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The Way He Loves

21 Stories of God's Healing Love to a Hurting World

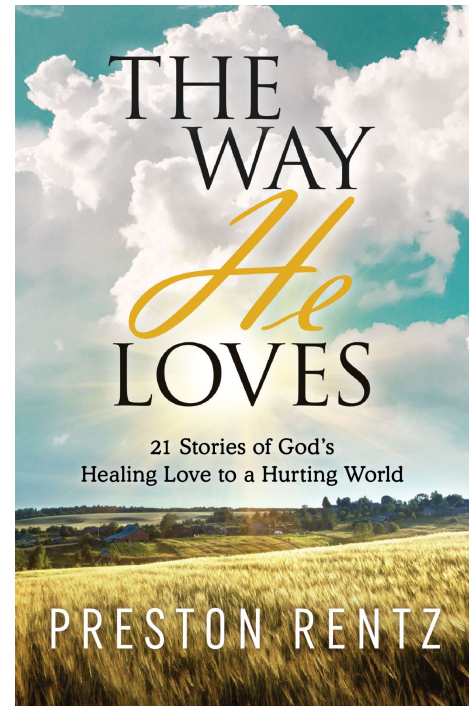
God's love shows up in our failures and our successes, in our triumphs and our tragedies. It provides clarity, real hope, and real solutions for anyone who genuinely seeks Him. We are meant for this love above all; we just need to develop the eyes to see it and the heart to trust in it.

It can be hard to understand what it means for God to be loving—even leaders, teachers, and pastors can better learn how to see and teach about God from a perspective of love. *The Way He Loves* is an essential key to discovering the various ways in which our God shows His healing compassion for a hurting world. Throughout *The Way He Loves*, Preston Rentz provides meaningful anecdotes and earnest contemplations of grace, humility, leadership, wealth, and more. He looks beyond one-dimensional ideas about God's love to instead explore its extraordinary beauty and complexity.

If you struggle with hopelessness, depression, or church fatigue—if you have trouble seeing God as loving at His core, or if you wonder how a loving Creator could possibly be guiding this deeply flawed world of ours—this book is meant for you. *The Way He Loves* will introduce you to the God who is attentive to every need and who desires to be near to those who seek him. You'll learn how nothing can ever replace our profound need for spending personal time with our Creator, and how God's faithful and ever-present warmth can guide you through life's many challenges, delivering you from an existence of confusion and disappointment.

You don't have to go through this world alone, not truly knowing what God offers or what He expects from you. *The Way He Loves* shows how you can learn to seek His loving heart and discover what true living really is. The more you embrace God's unending love, the better your life will be—and the more you will see that the entire Christian faith is first and foremost a story of remarkable love.

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About the Author

Preston Rentz

By the time Preston Rentz was 19, he was angry, confused, and unsure about life. Then, in the middle of the night, he was called to the Christian faith and unto Jesus himself. From that time on, his life took on a very different trajectory. Preston studied Christian theology at Ambassador and Azusa Pacific Universities. He has led multiple Bible studies, co-led a men's weekend retreat, spent six years in a speech training club in his church, and taught Christian theology to all age groups, from children to young adults to senior citizens. In past decades, Preston has worked in a variety of fields, primarily historic home restoration, home building, and remodeling. Today, Preston consults, designs, and builds in residential construction. He and his wife, Angela, are blessed with three daughters and currently live in Texas. Preston began writing in 2007; *The Way He Loves* is his third book.

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Suggested Interview Questions for Preston Rentz, Author of *The Way He Loves*

Q: Your book *The Way He Loves: 21 Amazing Stories of God's Healing Love to a Hurting World* is unusual in that it focuses entirely on God's love. What inspired you to write about this subject?

A: I'm here today because of God's remarkable love. The more I trust in God's love and strive to love others, the better my life goes and the greater the peace I have. I'm a better husband, father, and friend. And as I keep my eyes on God, the wounds of my past are being mended, which can't help but positively affect those around me. *The Way He Loves* is meant to help the reader recognize God's ever-present love, receive that love as their own, and share it with others. In this way, we can take inventory of our hearts and make sure our contribution to this world is one of love and truth. As we get a better idea of how God first loved us, what that looks like, and what all it entails, we are better equipped to love others and live out a life of love in everything we do.

Q: Why did you choose to write this book now? Is it appropriate to write about something so detached from the hatred and violence of our current world?

A: There are a lot of problems in our world, to be sure. Current issues have a way of dominating our thoughts, and the message of negativity is daunting. As a country, we seem to be drifting away from the basic elements of love and courtesy for one another. People are losing hope and giving up. But the times we're in are perfect for taking a fresh look at God's love, and not necessarily in a religious way like we might expect. In this present world, God has a way of skillfully weaving in His loving truth and slowly liberating us from the convincing grip of darkness's enticing ways. And He does this in such a way that speaks to our own journey, our own needs, and our own unique struggle, whatever that is.

The Way He Loves is designed to help the reader see the many reasons for hope in a loving God such as ours. While we shouldn't bury our head in the sand and pretend all is well, it's also dangerous to think all is lost. Truth is, we live in a world that has both good and evil in it, and having a good perspective on both will help us to be healthier people and move forward with real hope, courage, and purpose.

Q: Can you expand on what *The Way He Loves* reveals about God's nature?

A: Every chapter in *The Way He Loves* is designed to reveal God's nature from a different point of view. He is a multilayered being. And we are guilty sometimes of oversimplifying who God is. He is love at His core, a servant at heart. But God's way of love is not always hugs and kisses and peaches and cream. There are

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challenging sides to godly love as well, and they produce real fruit in the believer. So, I do make some of those distinctions, and that's part of the purpose for *The Way He Loves*.

To do this, I tell some true stories of people's own search for acceptance and love, and the amazing outcomes that followed. I go into some details about the way our physical world was put together, and how that reveals so much about the heart of God. I also discuss how God's love is expressed through the arts, natural occurrences, various revelations of God's own heart in Scripture, and even personal tragedy. We need to recognize what real love looks like. If we are not looking with open hearts, we may miss God's love.

Q: Are you suggesting God's love is the solution to what ails our world?

A: Yes, ultimately. But *The Way He Loves* doesn't focus on our external problems as much as how our God reveals His love in us personally through occurrences around us, within our own hearts and our daily lives—and with remarkable attention to detail. It's also crucial that we look beyond our own struggles. Our faithful and loving God is driven by a profound desire to rescue anyone from their troubles, especially as they look to Him. The world tries to drown out this message of truth, but as we learn to trust and seek His faithful love, this can be the light for how we move forward and address the problems we're currently dealing with, as well as those with whom we share this world.

I'm not trying to change the world, but I hope to have a positive change in my little circle of influence. And that begins in my own household. If we want the world to be better, we need to get better ourselves. But it does start with understanding the way God loves, letting that love inside us, letting it change us. That's all any of us can do.

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