many decades before #MeToo, that this sexually dysfunctional environment is, in fact, exactly how God wants it to be. #ChurchToo turns over the rocks of the church's sexual dysfunction, revealing just what makes sexualized violence in religious contexts both ubiquitous and uniquely traumatizing. It also lays the groundwork for not one but many paths of healing from a religious culture of sexual shame, secrecy, and control, and for survivors of abuse to live full, free, healthy lives. In a world where some people are born with extreme and often-feared skills called Graces, Katsa struggles for redemption from her own horrifying Grace, the Grace of killing, and teams up with another young fighter to save their land from a corrupt king. "I think people marry far too much; it is such a lottery, and for a poor woman--bodily and morally the husband's slave--a very doubtful happiness." -Queen Victoria to her recently married daughter Vicky Headstrong, high-spirited, and already widowed, Isabella Walker became Mrs.

Henry Robinson at age 31 in 1844. Her first husband had died suddenly, leaving his estate to a son from a previous marriage, so she inherited nothing. A successful civil engineer, Henry moved them, by then with two sons, to Edinburgh's elegant society in 1850. But Henry traveled often and was cold and remote when home, leaving Isabella to her fantasies. No doubt thousands of Victorian women faced the same circumstances, but Isabella chose to record her innermost thoughts-and especially her infatuation with a married Dr. Edward Lane-in her diary. Over five years the entries mounted-passionate, sensual, suggestive. One fateful day in 1858 Henry chanced on the diary and, broaching its privacy, read Isabella's intimate entries. Aghast at his wife's perceived infidelity, Henry petitioned for divorce on the grounds of adultery. Until that year, divorce had been illegal in England, the marital bond being a cornerstone of English life. Their trial would be a cause celebre, threatening the foundations of Victorian society with the specter of "a new and disturbing figure: a middle class wife who was restless, unhappy, avid for arousal." Her diary, read in court, was as explosive as Flaubert's *Madame Bovary*, just published in France but considered too scandalous to be translated into English until the 1880s. As she accomplished in her award-winning and bestselling *The Suspicions of Mr. Whicher*, Kate Summerscale brilliantly recreates the Victorian world, chronicling in exquisite and compelling detail the life of Isabella Robinson, wherein the longings of a frustrated wife collided with a society clinging to rigid ideas about sanity, the boundaries of privacy, the institution of marriage, and female sexuality. Suffering and exclusion are normal in a believer's life. At least they should be. This was certainly Jesus's experience. And it's the experience of countless Christians around the world today.No matter your social location or set of experiences, the biblical letter of 1 Peter wants to redefine your expectations and reinvigorate your hope.Drawing on years of ministry in a Muslim-majority nation, Elliot Clark guides us through Peter's letter with striking insights for today. Whether we're in positions of power or weakness, influence or marginalization, all of us are called to live and witness as exiles in a world that's not our home. This is our job description. This is our mission. This is our opportunity.A church in exile doesn't have to be a church in retreat. Ever since it was first published in 1999, Nobel laureate J. M. Coetzee's novel *Disgrace* has provoked controversy. Set in post-apartheid South Africa, it follows Prof. David Lurie as he encounters disgrace through his sexual exploitation of a student and then through the

shocking gang-rape of his only daughter. The novel's uncompromising portrayal of the "new" South Africa outraged many, who found the book regressive, even racist. It also challenged readers worldwide to confront its hard questions. This first book of essays devoted to the novel ambitiously brings together criticism and pedagogy. The ten critical essays and eight essays on teaching *Disgrace* grapple with the ethical issues the novel so provocatively raises: rape, gender, race, animal rights. *Disgrace* is widely taught in colleges and universities and read in book clubs; the debates it has given rise to will take on fresh life with the release of the upcoming film starring John Malkovich. Unusually, the eighteen contributors to the collection are all faculty members or graduates of the same institution, the Johnston Center for Integrative Studies at the University of Redlands, and have worked together closely in crafting their essays over the past two years. The volume will be exceptionally useful to teachers of literature, philosophy, and South African culture, to book club leaders, and to all readers of Coetzee. Contributors: Nancy Best, James Boobar, Bradley Butterfield, Jane Creighton, Matthew Gray, Pat Harrigan, Gary Hawkins, Rabbi Patricia Karlin-Neumann, Daniel Kiefer, Bill McDonald, Michael G. McDunnah, Kim Middleton, Kevin O'Neill, Raymond Obstfeld, Kathy Ogren, Kenneth Reinhard, Sandra D. Shattuck, Patricia Casey Sutcliffe, Julie Townsend. Bill McDonald is Emeritus Professor of English at the University of Redlands, Redlands, California. Siena Calabrese is no longer the prized daughter of *la famiglia*. Her transgressions against her brothers and family have stained more than just her reputation. Her best chance at keeping breath in her lungs would be to sit down and shut up like she was taught to do. She definitely shouldn't be feeding information to her family's enemies. And yet, she is still willing to risk it all for a chance at forever with Johnathan Marcello. After everything, how could she not? The disgraced one ... Johnathan Marcello's life and secrets have now been put on display for everyone to see. There's no hiding the things he's tried to keep hidden, but maybe that's the best thing that could have happened. Now he's about to walk straight into a war between rival mafia families, and he's got choices to make. His love is on one side, he's on the other, and everybody is playing for keeps. He'll play the game just as dirty as anyone else to get what he wants, even to the detriment of himself. For her, how could he not? The shamed one ... It's time that the forgotten king takes back his throne. It's already been too long since it was taken from him. But when has anything in this life

been easy? *Is It My Fault?* proclaims the gospel of healing and hope to victims who know too well the depths of destruction and the overwhelming reality of domestic violence. At least one in every three women have been beaten, coerced into sex, or abused in their lifetime. The effects of domestic violence are physical, social, emotional, psychological, and spiritual, and can have long-lasting distressing consequences. It is common for victims of domestic violence to suffer from ongoing depression and recurring nightmares, self-harm, such as cutting, panic attacks, substance abuse, and more. This book exists to address the abysmal issues of domestic violence using the powerful and transforming biblical message of grace and redemption. *Is It My Fault?* convincingly shows that the Lord is the only one who can heal the despairing victim. It deals with this devastating problem and sin honestly and directly without hiding its prevalence today. J.M. Coetzee's latest novel, *The Schooldays of Jesus*, is now available from Viking. *Late Essays: 2006-2016* will be available January 2018. Set in post-apartheid South Africa, J. M. Coetzee's searing novel tells the story of David Lurie, a twice divorced, 52-year-old professor of communications and Romantic Poetry at Cape Technical University. Lurie believes he has created a comfortable, if somewhat passionless, life for himself. He lives within his financial and emotional means. Though his position at the university has been reduced, he teaches his classes dutifully; and while age has diminished his attractiveness, weekly visits to a prostitute satisfy his sexual needs. He considers himself happy. But when Lurie seduces one of his students, he sets in motion a chain of events that will shatter his complacency and leave him utterly disgraced. Lurie pursues his relationship with the young Melanie—whom he describes as having hips “as slim as a twelve-year-old’s”—obsessively and narcissistically, ignoring, on one occasion, her wish not to have sex. When Melanie and her father lodge a complaint against him, Lurie is brought before an academic committee where he admits he is guilty of all the charges but refuses to express any repentance for his acts. In the furor of the scandal, jeered at by students, threatened by Melanie’s boyfriend, ridiculed by his ex-wife, Lurie is forced to resign and flees Cape Town for his daughter Lucy’s smallholding in the country. There he struggles to rekindle his relationship with Lucy and to understand the changing relations of blacks and whites in the new South Africa. But when three black strangers appear at their house asking to make a phone call, a harrowing afternoon of violence follows which leaves both of

them badly shaken and further estranged from one another. After a brief return to Cape Town, where Lurie discovers his home has also been vandalized, he decides to stay on with his daughter, who is pregnant with the child of one of her attackers. Now thoroughly humiliated, Lurie devotes himself to volunteering at the animal clinic, where he helps put down diseased and unwanted dogs. It is here, Coetzee seems to suggest, that Lurie gains a redeeming sense of compassion absent from his life up to this point. Written with the austere clarity that has made J. M. Coetzee the winner of two Booker Prizes, *Disgrace* explores the downfall of one man and dramatizes, with unforgettable, at times almost unbearable, vividness the plight of a country caught in the chaotic aftermath of centuries of racial oppression. *Treasure in the Ashes* is an interactive workbook that gently leads readers on a biblical journey through the grueling questions and doubt, emotional turmoil, and relational fallout that follow sexual abuse. This book encourages honest and thorough Christ-centered discipleship through the aftermath of sexual abuse, addressing hard questions and painful issues that are feared and often denied by the Christian community. People using this resource will

- €[Learn to push against shame by giving voice to their stories in a safe setting;
- €[Address doubts and questions they harbor about God, and learn to consider Scripture's rich, bold worldview on the subject;
- €[Apply the gospel of Jesus Christ and learn the importance of His character and grace-filled sacrifice to them personally;
- €[Be introduced to a biblical self-image, and challenged to gain hope by defining themselves and their purpose in Christ;
- €[Learn how to apply the gospel to their relationships with four basic biblical principles;
- €[Learn to embrace their story as part of the larger story of redemption and reach out to others with the hope of Jesus.

Domestic abuse and violence are on the rise in our culture today, and just as prevalent in the church. With an estimated one-fourth of women in the church living with abuse and violence, pastors and biblical counselors need to have the resources to offer hope and help. It is time for godly men in the church to call abusive men to repentance and accountability. Here is a valuable resource for every church leader and Christian man. Ambition will fuel him. Competition will drive him. But power has its price. It is the morning of the reaping that will kick off the tenth annual Hunger Games. In the Capitol, eighteen-year-old Coriolanus Snow is preparing for his one shot at glory as a mentor in the Games. The once-mighty house of Snow has fallen on hard times, its fate hanging on the slender chance that Coriolanus will

be able to outcharm, outwit, and outmaneuver his fellow students to mentor the winning tribute. The odds are against him. He's been given the humiliating assignment of mentoring the female tribute from District 12, the lowest of the low. Their fates are now completely intertwined - every choice Coriolanus makes could lead to favor or failure, triumph or ruin. Inside the arena, it will be a fight to the death. Outside the arena, Coriolanus starts to feel for his doomed tribute . . . and must weigh his need to follow the rules against his desire to survive no matter what it takes. Sexual assault is an invasive event of traumatic evil. You were victimized, and now you are suffering. Whenever sexual abuse occurs, love is not part of the equation. Rather, the perpetrator uses power, domination, and control to injure innocent victims. David Powlison gently leads those who have been wounded sexually to a deeper relationship with God--beyond the pain--with biblical action steps. By embracing their identity in Jesus, sufferers will not only understand the emotional and spiritual battles they face as sexual assault victims, they will be equipped to effectively overcome any fear, worry, anger, and shame and to offer hope to others in similar situation. Each day I prayed for my husband to love me again. After fifteen years together, he walked away from me, and into the arms of another. I didn't know how to cope. I didn't know my worth. I didn't know how to exist without him by my side. All I wanted was for him to come back to me. Then, Jackson Emery appeared. He was supposed to be a distraction for my mind. A summer fling. A confidence boost to my bruised heart. We were perfect for one another, because we both knew we wouldn't last. Jackson didn't believe in commitment, and I no longer believed in love. He was too closed-off for me, and I was too damaged for him. Everything was fine, until one night my heart skipped a beat. I didn't expect him to make me laugh. To make me think. To make my sadness somewhat disappear. When our time was up, my heart didn't know how to walk away. Each day I prayed for my husband to love me again, yet slowly my prayers began to shift toward the man who wasn't right for me. I prayed for one more smile, one more kiss, one more laugh, one more touch... I prayed for him to be mine. Even though I knew his heart wasn't destined to love. In *Shame Interrupted*, bestselling author Edward T. Welch empowers readers to live in light of the gospel of God's grace, which breaks the lingering power of shame. Providing immediate application to every reader's spiritual journey, Welch's book guides men and women to seek freedom from the shame of their own relational and sexual

brokenness. Shame controls far too many of us, and the Bible addresses the issue of shame from start to finish. *Shame Interrupted* reminds readers that God cares for the shamed, and that through Jesus, they are covered, adopted, cleansed, and healed. *Shame Interrupted* creates a safe place to deal with shame, shining a light on the dynamics of sin and how it is overcome through the power of Christ. By identifying with our shame on the cross, Jesus gives believers freedom from the paralyzing effects of sin and shame. As someone who is familiar with the effects and crushing weight of shame—and the overwhelming freedom found in Christ—Welch invites readers to find confidence in the cleansing work of Christ in this raw and brutally honest book. By examining the depths of the human heart, Welch has made accessible invaluable tools for counseling, soul care, and pastoral work. *Shame Interrupted* dwells on hope and healing, providing gospel answers to difficult questions. Justin S. Holcomb, PHD, is an Episcopal priest and professor of theology and Christian thought at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary and Reformed Theological Seminary. He is author of many books and serves on the boards for REST (Real Escape from the Sex Trade) and GRACE (Godly Response to Abuse in the Christian Environment). Book jacket. Shame is everywhere. Whether it's related to relationships, body image, work difficulties, or a secret sin, we all experience shame at some point in our lives. While shame can manifest itself in different ways—fear, regret, and anger—it ultimately points us to our most fundamental need as human beings: redemption. Shame never disappears in solitude, and Heather Davis Nelson invites us to not only be healed of our own shame but also be a part of healing for others. She shines the life-giving light of the gospel on the things that leave us feeling worthless and rejected, giving us courage to walk out of shame's shadows and offering hope for our bondage to brokenness. Through the gospel, we discover the only real and lasting antidote to shame: exchanging our shame for the righteousness of Christ alongside others on this same journey. It was a dark time in my life where I was doing things wrong by stealing, cheating, and living a life full of sin. Not knowing that there were consequences to my actions. Living in a world that is fallen and evil to the core. I was suddenly lost and without hope and didn't know which way to turn. Prayers weren't being heard, and life was spinning out of control. One thing after another was coming at me. I was brought to my knees, and I found myself broken. The shame was unbearable and too much for me to bear. I prayed

to the Lord, and nothing happened. I found myself crying for mercy to the Lord and begging for his forgiveness. I didn't know how I was going to get through this painful part in my life. As my cry entered the Lord's ears, he had answered me, and he told me that he has forgiven me and his peace he leaves with me. The peace he gave me was not of this world. He told me to serve him and not sin. He told me to walk uprightly before him and to always acknowledge his son, Jesus Christ, the savior of the world. The day the Lord touched me was the greatest day of my life. I suddenly had regrets, wishing I had known the Lord sooner in my life. The Lord is so good and merciful. If I had only given him my life sooner, I thought, and then he reminded me that I wouldn't have the testimony I have today if I would've known him sooner. God has perfect timing, and he is always on time. Those who call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Wait patiently upon the Lord, and he will place you upon the rock of salvation, and that is Jesus Christ. 'An outpouring of truth, wit, and beautiful comedic wisdom.' Katherine Ryan 'Such a funny and interesting book.' Sara Pascoe 'Finally my vagina has a voice!' London Hughes 'Powerful, bold, vulnerable, beautiful, hilarious, universal, unique.' Scarlett Curtis ***** For as long as she can remember, Grace Campbell has been told that she doesn't suit her name. But being graceful is no fun anyway. Growing up in a world of privilege and politics, she had a lot to feel confident about. But she was also a record-breaker when it came to feeling shame. Shame about sex, shame about rejection, shame about mental health. But over time, and with a 24 carat gold dose of female friendship, Grace has turned shame into a defiant sense of self. At only 27, Grace has got a lot to learn about being an adult, but she's already got a lot to share about being a disgrace, and how she came to be utterly, disgustingly, disgracefully proud of it. This is the book every young woman should read, and every young man should worry about. This volume reports on the growing body of knowledge on shame and guilt, integrating findings from the authors' original research program with other data emerging from social, clinical, personality, and developmental psychology. Evidence is presented to demonstrate that these universally experienced affective phenomena have significant implications for many aspects of human functioning, with particular relevance for interpersonal relationships. --From publisher's description. Counselor Leila Rae Sommerfeld shares her own story and a message of hope in this detailed guide to recovery after sexual assault.

The Duke of Warwick is dead and Isobel, the young Duchess of Warwick, feels only relief. She is anxious to put the unhappy marriage behind her and embark on a new life. But Isobel's dream to start anew takes a horrible turn as the will reveals the duke's mistress is actually his lawfully wedded wife. In an instant, Isobel is demoted from duchess to plain Miss Kennilworth, tainted by scandal and shunned by society. Can Isobel get past the disgrace and humiliation she has endured and fight her way back into society? Will she find love again with her childhood sweetheart, Lord Saybrooke? Or perhaps she will rekindle a romance with Lord Westcott? But, before Isobel can find true love, she must come to grips with her past mistakes and the people she has hurt along the way. She must discover who she is without the title of Duchess to her name. “There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.” — Romans 8:1 Shame is an assault on the core of who we are. It assassinates our character, minimizes our worth, and dashes our hope. Like Adam and Eve, we often hide shame, but hiding never heals it. Left unattended, shame can develop into a crippling reality that paralyzes us. Like an infectious disease, shame impacts everyone . . . but not all shame is bad. Shame can either be an oppressive and powerful tool of worldly condemnation or a source of conviction that God uses to bring his people back to himself. Having the discernment to know the difference and recognize shame in its many forms can change the course of one’s life. In a transparently honest style, Pass shares of her experience dealing with shame after learning that her former husband was a sexual offender. Having lived through the aftermath, she leads you into God’s Word where you will see for yourself that God is bigger than your pain, shame, mistakes, and limitations. Shame Off You shares how freedom can be found in choosing to break the cycle of shame by learning from the past, developing healthy thinking patterns, silencing lies, and overcoming the traps of vanity and other people's opinions. What does the path to healing look like for survivors of sexual abuse? And how can ministry leaders, pastors, and counselors best help them as they walk this difficult road? Drawing on both his own experience and his wife's experience as survivors of childhood sexual abuse, Tim Hein presents clinical data and resources as well as practical guidance and empathy—both for ministry leaders and for survivors themselves.

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