

## Culture Of Honor Sustaining A Supernatural Environment

You were transformed to transform your world! For too long, Christianity has been defined by a false concept of church. As a result, believers have built walls around their lives, keeping culture at a distance. As Christians have tried to keep culture out of the church, unfortunately, the church has kept itself out of the culture. This was never Jesus' design for the your life! Before church was established as a place that people "came to," Jesus instituted it as an army that brought transformation to society, starting with salvation and continuing with seven spheres of influence: Church, family, education, government, media, arts, and commerce. Six revolutionary voices in the modern church deliver Invading Babylon. This essential guide will equip you to: Understand your vital role in shaping society. Release God's will in your sphere of influence. Become an unstoppable citizen in God's Kingdom. It's your time to arise and be a light in a dark world.

"This book envisions the language and learning possibilities of young children's active engagement in literature discussion, which is not often found in books about early read-alouds. This book promotes read-aloud experiences that keep children, their backgrounds, and their experiences front and center. This book shares our journey, as educators and researchers, with a goal to support the learning journey of other early childhood educators. This book includes vignettes from classroom literature discussions as well as conversations between educators"--

Joseph M. Marshall's thoughtful, illuminating account of how the spiritual beliefs of the Lakota people can help us all lead more meaningful, ethical lives. Rich with storytelling, history, and folklore, *The Lakota Way* expresses the heart of Native American philosophy and reveals the path to a fulfilling and meaningful life. Joseph Marshall is a member of the Sicunga Lakota Sioux and has dedicated his entire life to the wisdom he learned from his elders. Here he focuses on the twelve core qualities that are crucial to the Lakota way of life--bravery, fortitude, generosity, wisdom, respect, honor, perseverance, love, humility, sacrifice, truth, and compassion. Whether teaching a lesson on respect imparted by the mythical Deer Woman or the humility embodied by the legendary Lakota leader Crazy Horse, *The Lakota Way* offers a fresh outlook on spirituality and ethical living.

Most human cultures govern through the fear of punishment. Yet the New Testament calls the body of Christ to a very different style of government--the government of mature love, which drives out the fear of punishment (1 John 4:18), and leads people who sin on a journey of repentance, restoration, and reconciliation. Unpunishable lays out a roadmap for making this cultural shift, challenging all believers, and especially leaders, to leave the familiar tools of punishment behind and learn the practices that empower people to walk in the light of freedom and love, own and clean up their messes, and mature into sons and daughters who look like their Heavenly Father. Creatively Supernatural! Offering a launching pad for you to burst into the realm of creative expression—that fun, fantasy world where the Creator is waiting to welcome you. There is a connection between creativity, your identity, the Church, and the world—and it is an important connection. Creativity is tied to all believers' identity, all

who are made in the image of the Creator, all who are born to create! Overflowing with many thrilling, modern-day testimonies, *Born to Create* emphasizes the magnitude of both craft—practice and excellence—as well as anointing. Many who have been freed to embrace their creative ideas and passions, whether in the art fields, business, or education, share their amazing stories with you. Their freedom allowed them to powerfully release healing, the prophetic, and the knowledge of God's love into the marketplace. Live creatively, friends. If someone falls into sin, forgivingly restore him, saving your critical comments for yourself. You might be needing forgiveness before the day's out. Stoop down and reach out to those who are oppressed. Share their burdens, and so complete Christ's law... (Galatians 6:1 *The Message*). You will learn how the supernatural can be activated through what you create, and you will explore hindrances from understanding your creative destiny—your true identity.

As we dive into the Father's heart we are overwhelmed by His presence, the fullness of joy. From this place we begin to see from His perspective. As we see and understand His world we are compelled to intercede. We are now praying and speaking with fresh insight. We see that we no longer have to pray from a place of defense. Instead we pray offensive prayers from His presence. When we speak our petitions and most important our declarations into the atmosphere, authority and breakthrough come. From the intimate place with our Father everything is birthed.

"What would it feel like to have an extraordinary workplace culture that generates both joy and remarkable financial results? Many leaders and managers find culture to be abstract, intangible and elusive. Perhaps you've noticed people walking on eggshells or avoiding conversation landmines. Is your team's performance waning due to gossip, silos or apathy? *Culture Works* helps you navigate around and through these kinds of obstacles. In this book you will learn how to create an extraordinary workplace culture. Not with rainbows and unicorns, but with concrete innovative concepts, enlightening stories and tangible tools. After reading this book, you will be ready to take action with doable, down-to-earth steps to energize your team and yield real deal results"--Amazon.

This is what pastors reach for when planning worship services, including baptisms, weddings, funerals, and the Lord's Supper. Over 200 articles by well-known ministry leaders.

Keeping your love on. It's a hard thing to do. Sometimes it's the hardest thing to do. But if you want to build healthy relationships with God and others, learning to keep your love on is non-negotiable. Adults and children alike thrive in healthy relationships where it is safe to love and be loved, to know and be known. Yet for many, relationships are anything but safe, loving, or intimate. They are defined by anxiety, manipulation, control, and conflict. The reason is that most people have never been trained to be powerful enough to keep their love on in the face of mistakes, pain, and fear. *Keep Your Love On* reveals the higher, Jesus-focused standard defined by mature love--love that stays 'on' no matter what. Danny Silk's practical examples and poignant stories will leave you with the power to draw healthy boundaries, communicate in love, and ultimately protect your connections so you can love against all odds. As a result, your relationships will be radically transformed for eternity. When you learn to keep your love on, you become like

Jesus. -- Danny Silk

“Chris Gore is a powerfully anointed minister of healing. In his book, truth and testimony are blended in an exciting, entertaining, educating way.” – Randy Clark, author of *There is More* and founder of Global Awakening Walking in God’s healing power is easier than you imagined. Have you ever imagined, I believe God heals people. But healing ministry? That’s for...someone on a platform? Someone who is super spiritual? Someone who has their act together? In *Walking in Supernatural Healing Power*, Chris Gore demystifies God’s supernatural power, showing how you can be effectively trained, equipped, and activated into a lifestyle of walking in healing and miracles. Get ready to: Build a foundation for healing by knowing God’s character—He is good Overcome doubts and offense—Roadblocks to walking in healing power Be encouraged by reading exciting testimonies of God’s power at work—In everyday life Rely on God’s grace to accomplish the supernatural—It’s Him, not you

The *Keep Your Love On Study Series* is Danny's new, premier set of resources for helping individuals, families, or small groups implement KYLO skills and principles in their personal and professional relationships. The *Keep Your Love On Study Guide* features: \*Case studies from Danny's counseling sessions demonstrating how to apply the specific principles in each chapter of *Keep Your Love On* \*Reading and Viewing And Listening guides for the *Keep Your Love On* book and Video/Audio Series\*Questions for discussion and reflection\*Weekly application assignments

Do you want to grow in your ability to lead and build relationships, teams, and organizations through the powerful practices of honor? In *The Pathway to Powerful*, Danny Silk ( *Culture of Honor, Keep Your Love On* ) teams up with Carla Chud to offer a practical roadmap for becoming a more powerful, healthy leader. Drawing from the journey Carla and her leadership team have taken to transform themselves and their organization, she and Danny lay out the steps to overcome fear-driven, dysfunctional leadership and establish the core values and practices of honor in their lives, team dynamics, and organizational culture. Readers of *The Pathway to Powerful* will:

- Identify where they default to powerlessness and self-protection in the face of relational pain.
- Discover how to overcome fear — the root of powerless behavior.
- Confront the lies of insecurity and insignificance.
- Learn how to protect relationships when scary and painful things happen.
- Discover how to view people through the lens of honor.
- Become equipped to receive and give healthy feedback.
- Learn how to be a leader who builds a team of powerful people.
- Identify how to create, protect and expand a culture of trust and accountability.

If you are or aspire to be a leader or simply want to grow in understanding how to build a healthy relational culture in your family, church or workplace, *The Pathway to Powerful* will encourage and equip you for growth and success!

*Warrior for Revival* is a riveting account of how the Lord Jesus touched the life of

a young man, Philip Mantofa, delivered him from the depths of violence and depression, and used him mightily as a chosen vessel of revival in Indonesia and Asia. While Pastor Philip was still in his twenties, a divine firebrand sparked city-wide revivals which were noted for creating immediate and enduring impact, particularly among young people. More than 100,000 people experienced salvation while scores of youths were equipped and commissioned to pioneer thriving local churches. Such a transforming anointing and influence can only arise from a life deeply rooted in Scripture and an intimate fellowship with the Holy Spirit. *Warrior for Revival* is evidence that God is able to raise young people to become standard-bearers even for the older generation.

*Culturally Sustaining Pedagogies* raises fundamental questions about the purpose of schooling in changing societies. Bringing together an intergenerational group of prominent educators and researchers, this volume engages and extends the concept of culturally sustaining pedagogy (CSP)—teaching that perpetuates and fosters linguistic, literate, and cultural pluralism as part of schooling for positive social transformation. The authors propose that schooling should be a site for sustaining the cultural practices of communities of color, rather than eradicating them. Chapters present theoretically grounded examples of how educators and scholars can support Black, Indigenous, Latinx, Asian/Pacific Islander, South African, and immigrant students as part of a collective movement towards educational justice in a changing world. **Book Features:** A definitive resource on culturally sustaining pedagogies, including what they look like in the classroom and how they differ from deficit-model approaches. Examples of teaching that sustain the languages, literacies, and cultural practices of students and communities of color. Contributions from the founders of such lasting educational frameworks as culturally relevant pedagogy, funds of knowledge, cultural modeling, and third space. **Contributors:** H. Samy Alim, Mary Bucholtz, Dolores Inés Casillas, Michael Domínguez, Nelson Flores, Norma Gonzalez, Kris D. Gutiérrez, Adam Haupt, Amanda Holmes, Jason G. Irizarry, Patrick Johnson, Valerie Kinloch, Gloria Ladson-Billings, Carol D. Lee, Stacey J. Lee, Tiffany S. Lee, Jin Sook Lee, Teresa L. McCarty, Django Paris, Courtney Peña, Jonathan Rosa, Timothy J. San Pedro, Daniel Walsh, Casey Wong “All teachers committed to justice and equity in our schools and society will cherish this book.” —Sonia Nieto, professor emerita, University of Massachusetts, Amherst “This book is for educators who are unafraid of using education to make a difference in the lives of the most vulnerable.” —Pedro Noguera, University of California, Los Angeles “This book calls for deep, effective practices and understanding that centers on our youths’ assets.” —Prudence L. Carter, dean, Graduate School of Education, UC Berkeley Teaching is a lifelong challenge, but the first few years in the classroom are typically a teacher's hardest. This expanded collection of writings and reflections offers practical guidance on how to navigate the school system, form rewarding relationships with colleagues, and connect in meaningful ways with students and

families from all cultures and backgrounds.

"Culture of honor" is what social scientists call a society that organizes social life around maintaining and defending reputation. In an honor culture, because reputation is everything, people will go to great lengths to defend their reputations and those of their family members against real and perceived threats and insults. While most human societies throughout history can be described as "honor cultures," the United States is particularly well known for having a deeply rooted culture of honor, especially in the American South and West. In *Honor Bound*, social psychologist Ryan P. Brown integrates social science research, current events, and personal stories to explore and explain how honor underpins nearly every aspect of our lives, from spontaneous bar fights to organized acts of terrorism, romantic relationships, mental health and well-being, unsportsmanlike conduct in football, the commission of suicide, foreign policy decisions by political leaders, and even how parents name their babies. Sometimes the effects of living in an honor culture are subtle and easily missed—there are fewer nursing homes in the American south, as more parents live with their children as they age—and sometimes the effects are more dramatic, as in the fact that there are more school shootings in honor states, but they are always relevant. By illuminating a surprising and pervasive thread that has endured in our culture for centuries, Brown's narrative will captivate those raised in these types of honor cultures who wish to understand themselves, and those who wish to better understand their neighbors.

Here is a fresh look at the age-old role of parenting. *Loving Our Kids on Purpose* brings the principles of the Kingdom of God and revival into our strategy as parents. 2 Corinthians 3:17 tells us that Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom. Most parenting approaches train children to learn to accept being controlled by well meaning parents and adults. Unfortunately, God is not going to control us as we gain independence from our parents. We must learn to control ourselves. This book will teach parents to train their children to manage their freedoms and protect their important heart to heart relationships.

For years, Danny Silk has been teaching, writing, speaking, and coaching on honor and how to express it in our families, churches, organizations, and communities. And for years, he has received the same feedback and questions around this powerful, challenging, and frequently misunderstood and misapplied concept, such as: "You say that people of honor must be powerful, but to a lot of people, 'powerful' means dominating and selfish. What does it mean to be powerful?" "If respecting our freedom and the freedom of others is crucial to practicing honor, what do we do when people cannot handle their freedom?" "We tried to honorably confront someone, and the person refused to 'clean up his mess.' What do we do now?" "I really don't like confrontation. Doesn't honor mean we should get along without conflict?" "If we're all trying to honor one another equally, does that mean there shouldn't be any leaders?" "Why does 'honor' always seem to turn into 'entitlement'?" The *Foundations of Honor Study Guide* addresses these questions and more through a comprehensive study of the core values, practices, and cultural effects of honor. Clear biblical teaching and illustrations, along with provoking questions and targeted action points, equip and train readers to examine their own foundations and build a solid foundation of honor in their lives, homes, businesses, churches, and communities. The *Foundations of Honor Study Guide* is designed to work with the *Foundations of Honor Teaching Series* as a 10-session course suitable for both individuals and

groups.

Many a Westerner has had a cross-cultural experience of honor and shame. In this well-rounded and ministry-tested guide, Georges and Baker help us decode the cultural script of honor and shame, assisting us also in reading the Bible anew through that lens. Then they offer thoughtful and practical guidance in ministry within honor-shame contexts.

Honor? In Today's World? A one-of-a-kind book in both subject and perspective! The Practice of Honor is about reformation of honor—it is intended to disrupt your current model of authority! Jesus put it like this, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them. Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant" (Matthew 20:25-26). In some realms, honor is something defended to the death. However you have defined and cultivated honor up to now, The Practice of Honor may require a significant paradigm shift in your thinking. Based on the revival culture of the very spiritually successful Bethel Church in Redding, California, this book is also a template to help any leader develop an environment that brings out the very best in people. The Practice of Honor is a recipe for introducing the Spirit of God, and all of His freedom, and how to host and embrace that freedom as a community of believers. Those with power must learn how to empower those around them—or Heaven on the earth will never be realized as God intended.

"An introductory textbook that examines how Jews are a culture, ethnicity, nation, nationality, race, and religion. With each chapter revolving around a single theme--Narratives, Sinais, Zions, Messiahs, Laws, Mysticisms, Cultures, Movements, Genocides, Powers, Borders, and Futures--this introductory textbook interrogates readers' understanding of the Jewish community. Written for a new mode of teaching--one that recognizes the core role that identity formation plays in our lives--this book weaves together alternative, marginalized voices to illustrate how Jews have always been in the process of reshaping their customs, practices, and beliefs. Judaism is the first book to assess and summarize Jewish history from the time of the Hebrew Bible through today using multiple perspectives"--Provided by publisher.

"At the very time the need for effective leadership is reaching critical proportions, Michael Fullan's *Leading in a Culture of Change* provides powerful insights for moving forward. We look forward to sharing it with our grantees." --Tom Vander Ark, executive director, Education, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation "Fullan articulates clearly the core values and practices of leadership required at all levels of the organization. Using specific examples, he convinces us that the key change principles are equally critical for leadership in business and education organizations." --John Evans, chairman, Torstar Corporation "In *Leading in a Culture of Change*, Michael Fullan deftly combines his expertise in school reform with the latest insights in organizational change and leadership. The result is a compelling and insightful exposition on how leaders in any setting can bring about lasting, positive, systemic change in their organizations." --John Alexander, president, Center for Creative Leadership "Michael Fullan's work is remarkable. He masterfully captures how leaders can significantly improve their learning and performance, even in the uncontrollable, chaotic circumstances in which they practice. A tour de force." --Anthony Alvarado, chancellor of instruction, San Diego City Schools "Too often schools and businesses are seen as separate and foreign places. Michael Fullan blends the best of knowledge from each into an exemplary template for improving leadership in both." --Terrence E. Deal, coauthor of *Leading with Soul* Business, nonprofit, and public sector leaders are facing new and daunting challenges--rapid-paced developments in technology, sudden shifts in the marketplace, and crisis and contention in the public arena. If they are to survive in this chaotic environment, leaders must develop the skills they need to lead effectively no matter how fast the world around them is changing. *Leading in a Culture of Change* offers new and seasoned leaders' insights into the dynamics of change and presents a unique and imaginative approach for navigating the intricacies of the change process. Michael

Fullan--an internationally acclaimed expert in organizational change--shows how leaders in all types of organizations can accomplish their goals and become exceptional leaders. He draws on the most current ideas and theories on the topic of effective leadership, incorporates case examples of large scale transformation, and reveals a remarkable convergence of powerful themes or, as he calls them, the five core competencies. By integrating the five core competencies--attending to a broader moral purpose, keeping on top of the change process, cultivating relationships, sharing knowledge, and setting a vision and context for creating coherence in organizations--leaders will be empowered to deal with complex change. They will be transformed into exceptional leaders who consistently mobilize their compatriots to do important and difficult work under conditions of constant change.

Regarded as one of the most influential management books of all time, this fourth edition of *Leadership and Organizational Culture* transforms the abstract concept of culture into a tool that can be used to better shape the dynamics of organization and change. This updated edition focuses on today's business realities. Edgar Schein draws on a wide range of contemporary research to redefine culture and demonstrate the crucial role leaders play in successfully applying the principles of culture to achieve their organizational goals.

"For those who seek an urbanism of distinctiveness to enhance city livability, rather than a bland, generic uniformity, the book examines on a global basis how the many interrelated facets of an urban area's unique, yet dynamic context-built, cultural and intangible-can be championed and advanced, rather than simply borrowed from another place"--

What comes to mind when you hear the phrase, "Women in Ministry"? A. Nursery Worker B. Children's leader C. Pastor D. It's complicated If you are like most your answer would be, "It's complicated". Many believers are still confused about the proper place for women in the church. *Powerful and Free* is a call to address the structural message of inequality. It is not a theological treatise on the biblical case for female leaders (there are many excellent resources for this already). It is not a political program to implement some kind of affirmative action in our leadership teams, because that doesn't work. Rather, it is an appeal to the hearts of men and women to recognize the existence of the glass ceiling for women and to challenge themselves to align more fully with a Kingdom vision for gender-blind leadership in the Body and equal male-female partnership in the home.

Jesus' command is clear: we are called to feed all of God's children. But is that possible? Bringing together activists, politicians, scientists, pastors, theologians, and artists, this is a comprehensive picture of the current situation with the latest facts and figures, compelling stories both from those fighting against hunger and from the hungry themselves, and clear steps for action by individuals, families, churches, and communities.

"Coyle spent three years researching the question of what makes a successful group tick, visiting some of the world's most productive groups--including Pixar, Navy SEALs, Zappos, IDEO, and the San Antonio Spurs. Coyle discovered that high-performing groups ... generate three key messages that enable them to excel: 1. Safety (we are connected), 2. Shared risk (we are vulnerable together), 3. Purpose (we are part of the same story)"--

WHEN IT COMES TO DOING BUSINESS AND LIFE, THERE'S A BETTER WAY... Are you tired of hearing all the promises about the "abundant life", getting the life sucked out of you in your own efforts to attain it? Are you stressed and

wearing yourself out trying to get results in your business? The bad news is that your limited human thinking and abilities will do little to end this vicious cycle. But there's Good News In fact, it's almost "too good to be true" news... In this book, Ryan Haley uses his remarkable life story and personal experiences to provide a unique and life-giving revelation of God's unconditional grace. Through powerful testimonies and scriptural illustrations, *A Better Way* brings to life eternal truths about the truly Good News of the Gospel that will show you how to: Have less stress, but more success in your business and personal life Embrace the liberating cessation of self-effort Transfer your focus and burdens from yourself to Jesus-with much better results Benefit from God's grace and rest in bottom-line, measurable ways Experience deeper personal fulfillment and greater professional effectiveness Live a life that demands a supernatural explanation A wealth of practical exercises and resources are included to take you from head knowledge to personally experiencing "where the supernatural meets the practical". You can have it your way, or a better way-invest in rest for God's best "If you're serious about pursuing success in business, and in life, but you want to follow biblical principles and do it the Lord's way...read this book." -Tony Dungy, Super Bowl Winning NFL Coach, New York Times Bestselling Author

For centuries, duelling played an integral role in the preservation of the aristocratic order in Europe, defying attempts by both church and state to ban the practice. Moreover, the romance and drama of the duel has made it an enduring fixture in films, literature, and the theatre. In *The Duel in European History*, renowned historian Victor Kiernan writes with his characteristic wit and insight of duelling's evolution from its medieval origins – when it was regarded as a badge of rank - to the early twentieth century, by which time it was seen as an irrational anachronism. In doing so, he shows how the duelling tradition was something unique to Europe and its colonies, and, in its contribution to the development of the officer corps, played a key part in shaping European military power. Drawing on a vast range of historical and cultural sources, this is the definitive account of a violent ritual that continues to fascinate even today.

"Finding Home in Schools is primarily written to those readers who are BITOC as they negotiate and navigate the teaching profession, from pathway programs, to teacher education, and into the teaching profession. Along with academic concepts that assist those readers in making sense of their own experiences, it provides loving advice to those BITOC readers in the hopes that this will sustain them into and through the teaching profession"--

How diverse are your friendships? In a time when cultural divides are expanding, we can learn to see every human from God's perspective instead of through the lenses of prejudice and bias. Through vivid stories from several countries, MelindaJoy Mingo models reaching across cultures, showing the beauty of diverse friendships.

The author offers 12 strategies of stewardship for those concerned with preserving the vitality and precision of the spoken and written word.

Presenting an original global theory of culture, Girard explores the social function of violence and the mechanism of the social scapegoat. His vision is a challenge to conventional views of literature, anthropology, religion and psychoanalysis.

Rene Girard is the Andrew B. Hammond Professor Emeritus of French Language, Literature and Civilization at Stanford University, USA.

Selecting 40 invigorating excerpts from their exciting and popular books, Pastor Bill Johnson and his Bethel Church associates have created an excellent blend of rich, generous, fortifying spiritual inspiration. Take a deep whiff of what Bill, his wife Beni, and their friends Kris Vallotton, Danny Silk, Kevin Dedmon, and Banning Liebscher have brewed specially for you. Step 1: Select an espresso-size chapter. Step 2: Sit back and relax in God's presence. Step 3: Learn to listen to His voice. Step 4: Follow His directions. God will take you into supernatural new territory, and your explorations will not end until you are fully walking in His perfect plan for your life. Each time you enjoy a few more sips, you will be warmed and energized to step out into your world with renewed Kingdom effectiveness. May each sip of every chapter be spiritual java for your soul.

Demonstrating equitable practices and strategies that move toward culturally sustaining teaching such as translanguaging, explorations of children's literature, alternative modes of literacy assessment, photography and arts integration, student-driven poetry units, and more, this book shares the stories of four teacher-teacher dyads who worked together across university-school contexts to study, generate, and evaluate culturally relevant and sustaining literacy practices in early childhood classrooms across the country. Highlighting the voices and roles of children, families, community members, and teachers of Color, this book suggests new ways for all teachers to build and sustain relationships that are relevant and work toward being sustaining; and anticipates and offers solutions for challenges that arise in these contexts. Insightful and instructive, the narratives in this collection model how to create positive and mutually beneficial dynamics among teachers, children, and their families and communities. This book offers a timely resource for pre-service teachers, teachers, scholars, faculty, and graduate students in language and literacy education, early childhood education, and culturally relevant, responsive, and sustaining teaching.

Silk presents a book of reformation intended to disrupt Christians' current model of authority, based on Matthew 20: 25-26. (Social Issues)

On the surface, Bob Hasson's life in business has followed a storyline many entrepreneurs dream of writing for themselves. Over forty years, he successfully grew his solo startup venture as a house painter into one of the largest and most respected commercial paint companies in the Western U.S. Yet the true story of this growth and success, both in business and in life, lies not a classic recipe of hard work, talent, and great opportunities, but in something deeper: his journey of learning to live as a person of honor in business.

Premier Renewal Leaders Present Complete, Accessible Guide to Healing Ministry The Bible is full of accounts of miraculous healing. And God is moving as

amazingly today as he was back then. Thousands are being healed all over the world--and his children are part of it. For the first time, premier renewal leaders Bill Johnson and Randy Clark team up to equip Christians to minister healing. Grounded from start to finish in Scripture, Johnson and Clark lay out the rich theological and historical foundation for healing in the church today. Full of inspiring stories, this book offers practical, proven, step-by-step guidance to ministering healing, including how to • understand the authority of the believer in healing • create an atmosphere of faith • receive words of knowledge • implement the five-step model of healing prayer The ministry of healing is not reserved for a select few. God's miraculous healing is part of the Good News--and every believer can become a conduit for his healing power.

The Road to Wicked examines the long life of the Oz myth. It is both a study in cultural sustainability—the capacity of artists, narratives, art forms, and genres to remain viable over time—and an examination of the marketing machinery and consumption patterns that make such sustainability possible. Drawing on the fields of macromarketing, consumer behavior, literary and cultural studies, and theories of adaption and remediation, the authors examine key adaptations and extensions of Baum's 1900 novel. These include the original Oz craze, the MGM film and its television afterlife, Wicked and its extensions, and Oz the Great and Powerful—Disney's recent (and highly lucrative) venture that builds on the considerable success of Wicked. At the end of the book, the authors offer a foundational framework for a new theory of cultural sustainability and propose a set of explanatory conditions under which any artistic experience might achieve it.

This book focuses on a singular cause of male violence—the perpetrator's sense of threat to one of his most valued possessions, namely, his reputation for strength and toughness. The theme of this book is that the Southern United States had—and has—a type of culture of honor.

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