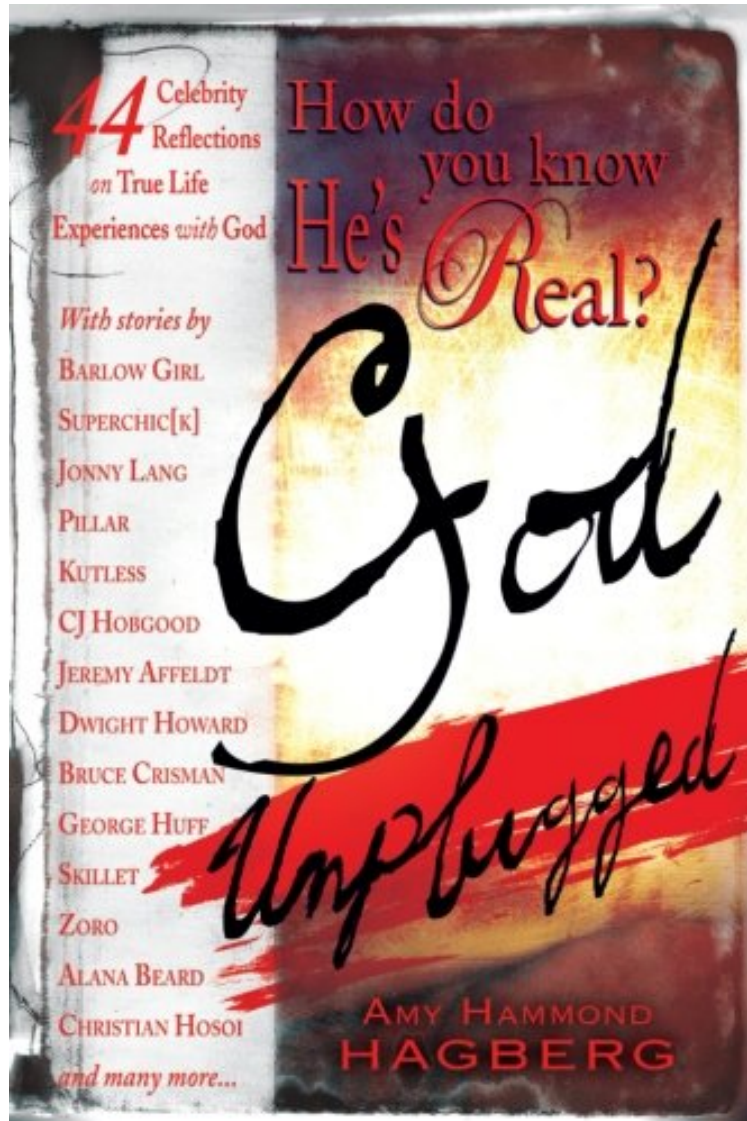


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following review helpful. Celebrities share their faithBy Terra HangenThis is an ideal book to give to people who have questions about becoming a Christian, and who love sports and music celebrities.44 extreme sports and music celebrities tell their stories in this book, from Jonny Lang (recording artist), to Barlow Girl (rock group), Kimiko Soldati (Olympic diving), CJ Hobgood (surfer), Dwight Howard (NBA player, Orlando Magic), Mick Hannah (downhill mountain bike racer), Jimmie McGuire (professional motocross rider) and more.They share hard times they faced, how they became Christians and how their paths are more joyful due to their faith. Being a Green Bay Packer fan I turned to Kabeer Gbaja-Biamila's story of growing up in South Central Los Angeles with a tough background, a Muslim dad and a Christian mom, and how his becoming a Christian led to his current happy family life and NFL career. Christian Hosoi, professional skateboarder, after serious drug problems, is now leading a skateboarding ministry.The two page "God's Road Map" at the end of each celebrity's story contains perceptive questions and Scriptures. Sports and music lovers will enjoy this book, and it can even be a "past watchful dragons book" that will steer doubting people on a new clear path.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. People teens admire talk about GodBy Armchair InterviewsAuthor Amy Hammond Hagberg wanted to help teens--her own and others--answer questions about God, including the big question: "How do you know he's real?"Hagberg wrote to sports stars, recording artists and other celebrities, asking them to reflect on their life experiences and share how the reality of God was making a difference to them personally and professionally. The responses she received--from NBA players, Christian musicians, 'American Idol' contestants and others--are honest, revealing, and often compelling.The resulting book is a collection of celebrity essays: mini-bios that focus on the reality of God in the midst of media attention, success and failure, and broken relationships. Contributors include Dwight Howard of the Orlando Magic basketball team, quarterback David Carr of the Houston Texans, and popular Christian recording artist Clay Crosse.Some of the interviews are especially helpful for Hagberg's original target readers: teens. Among these, Chrissy Conway of 'Zoe Girl' talks about her parents' divorce, the party scene, and the twists and turns along her personal career path in ways that connect with teens and with anyone who has ever considered attempting a career in music.Hagberg is a gifted and skilled writer who keeps readers turning the pages as she unpacks celebrity affirmations of the presence of God in their lives. A great gift book for readers from teens through Gen X, but the stories here will interest readers of any age!Note: Reviewer Dr. David Frisbie is an author and Executive Director of The Center for Marriage Family Studies in Del Mar, California.Armchair Interviews says: Anything that can help teens understand their role in living a good life is good.

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minor in English in college, I'd spent the last 20 years as a sales executive. Writing was my passion, but not my career. What made me think that any of these people would give me the time of day? But they did, and in vast numbers. It amazes me to think how many of them shared their personal stories - oftentimes private things they had never shared before. Why? Because I believe God led them to. From the very beginning of this project, I put it all in God's hands - He would put the right people in the book, and He would put it in the hands of those people who needed to read it. And He has been so faithful. Whether I was speaking with an extreme athlete or a pop star, they all treated me like a sister in Christ. Together we marveled at the awesome God we serve and His glorious creation. Picture yourself walking in a forest of pine trees in the north woods. Do you see the cardinals and the blue jays, the eagles and the hawks? Do you see the little chipmunks, rabbits and squirrels scampering around on the ground? How about the majestic blue sky filled with billowy clouds and rays of sunshine. Can you feel the wind on your face? Imagine the crunch of pine needles beneath your feet and breathe in their clean, musky fragrance. The smell is so pungent that you feel like you can almost touch it. Now picture yourself standing on a remote stretch of beach with the fine, white sand between your toes and the sea spray in your face. Perhaps you can see a dolphin jumping in the distance... Look around and tell me what man-made things you see in these scenarios. None. Because all of this, everything in the world, came from God. To think some big bang happened one day, and it all magically appeared, is preposterous. The world is far too complex and wondrous for that to be the case. God created the natural world, and everything in it, for us to enjoy. Consider these amazing facts: The cheetah can run up to 60 MPH and go from 0-45 in just 2 seconds. Every snowflake is different... every, single one. There are over 20,000 species of fish in the world. Hummingbirds beat their wings up to 90 times per second. The human nose can distinguish between 4,000 and 10,000 different smells. I know God is real is that I have experienced the miracle of giving birth. Isn't it amazing to think that a tiny seed can grow inside a woman's womb and become a fully formed and intelligent human being? God didn't have to make it so cool, but He did. And to top it all off, He gave us the one thing that separates us from all other life - the ability to love. And most importantly, I know God is real because of the lives He has transformed - mine, my husband's and countless others. The evidence is all around; I have seen His fingerprint time after time on the lives of believers. On the pages to follow, you will read inspiring stories of how people from the worlds of sports and entertainment know God is real too. You'll read accounts of miracles, answered prayers and redeemed lives, and I pray they are an inspiration to you. If you would like to more deeply explore the issues covered in a particular chapter, there is a section at the end of each of them called God's Road Map that will refer you to passages of Scripture. These verses are just the tip of the iceberg; there is so much wisdom in the Bible. You'll also see a topical index at the beginning of the book that may help if you are struggling with a particular issue. Most importantly, be open to what God is revealing as you go through the pages of this book. Give Jesus Christ a chance - your life will never be the same.