

The Narrow Path

DI Hillary Greene is feeling the strain. A sniper is on the loose, killing police officers all over the UK, and the atmosphere at Thames Valley Police HQ is understandably tense. But it is business as usual when a wealthy woman is found murdered in her home in the pleasant little village of Bletchington. Hillary soon learns that the victim was universally unpopular and suspects are thick on the ground. Things don't get any better when she learns DC Keith Barrington has been keeping secrets and has the potential to be very disruptive to her team. Things too are coming to a head with her extremely competent, if very underhanded sergeant, Gemma Fordham. But even as Hillary searches for a vicious and cold-blooded killer, a tragic event is looming on the horizon that will rock her world. Is this going to be the end for her?

A slave runs away from his master. A mutual friend steps in to mediate between the two of them. Can there be healing in such a scarred relationship? In the face of such a daunting breach, is reconciliation (not to what was, but to what God designed) even possible? This is the situation faced in the book of Philemon. From this short New Testament letter, pastor and author Dhati Lewis (*Among Wolves*) unpacks key principles that Paul applied to being an advocate in the midst of division. The divisions of our day don't look the same as Paul's, but the principles are timeless. In 2 Corinthians 5, God commissioned us to be his ambassadors and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. Whether we're engaging in issues of politics, ethnicity, or religious beliefs, our heart posture should be one of an advocate set on reconciliation. The problem is, too many of us approach difficult conversations with the heart of an aggravator. Aggravators sometimes look like they are pursuing good things, but their heart is not toward reconciliation. Any motive less than reconciliation falls short of the desires of God's heart. We need godly advocates in every sphere of life. This book will specifically apply these principles to issues of ethnic division. Are you willing to call any division caused by discrimination, prejudice, or racism a sin? Do you want to grow in your ability to navigate tense and emotional conversations about ethnic divisions? Are you ready to become an advocate?

The Narrow Path is a story about a couple who must face their differences and learn to work together as they look toward a lifetime of love. Miranda Klassen's Mennonite church is big and modern and she loves the mixture of faith, action, and activity. But in order to follow her dream she moves across the country to a small town to organize the 75th anniversary celebration of an Old Order Mennonite church. Ted Wiebe has been assigned to assist and guide Miranda, feeling good that his church has chosen another Mennonite. But except for sharing the same basic faith and denomination, their churches have nothing else in common. His church embraces old-style roots, so Ted expects to find someone similar at the airport: a woman who never wears pants, no body piercing (including pierced ears), no makeup, and wearing a head covering as a sign of modesty, someone else who lives in accordance with old-fashioned values. But the woman who acknowledges him is wearing unreasonably high and outlandishly expensive shoes, denim jeans, and makeup, including bright red lipstick. As she gets off the plane she's fiddling with an iPod and yapping on the cell phone. When Miranda enters Ted's church and community she feels like she's been transported back into Little House On The Prairie. Ted is supposed to help Miranda fit in, and Miranda is

supposed to help his church reach out into the community. When it's time to start planning and organizing for the celebration, then the fun really begins.

Discovering the Narrow Path A Guide to Spiritual Balance Westminster John Knox Press
Still mourning the sudden loss of her husband, a tearful Rebecca boards a plane to Rome. As gut-wrenching as it is to travel alone, she is determined to have the dream vacation she and her husband planned before his death. She doesn't expect to meet a sexy widower from New York. Harrison Sterling was born with a silver spoon and a trust fund and has never known love that wasn't dependent upon his last name and material things. When Rebecca voices her aversion to people of wealth, he hides his background. But he can't hide his attraction to the widow from Philadelphia. Can these two broken hearts mend themselves and find a new path forward together or will their differences keep them apart?

"Steve Gregg said it best when he wrote, 'Apart from the Kingdom, nothing exists that gives transcendent meaning to world history and human endeavors.' Yet, so few ever take the time to understand the biblical insights that are so profoundly expounded in this book. On every page the author brings deep insight, conviction and clarity about what God's Kingdom work is all about."-- Dr. Leighton Flowers, Director of Evangelism and Apologetics for Texas Baptists
"Never the intentional provocateur, the author does upset some of the most commonly held perspectives on the Kingdom regardless of the stature or popularity of the scholars who affirm them."-- Braxton Hunter, President, Trinity College of the Bible and Theological Seminary, Evansville, IN
"This is not an academic treatise written for the theological guild, but it reflects an implicit understanding of major theological interpretations... Steve Gregg's unfolding of God's plan is biblically comprehensive and theologically astute. I not only endorse his explanation, but I share his passion."-- Dr. Vic Reasoner, Pastor, Author, Professor, Southern Methodist College

The Mystery of the Cross and the Narrow Gate Revealed is a search to reconcile apparent contradictions in the Bible, especially those passages pertaining to salvation. Beginning with the premise of the infallibility of the Bible, it argues that both the Reformers' understanding of the atonement and their doctrine of salvation are invalid, since they are contradicted by numerous scriptures. In the end, the result of this search is a new understanding of both the atonement and salvation and the development of doctrines on these subjects, which will enable us to read canonically without seeing contradictions. Through faith and reason, a sound hermeneutic and careful exegesis, The Mystery of the Cross and the Narrow Gate uncovers the internal coherence of scripture, with the principal objective of restoring truth and bringing reform to a church that fails to grasp that the Holy Spirit is given to humankind to enable us to become holy and be made fit for the kingdom in heaven-refer www.themysteryofthecross.com.

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Life is a jumble of disconnected events that sometimes defy reasonable explanation. Donna Noble takes the holy Word of God and marries it to her life experiences, education, and study of the Scriptures to try to help others make sense of the things that happen in our lives. Share her walk in the form of a daily reflection that will point out the sometimes obvious things we miss in our hurried lives these days, how the Lord reaches out to us and tries to get our attention, reviewing our own salvation and progress in the difficult process of sanctification, and gives a prayer to send us out into our day with something to reflect on. Come and join the journey as we all try to make sense of this crazy event we call life. The 40-Day journey to finding grace and unconditional love will help readers grow spiritually. Being spiritually disciplined allows for healthy relationships with all aspects of life. The deep healing from the inside-out is found by cultivating the seed of love within our hearts and allowing that seed to bloom in and through the body. Essentially, healing comes from doing the one thing our Creator asked us to do - LOVE.

Where will you spend eternity? How do you become a Christian? How do you live as a Christian? Find answers to these questions as you hike down the narrow path with Linda. Wide is the road that leads to destruction, but narrow is the path that leads to eternal life. This book serves as a complete guide to the Christian faith. As you hike along with Linda, you will discover how to live an obedient life as a follower of Jesus. You also will discover God's perfect love for you, learn how to forgive, and how to pray, as the Lord desires. Be challenged to trust God with your entire life as you sit back and relax into Jesus' arms. Enjoy an unfathomable peace as you marvel at God's creation with Linda and strive to do God's will through obedience. However and whenever you begin your life as a Christian, you will find help in turning away from a life of sin to take hold of the promises of God. These pages will help you embrace an eternal life in paradise. Sounding the trumpet of God as a prophetic warning! The Christian church has become lukewarm. God is calling his people to repent and turn from their wicked ways, then Jesus will hear from heaven and heal their land. Jesus will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children and turn the hearts of the children to the fathers. The time is now to have a spiritual awakening. It's time to examine

ourselves and ask Jesus to cleanse us of all unrighteousness. Not to just forgive our sins, but to deliver us from our sins. There are many Christians that are in bondage to many temptations from the devil. The good news is that there is power available to every child of God to break those chains that hold them captive to Satan. The power of God is in his word. My book will lead the reader to experience a new freedom in Christ and to stay on the narrow path that Jesus said few will find.

Would you be a disciple of Jesus? From the Foreword: "This book is the second on the subject of the Empire of the Risen Son...As Book One dealt with the Kingdom of God conceptually, this book deals with the Kingdom in practical terms. What does it mean, or require, to be a part of this Kingdom?"

***** This is not a book, it's a life-changing journey! Within these pages, Dr. Gregg effectively becomes our passionate tour guide through a Royal Empire of cosmic proportions. Page after page will help you appreciate that this kingdom has its own benevolent laws, its own righteous economy, its own victorious foreign policy, and its own holy culture. Dr. Gregg skillfully explains exactly what it means to be a citizen of this divine domain. Personally, I have not read anything to date that does a better job at explaining the Lordship of Christ nor what it means to be His disciple. This must-read will leave you either sorrowful, like the rich young ruler, or you too will find yourself singing the joyful anthem of this Kingdom's Christ! - David Martinez International evangelist and teacher of the Bible Steve Gregg is a national talk-show host, author, and international lecturer on the Bible, theology, and discipleship. He is the author of two previous books published by Thomas Nelson: "Revelation: Four Views: A Parallel Commentary" (1997, 2013) and "All You Want to Know About Hell: Three Christian Views" (2013). His talk show, "The Narrow Path," broadcasts on stations across the USA and is streamed to the internet from the website and mobile app: thenarrowpath.com. His full bio can be found at the website.

We have been warned that the way to life is narrow and few will find it. We as humans are searching for meaning, but apart from God's light we stumble in darkness. This is one woman's journey of spiritual blindness of the New age, Occult, and mysticism in the church, to finding the true light that can only be found in Jesus.

Having spent almost fifty years in ministry both in America and abroad, I have experienced many un-Christian acts committed by those who should be Christian examples. Here, I catalogue some of those acts and describe the crooked path on the straight and narrow.

An inside look at how Muslims are coming to faith in Jesus Christ.

From the authors of the international bestseller *Why Nations Fail*, a crucial new big-picture framework that answers the question of how liberty flourishes in some states but falls to authoritarianism or anarchy in others--and explains how it can continue to thrive despite new threats. In *Why Nations Fail*, Daron Acemoglu and James A. Robinson argued that countries rise and fall based not on culture, geography, or chance, but on the power of their institutions. In their new book, they build a new theory about liberty and how to achieve it, drawing a wealth of evidence from both current affairs and

disparate threads of world history. Liberty is hardly the "natural" order of things. In most places and at most times, the strong have dominated the weak and human freedom has been quashed by force or by customs and norms. Either states have been too weak to protect individuals from these threats, or states have been too strong for people to protect themselves from despotism. Liberty emerges only when a delicate and precarious balance is struck between state and society. There is a Western myth that political liberty is a durable construct, arrived at by a process of "enlightenment." This static view is a fantasy, the authors argue. In reality, the corridor to liberty is narrow and stays open only via a fundamental and incessant struggle between state and society: The authors look to the American Civil Rights Movement, Europe's early and recent history, the Zapotec civilization circa 500 BCE, and Lagos's efforts to uproot corruption and institute government accountability to illustrate what it takes to get and stay in the corridor. But they also examine Chinese imperial history, colonialism in the Pacific, India's caste system, Saudi Arabia's suffocating cage of norms, and the "Paper Leviathan" of many Latin American and African nations to show how countries can drift away from it, and explain the feedback loops that make liberty harder to achieve. Today we are in the midst of a time of wrenching destabilization. We need liberty more than ever, and yet the corridor to liberty is becoming narrower and more treacherous. The danger on the horizon is not "just" the loss of our political freedom, however grim that is in itself; it is also the disintegration of the prosperity and safety that critically depend on liberty. The opposite of the corridor of liberty is the road to ruin.

Long before philosophers started making the case for atheism, powerful, affectively laden cultural currents were sowing doubt in Europe. Alec Ryrie looks to the history of the Reformation and argues that emotions—anger at priestly corruption and anxieties attending the erosion of time-honored certainties—were the handmaidens of atheism. For two-thousand years Christ has waited for mankind to come to a true understanding of His mission, the uniqueness of His gift and the fulfillment of His plan. That time has come. Drawing upon direct experience of advanced stages of consciousness, Solomae reveals the mysteries of the Christing process. In these pages, Solomae shares the way in which Christ comes into embodiment through humanity. You will have an advanced understanding of the Holy Spirit, the Christ Body, the forces that oppose The Christ and the path that mankind must follow if they are to enter the narrow gate and experience true divinity. This book is for anyone who: Has yearned for a deeper and more advanced understanding of Christ's message; Has turned away from religion in search of a deeper truth; Has wondered about the differences between the Eastern and Western spiritual paradigms; is searching for peace, truth and the direct experience of Divine love.

Jesus said in the book of Matthew that the path to destruction is wide and many people follow it. But the narrow path, though difficult, leads to eternal life and there are few that will find it. This book is about finding the narrow path and what it takes to walk it. By identifying sin, we realize just how difficult the narrow path is to follow. Packed with scripture, the author makes easily digestible hard Bible truths often misunderstood and insights typically overlooked. This is an excellent resource for new believers, those having a hard time breaking free of habitual sin, and can serve as a great textbook for Bible Study groups.

If God spoke to you, what advice would He give you during these turbulent and uncertain

times? Walking the Narrow Path with Christ is based on an actual encounter author Gary Dean Brown had with God. The notes he took during that experience became the inspiration and foundation of this book. Through this guide, you will learn how to activate the power of God in your life, how to live with spiritual passion and develop an unshakeable bond with Christ, even in the midst of a world increasingly turning its eyes away from Him. This material captures areas of vital importance for every Christian, including pursuing eternity, building your eternal legacy, acknowledging and overcoming sin, and receiving God's blessings and favors. Also included is a unique method of praying, called the 7 Prayer Steps, that may forever change the way you communicate with God. This book is a must read for all Christians who want to know God more intimately and seek to understand how to do His Will in your life.

The Narrow Path is about forgiveness. It is easy to say that you forgive someone, but since it is almost impossible to forget when you are offended, "true" forgiveness is extremely difficult to release. Scripture says you should forgive someone who wronged you seventy times seven times. Jesus is not saying to forgive 490 times; he's talking about forgiving in the most extreme situations—for example, the 430 years of the Israelites' captivity in Egypt. The Narrow Path explores a situation when two men meet along a path (one is a murderer, the other the victim) in a place where time has no meaning. Jesus forgave even the people who crucified him (Luke 23:34), but we sometimes cannot forgive even the slightest wrong against us. We must remember that the path to heaven is very narrow, so if you have an unforgiving and bitter heart, you cannot receive the kingdom of heaven. Can you love your enemy enough to forgive him? Overcoming an unforgiving heart cannot be done without the Holy Spirit because he provides the fruit: love, peace, joy, patience, gentleness, goodness, faithfulness, kindness, and self-control. The Narrow Path tells the story of a case of forgiving a difficult wrong and repenting and how God forgives us as well.

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Many Christians today will ask the question, "What would Jesus do?" However, when we search with a deep desire to know what He actually did and taught, we find a big discrepancy between that and what is most often taught. All Christians owe it to themselves and to their Savior to make sure they are living as He desires them to live and not merely following the doctrines and traditions they have come to accept as fact. This book will challenge and encourage you to go further with God. It will help you re-evaluate many areas of your life according to the timeless truths of Scripture taken at face value. The sad truth is that many Christians are totally unaware of the fact that they have been deceived. Thus, they are not living the lives God desires them to live. This book is a journey in finding out what the disciples

of Jesus knew and how this affected their lives. You will be surprised to see how different the lives of those believers were from the lives of believers today. When you are finished, you will be able to answer the question: "Are you really on the narrow path or have you been deceived?"

It is an undeniable fact that the very concept of hell is shrouded in mystery. We know what books and movies tell us hell is like, but we're left with so many questions. Is hell simply a place where sinners are sent to suffer for their sins, or is it much, much more than that? All You Want to Know About Hell breaks down the three most popular views on hell and tells us what the Bible really says about this terrifying and mystifying place. From the "traditional" view of hell as a place of eternal torment to the early Christian view that hell is a place of suffering intended to purge sin and to bring about repentance, no other book gives such in-depth biblical insight into the truths about hell that are hidden in all the hype. Features include: Complete coverage of the three most popular views on hell Clear explanation of what Scripture really says An easy and interesting read for laypeople, pastors, and scholars alike

Miranda, a modern woman who reads the Bible on her cell phone, begins to work with an Old Order Mennonite community and meets a man who will change her life.

"Discusses marks of a credible profession of Christian faith"--

Read it, and you will come away ready to hit the ground running.

In a time when competing and often irreconcilable belief systems seem to dominate all religious conversation in Christianity, N. Graham Standish offers an alternative for leading a spiritual and faithful life. Providing models that embrace elements of many spiritual traditions within Christianity, *Discovering the Narrow Path* seeks to hold all extremist positions in perfect tension, by integrating their essential truths yet also recognizing their flaws. In doing so, Standish surveys the wisdom of the mystics, the practice of forming a Trinitarian faith, the openness of healing traditions, and the value of balancing prayer and action, as well as spirituality, theology, and religion. Complete with two appendices, one a guide for group study and one an introduction to spiritual reading, *Discovering the Narrow Path* is an essential resource for those seeking spiritual fulfillment.

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