NOT WORTH SAVING

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READER'S GUIDE

Overall Prompt Questions

When reading through the book, ask yourself two basic questions about each chapter:

- What are the lessons learned in this chapter?
- How do they apply to the context of my life, church, community and/or world?

25 Self-Guided Questions

Page	Questions to Contemplate				
5	When has God made sense out of something non-sensical in your life?				
6	 Who is in your village of supporters? Do they come from different "states"in other words, from different areas of your life? What makes a good citizen in your village? 				
20	 When did light pierce the darkness in your life? How has God created good in any particular situation in your life? 				
21	 How have you recovered from a major loss in your life? What were the most effective approaches? How has God shown you that with Him all is possible? 				
22	 How does/should the role of the church change in good or bad times? Is it changing now? 				
23	 Do you know anyone who has left the faith and then come back to it? What pushed them away? Was it something large or small? What drew them back? 				
24	 Who is the "Other Rock" in your life? Do you have more than one rock, perhaps for different situations in your life? 				
27	Have you ever experienced "white-coat syndrome," where you accepted a doctor's authority but should have questioned it further?				
31	Have you ever accepted responsibility or felt guilty about something that wasn't really your problem?				

33	How has a quality-of-life decision led to an end-of-life decision in your life, for example with a person or a pet?					
34	 If no father would want harm to come to a child, where do you think God is when someone gets sick? Why do you think bad things happen to good people? 					
35	 When was a time when you didn't know exactly what you were doing or where you were going, but you still kept smiling? How did it work out? 					
38	What would be the song of your life?What would be the key refrain?					
39	 Whom do you know who inspires the impossible? Have you ever put blinders on and just selfishly thought of yourself and/or your family even though God was calling you to action? 					
42	 When did you have your eyes wide open to God? What were the benefits of that awareness? What were the drawbacks that concerned you? 					
47	 Are you being called to rest or to act? What gives you the belief that the worst is never the last? What good has come from a bad situation in your life? 					
50	When did you allow or not allow God into your life?What were the consequences?					
54	What are some examples from your own life for each line of the "Life Is" poem?					
78	 Has your prayer ever been answered before you even finished praying, such as having an immediate insight into the right path forward? 					
88	How do each of the 9 maxims about suffering apply to your life?					
90	 Have you ever "bargained" with God? What was the outcome? Is it ever appropriate to "bargain" with God? 					
96	 When has your faith been tested and then strengthened even more? Have you ever used that experience in witness with others? 					
98	 When in your life did you succeed because you "put your own oxygen mask on first" and took care of yourself before others? 					
107	 Instead of "giving until it hurts," have you ever tried "giving until it stopped hurting"? What was the result? 					
142	What gifts are you giving in your life?					