

Totally Forgiving God

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R.T. Kendall, who spent 25 years as pastor of London's famous Westminster Chapel, completes his trilogy on forgiveness with his most recent offering, *Totally Forgiving God: When It Seems He Has Betrayed You*.

As Christians journey through life, they must learn how to forgive others, themselves—and even God.

His book concludes that the problem and inevitability of evil and suffering—coupled with God's seeming hiddenness or absence—is a truly vexing phenomenon for the believer. Yet Kendall explains that we can arrive at one of two choices: 1) to conclude that God is nonexistent or 2) to ask God why He allows suffering.

No amount of academic theology can bring comfort to the hurting. Given this, Kendall takes a different route, sensitively drawing upon his own personal losses and using examples of life's enigmas as well as biblical illustrations, which include the sufferings of Jesus and Paul.

What's more, Kendall draws deep from Job's and Habakkuk's experiences of pain, doubt, questioning and faith. He explains that unforgiveness leads to a host of physical and spiritual maladies, and notes that we must forgive God for the sake of our own character development.

Written with refreshing honesty, *Totally Forgiving God* will truly comfort those who feel as if the ways of God don't make sense.