

## Discussion Guide The Ultimate Gift

The Autism Discussion Page green book covers anxiety and stress, challenging behaviors, stretching comfort zones, discipline, and school issues. It also provides more general teaching and mentoring strategies for coaching children on the autism spectrum in basic daily living strategies to improve their day-to-day lives. Based on posts on the popular online community page and organised by subject for ease of reference, this book offers an excellent understanding of how children with autism process and experience the world and effective strategies for coping with the challenges.

How to build a financial plan that really blends into your life The latest volume in the bestselling Ultimate series, Jim Stovall and Tim Maurer's The Ultimate Financial Plan: Balancing Your Money and Life is a one-stop, comprehensive, personal financial planning book exploring the intersection of money and life. The Ultimate Financial Plan examines the connection between actions, thoughts, and feelings when it comes to all things financial. The key to getting the most out of your wealth, the authors argue, is certainly found in the wise utilization of tools, like budgets, bank accounts, 401(k)s, IRAs, Roth IRAs, education savings plans, and real estate, as well as home, auto, business, health, disability, and long term care insurance, but even more so in

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the contentment found in balancing money's influence in our lives with personal values and goals. An insider's look into the recently humbled "Big 3"—the banks, brokerage firms, and insurance companies—and the inner workings that often set their proprietary goals and objectives above all A critical examination of the role of various financial sales people, advisors, planners, and consultants A guide to navigating Economic Bias—a conflict of interest involving money—and how it affects every financial decision we make The Ultimate Financial Plan is the application of the resources at your disposal for the purpose of living your life to the fullest, and this book will show you the quickest route to getting started on the path to ultimate success. From the internationally bestselling author who Stephen King calls “an absolute master,” a “gripping and eerie” (Karin Slaughter) thriller about a dangerous young woman with the ability to know when someone is lying—and the criminal psychologist who must outwit her to survive. A girl is discovered hiding in a secret room in the aftermath of a terrible crime. Half-starved and filthy, she won't tell anyone her name, or her age, or where she came from. Maybe she is twelve, maybe fifteen. She doesn't appear in any missing persons file, and her DNA can't be matched to an identity. Six years later, still unidentified, she is living in a secure children's home with a new name, Evie Cormac. When she

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initiates a court case demanding the right to be released as an adult, forensic psychologist Cyrus Haven must determine if Evie is ready to go free. But she is unlike anyone he's ever met—fascinating and dangerous in equal measure. Meanwhile, Cyrus is called in to investigate the shocking murder of a high school figure-skating champion, Jodie Sheehan, who died on a lonely footpath close to her home. Pretty and popular, Jodie is portrayed by everyone as the ultimate girl-next-door, but as Cyrus peels back the layers, a secret life emerges—one that Evie Cormac, the girl with no past, knows something about. A man haunted by his own tragic history, Cyrus is caught between the two cases—one girl who needs saving and another who needs justice. What price will he pay for the truth? Emotionally explosive and swiftly paced, this is an “impeccable thriller with a plot that encompasses murder, incest, drugs, abuse, torture, sex—you name it, this book has it” (New York Journal of Books).

Jim Stovall has penned three delightful parables for anyone who wants to be inspired or give the gift of inspiration. In *The Ultimate Gift*, Jason Stevens learns to appreciate the value of his life, while in *The Ultimate Life*, he learns the value of love. Now, in the touching conclusion to the trilogy, Jason learns that life's journey is all about traveling well--not about the destination. In *The Ultimate Journey*, readers will discover the secrets of a successful life, including -

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money helps pay for the trip, but should never be a destination - friends make the journey worthwhile - laughter lightens the load of any rough or rocky uphill road - time may be allotted in small or large portions but the moment is what counts - and so much more Do you know how to make your life a success? The Ultimate Journey packs a powerful message for all ages.

Lessons Learned from the Special Education Classroom offers practical techniques and research-based suggestions where all students, regardless of their abilities, are actively engaged in a vigorous, scaffolded, differentiated classroom taught by a compassionate, equitable teacher.

A guide to Buddhism's rich variety of traditions and cultural expressions for educators who would like to include Buddhism in their undergraduate courses. Over its long history, Buddhism has never been a simple monolithic phenomenon, but rather a complex living tradition—or better, a family of traditions—continually shaped by and shaping a vast array of social, economic, political, literary, and aesthetic contexts across East Asia, South Asia, and Southeast Asia. Written by undergraduate educators, *Buddhisms in Asia* offers a guide to Buddhism's rich variety of traditions and cultural expressions for educators who would like to include Buddhism in their undergraduate courses. It introduces fundamental yet often underrepresented

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Buddhist texts, concepts, and material in their historical contexts; presents the major “ecologies” of Buddhist belief, practice, and cultural expression; and provides methodological insights regarding how best to infuse Buddhist content into undergraduate courses in the humanities and social sciences. The text aims to represent “Buddhisms” by approaching the subject from a broad range of disciplinary perspectives, including art history, anthropology, history, literature, philosophy, religious studies, and pedagogy. “I teach an introductory course on Buddhism on a regular basis, and every single chapter of this book gave me ideas for materials I could incorporate, new modules I might develop, and/or better ways I might organize and present existing content to students. I think that the book will be particularly useful to educators in Asian studies who are not themselves specialized in areas of Buddhism or religion. The collection gives them the information on Buddhist philosophy, doctrine, and practice that they would need to better incorporate the role of Buddhism into classes on Asian culture, history, society, and politics.” — Leah Kalmanson, coeditor of *Buddhist Responses to Globalization*

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Children’s/Young Adult category\* \*2019 ALA

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\*Buzzfeed's 24 Best YA Books of 2018\* \*Vulture's

38 Best LGBTQ YA Novels\* \*Book Riot's Best Books

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2018\* \*Hyable's Most Anticipated Queer YA Books of 2018\* \*The Mary Sue's 18 Books You Should Read in 2018\* Moss Jeffries is many things—considerate student, devoted son, loyal friend and affectionate boyfriend, enthusiastic nerd. But sometimes Moss still wishes he could be someone else—someone without panic attacks, someone whose father was still alive, someone who hadn't become a rallying point for a community because of one horrible night. And most of all, he wishes he didn't feel so stuck. Moss can't even escape at school—he and his friends are subject to the lack of funds and crumbling infrastructure at West Oakland High, as well as constant intimidation by the resource officer stationed in their halls. That was even before the new regulations—it seems sometimes that the students are treated more like criminals. Something will have to change—but who will listen to a group of teens? When tensions hit a fever pitch and tragedy strikes again, Moss must face a difficult choice: give in to fear and hate or realize that anger can actually be a gift. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. This compilation of how-to ideas comes from the best-selling Ideas Library is full of youth group holiday fun is sure to enliven all seasons. This user-friendly guide will help students of the 'Star' to be able to discuss at a basic level what, at least

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conceptually, Rosenzweig intended to say and how all that he says is interrelated.

- LARGE PRINT EDITION - More children than ever are facing life without one or both parents. Absentee parent questions rank among the top parent and guardian concerns - until now. In *Absentee Parent Left Behind* Child, parenting expert and author, Scott Luper, MA, gives help and hope to the multitude of caregivers facing the realities of raising the child of an absentee parent. Using experiences from his son's absentee parent questions and the information gathered from single and absentee parent interviews, Mr. Luper lays out the concise, easy to follow plan that helps caregivers answer these difficult and extremely important questions. Mr. Luper also shows, with real world examples and proven strategies, how to, not only answer absentee parent questions but also, use these opportunities to bring parents and children closer. Features: The child's point of view The step by step process Examples and discussions from real world situations The two moment strategy The seven pitfalls to avoid Tips and strategies to help children thrive

The must-read summary of Chet Holmes' book: "The Ultimate Sales Machine: Turbocharge Your Business with Relentless Focus on 12 Key Strategies". This complete summary of the ideas from Chet Holme's book "The Ultimate Sales Machine" shows that you only have to focus on twelve core competencies to turn your business into the "Ultimate Sales Machine". In fact, success comes from doing the right things with pigheaded determination and persistence. This summary

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highlights the twelve building blocks that you must put in place if your company is to succeed long term. Added-value of this summary: • Save time • Understand key concepts • Improve your sales skills To learn more, read the summary of "The Ultimate Sales Machine" and discover how to make your business more effective!

Offers teachers and parents ideas and activities for stimulating spiritual growth and intellectual development in children through the study of seventeen biographies of holy men and women found in the "Vision Books" series.

Beloved author Jim Stovall continues his bestselling Ultimate Gift series with The Gift of a Legacy. "Just tell me how I can get my money and get out of here."

Theodore Hamilton's good friend and Joey Anderson's great-grandmother, Sally Mae Anderson, touched many lives during her lifetime. Joey, however, has little interest in his great-grandmother's final wishes after she dies--until he learns that she's left him Anderson House, her successful bed-and-breakfast. But he will only inherit it if he lives at Anderson House and follows Sally Mae's instructions. How can Joey ever meet her challenge?

Jason Stevens knows how Joey is feeling. After all, Jason's grandfather left him a similar inheritance years before--and his life has never been the same. The Gift of a Legacy reminds us that one legacy can change the world forever.

The New York Times bestselling graphic memoir from actor/author/activist George Takei returns in a deluxe edition with 16 pages of bonus material! Experience the forces that shaped an American icon -- and America itself -- in this gripping tale of courage, country, loyalty,

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and love. George Takei has captured hearts and minds worldwide with his magnetic performances, sharp wit, and outspoken commitment to equal rights. But long before he braved new frontiers in STAR TREK, he woke up as a four-year-old boy to find his own birth country at war with his father's -- and their entire family forced from their home into an uncertain future. In 1942, at the order of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, every person of Japanese descent on the west coast was rounded up and shipped to one of ten "relocation centers," hundreds or thousands of miles from home, where they would be held for years under armed guard. **THEY CALLED US ENEMY** is Takei's firsthand account of those years behind barbed wire, the terrors and small joys of childhood in the shadow of legalized racism, his mother's hard choices, his father's tested faith in democracy, and the way those experiences planted the seeds for his astonishing future. What does it mean to be American? Who gets to decide? George Takei joins cowriters Justin Eisinger & Steven Scott and artist Harmony Becker for the journey of a lifetime.

**DEVELOPMENT FOR ACADEMIC LEADERS** In addition to their other duties, academic leaders are expected to network with potential donors and to be productive and enthusiastic fundraisers. More often than not, however, academic leaders are given little or no training on how to be savvy fundraisers for their institutions. *Development for Academic Leaders* is a much-needed resource that offers a concise yet comprehensive guide to fundraising for those who are new to the process. The book clarifies roles,

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responsibilities, programs, activities, politics, and funding sources as well as offering a review of the overall process. Written by Penelepe C. Hunt, a successful practitioner of and noted expert in academic fundraising, the book includes information on attracting and retaining effective development officers and contains suggestions for deans (and other campus leaders) for working effectively with these valued members of their institutions. Hunt introduces novice fundraisers to the cycle of giving (identification, qualification, cultivation, solicitation, and stewardship) and provides information on how and when to take part in the fundraising process. She defines the various types of funding including annual gifts, major gifts, planned gifts, and principal gifts and reveals why ascertaining which type of gift will be most appealing to a donor is an important part of planning for a successful solicitation. *Development for Academic Leaders* also contains suggestions for overcoming reluctance on the part of leaders to ask potential donors for a gift. Hunt explains that donors do not give merely because our programs need and deserve support. They give because of their own desires, passions, and aspirations. *Development for Academic Leaders* also reveals the importance of participating in your institution's overall development communications efforts and offers a general overview of campaign and event principles and how you can use these funding strategies to the advantage of your college. For any academic leader who participates in their program's fundraising efforts, this important resource offers a wealth of information for becoming a creative, skilled, and

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successful part of the fundraising team.

What God's Word Says About the Words You Speak  
Your words hold immense power. They echo in hearts and minds long after they are spoken. Your words can be a source of encouragement, lifting other people up provide helpful instruction to those in need of guidance bring healing and comfort when others experience pain offer loving-kindness, an illustration of God's grace, to others Bestselling author Sharon Jaynes offers this companion to *The Power of a Woman's Words*, in which she takes you on a journey alongside women of the Bible—women like Rachel, who shaped her son's character, Sarai, who influenced her husband's choices, and Elizabeth, who boosted her friend's confidence. Perfect for personal or group use, this study guide offers biblical instruction and practical tools to help you discover the power of words to change the course of a day and even a life.

**#1 NEW YORK TIMES, WALL STREET JOURNAL, AND BOSTON GLOBE BESTSELLER • One of the most acclaimed books of our time: an unforgettable memoir about a young woman who, kept out of school, leaves her survivalist family and goes on to earn a PhD from Cambridge University "Extraordinary . . . an act of courage and self-invention."—The New York Times NAMED ONE OF THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW • ONE OF PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA'S FAVORITE BOOKS OF THE YEAR • BILL GATES'S HOLIDAY READING LIST • FINALIST: National Book Critics Circle's Award In Autobiography and John Leonard**

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Prize For Best First Book • PEN/Jean Stein Book Award  
• Los Angeles Times Book Prize Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, Tara Westover was seventeen the first time she set foot in a classroom. Her family was so isolated from mainstream society that there was no one to ensure the children received an education, and no one to intervene when one of Tara's older brothers became violent. When another brother got himself into college, Tara decided to try a new kind of life. Her quest for knowledge transformed her, taking her over oceans and across continents, to Harvard and to Cambridge University. Only then would she wonder if she'd traveled too far, if there was still a way home. "Beautiful and propulsive . . . Despite the singularity of [Westover's] childhood, the questions her book poses are universal: How much of ourselves should we give to those we love? And how much must we betray them to grow up?"—Vogue NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The Washington Post • O: The Oprah Magazine • Time • NPR • Good Morning America • San Francisco Chronicle • The Guardian • The Economist • Financial Times • Newsday • New York Post • theSkimm • Refinery29 • Bloomberg • Self • Real Simple • Town & Country • Bustle • Paste • Publishers Weekly • Library Journal • LibraryReads • Book Riot • Pamela Paul, KQED • New York Public Library #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • ONE OF TIME MAGAZINE'S 100 BEST YA BOOKS OF ALL TIME The extraordinary, beloved novel about the ability of books to feed the soul even in the darkest of times. When Death has a story to tell, you listen. It is 1939. Nazi Germany.

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The country is holding its breath. Death has never been busier, and will become busier still. Liesel Meminger is a foster girl living outside of Munich, who scratches out a meager existence for herself by stealing when she encounters something she can't resist—books. With the help of her accordion-playing foster father, she learns to read and shares her stolen books with her neighbors during bombing raids as well as with the Jewish man hidden in her basement. In superbly crafted writing that burns with intensity, award-winning author Markus Zusak, author of *I Am the Messenger*, has given us one of the most enduring stories of our time. “The kind of book that can be life-changing.” —The New York Times “Deserves a place on the same shelf with *The Diary of a Young Girl* by Anne Frank.” —USA Today **DON'T MISS BRIDGE OF CLAY, MARKUS ZUSAK'S FIRST NOVEL SINCE THE BOOK THIEF.**

Unwrap the Full Love Story of Christmas with Ann Voskamp In *The Greatest Gift*, New York Times bestselling author Ann Voskamp celebrates the majesty of God's greatest gift to us—His son, Jesus Christ—through the timeless Advent tradition of the Jesse Tree. Now, in this stunning four-week video curriculum, Ann draws viewers even deeper into Scripture as she explores and illuminates the magnificence of God's Word through the unfurling of the greatest love story ever told—God's ardent and relentless pursuit of us. Perfect for families and ideal for small groups, *The Greatest Gift* DVD is a moment of calm amid the busy holiday season. This is sure to become an annual Christmas tradition in homes and churches everywhere.

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In the ruins of civilization, a young girl's kindness and capacity for love will either save humanity -- or wipe it out in this USA Today bestselling thriller Joss Whedon calls "heartfelt, remorseless, and painfully human." Melanie is a very special girl. Dr Caldwell calls her "our little genius." Every morning, Melanie waits in her cell to be collected for class. When they come for her, Sergeant keeps his gun pointed at her while two of his people strap her into the wheelchair. She thinks they don't like her. She jokes that she won't bite, but they don't laugh. The Girl With All the Gifts is a genre-defying, emotionally charged thriller that will shatter your expectations of the classic zombie novel. For more from M. R. Carey, check out: Someone Like Me Fellside The Boy on the Bridge By the same author, writing as Mike Carey: The Devil You Know Vicious Circle Dead Men's Boots Thicker Than Water The Naming of the Beasts

Teaches the elements of good writing through the use of essential guidelines, literary techniques, and proper writing mechanics.

A National Best Seller! Calling Me Home by Julie Kibler is a soaring debut interweaving the story of a heartbreaking, forbidden love in 1930s Kentucky with an unlikely modern-day friendship Eighty-nine-year-old Isabelle McAllister has a favor to ask her hairdresser Dorrie Curtis. It's a big one. Isabelle wants Dorrie, a black single mom in her thirties, to drop everything to drive her from her home in Arlington, Texas, to a funeral in Cincinnati. With no clear explanation why. Tomorrow. Dorrie, fleeing problems of her own and curious whether she can unlock the secrets of Isabelle's guarded past,

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scarcely hesitates before agreeing, not knowing it will be a journey that changes both their lives. Over the years, Dorrie and Isabelle have developed more than just a business relationship. They are friends. But Dorrie, fretting over the new man in her life and her teenage son's irresponsible choices, still wonders why Isabelle chose her. Isabelle confesses that, as a willful teen in 1930s Kentucky, she fell deeply in love with Robert Prewitt, a would-be doctor and the black son of her family's housekeeper—in a town where blacks weren't allowed after dark. The tale of their forbidden relationship and its tragic consequences makes it clear Dorrie and Isabelle are headed for a gathering of the utmost importance and that the history of Isabelle's first and greatest love just might help Dorrie find her own way.

Love.Fear.What do we really know about a person?Psychotherapist Grace Simms relies on her professional prowess to tether her feelings when college crush Jess Bartell returns to Sacramento and fear strikes close to home. Someone is watching. Skulking in the dark. Calling in the middle of the night. Grace fears an experience from her past may be clouding her judgement, until she finds the note threatening her life. In her profession, threats and violent behavior come with the territory. She knows everyone has a tipping point, but who would want to harm her? When Grace turns to police, Sergeant Garret Weston suggests she get a dog. However, when stalking turns to murder, Weston begins sniffing around Grace's clients, forcing her into a decision...defend her code of confidentiality...or catch a killer.Does love return in a happily ever after, or is it just

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distraction? Is it better to love what you fear or fear what you love? When you're dead, it probably doesn't matter. *Seek God First* is the new foundational study in the *First Place 4 Health Bible* study series. Based on Matthew 6:33, "Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well," this study explores the importance of surrendering one's mind, body, emotions and soul to Jesus and truly giving Him first place in every area of life. Through daily study and prayer, readers will discover how to center their lives on Christ, overcome temptation and find true satisfaction in pleasing God. Lasting change from the inside out begins when we seek God first! Each *First Place 4 Health* study contains 12 weeks of daily study to help you put Christ in first place, as well as weekly *Live It Trackers* to document your progress. Also included are Scripture memory cards, a coordinating Scripture memory music CD, and two complete weeks of menu plans with grocery lists, recipes and detailed nutrition information.

**Book Summary** Explore the gifts presented by Jim Stovall in his book *The Ultimate Gift* by using the lens of experiential learning. See how to apply these gifts to everyday living by using experiential games to simulate real-world situations and have fun in the process. Learn how to magnify the gifts offered in this book via hands-on experience to help reinforce the lessons learned.

Jason Stephens lives a life of wealth. A life of privilege. A life that's about to take a radical turn. Jason always had a straightforward relationship with his billionaire grandfather, Howard "Red" Stevens. He shunned him but welcomed his money. So he figured when Red died,

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his part of the inheritance would be a simple cash transaction that would fund his extravagant lifestyle. Instead, for Jason to receive his inheritance, he's given an ultimatum...a series of twelve tests or "gifts" as Red calls them. If he fails at any one of them, he loses everything. If he completes them all, the ultimate gift will be his. One of those "gifts" involves finding a friend...something Jason has never experienced before. Yet this unlikely friendship and an unexpected romance may just open his eyes to what he's been missing all along. "You don't begin to live until you've lost everything."

In this “brave and heartbreaking novel that digs its claws into you and doesn’t let go, long after you’ve finished it” (Anna Todd, New York Times bestselling author) from the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *All Your Perfects*, a workaholic with a too-good-to-be-true romance can’t stop thinking about her first love. Lily hasn’t always had it easy, but that’s never stopped her from working hard for the life she wants. She’s come a long way from the small town where she grew up—she graduated from college, moved to Boston, and started her own business. And when she feels a spark with a gorgeous neurosurgeon named Ryle Kincaid, everything in Lily’s life seems too good to be true. Ryle is assertive, stubborn, maybe even a little arrogant. He’s also sensitive, brilliant, and has a total soft spot for Lily. And the way he looks in scrubs certainly doesn’t hurt. Lily can’t get him out of her head. But Ryle’s complete aversion to relationships is disturbing. Even as Lily finds herself becoming the exception to his “no dating” rule,

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she can't help but wonder what made him that way in the first place. As questions about her new relationship overwhelm her, so do thoughts of Atlas Corrigan—her first love and a link to the past she left behind. He was her kindred spirit, her protector. When Atlas suddenly reappears, everything Lily has built with Ryle is threatened. An honest, evocative, and tender novel, *It Ends with Us* is “a glorious and touching read, a forever keeper. The kind of book that gets handed down” (USA TODAY).

*A Wrinkle in Time* is the winner of the 1963 Newbery Medal. It was a dark and stormy night—Meg Murry, her small brother Charles Wallace, and her mother had come down to the kitchen for a midnight snack when they were upset by the arrival of a most disturbing stranger. “Wild nights are my glory,” the unearthly stranger told them. “I just got caught in a downdraft and blown off course. Let me sit down for a moment, and then I'll be on my way. Speaking of ways, by the way, there is such a thing as a tesseract.” A tesseract (in case the reader doesn't know) is a wrinkle in time. To tell more would rob the reader of the enjoyment of Miss L'Engle's unusual book. *A Wrinkle in Time*, winner of the Newbery Medal in 1963, is the story of the adventures in space and time of Meg, Charles Wallace, and Calvin O'Keefe (athlete, student, and one of the most popular boys in high school). They are in search of Meg's father, a scientist who disappeared while engaged in secret work for the government on the tesseract problem.

First published in 1938, 'Anthem' is a dystopian fiction novel by British writer Ayn Rand. It takes place at some

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unspecified future date when mankind has entered another dark age. Technological advancement is now carefully planned and the concept of individuality has been eliminated.

Stephen Hawking was recognized as one of the greatest minds of our time and a figure of inspiration after defying his ALS diagnosis at age twenty-one. He is known for both his breakthroughs in theoretical physics as well as his ability to make complex concepts accessible for all, and was beloved for his mischievous sense of humor. At the time of his death, Hawking was working on a final project: a book compiling his answers to the "big" questions that he was so often posed--questions that ranged beyond his academic field. Within these pages, he provides his personal views on our biggest challenges as a human race, and where we, as a planet, are heading next. Each section will be introduced by a leading thinker offering his or her own insight into Professor Hawking's contribution to our understanding. The book will also feature a foreword from Academy Award winning actor Eddie Redmayne, who portrayed Hawking in the film *The Theory of Everything*, and an afterword by Hawking's daughter, Lucy Hawking, as well as personal photographs and additional archival material.

Offers guidance for taking part in the Advent tradition of the Jesse Tree, with scriptural passages, devotions, and activities intended to apply their themes.

Would you be willing to change your life to inherit a million dollars?

"A classic."—Jay Conrad Levinson, author of *Guerrilla*

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Marketing Chet Holmes has been called "one of the top 20 change experts in the country." His advice starts with one simple concept: focus! Instead of trying to master four thousand strategies to improve your business, zero in on the few essential skill areas that make the big difference—and practice them over and over with pigheaded discipline. The Ultimate Sales Machine shows you how to tune up and soup up virtually every part of your business by spending just an hour per week on each impact area you want to improve. Like a tennis player who hits nothing but backhands for a few hours a week to perfect his game, you can systematically improve each key area. With his real-life examples and a trademark tell-it-like-it-is style, Holmes offers proven strategies for:

- Management: Teach your people how to work smarter, not harder
- Marketing: Get more bang from your Web site, advertising, trade shows, and public relations
- Sales: Perfect every sales interaction by working on sales, not just in sales

The Ultimate Sales Machine will put you and your company on a path to success and help you stay there!

Experience peace in the presence of the Savior who is closer than you can imagine with the Jesus Calling® Discussion Guide for Grief.

Bestselling author Rachael Johns returns with a poignant, heart-warming story of a woman who wants nothing else than to be a mum, and one who never wanted to be a mother. Mother: female parent of a child Mum: the woman who nurtures, raises and loves a child Radio host Harper Drummond lives for her career. Every day she meets fascinating people doing extraordinary

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things, but has begun to wonder whether there could be something more for her out there. She's financially secure, happily married to Samuel and has a great group of friends – what more could she want? It's only when she interviews one special couple that she starts to think about whether she could make a different kind of contribution. Claire and Jasper Lombard are passionate about their thriving hot air balloon business and know they're lucky to find such joy in their work and in each other. But while Jasper has accepted that he will never be a father, Claire has found it hard to come to terms with her infertility. She doesn't want Jasper to regret choosing her over a child in the years to come. Is there a way to give themselves a real chance at being a happy family? Can they find someone who will give them the greatest gift? Or will it come at a greater cost? The poignant, heartwarming story of two women: one who wants nothing else than to be a mum, and one who never wanted to be a mother, from the bestselling, ABIA award-winning author of *The Patterson Girls*.

**#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Brené Brown** has taught us what it means to dare greatly, rise strong, and brave the wilderness. Now, based on new research conducted with leaders, change makers, and culture shifters, she's showing us how to put those ideas into practice so we can step up and lead. Look for Brené Brown's new podcast, *Dare to Lead*, as well as her ongoing podcast *Unlocking Us!* **NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY BLOOMBERG** Leadership is not about titles, status, and wielding power. A leader is anyone who takes responsibility for

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recognizing the potential in people and ideas, and has the courage to develop that potential. When we dare to lead, we don't pretend to have the right answers; we stay curious and ask the right questions. We don't see power as finite and hoard it; we know that power becomes infinite when we share it with others. We don't avoid difficult conversations and situations; we lean into vulnerability when it's necessary to do good work. But daring leadership in a culture defined by scarcity, fear, and uncertainty requires skill-building around traits that are deeply and uniquely human. The irony is that we're choosing not to invest in developing the hearts and minds of leaders at the exact same time as we're scrambling to figure out what we have to offer that machines and AI can't do better and faster. What can we do better? Empathy, connection, and courage, to start. Four-time #1 New York Times bestselling author Brené Brown has spent the past two decades studying the emotions and experiences that give meaning to our lives, and the past seven years working with transformative leaders and teams spanning the globe. She found that leaders in organizations ranging from small entrepreneurial startups and family-owned businesses to nonprofits, civic organizations, and Fortune 50 companies all ask the same question: How do you cultivate braver, more daring leaders, and how do you embed the value of courage in your culture? In this new book, Brown uses research, stories, and examples to answer these questions in the no-BS style that millions of readers have come to expect and love. Brown writes, "One of the most important findings of my career is that

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daring leadership is a collection of four skill sets that are 100 percent teachable, observable, and measurable. It's learning and unlearning that requires brave work, tough conversations, and showing up with your whole heart. Easy? No. Because choosing courage over comfort is not always our default. Worth it? Always. We want to be brave with our lives and our work. It's why we're here." Whether you've read *Daring Greatly* and *Rising Strong* or you're new to Brené Brown's work, this book is for anyone who wants to step up and into brave leadership.

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