

Grace & Mercy: A Devotional Journey

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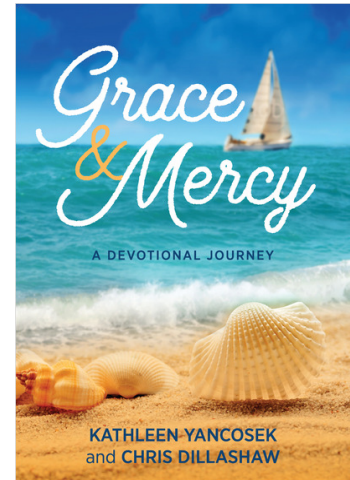
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Synopsis: *Grace & Mercy: A Devotional Journey* was created from a desire for a fresh look at discipleship within the modern, busy church. The book explores the progression of the seed planted in a sermon: how truth gets watered, germinates, sprouts, grows and eventually bears fruit. *Grace & Mercy* demonstrates how to have a nourishing and flourishing spiritual life. A soft plot line meanders throughout and the book gently explores themes of communication, discipleship, positive expectations, and diligence. Each chapter includes devotional content for individual readers and exploratory questions for group discussion.

Readers can expect to:

- Discover the value of slowing down, paying attention, and soaking in the wisdom of biblical truth expressed each week in the Sunday sermon
- Understand how to live a more contemplative life
- Grow in their faith from week to week
- Improve awareness in the way God is moving through the people who are in their lives
- Be stirred up toward love, gentleness, and goodness toward one another

One Sentence Summary: *Grace and Mercy: A Devotional Journey* is a book exploring life's setbacks while inviting readers to friendship with Jesus that is renewed regularly by a weekly sermon.

Target Audience: *Grace and Mercy: A Devotional Journey* is an ideal devotional for pastors, families, worship leaders, ministry teams, and life groups. However, this book may also appeal to new believers through its story-telling style, simplicity, and descriptions of sermons preached to teenagers.

Intended Impact: *Grace and Mercy: A Devotional Journey* may inspire believers to pick up a notebook and a pen and pay attention to what their pastor is preaching. Ideally, this book would inspire Christians to live a more contemplative life – nurtured by the precious Word of God faithfully revealed in weekly sermons at their local churches. In a Hebrews chapter ten sense, *Grace and Mercy: A Devotional Journey* wants to stir up believers toward love and goodness and to encourage them toward the habit of meeting together.

"Pictures and stories and memories are three of God's sweet gifts to help us visualize his truths and strengthen our hearts. Katie and Chris use all of these to paint little portraits that add color and depth to how I understand and experience God."

--Kirk Freeman, Lead Pastor, CrossBridge Community Church, San Antonio, Texas

"My wife, Beth, is often suggesting daily devotionals for me, but I just can't get into them. She was surprised to see me devouring *Grace & Mercy* and asked, 'What's different about this one?' I paused a moment, looked up and said, 'I can relate to these. Let's gather some friends and dig into it.' *Grace & Mercy* provides an interesting and engaging tool to study the Bible."

--Jim Lenaway, Pastor, B-Free Church, Bradford, Pennsylvania

"*Grace & Mercy* presents an honest, encouraging look at life with its disquieting issues. Katie welcomed me to sit beside her "knee to knee" with Jesus, the Wonderful Counselor, then to journey onward, with Him leading the way.

--Chuck Rizer, Lieutenant Colonel, Army Chaplain (retired), author of *Downwind of Thunder*

"This devotional is wonderfully refreshing and special. I love the practical, chatty, relatable style that makes recognizing God's presence and love in our lives so accessible. If you want to benefit from experiencing God in your everyday life, *Grace & Mercy* is for you."

--Rob Davis, Founding Pastor, Vineyard Church, Hopkinton Massachusetts

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