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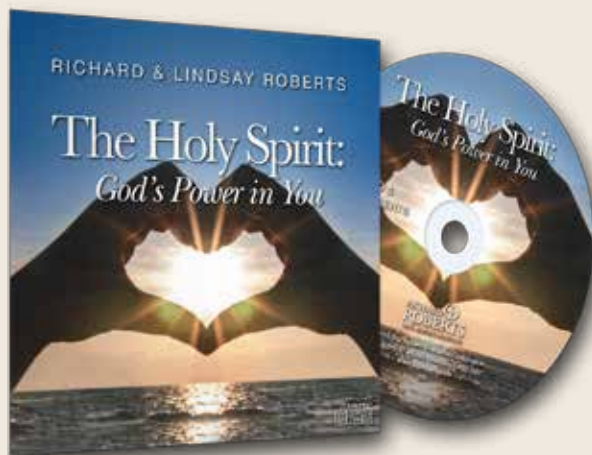
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In this powerful message, Richard and Lindsay Roberts share:

- The Holy Spirit's work in our lives
- The gifts of the Holy Spirit to help us live a miracle-filled life
- What it means to pray in tongues

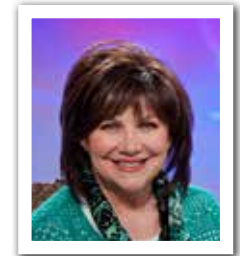
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Jesus said in John 8:12, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." During the heat and sunlight of summer, I pray that God fills every area of your life with His light and His love.

In this issue of *Make Your Day Count*, you'll find an article from Richard and me about God's desire and plan to bring us abundance in every way—and that includes health, finances, family, and so much more! Plus, an interview with author Mary Colbert (wife of Dr. Don Colbert) about her new book, addressing the challenges of those looking for a spouse. There are encouraging words and testimonies of God's goodness, delightful summer recipes from Jordan, and a mentoring moment from Ann Platz on cell phone etiquette.

I pray that as you read *Make Your Day Count*, your faith will begin to soar and you will be strengthened to stand in faith for miracles every single day of your life, in Jesus' name!

Lindsay



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"Lindsay spoke at Church on the Living Edge, and I watch them online. I have to say, that service was awesome and now I speak to many about "are you seated where you are supposed to be?" The reactions are hilarious, but it gets the point over. I want to thank you, Lindsay, for that message."

—Nancy from Greenville, TN



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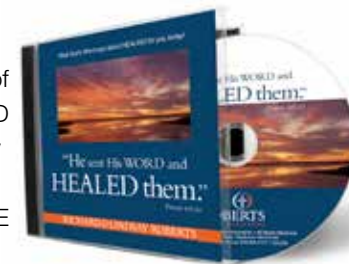
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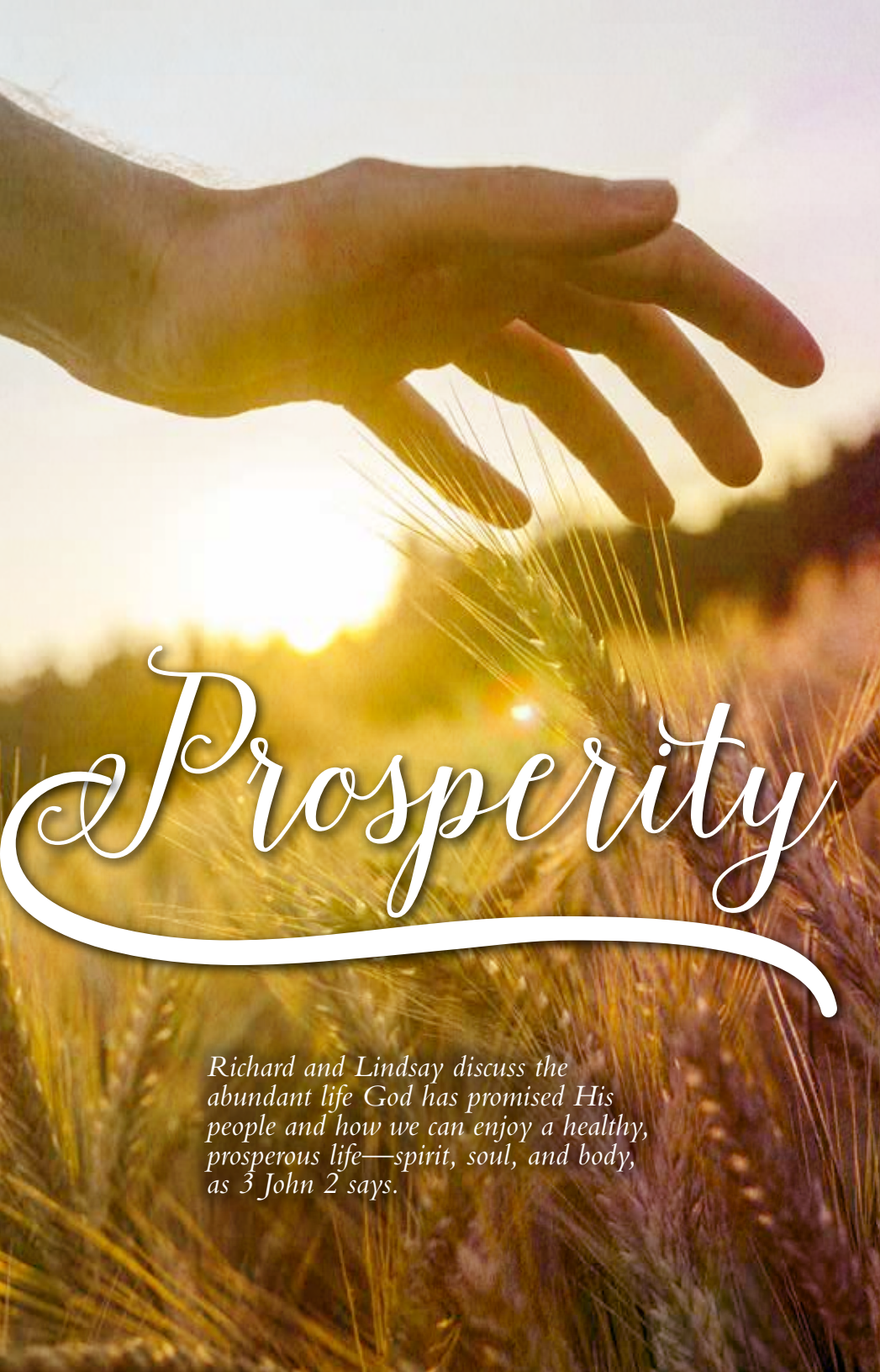
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Healed while "on hold"

Dorothy T. from Columbus, Ohio, called the **Abundant Life Prayer Group** for prayer about the pain in her arms. After waiting on the line for a prayer partner, she listened to the recording of the Word of God, **He Sent His Word and Healed Them**, by Richard and Lindsay, and she reports all her pain left! Praise God!

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listened to,
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Richard and Lindsay discuss the abundant life God has promised His people and how we can enjoy a healthy, prosperous life—spirit, soul, and body, as 3 John 2 says.

richard: We have had many questions from people about the principles of sowing and reaping, and about tithing. Many people wonder how God feels about people being prosperous. It's amazing how many times the words *prosper*, *prospered*, *prosperity*, or a related word appears in the Bible.

lindsay: In the King James Version of the Bible, the words *prosper*, *prospered*, *prosperity*, *prosperous*, and *prosperously* appear about 85 times.

richard: That's from Genesis to Revelation!

lindsay: Right. And what does it mean to prosper or be prosperous? Three John 2 says, *I wish above all things that you prosper and be in health*. That means a successful journey in every area on the road of life. It means to succeed in material terms and be financially successful.

richard: This is good.

lindsay: It means to grow, increase, thrive, and make gains. When we prosper according to God's Word, it means we are enjoying success, we're favored, and we're advanced in growth, wealth, and any good thing. It means successful progress in any business or enterprise. It means wealth.

richard: So then, it is God's will according to the Bible that we

would prosper in every area of our life. And that means increase!

lindsay: Increase means success. Decrease, in many ways, means the opposite of success.

richard: Take the life of Abraham. He was living in a place called Ur of the Chaldees with his wife, Sarah. They didn't even know who God was. Yet God spoke to them and sent them on a journey. He said, "I'll tell you where you're going when you get there." When they arrived in the place we know today as Israel, God said, "I'm going to bless you and make you the father of many nations. I'm going to make you a blessing." And He established the tithing principle, the sowing and reaping principle, with Abraham.

lindsay: I believe He did so because He knew Abraham was a man He could make covenant with. And we see that in establishing the principle of sowing and reaping, God directed Melchizedek, who was the king of Salem and a priest of God, to come to Abraham with bread and wine. In Genesis 14:18–20, we see that Melchizedek spoke with Abraham and told him that God is the Most High God, possessor of heaven and earth, and the one who delivers us from all our enemies.

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richard: It was the teaching that Abraham had gotten about who God really is.

lindsay: And immediately Abraham responded to that truth by giving a tithe of all. Think about why he did that. After all, he had never done that before. He didn't have the Old Testament to read and learn from.

richard: He didn't have a Bible, like we have today.

lindsay: Right. So, what do you think caused him to give a tithe? To me, it's divine revelation that led him to give. And when the tithe was received, God blessed Abraham. Don't just think of that in financial terms. You see, our tithe can open the windows of heaven for God to pour us out a blessing where there's not room enough to receive it (Malachi 3:10–11). What is that blessing? Well, you may need it in the form of your children, your job, your marriage, or some other area of your life. And that same set of verses tells us that as we give to God, He rebukes the devourer for our sakes. So, what is devouring you? The Bible says the seed or the tithe is that thing connected to rebuking it.

richard: In Genesis chapters 14 and 15, Abraham heard the word that God was most high, the possessor of heaven and earth, and the one who delivers him from all

of his enemies. And as soon as he gave a tithe (which means increase), immediately the King of Sodom (who in this scripture represents the devil), came in and tried to make a deal. Well, isn't that what the devil tries to do? He tries immediately to come in to steal, kill, and destroy. He came in to make a deal, and Abraham got scared. That's something that happens to many people when they sow; they get scared. But God came and revealed Himself in Genesis chapter 15. He said, "Abraham, do not be afraid. I am your shield. I am your exceeding great reward."

lindsay: When the seed is released from our hand, God said there's a reward.

richard: Yes. When we focus in on God like Abraham did, then God can become our exceeding great reward.

lindsay: God has promised that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek him (Hebrews 11:6). Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. And without faith, it's impossible to please God. As Abraham attached his faith to his seed, God rewarded him by blessing him and causing him to increase.

richard: With what is happening in our world today, if ever there was a time to begin to understand the Bible principles of sowing and reaping, I believe with all of my heart it is now.

That's why I've recorded a new CD, *God's Way to Increase*—to help answer many of the questions that people have asked me and to help people understand that it's God's will for us to prosper in every area of our life. (See below to order this CD.) I believe God wants us to be well in our spirit, our mind, our body, our family, our

finances, our marriages, our businesses, and our jobs. He doesn't get any glory out of us being sick, broke, bankrupt, or unable to pay our bills. That's not God. The devil wants that for you, but God wants you to be well and whole in every area of your life (3 John 2). And that's my prayer for you today.

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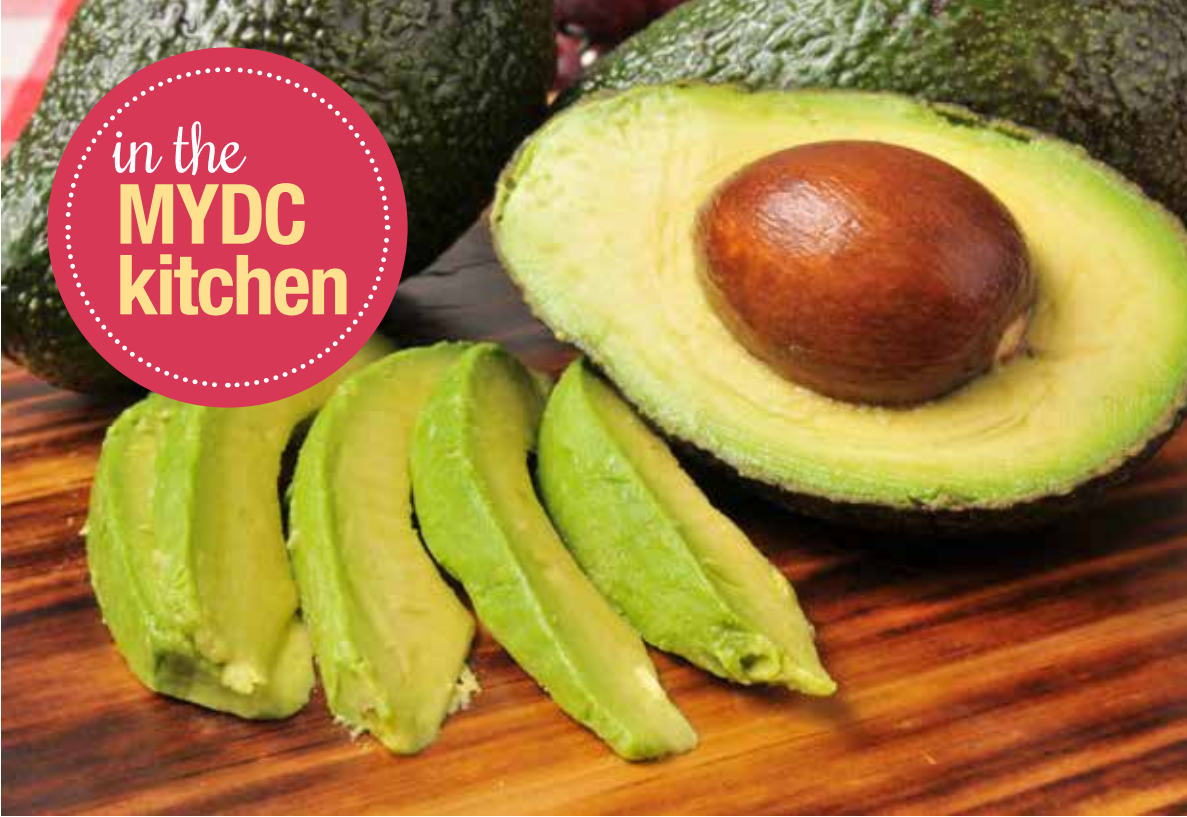
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and experience the fullness of
God's plan for you!



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Avocado Chicken Salad

Ingredients:

1 rotisserie cooked chicken (about 3 cups)
2 ripe avocados, peeled & pitted
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon fresh garlic, peeled & chopped
1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper (optional)
1 cup of grapes, sliced in half
1 celery stalk, chopped very small
1/4 cup plain Greek yogurt
1/4 teaspoon paprika

Directions:

Remove skin from chicken, separate meat, shred, and put into a large bowl. In a separate bowl, mash the avocados, and mix in fresh garlic and salt. Add avocado mix, chicken and the remaining ingredients, and mix well.

Chill well until ready to eat. I personally eat it with a spoon most of the time, but it's great on Triscuits, whole grain bread, or my personal favorite cheat day option—a croissant!

I love chicken salad--in any form--but this one is a particular favorite of mine because I'm obsessed with avocados!!

-Jordan

White Bean Salad with Vinaigrette

Ingredients:

1 can white cannellini beans, drained
1 ripe avocado, peeled, pitted & chopped
1 Roma tomato, chopped
1/4 sweet yellow onion, peeled & chopped

Vinaigrette Ingredients:

1 1/2 Tablespoons olive oil
1/4 cup lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon dried basil
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
salt & pepper to taste

Directions:

Whisk vinaigrette ingredients together, then pour over the rest of the ingredients and mix well. Refrigerate 1-2 hours before serving.



Vanilla Breakfast Smoothie

Ingredients:

1 cup vanilla almond milk
1/2 cup vanilla Greek yogurt
1/4 cup old fashioned oats
1/4 tsp cinnamon
1 frozen banana

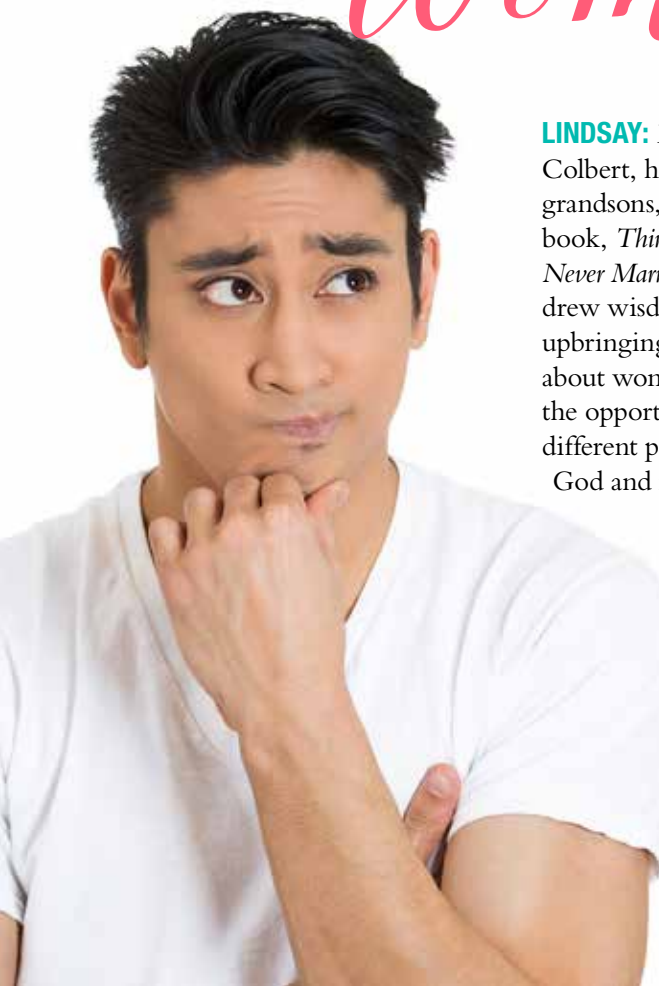
Directions:

Add Stevia if desired for sweetness. Blend in a blender and serve cold!



On a recent broadcast, Lindsay Roberts spoke with Mary Colbert, wife of Dr. Don Colbert, and co-author of the New York Times bestseller, *Seven Pillars of Health*. Mary is the author of the book, *13 WOMEN YOU SHOULD NEVER MARRY*. In this interview, Mary talks about the challenges today for unmarried believers and the godly qualities they could seek to adopt in their lives and relationships.

FINDING A Virtuous Woman



LINDSAY: My dear friend, Mary Colbert, has two sons and six grandsons, and she wrote her new book, *Thirteen Women You Should Never Marry*, with them in mind. She drew wisdom from her strong upbringing in the Lord and wrote about women so that we would have the opportunity, as readers, to see different personalities that might please God and might not please God.

MARY: The men are asking, “What do women want?” Well, I like to go back to the Bible, because I believe that is the source. God’s ways are higher than our ways. His thoughts are higher than our thoughts. And

I think that when we change our thinking to line up with the way God thinks and sees things, it’s a recipe for success. Here’s an example. For years, an old report said when you get married, you have a 50-50 chance of staying together or getting divorced.

LINDSAY: Yes, I’ve heard that.

MARY: I have heard preachers get in pulpits and say this.

LINDSAY: It’s kind of a national statistic.

MARY: Well, a couple from Tennessee did a new statistical study and found that first-time marriages have a 70% chance of making it. It’s only 30% of first marriages that fall apart.

LINDSAY: I didn’t know that!

MARY: And what is even more amazing is that in the church, the odds are 80-20. Your marriage can have an 80% chance of success if you’re involved in church.

LINDSAY: It’s an improvement!

MARY: I’m motivated to share on marriage in the sense that I believe that women can help change the family. But to do that, we need the right thinking and the right attitude. I’m concerned about the young girls today because many of

their role models are reality shows, and the message is, “it’s all about me.”

LINDSAY: Then you get married, and it isn’t about you. It’s about compromise. It’s about give and take. It’s about someone else in your space. Even if you’re two of the greatest people on earth, you have to adapt even to the environmental change of having a second person in your air space.

MARY: Exactly. It is a merger of learning and growing when you have two people come together. But my message in this book is aimed more at men.

LINDSAY: Because you’ve got sons and grandsons.

MARY: Yes. This book is for single men to help them know what to look for before they get married. And it’s for women to read, so we can examine ourselves and see if we are falling into any of the traps that the world’s culture is trying to contaminate us with. I want to bring women back to who the Word of God says we are, and what God says we are to be, because when we follow what God says, that can be where the joy is. That’s where the peace is. That’s where we can thrive.

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LINDSAY: It's where God's blessing can be.

MARY: Yes! So, my book is a humorous look at different personality traits that can get us in trouble. None of the people in the book are real people.

LINDSAY: They're examples of situations, of traits we might see in different people.

MARY: In this book, I talk about 13 rebellious women, based on the opposite of Proverbs 31. These are 13 personalities that I think men ought to be leery of, and women ought to examine themselves to make sure they are not falling into that behavior—things like pride, selfishness, laziness, and so on.

LINDSAY: We all think, "Oh, I'll never be a Proverbs 31 woman." But Proverbs 31 is like a guideline for us to have a look at what attitudes and behaviors God can bless in our lives.

MARY: I believe what we think and what we believe is really who we are. And those two factors are influenced by our environment. Our thinking is formed by our culture, whether it's our parents, pastors, and others we are exposed to. What we believe is formed from our experiences. That's why one person may believe one way, and another may believe another way.

LINDSAY: Even maybe in the same household, because we may have different experiences in life.

MARY: Exactly. It creates such diversity that it's like a miracle that God can get any of us to agree on anything. But spiritually speaking, there are absolutes that God has set up as a guideline. And I believe that as we follow these guidelines, we can change this world. We can influence it to be better, if we ourselves believe we can be better.

LINDSAY: And the women you talk about in the book reflect examples of perhaps ungodly traits we can change and godly characteristics we can take on if we want to open up our families to God's

blessings. And it's a funny book!

MARY: Yes. Basically I'm hoping to help us laugh at ourselves as we let go of ungodly traits. I talk about women like "**Trophy Tina**," who is only good with you until a better guy comes along. Or the "**Lazy Lucille**" type, who doesn't take care of her house or her family and whose life is a wreck.

LINDSAY: It's not about the person's name, of course, but about the way we choose to act. So, your book is about finding or developing a personality that is compatible with the Word of God.

MARY: Exactly. It's a humorous look at our attitudes and behaviors. I

invented names that

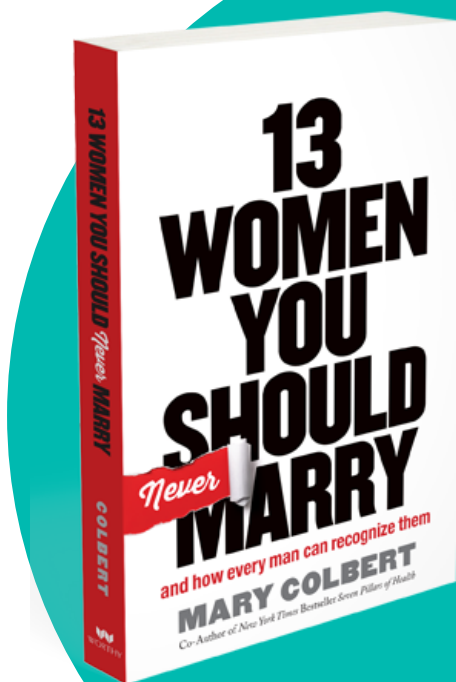
rhymed or were humorous or catchy so that readers would remember them. And I've included examples of good women too. I've used godly women like you who are close friends of mine as examples for young women to emulate. Because not every woman makes a good wife.

LINDSAY: As Proverbs says, "He who finds a wife finds a good thing." Not he who finds a female.

MARY: And what men are looking for is a wife. This is what this book is about—finding a wife, not just a woman.

LINDSAY: Amen. Because why would we not want God's peace in our household?

MARY: Right. Don't we want our grandchildren and our great-grandchildren to be raised in stability and safety, and that which is healthy and good? And I believe the only hope for the family is the Word of God.



As mother to two sons and grandmother to six grandsons, Mary Colbert has thought a lot about the types of women she would want them to wed. Filled with Mary's humor and insight, Mary's book reveals 13 types of women men might avoid. At the same time she holds a mirror up for women to search themselves to see what traits they might have...and what they might want to change!

Available on Mary's Facebook page at
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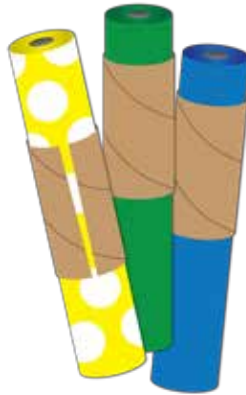
Wrapping Paper Cuff

What you'll need:

- Collect empty toilet paper rolls
- Pair of scissors
- Rubber bands

Directions:

Cut the toilet paper roll from one opening to the other. Slide the toilet paper roll over the roll of wrapping paper and secure by sliding the rubber band over top. Now you can preserve your wrapping paper for more use without crinkled areas.



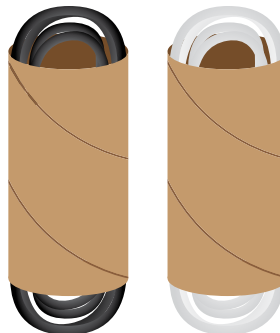
Cord Storage Rolls

What you'll need:

- Collect empty toilet paper rolls
- Empty shoe box or plastic storage container

Directions:

Roll up your old phone, camera, and electronic device cords and store them neatly inside the toilet paper rolls. Next time you need them, you won't need to search through a tangled mess of wires!



Tub & Shower Cleaner

What you'll need:

- Empty spray bottle
- 12 oz vinegar
- 12 oz dish soap

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- Heat the vinegar until warm.
- Pour the vinegar and dish soap into the spray bottle.
- Put the lid on and gently shake it until it is mixed well.

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Natural Mosquito Repellent

What you'll need:

- Empty spray bottle
- 15 drops of lavender essential
- 3-4 Tbsp of vanilla extract
- 1/4 Cup of lemon juice
- Water



Directions:

- Place the oil, vanilla and lemon juice in the bottle.
- Fill the rest of the bottle with water, leaving some room at the top.
- Put the lid on and shake it until it is mixed well.

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No one could ever love me the way Jesus does! I thank Him for giving me the desires of my heart. And thank you for praying for me.

—**Andrew** from Florida

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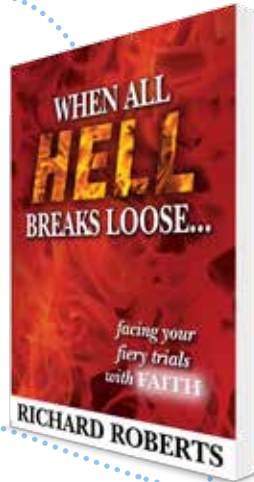


Reading RECOMMENDATIONS



Richard explores Scriptures that let us know that Jesus was indeed a healing Jesus and that He wants to see us whole in spirit, soul, and body. **Booklet \$2**

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Mentoring Moments

Cell Phone Etiquette

When I first wrote my etiquette book back in 1999, we didn't have to worry too much about cell phones. But now, we need to pay attention to this issue. Many people have gotten to the point of thinking that what they are doing on their cell phones is more important than the person they're with.

Of course, I'm not against using your phone if it's necessary. I'm focusing on how we choose to use our phones in our daily lives. You see, when you pull out your phone to initiate a call when someone is with you, you are saying to that person, "You are not as important as what I'm going to be doing on my phone."

If good news or important news comes across your phone, you can of course look at it, but why not invite the person with you to look too? The real rule of thumb is, if possible, don't initiate using your phone when you're with someone else, because you want to show them honor and respect.

Many restaurants are now putting up signs saying, "No cell phones."



It can be awkward, even rude, to talk on your phone in a place like this. Remember, be courteous of other people. It can be a good idea to keep your cell phone in your purse or pocket, so that you're not tempted to look at it.

As far as when to call other people, a good rule of thumb is to call between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. This gives people a chance to wake up and businesses a chance to open. And the idea behind not calling after 6 p.m. is to honor people's private time with their families.

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