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How far do you want God to go in getting your attention? Don't answer too quickly. What if God moved you to another land? (As He did Abraham.) What if He called you out of retirement? (Remember Moses?) How about the voice of an angel or the bowel of a fish (Gideon and Jonah.) God does what it takes to get our attention. That's the message of this book: the relentless pursuit of God.

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Sharon Archer says

This is the third time I am reading this book... And it will not be the last. I find I need all the reminders of living a gentle life.

Danielle The Book Huntress (Back to the Books) says

Max Lucado has such a way with words. Once again, I have read a book by him that fed my spirit and encouraged me in my walk with Christ, just when I needed it.

He is graced with the ability to illustrate timely, yet timeless spiritual truths. His examples are highly relevant without being the slightest bit pedantic or dogmatic. One of the most penetrating such stories was about a cave full of people who were in the dark and cold, and they were miserable, but didn't know any other way. A stranger comes and makes a fire and invites the people to come to the fire. Only one woman does, and she does it despite her fears. She cares for her brethren, feels their pain of being in the dark, and yet, she doesn't want to go back there. The stranger has a solution. He gives her a torch and she can take the light to them. This hit home with me because it speaks of what Christ-followers can do in the world. Be light in a dark world.

Lucado speaks on grace, which is the central truth of Jesus Christ's message. That God's resources are unlimited, no matter what you are going through. His unconditional love for us, and how this can change our lives. How Christians struggle with things on an everyday basis when we should allow Jesus to carry our burdens and press into him, for he can support the weight of our weary hearts and minds, and the issues we struggle with in life. And how important the relationship with Jesus is for believers. He also speaks on how we relate to others and allow barriers to come up within the church and with people who don't share our beliefs, when they are artificial more than anything else.

He knows his Bible, he knows Christ, and he is fully convinced of the reality of God in Jesus Christ and his love for us, and that comes through, loud and clear. But his goal is not to press heavy doctrinal lessons on his readers. Instead, he goes right to the heart of what following Christ means in the every day, nitty gritty. I appreciate that very much.

This was the right book to read during a tough week, and Lucado helped me feel the love of my Savior just by reading his stories. He reminded me that I am not alone, but I am deeply loved by God, and he can get me through just about anything I deal with in this life.

Despite his simplicity and casual charm, I say he achieved something monumental here.

Definitely recommended.

Judy says

I enjoyed the book like I do his others.

Veronica says

Max Lucado writes so well. The stories he tells to get a point across are simple and meaningful. He can get quite poetic using beautiful imagery and words that hit your heart.

And here's the but...I dislike publishing houses that refuse to capitalize the personal pronouns of God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. It smacks of real disrespect to the Creator of the universe. I don't know that Max Lucas supports this, but even if he doesn't, his praise of our Lord gets diminished. Is it really that hard to capitalize?

Stephanie says

Another one of Max Lucado's great books. His illustrations are so clear to me. I love to use books like this as a devotional book.

Tamika Rybinski says

Forgot how much I loved Max Lucado. This book really spoke to me.

Paola Sunga says

"Love is only love if chosen." - Max Lucado.

God will always make a way for us, for our every situation but He will always leave the choice to us. He loves us so much to push us to do what we do not want to do. His will always guide us in every circumstances but the choice will always be ours. And even though He knows that not all of us will choose Him, He still chose us and continues to choose us. Because that's how He loves us.

Art says

I Enjoy reading Max Lucado and the way he writes appeals to me and my spirit being.

#9 on p59 talks about birthdays and aging. Then he talks about death and funerals. I just had a friend who lost his father and one of the Scriptures I used was John 14:1-6. Max Lucado does the same. I got this Scripture from Pastor Terry Linscott @ Abundant Life Church, Radcliff, KY. It nice to know we think similarly on the same topic.

Vanda Denton says

The best book I have ever read, and that includes many others by Max Lucado. I cannot recommend this book highly enough. It is one I will read over and over again.

Jennifer Robb says

A friend and I read this book together and shared our answers to the questions in the back of the book as well as our thoughts on various chapters. My friend's father enjoyed having her read some of the stories contained within to him.

Tracey Jago says

Well worth the read. Max way of writing really stirs something within me. It's been a while since I've read one of his books. I love how comfortable he makes you feel and he makes everything easy to understand

Kayde says

I think everybody should read this book

Dmack says

read this several years ago; Max is so inspirational; this book is just a compilation of short stories for lack of better description; actually feels like excerpts from multiple sermons or talks; but is a wonderful read none the less

Sophia says

I'm a Max Lucado junkie! Clean, moving, feel-good author :)

Cathy says

This was a gentle, comforting read with sections of humor. My dad enjoyed me reading the part about Gethsemane in chapter 8 while he was in the hospital with cancer. It actually had him laughing. I have enjoyed the other chapters as well. Lucado is a good author.
