

Endorsements for
Unfashionable

"There is no more divisive issue in contemporary evangelicalism than that of how the Christians should relate to our broader culture. Tullian Tchividjian bravely steps into one of the hottest debates in the church, and does so with grace, providing us with one of the most accessible guides to this issue that we have."

--Timothy Keller, senior pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church, New York City, and author of *The Reason for God*

"Tullian Tchividjian is the real deal. His life and his words speak in stereo. I love reading books that challenge the way I think. *Unfashionable* goes beyond that. It's counter-intuitive. It's counter-cultural. And it's a must-read for those brave enough to really follow in the footsteps of Jesus."

--Mark Batterson, lead pastor of National Community Church and author of *Wild Goose Chase*

"Tullian Tchividjian, one of the brightest young Christian leaders, makes a refreshing call for orthodoxy. He does not apologize for the Gospel; he wears it like a red badge of courage. Read this book to recover the faith once for all delivered to the saints in fresh, courageous terms."

--Chuck Colson, Founder of Prison Fellowship and author of *The Faith*

"The modern evangelical movement was launched by the crusades of Billy Graham. It will recover its identity only if it heeds this challenge by his grandson."

--John Seel, Donegality Productions LLC and author of *The Evangelical Forfeit* and co-editor of *No God but God*

"Plainly, powerfully, and pastorally, *Unfashionable* gives a birds-eye view of the real Christian life—Christ-centered, church-committed, kingdom-contoured, future-focused, and counter-cultural all the way. It makes for a truly nutritious read."

--J.I. Packer, Professor of theology at Regent College and author of *Knowing God*

"*Unfashionable* is theologically careful, biblically grounded and culturally in touch. It will challenge you and point you to the radically Christ-centered life you were saved by God's amazing grace to live. Tullian Tchividjian hits us between the eyes when he says, "Christians who retreat into a comfortable subculture are bad missionaries—it's that simple." It is that simple, and this book will help you find the way out!"

--Daniel L. Akin, President, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, NC.

"With the right balance of reproof and encouragement, critique and construction, *Unfashionable* displays with succinct, vivid, and engaging clarity the relevance of the gospel over the trivialities that dominate our lives and our churches right now. The message of this book is of ultimate importance and its presentation is compelling."

--Michael Horton, J. Gresham Machen Professor, Westminster Seminary in California and host of *The White Horse Inn*

“Although the Ancient Israelites were called by God to be a 'holy nation' they failed to reach their world because they were so much like it. Today's church is succumbing to the same error. And this is what makes Tullian Tchividjian's book *Unfashionable* so prophetic and such a book for this day. May the church take note-- and reach the world!”

--R. Kent Hughes, Sr. Pastor Emeritus, College Church in Wheaton

“It is not easy to stand athwart the tides of the culture and challenge them without sounding either terribly prissy or hopelessly out of date. How can a thoughtful Christian be genuinely contemporary while never succumbing to the merely faddish and temporary? The challenges are enormous—but they are also tied to the most elementary tenets of Christian faithfulness. Tullian Tchividjian is a helpful and engaging guide through these troubled waters.”

--D. A. Carson, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School and author of *Christ and Culture Revisited*

“Tullian masterfully articulates the importance of the “both and”--showing that in order for Christians to make a profound difference in our world we must both gain a full understanding of the Gospel and express it practically in our world.”

--Gabe Lyons, Founder of Q and co-author of *UnChristian*

Here's what we need - a young, fresh, outspoken voice, calling for renewal and reform in Kingdom language. With a deep appreciation for the Christian past, a powerful grasp of the Gospel, and a voice that resonates with those calling for renewal today, Tullian represents a breed of young church leaders who might just help us navigate our way through the stodginess of tradition and the silliness of much that is emerging as Christianity today. May his tribe increase.

--T.M. Moore, The Wilberforce Forum and author of *Culture Matters*

“In *Unfashionable* Tullian Tchividjian offers all of us a window into his own life, full as it is of reading the Word and the world at the same time. His vision is theologically rich and pastorally engaging, calling us to join him in thinking deeply about things that matter most, viz. the reality that faith always shapes vocation which always shapes culture.”

--Steven Garber, The Washington Institute, author of *The Fabric of Faithfulness*

“Tullian Tchividjian persuasively argues that difference makers must be different. This book is an important and necessary reminder that Christians who strive to be relevant end up being redundant, while those who challenge our culture just may change the world.”

--Michael E. Wittmer, Professor of Systematic Theology at Grand Rapids Theological Seminary and author of *Heaven is a Place on Earth*

“*Unfashionable* gets back to the heart of the Kingdom mission and the agenda of the gospel message. Striking a balance between being “in” but not “of” the world is not easy. Tullian, however, clearly and convincingly shows the way by telling how we can cultivate a Gospel-centered outlook and lifestyle.”

--Ed Stetzer, author of *Planting Missional Churches* and President of LifeWay Research

What does it mean to be in the world but not of it, a question Christians have wrestled with for years? To what degree should we conform to the culture or how should we differ and why? *Unfashionable* addresses these questions directly and helpfully, pointing the way to faithful discipleship in the Twenty-first Century.

-- Luder G. Whitlock, Jr., President of Excelsis and author of *The Spiritual Quest*

"Fashion is but a phase. If Christians want to see lasting change as the kingdom of Jesus Christ expands, they will refuse to seek the world's acclaim. Tullian Tchividjian writes with a pastor's gift for admonition and encouragement as he discerns the church's failures and opportunities to represent Christ in this world."

--Collin Hansen, editor at large, *Christianity Today* and author of *Young, Restless, Reformed: A Journalist's Journey with the New Calvinists*

"As Christians continue to chase relevance like a dog chasing its own tail, the world around us is quietly looking for something more--something deeper, something less self-aware, something unfashionable. With clear, crisp writing, *Unfashionable* challenges us to stop imitating the world and start working to renew her. Tullian makes it once again 'cool' to be uncool."

--Kevin DeYoung, pastor and author of *Why We're Not Emergent*

"The most wonderful thing happened to me as I read *Unfashionable*: I was helped. There are so many books that are interesting and informative, but few end up being practically helpful. *Unfashionable* is one of them. As I read this cogent call for the Church to live against the world for the world, I saw several ways that my thinking, affections, and actions needed to be prayerfully addressed. I trust the same will happen with anyone who dares to consider the contents of this book."

--Thabiti Anyabwile, Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church of Grand Cayman, author of *What Is A Healthy Church Member?* and *The Faithful Preacher*.

Unfashionable—unrelentingly orthodox and winsomely written—is a call to follow Christ in being so biblically different from the world that the world can once again see the attractiveness of the gospel. I hope it becomes fashionable for Christians to read and discuss *Unfashionable*. Reading it made me glad to be a believer."

--Denis Haack, editor-in-chief of *Critique* and founder of *Ransom Fellowship*

"If you are a Christian who longs to see the gospel shape every area of your life so that you make a difference in this world for the glory of the God, you will find *Unfashionable* a remarkable guide. With penetrating insight Tullian exposes the idolatry of our world and shows how the gospel creates a people who are both for and against the world in a way that makes much of the God who will one day make all things new."

--Dan Cruver, Director of *Together for Adoption*