

Francesca Battistelli's Mom: How to Recognize When God Has 'Dared' You

Several times throughout her life, Kate Battistelli says, God put opportunities in front of her that made no sense. Though she never believed she was equipped to carry out those tasks, Battistelli allowed God to work through her and do things she never dreamed she could.

The mother of Grammy Award-winning Christian artist Francesca Battistelli, Kate Battistelli performed one of the lead roles in more than 1,000 shows of *The King and I*, one of the most beloved Broadway musicals of all time. Saying she had no little to no writing talent, she has now also written two books, the first of which fared well in the Christian literary circles.

In her latest, *The God Dare*, she chronicles all the times God has "dared" her during her life to come up higher and do the things that He has willed for her.

"If God is insistent, like he was with Moses, then you really don't have a choice, do you?" Battistelli told Dr. Steve Greene on a recent episode of "Greenelines" on the Charisma Podcast Network. "It's pretty comical to me to think, *How do you say no to God?* But people do it all the time.

"One of the things for me was writing my first book, *Growing Great Kids*, because I wasn't a writer and had no platform. I fought with Him and said no and gave him every excuse in the world why I couldn't do it. But that's the key. If God calls you to do it, then He will equip you. When it makes no sense and it's scary and it's crazy, then it's probably God."

For more of Kate Battistelli's daring story, listen to the

podcast below.