

Redemption

Telling his story in *Redemption: A Rebellious Spirit, A Praying Mother, and the Unlikely Path to Olympic Gold*, Olympic athlete Bryan Clay hailed from inauspicious and troubled beginnings to ascend to athletic prowess and stardom.

Clay, who has garnered a 2008 gold medal and a 2004 silver medal in the decathlon, grew up in a contentious, drug-abusing and fractured household, having no hope of being a professional athlete. His parents divorced at a formative age, and Clay became an angry youth. His waywardness followed him to Azusa Pacific University, where he continued to sow his wild oats yet also grow in his love of track and field.

This autobiography is the story of an “unlikely champion,” a praying mother and a young man who chose to reexamine his priorities and relationship with God. By eventually “putting God first,” Clay learned discipline and commitment. Now a husband and father, he also created his own foundation to offer hope, guidance and self-confidence to children. *Redemption* is an authentic story of conversion and transformation that will touch a diverse readership.