

How the Cross Can Reshape Your Storm-Tossed Home

Why do our families have so much power over us? In his latest book, “The Storm-Tossed Family: How the Cross Reshapes the Home” (on sale September 15 from B&H Books), bestselling author Dr. Russell Moore explores how family makes us who we are and how understanding this can liberate us to live without fear.

A longtime pastor, a former dean of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and current president of the Southern Baptist Convention’s Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission, Moore brings theological insight and pastoral approach to this most sensitive of topics.

“Understanding the family starts first not at the dinner table or in a honeymoon suite, but at the cross,” said Moore. “We can be free to be family when we see how God designed families but also how these families point beyond our individual stories to the ultimate story of our lives—the gospel.”

“The Storm-Tossed Family” blends biblical teaching with everyday stories, giving readers invaluable biblical perspective on such issues as:

- ·Marriage, sexuality and fidelity
- ·Divorce, abuse and broken relationships
- ·Parenting, discipline and bonding
- ·Trauma, generational sin and healing
- ·The church itself as the family of God
- ·How family is not, and cannot, be ultimate for the Christian

This is far from Moore’s first foray into questions of family life and human sexuality. As the father of five, his eldest two were adopted from Russia, he made a compelling case for

adoption in 2009's *Adopted for Life: The Priority of Adoption for Christian Families*.

Moore also authored *Onward: Engaging the Culture without Losing the Gospel*, which was both a ECPA Bestseller and 2016 Christianity Today's Book of the Year.

The Wall Street Journal has called Moore "vigorous, cheerful and fiercely articulate." He was named in 2017 to *Politico* Magazine's list of top 50 influence-makers in Washington and has been profiled by such publications as the *Washington Post*, *The New Yorker* and the *Weekly Standard*.

Moore speaks with a voice that is at once generous and incisive, compassionate and convicting. He calls his fellow believers to a radical new path, one where family is neither everything nor nothing, but one of many means by which God calls us to recognize our own brokenness and receive his unending grace.

"The gospel shape of the family is why a book on the family is not just for those with, or who are hoping for, families," said Moore. "The admonitions on marriage and parenting in the New Testament, for example, are not given simply to husbands or wives or children but in the hearing of the whole congregation. That's because we are called to bear one another's burdens, to help one another and to hold one another accountable. Your marriage matters to me. My sexual purity matters to you. Our parenting joys and failures affect the whole church, and thus the rest of the world." {eoa}

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