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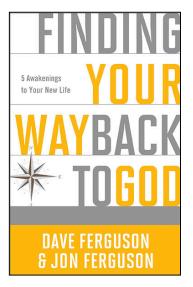
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Ferguson Brothers Publish Guide for Finding God

Co-Authors Help Lead Individuals on a Path to Personal Renewal

"Dave Ferguson and Jon Ferguson have written a book that could change how our generation thinks about God and how we find him." – Rick Warren, Author of <u>The Purpose Driven Life</u>



Finding Your Way Back to God (WaterBrook Press, February 24, 2015), the latest collaboration from pastors and brothers Dave and Jon Ferguson, explores stories of people who have traveled paths to renewal through finding a personal relationship with God and offers an approachable, practical guide on how readers can experience the same.

Since most people already believe in God, *Finding Your Way Back to God* is not about persuading people to believe in God. The problem is that most of us have wandered far from God, and we can't remember how to find our way back home. The Fergusons hope to clear up the amnesia and help people remember what they once knew in childlike innocence: that there is a God who knows them, loves them, and has a dream for their life.

Twenty five years ago, the Fergusons founded Community Christian Church, noted as one of the most influential churches in America, and since its inception, Community's mission has been "helping people find their way back to God." Through their work at Community, the Fergusons encounter countless individuals who feel they have drifted far from God and are searching for a way to come back to Him.

Based on Jesus's story of the prodigal son, Dave and Jon's approach in *Finding Your Way Back to God* dares readers to engage in a 30-day challenge that asks God to make Himself real to them, offering a 30-day guide to help in the reader's journey.

In this book, the Fergusons walk through the biblical narrative of the prodigal son returning home, along with numerous heart-wrenching, present-day stories like Christa, a young woman who had lost all hope and ran far from God. In another account, two pastors' kids, who looked like the perfect match made in Heaven, found themselves expecting a child and facing the reality of their families' and their congregation's judgment. In each story, readers experience the loving

and forgiving God who was pursuing each of His beloved children to come back to Him and live a full and abundant life he wants for everyone.

"God wants to be found even more than you want to find Him," write the Fergusons. "We believe, actually, that before you make your first move in His direction, He's already moving in yours."

The book also introduces five crucial awakenings involving longing, regret, help, love, and life, each designed to gently guide readers away from doubt and confusion and back to a loving Father who has been longing for them, awaiting their return. *Finding Your Way Back to God* is ideal reading for:

- Individuals to give as an encouraging, practical resource to loved ones who are far from God
- Anyone seeking to find their way back to God for the first time or for people who senses that growing distance from the God they once knew.



Dave Ferguson is co-founder and lead pastor of Community Christian Church, an innovative, multi-site, missional community with 13 locations throughout the Chicago, IL area, a church widely recognized as one of the most influential churches in America. Dave speaks for key networks and conferences, including Exponential, Verge, Right Now, Sentralized, ChurchPlanters.com and Catalyst. Dave and his wife, Sue, have three children, Amy, Joshua and Caleb, and live in Naperville, IL. For more, visit www.daveferguson.org or visit him on

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