

## Author Biography for Joshua Straub



Joshua Straub, PhD, is an author, speaker, family advocate and an expert in child psychology. He has trained thousands of professionals in Critical Incident Stress Management and has used his experience and knowledge in the area of trauma to help people around the world, most notably to help those in Rwanda recover and find healing from the 1994 genocide.

Dr. Straub is the coauthor of *God Attachment: Why You Believe, Act and Feel the Way You Do About God* and *The Quick Reference Guide to Counseling Teenagers*. In his new book ***Safe House: How Emotional Safety is the Key to Raising Kids Who Live, Love and Lead Well*** (WaterBrook Press, Oct. 20, 2015), Dr. Straub cuts through the endless clamor of today's parenting techniques and theories to get straight to the heart of what children truly need to thrive.

*“You don’t need outside help to question yourselves as parents,”* Dr. Straub says. *“The mainstream media, the so-called experts, and, yes, even family have that covered, shaming our every parenting move. Know that my heart is to remove the judgment and instead for us to come together as parents...to encourage and support one another as we all strive toward the same goal: raising kids who live, love, and lead well.”*

Dr. Straub has served as the Senior Director of Professional Development for the American Association of Christian Counselors (AACC). He is cofounder and president of The Connexion Group, an organization dedicated to helping parents and their children. He also serves as an assistant professor at Liberty University Online and as a member of the teaching team at Woodland Hills Family Church. Dr. Straub and his wife Christi reside in Nashville, TN and are the producers and coauthors of the video curriculum *The Screen-Balanced Family: Six Secrets to a More Connected Family in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*. They are the proud parents of Landon and Kennedy.

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