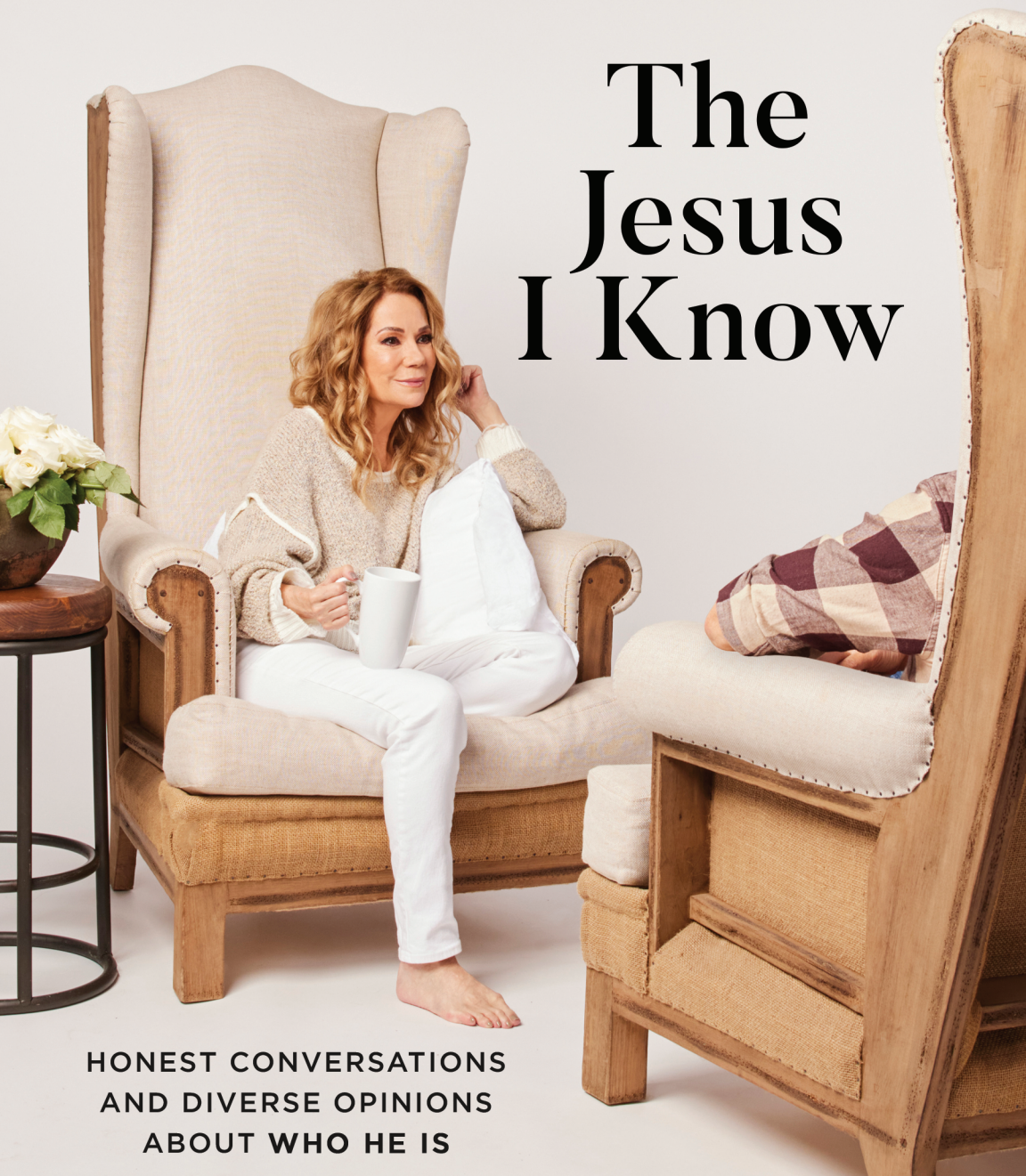


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The Jesus I Know



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AND DIVERSE OPINIONS
ABOUT WHO HE IS

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SCRIPTURES

INTRODUCTION: SURPRISING ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS

- Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)
- Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world. (1 John 4:4 KJV)
- He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 1:6)
- Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” (John 14:6)
- You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. (Jeremiah 29:13)

1. A DIFFERENT KIND OF MISSIONARY: KRISTIN CHENOWETH

- The LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man. (Genesis 2:22)
- God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them. (Genesis 1:27)
- God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:8)
- Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and

the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. (Matthew 7:7–8)

- Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures. (1 Corinthians 15:3)
- I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin. (Acts 13:38–39)
- [Jesus of Nazareth] is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. (Acts 10:42)
- As I have loved you, so you must love one another. (John 13:34)
- Love your neighbor as yourself. (Matthew 22:39)
- Be still, and know that I am God. (Psalm 46:10)

2. FROM A JAIL CELL TO JOY: CYNTHIA GARRETT

- Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. (Romans 12:2)
- Put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. (Colossians 3:10)
- I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord. (Philippians 3:8 KJV)

3. FAITH AS A PART OF LIFE: KRIS JENNER

- “In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you.” (Matthew 7:12)
- “When you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. . . . But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.” (Matthew 6:2–4)
- It would have been better for them not to have known the way of

righteousness, than to have known it and then to turn their backs on the sacred command that was passed on to them. (2 Peter 2:21)

- “For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required.” (Luke 12:48 NKJV)

4. GROWING TOGETHER IN JESUS: JASON KENNEDY AND LAUREN SCRUGGS

- Pray without ceasing. (1 Thessalonians 5:17 NKJV)
- In Him we live and move and have our being. (Acts 17:28 NKJV)

5. DO NOT GROW WEARY IN WELL DOING: CHYNNA PHILLIPS BALDWIN

- “I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them; I will remove from them their heart of stone and give them a heart of flesh.” (Ezekiel 11:19)
- If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! (2 Corinthians 5:17)
- Because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. (Ephesians 2:4–5)
- We live by faith, not by sight. (2 Corinthians 5:7)
- “[The devil] is a liar and the father of lies.” (John 8:44)
- If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9)
- Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. . . . In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. (Ephesians 6:11, 16)
- Let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. (Galatians 6:9 KJV)

6. A DOUBLE PORTION OF SHAME, A DOUBLE PORTION OF BLESSING: ANNE FERRELL TATA

- Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. (Philippians 4:8)
- “With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.” (Matthew 19:26)
- Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. (Psalm 139:7–8)
- Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. . . . Then I will teach transgressors your ways, so that sinners will turn back to you. (Psalm 51:2, 13)
- Instead of your shame you will receive a double portion, and instead of disgrace you will rejoice in your inheritance. And so you will inherit a double portion in your land, and everlasting joy will be yours. (Isaiah 61:7)

7. JESUS AS A SOFT PLACE TO FALL: MEGYN KELLY

- We do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. (Hebrews 4:15 NKJV)
- “He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first.” (John 8:7 NKJV)

8. A MOTHER’S PRAYERS FOR JUSTIN BIEBER: PATTIE MALLETT

- You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good. (Genesis 50:20)

- Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. (Lamentations 3:22–23)
- It is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose. (Philippians 2:13)
- We all . . . are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit. (2 Corinthians 3:18)
- Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it. (Proverbs 22:6 NKJV)
- All your children will be taught by the LORD, and great will be their peace. (Isaiah 54:13)
- [God] is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us. (Ephesians 3:20)
- “The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.” (John 10:10)
- If we are faithless, he remains faithful, for he cannot disown himself. (2 Timothy 2:13)
- “My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the LORD. “As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.” (Isaiah 55:8–9)
- “I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” (Jeremiah 29:11)
- Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. (1 John 4:8)
- If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. (John 15:18)

9. CALLING JESUS ON THE MAIN LINE: JIMMIE ALLEN

- Encourage one another and build each other up. (1 Thessalonians 5:11)

- “Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.” (Jeremiah 33:3)
- [Jesus] said to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.” (John 20:27)
- The LORD upholds all who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down. (Psalm 145:14)
- Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)

10. A NEW PART OF THE FAMILY: GRANT GASTON

- If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! (2 Corinthians 5:17)
- We know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. (Romans 8:28 NKJV)
- “Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.” (John 7:38)

11. YOU ARE NOT ALONE: CHUCK HARMONY AND CLAUDE KELLY (AKA LOUIS YORK)

- I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. (Philippians 4:13 NKJV)
- To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven. (Ecclesiastes 3:1 NKJV)
- “What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?” (Mark 8:36 NKJV)
- My heart says of you, “Seek his face!” Your face, LORD, I will seek. (Psalm 27:8)
- He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. (Isaiah 53:3)

- “If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well.” (Matthew 5:39–40)
- “Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.” (John 15:13)
- Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)

12. COURAGE WITH CONVICTIONS: JANICE DEAN

- The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit. (Psalm 34:18 ESV)

13. TAKING JESUS TO THE METAL MAINSTREAM: BRIAN WELCH

- He replied, “Whether he is a sinner or not, I don’t know. One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!” (John 9:25)
- “Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are full of the bones of the dead and everything unclean.” (Matthew 23:27)
- If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! (2 Corinthians 5:17)

14. GOD LISTENS TO OUR PRAYERS: BRENDA SCHOENFELD

- God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them. (Genesis 1:27)
- See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! (1 John 3:1)
- “Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.” (Matthew 7:7 KJV)

- Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart. (Psalm 37:4)
- Our “God is a consuming fire.” (Hebrews 12:29)
- No good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless. (Psalm 84:11)
- Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. (James 1:17)

15. MESSENGER OF THE MESSIAH: RABBI JASON SOBEL

- We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. (Isaiah 53:6)
- To provoke them to jealousy, salvation has come to the Gentiles. (Romans 11:11 NKJV)
- “Many are called, but few are chosen.” (Matthew 22:14 NKJV)
- From the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem, until Messiah the Prince, there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks. . . . Then after the sixty-two weeks, the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing. (Daniel 9:25–26 NASB)
- That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death. (Philippians 3:10 NKJV)
- If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. (2 Corinthians 5:17 NKJV)

16. A SPIRITUAL FAMILY CONNECTION: DAVID, KELLY, AND NICHOLAS POMERANZ

- Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. (Psalm 90:2)

- “For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required.” (Luke 12:48 NKJV)
- Therefore it is of faith that it might be according to grace, so that the promise might be sure to all the seed, not only to those who are of the law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all. (Romans 4:16 NKJV)
- He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 1:6)

17. RESCUED BY LOVE: JIMMY WAYNE

- Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world. (James 1:27)

18. OUR COMMON GROUND IS SACRED GROUND: RAAKHEE MIRCHANDANI

- “Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.” (John 7:38)
- “In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you.” (Matthew 7:12)
- “Love your neighbor as yourself.” (Matthew 22:39)

19. A JOURNEY OUT OF ATHEISM: ROGER CHARLES

- “They shall destroy the walls of Tyre and break down her towers; I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rock. It shall be a place for spreading nets in the midst of the sea, for I have spoken,” says the LORD God. (Ezekiel 26:4–5 NKJV)
- All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness. (2 Timothy 3:16)

- “In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” (John 16:33)

20. SOMETHING GREATER THAN OURSELVES: LISA KITTREDGE

- The word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. (Hebrews 4:12)

21. THE RELUCTANT PROPHET: HUBIE SYNN

- There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. (1 Corinthians 12:4)
- To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines. (1 Corinthians 12:8–11)
- “Whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.” (John 14:12)
- Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)

22. NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH GOD: JOANNE MOODY

- Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. (Deuteronomy 6:5)

- We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28)
- The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me . . . to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes. (Isaiah 61:1, 3)
- “Whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.” (John 14:12)
- “For with God nothing will be impossible.” (Luke 1:37 NKJV)
- [God] is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us. (Ephesians 3:20)

23. FINDING THE JESUS WHO FORGIVES: VICKI GIFFORD KENNEDY

- “Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” (John 8:32)
- “If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.” (Matthew 17:20)
- Put my tears into Your bottle; are they not in Your book? (Psalm 56:8 NKJV)

CONCLUSION: WHO IS THE JESUS YOU KNOW?: EMILY WIERDA

- I looked, and there before me was *a great multitude that no one could count*, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. (Revelation 7:9, emphasis added)
- He [Christ] is before all things, and in him all things hold together. (Colossians 1:17)
- If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. (2 Corinthians 5:17 NKJV)

- He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” (Revelation 21:5)
- “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” (Matthew 11:28–30)