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## What We Talk About When We Talk About God - Rob Bell

2014-09-02

How God is described today strikes many as mean, primitive, backward, illogical, tribal, and at odds with the frontiers of science. At the same time, many intuitively feel a sense of reverence and awe in the world. Can we find a new way to talk about God? Pastor and New York Times bestselling author Rob Bell does here for God what he did for heaven and hell in *Love Wins*: he shows how traditional

ideas have grown stale and dysfunctional and reveals a new path for how to return vitality and vibrancy to how we understand God. Bell reveals how we got stuck, why culture resists certain ways of talking about God, and how we can reconnect with the God who is with us, for us, and ahead of us, pulling us forward into a better future—and ready to help us live life to the fullest. *Burning Bush 2.0: How Pop Culture Replaced the Prophet* - Paul Asay 2015-04-21  
Maybe God doesn't speak

through prophets as often these days because he knows people wouldn't listen. Maybe God speaks to us in different ways--and in the places he knows where we congregate: in our movie theaters, living rooms, iPods, and smartphones. Maybe God still longs to connect with us, and so goes into the places where we're most likely to listen. *Burning Bush 2.0* is a whimsical and sincere examination of the ways God communicates with us--sometimes subtly and secretly--through our media and entertainment streams. *Asay* examines how faith and God's fingerprints mark movies and music, television and technology. Through word and picture, God still speaks to us through unsuspecting voices--in ways we're best able to hear--even if we don't fully comprehend it completely in the moment. God is everywhere, and doesn't ask permission to speak, shout out, or whisper his name. Includes study guide for individuals and church groups.

**Connecting Women** - Linda Lesniewski 2007-11-01  
Women's ministry today addresses the needs of women in all walks and stages of life. Drawing on her years of church staff experience, Linda Lesniewski describes the changing and varied needs of women and encourages Christian women to become involved in leadership. The book emphasizes the biblical foundation of women's ministry and explores the call of God to minister to women. Moving to more practical issues, it discusses leadership training, following church protocol, communication, and ways to make ministry fresh, creative, and vital. Whether a veteran looking for inspiration and new ideas or a person exploring God's direction in life, any woman can benefit from the wealth of information and inspiration found in *Connecting Women*.

*Rich* - Rob Bell 2006  
*NOOMA*, a series of short films on DVD with a discussion guide, is changing the way people experience spirituality.

Each film touches on contemporary issues. This edition discusses consumerism and materialism, and suggests that God has blessed Americans with everything they have so they can bless and give to others.

**The Complete Book of Tai Chi Chuan** - Kiew Kit, Wong  
Master the ancient Chinese art of Tai Chi Chuan with this informative guide. One of the most popular Chinese martial arts, Tai Chi Chuan is also one of the most effective stress relievers available. In China it is also used extensively for the prevention and treatment of illnesses, and its beneficial effects for health and fitness are now widely recognized in the West. The Complete Book of Tai Chi Chuan is a comprehensive and fascinating guide to the practical application and potential benefits of Tai Chi Chuan. Packed with step-by-step illustrations for practice at home, this tai chi guide covers everything you would want to know about this ancient art, including its benefits for

mental, spiritual and emotional development. This tai chi book is both an ideal introductory guide and an invaluable reminder for those who have already taken classes. Topics in The Complete Book of Tai Chi Chuan include: Tai Chi Chuan as a Martial Art The Concept of Yin-Yang and Tai Chi Chuan The Historical Development of the Various Styles Advice from the Great Masters Techniques and Skills of Pushing Hands Specific Techniques for Combat Situations Taoism and Spiritual Development in Tai Chi Chuan And many more

**What We Talk About When We Talk About Love** -

Raymond Carver 2015-05-25  
In his second collection, including the iconic and much-referenced title story featured in the Academy Award-winning film Birdman, Carver establishes his reputation as one of the most celebrated short-story writers in American literature—a haunting meditation on love, loss, and companionship, and finding one's way through the dark.  
What Is the Bible? - Rob Bell

2019-02-05

Instant New York Times Bestseller Rob Bell, the beloved author of *Love Wins* and *What We Talk About When We Talk About God*, goes deep into the Bible to show how it is more revelatory, revolutionary, and relevant than we ever imagined—and offers a cogent argument for why we need to look at it in a fresh, new way. In *Love Wins*, Rob Bell confronted the troubling questions that many people of faith were afraid to ask about heaven, hell, fate, and faith. Using the same inspired, inquisitive approach, he now turns to our most sacred book, the Bible. *What Is the Bible?* provides insights and answers that make clear why the Bible is so revered and what makes it truly inspiring and essential to our lives. Rob takes us deep into actual passages to reveal the humanity behind the Scriptures. You cannot get to the holy without going through the human, Rob tells us. When considering a passage, we shouldn't ask "Why did God say . . .?" To get to the heart of the

Bible's meaning, we should be asking: "What's the story that's unfolding here and why did people find it important to tell it? What was it that moved them to record these words? What was happening in the world at that time? What does this passage/story/poem/verse/book tell us about how people understood who they were and who God was at that time?" In asking these questions, Rob goes beyond the one-dimensional question of "is it true?" to reveal the Bible's authentic transformative power. Rob addresses the concerns of all those who see the Bible as God's Word but are troubled by the ethical dilemmas, errors, and inconsistencies in Scripture. With *What Is the Bible?*, he recaptures the Good Book's magic and reaffirms its power and inspiration to shape and inspire our lives today.

[Romans](#) - Jared C. Wilson  
2013-04-30

The *Knowing the Bible* series is a new resource designed to help Bible readers better

understand and apply God's Word. Each 12-week study leads participants through one book of the Bible and is made up of four basic components: (1) Reflection questions designed to help readers engage the text at a deeper level; (2) "Gospel Glimpses" highlighting the gospel of grace throughout the book; (3) "Whole-Bible Connections" showing how any given passage connects to the Bible's overarching story of redemption culminating in Christ; and (4) "Theological Soundings" identifying how historic orthodox doctrines are taught or reinforced throughout Scripture. With contributions from a wide array of influential pastors and church leaders, these gospel-centered studies will help Christians see and cherish the message of God's grace on each and every page of the Bible. The book of Romans was Paul's greatest literary achievement, a majestic letter in which the apostle expounds on crucial doctrines such as original sin, election,

substitutionary atonement, the role of the law, and justification by faith alone. Plumbing the theological depths, Jared Wilson writes with a pastor's eye toward understanding and application as he explains the biblical text with clarity and passion, helping readers follow along as Paul recounts the history of salvation and illuminates the glories of the cross of Christ.

**You 015---Rob Bell  
Discussion Guide (5-Pack) -  
Rob Bell 2007-11-06**

Many people often debate the central claims of the Christian faith. But maybe a better understanding of the history of the early Christian movement would give new perspective to these discussions.

**Thomas Jefferson -  
Christopher Hitchens  
2009-10-13**

In this unique biography of Thomas Jefferson, leading journalist and social critic Christopher Hitchens offers a startlingly new and provocative interpretation of our Founding Father. Situating Jefferson within the context of America's

evolution and tracing his legacy over the past two hundred years, Hitchens brings the character of Jefferson to life as a man of his time and also as a symbolic figure beyond it. Conflicted by power, Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence and acted as Minister to France yet yearned for a quieter career in the Virginia legislature. Predicting that slavery would shape the future of America's development, this professed proponent of emancipation elided the issue in the Declaration and continued to own human property. An eloquent writer, he was an awkward public speaker; a reluctant candidate, he left an indelible presidential legacy. Jefferson's statesmanship enabled him to negotiate the Louisiana Purchase with France, doubling the size of the nation, and he authorized the Lewis and Clark expedition, opening up the American frontier for exploration and settlement. Hitchens also analyzes Jefferson's handling of the Barbary War, a lesser-

known chapter of his political career, when his attempt to end the kidnapping and bribery of Americans by the Barbary states, and the subsequent war with Tripoli, led to the building of the U.S. navy and the fortification of America's reputation regarding national defense. In the background of this sophisticated analysis is a large historical drama: the fledgling nation's struggle for independence, formed in the crucible of the eighteenth-century Enlightenment, and, in its shadow, the deformation of that struggle in the excesses of the French Revolution. This artful portrait of a formative figure and a turbulent era poses a challenge to anyone interested in American history - or in the ambiguities of human nature.

Love Wins - Rob Bell  
2011-03-15

In Love Wins, bestselling author, international teacher, and speaker Rob Bell (Velvet Elvis, Drops Like Stars) addresses one of the most controversial issues of faith—hell and the

afterlife—arguing, would a loving God send people to eternal torment forever? Rob Bell is an electrifying, unconventional pastor whom Time magazine calls “a singular rock star in the church world,” with millions viewing his NOOMA videos. With searing insight, Bell puts hell on trial with a hopeful message—eternal life doesn’t start when we die; it starts right now. And ultimately, Love Wins.

*Love Wins: At the Heart of Life’s Big Questions* - Rob Bell  
2011-03-17

Bestselling author Rob Bell offers a provocative book which gets to the heart of questions about life and death. His perspective, encapsulated by his famous slogan ‘love wins’, will surprise and challenge both Christians and atheists, and will inspire people of all faiths and none.

*Velvet Elvis* - Rob Bell  
2006-06-29

A guide to living an authentic Christian life urges readers to seek an expression of faith that is personal, rather than in

accordance with the belief systems of others, in a handbook that cites the examples of Jesus while offering a perspective on the unlimited nature of God. *Make College Count* - Derek Melleby 2018-06-05  
National college transition expert engages students with the most pressing questions they will face and encourages them to make the most of their college years.

*Evangelical Theology* - Michael F. Bird 2013-10-29

Evangelical Theology is a systematic theology written from the perspective of a biblical scholar. Michael F. Bird contends that the center, unity, and boundary of the evangelical faith is the evangel (= gospel), as opposed to things like justification by faith or inerrancy. The evangel is the unifying thread in evangelical theology and the theological hermeneutic through which the various loci of theology need to be understood. Using the gospel as a theological leitmotif—an approach to Christian doctrine

that begins with the gospel and sees each loci through the lens of the gospel—this text presents an authentically evangelical theology, as opposed to an ordinary systematic theology written by an evangelical theologian. According to the author, theology is the drama of gospelizing—performing and living out the gospel in the theatre of Christian life. The text features tables, sidebars, and questions for discussion. The end of every part includes a “What to Take Home” section that gives students a run-down on what they need to know. And since reading theology can often be dry and cerebral, the author applies his unique sense of humor in occasional “Comic Belief” sections so that students may enjoy their learning experience through some theological humor added for good measure.

*Puzzling Questions* - Paul Griffiths 2012-04-01

Single copy of course workbook. For those wanting packs of five (five for the price of four) the ISBN is 987 1

85424 952 4.

Spellbound - Marcia Montenegro 2013-08-05

Our culture is saturated with the supernatural. TV shows such as Medium, Charmed, and Lost all have an "other-worldly" theme. Most of them blur the lines between good and evil. This past year was a "record" year for Hollywood in the production of films that dealt with the supernatural/paranormal. While we choose our entertainment, our kids don't often have the luxury of choosing whether to be exposed to these things at school. This book seeks to present a lucid and comprehensive examination of the paranormal and occult by breaking down the principles of paranormal practices, giving key points about the practices so that parents can readily identify them. The book discusses the occult view of supernatural energy and of good and evil, and how these concepts are seen in some popular literature and movies. The book also explains the

dangers and gives a biblical basis for concern. Christian parents need to be equipped to discuss these matters with their children!

How to do Mission Action

Planning - Mike Chew

2016-06-16

How to Do Mission Action Planning (SPCK, 2009) was the first book to appear on the MAP process, at a time when it was beginning to have a significant impact. In this fully revised and expanded edition, the authors offer further critical evaluation and theological reflection, by drawing on the experiences of people who have been using the MAP process in different contexts from their own: Fr Damian Feeney, parish priest and Catholic Missioner of Lichfield diocese Canon David Banbury, leader of Parish Mission Support, Blackburn diocese The Rt Revd Dr Alan Smith, Bishop of St Albans Dr Stephen Hance, Canon Missioner of Southwark diocese Linda Rayner, the United Reformed Church co-ordinator for Fresh

Expressions 'This is a rare book - a refreshing meditation on planning for mission - and one that is rooted in spirituality. As the authors show, the church and its mission arise from our vision of God. And once that vision has been realised, churches are able to become more intentional about their mission. Our vocation to share God's love is not an option or an afterthought. It is the heart and soul of our faith. Mission - and our planning of it - should not fill us with fear or foreboding. Rather, as the authors argue, the call to share God's love can be evermore meaningful, even as mission becomes more methodical.' The Very Revd Prof. Martyn Percy, Dean of Christ Church, Oxford 'This is a must-read for anyone using MAP. The rich theological reflection, the detailed unpacking of the 4 MAP phases and the learning offered by the 5 guest practitioners add up to an impressive offering. This book enables good questions to be asked, overflows with wise reflection and contains oodles

of practical examples, ideas and resources. I commend it to all local church leaders who are seeking to discern how best to translate the prayer 'your kingdom come' into appropriate church and congregational action.' John Dunnett, General Director, CPAS 'This timely revision is honest, well researched and carefully put together - an important contribution to the necessary change of culture required in today's Church.' Julian Henderson, Bishop of Blackburn

*Love Wins: For Teens* - Rob Bell 2013-03-12

If God were throwing a party, would everyone be invited? Or does God invite some and not others? And if so, how does God decide? Is it what you say? Is it what you do? Is it what you're going to do? Is it who your friends are? Or what your friends do? Or what religion you happened to be born into? Or where you live, or what you look like, or what you believe? What if the idea of heaven and hell that we have been taught is not, in fact, what the Bible

teaches? What if Jesus meant something very different by the concepts of heaven, hell, and salvation from how we've come to understand them? And what if the answer to life's meaning is much better than we ever imagined? In his teen edition of the bestselling book *Love Wins*, Rob Bell tackles all these questions in a way that addresses the real challenges of growing up in today's world. This is not just a book of questions and this is not just a book of answers. This is a book of exploration. This is a book of discovery. This is a book about why *Love Wins*.

*Drops Like Stars* - Rob Bell 2012-07-24

In *Drops Like Stars*, the New York Times bestselling author of *Love Wins* explores the complex relationship between suffering and creativity. Rob Bell ("One of the country's most influential evangelical pastors" —New York Times) suggests that art can be found in the agony of our lives. Fans of the thought-provoking works of Donald Miller, N.T. Wright, Brian McLaren, and Timothy

Keller will find true enlightenment in this thoughtful and engaging book from this vibrant, progressive voice for a new generation of Christians, the prolific pastor whom Time Magazine named one of the most influential people of 2011.

**Becoming a Contagious Christian** - Bill Hybels

2008-09-09

Evangelism doesn't have to be frustrating or intimidating. Bill Hybels and Mark Mittelberg believe that effectively communicating our faith in Christ should be the most natural thing in the world. We just need encouragement and direction. In *Becoming a Contagious Christian*, Hybels and Mittelberg articulate the central principles that have helped the believers at Willow Creek Community Church become a church known around the world for its outstanding outreach to unchurched people. Based on the words of Jesus and flowing from the firsthand experiences of the authors, *Becoming a Contagious Christian* is a

groundbreaking, personalized approach to relational evangelism. You will discover your own natural evangelism style, how to develop a contagious Christian character, to build spiritually strategic relationships, to direct conversations toward matters of faith, and to share biblical truths in everyday language. This landmark book presents a blueprint for starting a spiritual epidemic of hope and enthusiasm for spreading the Gospel.

*The Story We Find Ourselves In* - Brian D. McLaren

2019-03-05

Book Two in The New Kind of Christian Trilogy *The Story We Find Ourselves In* is the sequel to Brian D. McLaren's award-winning book *A New Kind of Christian*. His witty and wise characters take on difficult, faith-busting themes--from evolution and evangelism to death and the meaning of life--and reveal that the answers to life's pressing spiritual questions often come from the most unlikely sources. Dan and Neo (and some new characters

as well) invite reflection on the story we find ourselves in--that is, the narrative of God's presence and meaning in the world now and in the future.

**The Good and Beautiful Life**

- James Bryan Smith

2009-12-14

James Bryan Smith believes we have bought into false notions of happiness and success. In this follow up to his first book, *The Good and Beautiful God*, Smith traces through the Sermon on the Mount and helps us replace our false beliefs with Jesus' narratives about life in the kingdom of God.

**Simply Christianity** - John

Dickson 1999-01-01

Imagine if we were able to strip back all the rituals, myths, and dogma; to put to one side the hairsplitting and disagreements; to get beyond all the trappings of 'religion'- what would we find? If we were to go back to Jesus himself, to the biographies about him contained in the New Testament, what would we discover Christianity to be about?

**Kickball** - 2005

NOOMA is a new format for spiritual direction. It's short films touching on issues that we care about, that we want to talk about, and it comes in a way that fits our world. It's a format that's there for us when we need it, as we need it, how we need it. Audio: English. Subtitles: English, French, German, Korean, Mandarin, Portuguese, Spanish.

**Everything Is Spiritual** - Rob

Bell 2020-09-15

"An exciting vision of the future" --Michael Eric Dyson *Everything Is Spiritual* is an unexpected and compelling invitation to see your life in a whole new way. We have the great moments of our lives, the highs, those times when we soar, when it all makes sense, when it feels like it all has purpose and meaning. And then there are all those other moments—the lows and aches and failures and struggles and experiences that leave us wondering what the point of it all is. Are our lives ultimately bits and pieces and fragments—you try to find a

little peace and hope and then it's over? Or is there more going on here? In our increasingly polarized and disoriented world, Everything Is Spiritual gives us a radical new take on how it all fits together, how it works, how it's all connected. Part memoir, part extended riff on the quantum nature of reality, part history of the universe, Rob Bell takes us back through the twists and turns and struggles of his story in order to help us see the larger story so that we can reconnect with our story.

**The Prodigal God** - Timothy Keller 2008-10-30

The New York Times bestselling author of The Prodigal Prophet uncovers the essential message of Jesus, locked inside his most familiar parable. Newsweek called renowned minister Timothy Keller "a C.S. Lewis for the twenty-first century" in a feature on his first book, The Reason for God. In that book, he offered a rational explanation of why we should believe in God. Now, in The Prodigal God, Keller takes his

trademark intellectual approach to understanding Christianity and uses the parable of the prodigal son to reveal an unexpected message of hope and salvation. Within that parable Jesus reveals God's prodigal grace toward both the irreligious and the moralistic. This book will challenge both the devout and skeptics to see Christianity in a whole new way.

**The Good and Beautiful God**

- James Bryan Smith

2009-12-14

Turning to the Gospels, James Bryan Smith invites you to compare your ideas about God with what Jesus himself reveals about his Father. Smith leads you through a process of spiritual formation that includes specific activities aimed at making these new narratives real in your body and soul as well as your mind.

**Deep Church** - Jim Belcher

2009-09-25

If you feel caught between the traditional church and the emerging church, read Jim Belcher. He paints a picture of an alternate, "deep" church--a

missional church committed to both tradition and contemporary culture, valuing innovation in worship, arts and community but also adhering to creeds and confessions.

Living Well - John Roberto  
2009

This resource presents twelve essential practices for a Christian way of life. Written for adults, parents, and families to use in learning about and living these Christian practices, each chapter presents the Biblical foundation of the Christian practice and a variety of practical suggestions for living it and making it an integral part of everyday life.

**Love Wins (Enhanced Edition)** - Rob Bell 2011-11-15  
This enhanced edition of LOVE WINS includes extras such as the complete LOVE WINS COMPANION as well as the book trailer video that started it all and ten brand-new videos featuring Rob Bell discussing each of the chapters. In LOVE WINS, bestselling author of VELVET ELVIS and the 2 million-plus selling Nooma

videos, Rob Bell, reveals a secret deep in the heart of millions of Christians-they don't believe what they have been taught are the essential truths of their faith. Bell brings out to the open and faces squarely the questions on everyone's mind: Does it really make sense that God is a loving, kind, compassionate God who wants to know people in a personal way, but if they reject this relationship with Jesus, they will be sent to hell where God will eternally punish them forever? Bell goes to the heart of these issues and argues that the church's traditional understanding of heaven and hell is actually not taught by the Bible. Bell is emphatically not offering a new view of heaven and hell-instead, he closely examines every verse in the Bible on heaven and hell and shows what they really teach. And he discovers that Jesus's most fundamental teaching about heaven and hell is, "Love wins."

*Youth Emmaus* - Stephen  
Cottrell 2013-01-10

Youth Emmaus is a course

designed to help those aged 11 to 16 explore the basics of the Christian faith. This is no easy task - but Youth Emmaus offers a winning combination of meaty leaders' notes, cool handouts for group members, great cartoons and graphics and a free CD-ROM stacked with other useful resources. The material is fully road-tested and ideal for youth groups and as a confirmation course for young people. Youth Emmaus tackles: What Christians Believe (5 Units) How Christians Grow (5 Units) Living the Christian Life (3 Units) Youth Emmaus also contains a FREE CD-ROM that includes: Handouts and supplementary handouts for all sessions as PDF files Emmaus Poster Downloadable services to use with young people and a section on using Youth Emmaus in an all-age context Powerpoint presentation on Youth Emmaus Useful links to Emmaus website All icons from handouts available in colour in a downloadable format

### **The Love Wins Companion: A Study Guide For Those**

### **Who Want to Go Deeper -**

Rob Bell 2012-01-05

For anyone who wants to delve deeper into Rob Bell's bestselling Love Wins, the expansive and accessible Love Wins Companion offers scholarly support and critiques, resources for individuals, groups, and classes, and brand new material by Rob Bell himself.

Love Wins - Rob Bell

2011-03-15

Millions of Christians have struggled with how to reconcile God's love and God's judgment: Has God created billions of people over thousands of years only to select a few to go to heaven and everyone else to suffer forever in hell? Is this acceptable to God? How is this "good news"? Troubling questions—so troubling that many have lost their faith because of them. Others only whisper the questions to themselves, fearing or being taught that they might lose their faith and their church if they ask them out loud. But what if these questions trouble us for good reason? What if the

story of heaven and hell we have been taught is not, in fact, what the Bible teaches? What if what Jesus meant by heaven, hell, and salvation are very different from how we have come to understand them? What if it is God who wants us to face these questions? Author, pastor, and innovative teacher Rob Bell presents a deeply biblical vision for rediscovering a richer, grander, truer, and more spiritually satisfying way of understanding heaven, hell, God, Jesus, salvation, and repentance. The result is the discovery that the "good news" is much, much better than we ever imagined. Love wins.

**Collection 002** - NOOMA Group 2010-01-02  
NOOMA Group 02, Book 005-008 discussion guide is designed to accompany the NOOMA Group 02 DVD and is intended to facilitate discussions based on the themes and questions raised in NOOMA Films 005-008. NOOMA Book 005-008 helps viewers delve more deeply and meaningfully into the issues

raised in NOOMA Films 005 Noise, 006 Kickball, 007 Luggage, and 008 Dust. Viewers will explore and discuss issues such as why we are so afraid of silence, why we don't always get what we want if God is such a loving God, why forgiveness is so difficult, and what exactly God sees in us. Watch the films with friends, open the book, and together begin to search, question, and join the discussion.

[The Parted Earth](#) - Anjali Enjeti  
2022-04-05

Spanning more than half a century and cities from New Delhi to Atlanta, Anjali Enjeti's debut is a heartfelt and human portrait of the long shadow of the Partition of India on the lives of three generations of women. The story begins in August 1947. Unrest plagues the streets of New Delhi leading up to the birth of the Muslim majority nation of Pakistan, and the Hindu majority nation of India. Sixteen-year-old Deepa navigates the changing politics of her home, finding solace in

messages of intricate origami from her secret boyfriend Amir. Soon Amir flees with his family to Pakistan and a tragedy forces Deepa to leave the subcontinent forever. The story also begins sixty years later and half a world away, in Atlanta. While grieving both a pregnancy loss and the implosion of her marriage, Deepa's granddaughter Shan begins the search for her estranged grandmother, a prickly woman who had little interest in knowing her. As she pieces together her family history shattered by the Partition, Shan discovers how little she actually knows about the women in her family and what they endured. For readers of Jess Walter's *Beautiful Ruins*, *The Parted Earth* follows Shan on her search for identity after loss uproots her life. Above all, it is a novel about families weathering the lasting violence of separation, and how it can often take a lifetime to find unity and peace.

[Enchanted Objects](#) - David Rose 2015-04-28

We are now standing at the

precipice of the next transformative development: the Internet of Things. Soon, connected technology will be embedded in hundreds of everyday objects we already use: our cars, wallets, watches, umbrellas, even our trash cans. These objects will respond to our needs, come to know us, and learn to think on our behalf. David Rose calls these devices--which are just beginning to creep into the marketplace--Enchanted Objects. Some believe the future will look like more of the same--more smartphones, tablets, screens embedded in every conceivable surface. Rose has a different vision: technology that atomizes, combining itself with the objects that make up the very fabric of daily living. Such technology will be woven into the background of our environment, enhancing human relationships and channeling desires for omniscience, long life, and creative expression. The enchanted objects of fairy tales and science fiction will enter real life.

Groundbreaking, timely, and provocative, *Enchanted Objects* is a blueprint for a better future, where efficient solutions come hand in hand with technology that delights our senses.

**Jesus Wants to Save Christians** - Rob Bell  
2009-03-17

There is a church not too far from us that recently added a \$25 million addition to their building. Our local newspaper ran a front-page story not too long ago about a study revealing that one in five people in our city lives in poverty. This is a book about those two numbers. *Jesus Wants to Save Christians* is a book about faith and fear, wealth and war, poverty, power, safety, terror, Bibles, bombs, and homeland insecurity. It's about empty empires and the truth that everybody's a priest. It's about oppression, occupation, and what happens when Christians support, animate and participate in the very things Jesus came to set people free from. It's about what it means

to be a part of the church of Jesus in a world where some people fly planes into buildings while others pick up groceries in Hummers.

**The Zimzum of Love** - Rob Bell  
2014-10-28

As he revolutionized traditional teaching on hell in the phenomenal New York Times bestseller *Love Wins*, Rob Bell now transforms how we understand and practice marriage in *The Zimzum of Love*, co-written with his wife, Kristen. Despite the divorce statistics, people are still committing to each other, instinctively believing and hoping that theirs is a sacred union that will last forever. Yet when these couples encounter problems, they often lack the resources that keep them connected to this greater mystery surrounding marriage. Rob and Kristen Bell introduce a startling new way of looking at marriage, *The Zimzum of Love*. Zimzum is a Hebrew term where God, in order to have a relationship with the world, contracts, creating space for the creation to exist.

In marriage, zimzum is the dynamic energy field between two partners, in which each person contracts to allow the other to flourish. Mastering this field, this give and take of energy, is the secret to what makes marriage flourish. Rob and Kristen Bell are brutally honest about their own struggles, their ups and downs, as together they pass along what matters most for couples. In this wise book, they explore the secret of what makes a happy union—probing the mystery at the heart of the extraordinary emotional connection that binds two people. With his down-to-earth charm, a dose of whimsy, and memorable stories, Rob, writing with his wife Kristen, changes how we consider marriage, providing insight that can help all of us create satisfying and sacred unions of our own.

Collection 001 Guide - Nooma Group 2009-12-29  
NOOMA Group 01, Book 001-004 is designed to accompany the NOOMA Group 01 DVD and is intended to facilitate discussions based on the themes and questions raised in NOOMA Films 001-004. NOOMA Book 001-004 helps viewers delve more deeply and meaningfully into the issues raised in NOOMA Films 001-004: 001 Rain, 002 Flame, 003 Trees, and 004 Sunday. Viewers will explore and discuss issues such as where God is in the midst of our pain, the deeper meanings of the word "love", whether or not our lives have any real significance, and the possibility that we get so blinded by religion that we miss out on what God truly wants. Watch the films with friends, open the book, and together begin to search, question, and join the discussion.