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From Preacher To Atheist

# **Losing Faith In Faith From Preacher To Atheist**

There will always be people who lose faith. But how do we reconnect with

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those who have walked away? With his new book *Losing Faith: those who have walked away*, Andy Frost, Director of Share Jesus International, looks at those who have walked away from the church or have struggled with their faith and offers compassionate

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and practical advice on how we can help them. Michael Frost, author of *Re:Jesus* and *Exiles* praised Andy's book saying: When so much preaching by the Church today is done to the converted, Andy Frost's book invites us to listen to those who have lost faith, to

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validate their questions and concerns and to acknowledge we have something to learn from these so-called backsliders. Losing Faith is a compassionate, generous, full-blooded call for the church to wake up to the wisdom of the lapsed. Andy's passion

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for reconnecting the church with society and culture doesn't stop here. Along with numerous projects he will also be embarking on a tour with the Share Jesus International team and Dave Bilbrough. The 'Rediscovering Faith Autumn Tour', is based on his

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new book and will consist of story, challenge and music, suitable for adults and young people; the faithful and the doubtful.

"The End of Faith articulates the dangers and absurdities of organized religion so fiercely and so fearlessly

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that I felt relieved as I read it, vindicated....Harris writes what a sizable number of us think, but few are willing to say."—Natalie Angier, New York Times In The End of Faith, Sam Harris delivers a startling analysis of the clash between reason and religion

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in the modern world. He offers a vivid, historical tour of our willingness to suspend reason in favor of religious beliefs—even when these beliefs inspire the worst human atrocities. While warning against the encroachment of organized religion into world politics,



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Harris draws on insights from neuroscience, philosophy, and Eastern mysticism to deliver a call for a truly modern foundation for ethics and spirituality that is both secular and humanistic. Winner of the 2005 PEN/Martha Albrand Award for

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Nonfiction.

"Heather Havrilesky attempts to disrupt our cultural delusions and false dichotomies, to unearth moralistic interpretations of mundane human behaviors and interrogate so-called mistakes that we've slowly

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internalized, and to question the glorification of suffering, dishonesty, romantic fantasy, conquest, predation, and perfectionism"--

A memoir of the profound destabilization that comes from losing one's faith--and a young woman's

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journey to reconcile her lack of belief with her love for her deeply religious family. Growing up in poverty in the rural backwoods of southern Maryland, the Pentecostal church was at the core of Jessica Wilbanks' family life. At sixteen, driven by a desire to discover

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the world, Jessica walked away from the church--trading her faith for freedom, and driving a wedge between her and her deeply religious family. But fundamentalist faiths haunt their adherents long after belief fades--former believers frequently live

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in limbo, straddling two world views and trying to reconcile their past and present. Ten years later, struggling with guilt and shame, Jessica began a quest to recover her faith. It led her to West Africa, where she explored the Yorùbá roots of the Pentecostal faith, and was

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once again swept up by the promises and power of the church. After a terrifying car crash, she finally began the difficult work of forgiving herself for leaving the church and her family and finding her own path. When I Spoke in Tongues is a story of the

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painful and complicated process of losing one's faith and moving across class divides. And in the end, it's a story of how a family splintered by dogmatic faith can eventually be knit together again through love.

Making Sense of the Anti-women, Anti-



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science, Pro-violence, Pro-slavery and  
Other Crazy-Sounding Parts of  
Scripture

Losing God

How an Evangelical Preacher Became  
One of America's Leading Atheists  
Mistrust

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Invitation to the Sociology of Religion  
Crazy Loves Crazy

Losing Faith in the Church, Finding  
Faith in Christ

Close to 60 percent of young people  
who went to church as teens drop  
out after high school. Now the

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bestselling author of unChristian  
trains his researcher's eye on these  
young believers. Where Kinnaman's  
first book unChristian showed the  
world what outsiders aged 16-29  
think of Christianity, You Lost Me  
shows why younger Christians aged

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16-29 are leaving the church and rethinking their faith. Based on new research, You Lost Me shows pastors, church leaders, and parents how we have failed to equip young people to live "in but not of" the world and how this has serious long-term

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consequences. More importantly, Kinnaman offers ideas on how to help young people develop and maintain a vibrant faith that they embrace over a lifetime.

STRAIGHT FROM HOLLYWOOD  
comes a dynamic business model

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for building a thriving career without compromising your faith. DeVon Franklin, vice president of production for Columbia Pictures, shares how being bold about his Christian faith while being driven and ambitious has actually helped

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him to excel in a high-profile, fast-paced, competitive industry. You are the movie. Produced by Faith parallels each step of the Hollywood filmmaking process with the faith-making process God uses to turn your career into a success. You will

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discover that it is possible to be both wildly successful and completely committed to God—and that you will be even more successful when you place your faith at the center of your career. You can unleash the power of your faith as your greatest



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professional advantage and use the compass of God's Word to guide you to your true passion and purpose in life. In this informative, inspiring book, DeVon reveals the secrets to maintaining your faith while advancing in your career. Here

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he shows you:

- How to discover The Big Idea for your life
- How to take your career to the next level
- How to recognize the signs God sends you that indicate when it's time to move in a new direction
- How to stand firm on your Christian

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principles without compromise •  
How to work with people who don't  
understand your beliefs • How to  
choose a profession, industry, or  
company that is in tune with your  
purpose DeVon says, "I know from  
my own experiences that if you will

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put your career in God's hands and trust him, you can't account for all the ways he will bless you. When you step out in faith, he will open doors and bring you opportunities that will surpass even your wildest expectations. . . . If I have learned

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anything, it's this: to get where you want to go, you first have to become the person God wants you to be.”  
Is Reading the Bible the Fastest Way to Lose Your Faith? For centuries, the Bible was called "the Good Book," a moral and religious

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text that guides us into a relationship with God and shows us the right way to live. Today, however, some people argue the Bible is outdated and harmful, with many Christians unaware of some of the odd and disturbing things the Bible says.

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Whether you are a Christian, a doubter, or someone exploring the Bible for the first time, bestselling author Dan Kimball guides you step-by-step in how to make sense of these difficult and disturbing Bible passages. Filled with stories, visual

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illustrations, and memes reflecting popular cultural objections, How (Not) to Read the Bible is a lifeline for individuals who are confused or discouraged with questions about the Bible. It also works great as a small-group study or sermon series.



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Five hundred years ago Martin Luther posted his ninety-five theses or grievances to the door of the All Saints' Church of Wittenberg and condemned the Catholic Church's teaching of indulgences as nothing but a scheme to raise money for the

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church. It is a supreme irony of history that, five hundred years later, it is now a subset of the Protestant Church that is defrauding the faithful. The Catholic Church's teaching of indulgences and the evangelical movement's teaching of tithing-to-be-

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blessed are substantially the same and lead to the same result: In both cases, the church walks away with a bag of money and the Christian walks away with a bag full of empty promises. This book explains why I am losing faith in the church, but

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finding faith in Christ. The reason for this is that I began finding answers to some of the most elusive questions about God. Something is preventing God from doing all the good that he would otherwise want to do. But here is the problem. How

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can God have limitations? If he has limitations, then he must not be divine. However, there is one thing that could prevent a good, all-powerful God from doing all the good that he would otherwise want to do that would not detract at all

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from his omnipotence. What this is and how it holds the key to unlocking some of the most perplexing mysteries of God is explained in this book.

Losing Faith

Losing Your Religion, Finding Your

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Faith

Losing Your Faith, Finding Your  
Soul

Essays

Rediscovering a Transforming  
Christian Belief

Enjoy Real Success without Losing

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## Your True Self

## Finding Faith After Losing Religion

Recounting his own history, Matt Rogers explores the question of how, in a world of suffering, we can call God good. This challenging question can manifest itself as a conspiracy of doubt and depression, so that our emotions



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and our intellect come under attack.  
Will God deliver us through this  
distressing journey?

This is a true story about love and two  
friends trying to stop a gross  
miscarriage of justice- and losing. It  
has been nine-years since Mary  
disappeared and my life changed

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forever.

A former preacher tell why he abandoned the guidance of the Bible to follow the dictates of own conscience.

However, the book's sensitive detailing of the stories themselves makes conversion more than a theoretical

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occurrence; it makes the immediacy,  
and often the difficulty, of conversion  
both real and moving.--Lewis Rambo,

San Francisco Theological Seminary

Those who Have Walked Away

How I Lost My Religion but Found My  
Faith

Finding Faith, Losing Faith

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Losing Your Religion  
Culture to the Ultimate  
Moving from Superficial Routine to  
Authentic Faith

Losing Faith Finding Hope

**When the challenges you've  
faced threaten to destroy**

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**your life, how do you find  
your way back to the truths  
you thought you believed? I  
Am Restored tells the untold  
story of how Lecrae's past  
nearly ruined his  
future--until he learned that**

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**the wounds we carry can have the potential to be unlikely guides to healing and freedom for ourselves and others. Throughout I Am Restored, Lecrae documents the shattering yet hopeful**

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**story of how he faced the scars of his past--sexual abuse, physical trauma, addiction, and depression--and emerged more fully human than ever before. With remarkable**

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**transparency and vulnerability, Lecrae reveals that at the height of his professional success, his life was spinning out of control, driven by a past that he had never confronted and a**



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**religious perspective that was incapable of meeting the challenge. I Am Restored takes an unflinching look at the personal and public spaces that are too often at the societal core of our pain**

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**and heartache--culture,  
politics, family, church, and  
more--and teaches us that  
forgiveness can be the  
birthplace of the life that  
God has created for us.  
Throughout this powerful,**

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**deeply personal account,  
Lecrae shares the life  
lessons he's learned about:  
Confronting the pain and  
trauma that has shaped  
your story Breaking the  
cycle of sin and shame and**

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**embracing joy and  
authenticity Finding hope  
and healing in the midst of  
chaos The simple practices  
that can change your  
mental, emotional, and  
spiritual health Leading a**

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**life that's bursting with  
creativity and true freedom I  
Am Restored is a hopeful,  
inspiring charge to start  
your journey to lasting  
healing today. No matter  
what your past has held,**

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**God is near you, he hears you, and he's not done writing your story.**

**How do you know when you need to believe again? If you have ever gone through burnout in your spiritual life**

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**or disappointment in your church experience, then it may be evident. For others, it is not so clear. You continue to push forward despite the check engine light warning you something**

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**is wrong beneath the surface. In Believe Again, Josh uses his real-life fish out of water story to demonstrate how you can leave behind exhausting religion and find refreshing**



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**faith. Josh's entire life was wrapped up in his job, relationships, and involvement at his church. But what happens when all of that is stripped away, and he enters the "real world"**

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**for the first time as an adult? Instead of preaching on stage and enjoying the trappings of being a successful ministry leader, he found himself delivering pizza, attending church with**

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**homeless people under a  
bridge, and wrestling with  
the realities of life outside  
of his church bubble. And  
that is just the beginning of  
this intentional yet  
unconventional journey to**

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**discover a new way to relate to God, church, and those who do not believe as we do. Whether you are like Josh and unaware of how much you need to make a change, or you are already**

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**looking for something new,  
Believe Again's raw and  
sometimes hilarious story  
will inspire you to overcome  
life's setbacks and  
rejuvenate your faith.  
The rise of mistrust is**

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**provoking a crisis for  
representative  
democracy--solutions lie in  
the endless creativity of  
social movements.  
This lively and readable  
survey introduces students**

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**to key areas of the field and shows how to apply an anthropological approach to the study of contemporary world religions. Written by an experienced teacher, it covers all of the traditional**

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**topics of anthropology of religion, including definitions and theories, beliefs, symbols and language, and ritual and myth, and combines analytic and conceptual discussion**



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**with up-to-date ethnography and theory. Eller includes copious examples from religions around the world - both familiar and unfamiliar - and two mini-case studies in each chapter. He also**

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**explores classic and  
contemporary  
anthropological  
contributions to important  
but often overlooked issues  
such as violence and  
fundamentalism, morality,**

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**secularization, religion in America, and new religious movements. Introducing Anthropology of Religion demonstrates that anthropology is both relevant and essential for**

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**understanding the world we  
inhabit today.**

**Losing Faith in God and  
Country**

**Deconstructing Doubt in the  
Church**

**Finding God in the Waves**

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**Lost In a Cornfield: Never  
Losing Faith**

**Blessed Are the Nones  
Godless**

**Faith Lost: Faith Regained**

**"Why mess around with  
Catholicism when you can**

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have your own customized religion?" Fed up with his parents' boring old religion, agnostic-going-on-atheist Jason Bock invents a new god -- the town's water tower. He

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recruits an unlikely  
group of worshippers:  
his snail-farming best  
friend, Shin, cute-as-a-  
button (whatever that  
means) Magda Price, and  
the violent and

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unpredictable Henry  
Stagg. As their religion  
grows, it takes on a  
life of its own. While  
Jason struggles to keep  
the faith pure, Shin  
obsesses over writing



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their bible, and the explosive Henry schemes to make the new faith even more exciting -- and dangerous. When the Chutengodians hold their first ceremony high atop

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the dome of the water tower, things quickly go from merely dangerous to terrifying and deadly. Jason soon realizes that inventing a religion is a lot easier than

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controlling it, but  
control it he must,  
before his creation  
destroys both his  
friends and himself.  
The searing memoir of an  
extraordinary woman who

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served as a nun for eleven years in Mother Teresa's order, Hope Endures is a compelling chronicle of idealistic determination, rigid discipline, and

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shattering  
disillusionment. In her  
life's journey from  
certainty to doubt,  
Colette Livermore enters  
the Missionaries of  
Charity order in 1973

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with unwavering faith  
and total surrender  
of her will and  
intellect after seeing a  
documentary on the  
order's work in India.  
Only eighteen at the

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time, Livermore has been studying to enter medical school -- a lifelong goal -- but virtually overnight severs her many ties with family, friends,

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and the life she's known in beautiful, rural New South Wales in order to train as a sister to aid the poor. In the process, she also gives herself over to the



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order's unexpectedly  
severe, ascetic regime,  
which demands blind  
obedience and  
submission. Given the  
religious name Sister  
Tobit, Livermore serves

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in some of the poorest  
places in the world --  
the garbage dump slums  
of Manila, Papua New  
Guinea, and Calcutta --  
bringing hope and care  
to people who are

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desperately ill, hungry,  
abandoned, and even  
dying, and comforting  
whomever she can.

Although she draws  
inspiration and strength  
from her humanitarian

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work, Livermore and other nuns risk their own physical health, as they are sent to dangerous areas while being unschooled in the languages and cultures,

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untrained in medical care, and sometimes unprotected by vaccines. Livermore herself succumbs to bouts of drug-resistant cerebral malaria that almost kill

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her and to a new strain of hepatitis. Over time she also begins to notice that the order's rigid insistence on unquestioning obedience harms the young sisters

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mentally, emotionally,  
and spiritually -- and  
she experiences a  
terrible inner struggle  
to find the right path  
for herself. As she  
tries to respond to the

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suffering around her,  
she often falls into an  
incomprehensible  
conflict between her vow  
to obey and her vow to  
serve, between religious  
strictures and the



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practice of compassion,  
between authority and  
personal conscience.  
Pressured to stay with  
the order by Mother  
Teresa and other  
superiors, as well as by

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the younger nuns,  
Livermore nonetheless  
decides to leave at age  
thirty and attain her  
medical degree,  
continuing to take  
health care and relief

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to impoverished people  
in remote areas -- the  
isolated aboriginal  
communities of the  
Outback and war-torn  
East Timor. Even as she  
serves others as a

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medical doctor, she continues in a crisis of faith that eventually leads her to become an agnostic. Hope Endures is the eye-opening, deeply affecting story

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of a brave woman's search for meaning in a world that is rent with tragedies and contradictions. It is also an unflinching critique of any faith

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that insists on blind obedience. For true hope to endure, Dr. Livermore demonstrates, we must always strive to question, to face the hard truths, and to

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discover the courage to  
follow our convictions.  
During 1968, a  
California surfer was in  
the right place at the  
right time to  
participate in

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activities that gave him rank, power and money during his tour of duty in Vietnam, which is a story he calls Boomer War. Vietnam is the Baby Boomer's war along with



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the cultural and  
generational wars they  
fought in the sixties.  
In Vietnam "App" is  
assigned to the 448 S&S  
which handles food  
supplies for the Third

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Corps. He becomes the  
parts specialist for the  
entire Battalion  
receiving praise and a  
combat promotion from  
the Battalion Commander  
who chooses him "Soldier

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of the Month". App and his fellow Californian JR develop a business with several of the on base clubs to supply steaks and burgers in exchange for free drinks

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and food. After surviving the Tet Offensive in 1968 they realize there is a demand for side arms in the quartermaster corps. They create an operation

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to help supply these weapons which leads to them becoming the Kings of Long Binh. Meanwhile the real story behind the Vietnam war is revealed to App by a

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Vietnamese elder leading  
to a crisis of his faith  
in the Catholic Church  
and the United States.  
Mr. Nguyen also explains  
his Buddhist beliefs  
adding to App's

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cognitive dissonance.  
Eventually App learns  
about the source of the  
money floating around  
the 448 S&S. He is  
offered the keys to an  
empire that dwarfs the

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one he and JR rule. To  
get involved is a moral  
decision that has life  
threatening  
consequences. Boomer War  
is a thrilling, page  
turning story of a



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surfer who finds himself  
caught in the quagmire  
of a war, but also in  
the internal war of  
conscience,

Many Christians feel as  
if something is missing

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in their relationship  
with God. They long to  
find an in-depth,  
authentic relationship  
with God. Instead, many  
believers find  
themselves living out a

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results-oriented  
“behavior management  
system” of spiritual  
growth. Unfortunately,  
rather than leading to  
an intimate relationship  
with God, this behavior-

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based system does just  
the opposite. It  
produces an unsatisfying  
life full of inner  
turmoil and doubt as  
Christians wonder  
whether or not they will

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ever experience the  
deeply satisfying life  
Jesus promised. Chuck  
Bomar calls this the  
“elephant in the room”  
that nobody seems to  
talk about but everyone

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struggles with. As the pastor of a church embraced by millennials and young families, and a long-time leader of seminars that help pastors reach this

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“lost” generation, Chuck is uniquely qualified to write this book.

The End of Faith:  
Religion, Terror, and  
the Future of Reason  
God Spare the Girls

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**A Story of Faith and Its  
Loss**

**You Lost Me**

**How I Lost My Faith and  
Found It Again Through  
Science**

**The Passage to New Life**



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**When Old Beliefs Die  
How the Grove Survivors  
Led the Decline of  
Intel's Corporate  
Culture**

A story about having faith, losing it, and finding it again through

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science—revealing how the latest in neuroscience, physics, and biology help us understand God, faith, and ourselves. Mike McHargue, host of The Liturgists and Ask Science Mike podcasts, understands the pain of

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unraveling belief. In Finding God in the Waves, Mike tells the story of how his Evangelical faith dissolved into atheism as he studied the Bible, a crisis that threatened his identity, his friendships, and even his

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marriage. Years later, Mike was standing on the shores of the Pacific Ocean when a bewildering, seemingly mystical moment motivated him to take another look. But this time, it wasn't theology or scripture that

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led him back to God—it was science. Full of insights about the universe, as well as deeply personal reflections on our desire for certainty and meaning, *Finding God in the Waves* is a vital exploration of the possibility

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for knowing God in an age of reason, and a signpost for where the practice of faith is headed in a secular age. Among other revelations, we learn what brain scans reveal about what happens when we pray; how

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fundamentalism affects the psyche; and how God is revealed not only in scripture, but also in the night sky, in subatomic particles, and in us.

A terrible secret. A terrible fate. When Brie's sister, Faith, dies

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suddenly, Brie's world falls apart. As she goes through the bizarre and devastating process of mourning the sister she never understood and barely even liked, everything in her life seems to spiral farther and



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farther off course. Her parents are a mess, her friends don't know how to treat her, and her perfect boyfriend suddenly seems anything but. As Brie settles into her new normal, she encounters more questions than

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closure: Certain facts about the way Faith died just don't line up. Brie soon uncovers a dark and twisted secret about Faith's final night...a secret that puts her own life in danger.

First Published in 2004.

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Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company. Have you been lost or hopeless and wanted to give up in life? Lost Faith to Living Faith is the true story of how Ren R. Royal overcame her struggles through

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writing and poetry with the support of her church and family.

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Journal article dated  
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employees long before the  
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***values was amplified,  
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the decline of Intel's  
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culture. In light of Intel  
spending over \$10 billion on  
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***diversification strategy lacked  
an overall execution plan for  
tying it all together and  
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economic models. Intel s  
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nuns, discovering that she was not "spiritually single" after all—and that no one really is.

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chairman of one of the country's most prestigious law firms, has just been contacted by a high-profile defense attorney, whose client is Nikolai Garkov—a Russian businessman widely believed to have pulled the financial strings behind a recent terrorist bombing. Aaron

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suspects Garkov is looking to switch representation, as he's willing to pay one hundred thousand dollars just to take a meeting, but Garkov has blackmail on his mind. Armed with damning evidence that the presiding judge, Faith Nichols, had a torrid affair with Aaron during another

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William Lobdell's journey of faith—and doubt—may be the most

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wasn't covered well in the mainstream media, and he prayed for the Lord to put him on the religion beat at a major newspaper. In 1998, his prayers were answered when the Los Angeles Times asked him to write about faith. Yet what happened over the next eight years was a roller-

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coaster of inspiration, confusion, doubt, and soul-searching as his reporting and experiences slowly chipped away at his faith. While reporting on hundreds of stories, he witnessed a disturbing gap between the tenets of various religions and the behaviors of the faithful and their

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leaders. He investigated religious institutions that acted less ethically than corrupt Wall St. firms. He found few differences between the morals of Christians and atheists. As this evidence piled up, he started to fear that God didn't exist. He explored every doubt, every question—until,



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finally, his faith collapsed. After the paper agreed to reassign him, he wrote a personal essay in the summer of 2007 that became an international sensation for its honest exploration of doubt. Losing My Religion is a book about life's deepest questions that speaks to everyone:

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their comfortable life. She is certain that her perfect, pristine sister is about to marry the wrong man—and Caroline has slid into sin with a boy she's known her entire life, wondering why God would care so much

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about her virginity anyway. When it comes to light, five weeks before Abigail's wedding, that Luke has been lying to his family, the entire Nolan clan falls into a tailspin. Caroline seizes the opportunity to be alone with her

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