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FOREWORD

I suppose God had inspired me to write this book many years ago. It had always been my desire to marry before knowing a man intimately, but unfortunately this was not the case. Years of thinking, “If only” and a challenge from a godly woman, led me to search my heart and pray about how I could possibly speak into young girls’ hearts before they make the same mistake - sin. God has now given me the privilege to do just that. It gives me great pleasure to introduce you to this devotional with the hope that you would refer to it often, if not daily! Let your physical and spiritual eyes search these pages for solid truths and legitimacy; lining it up with God’s Word and Principles, Acts 17:11.

This is the first of seven devotionals. *Solid Foundation* is written for women of all ages. My heart’s desire is that you would hear the voice of God, understand His Word, and live before Him with pure motives.

Best Friends

Did you know that your choice of friends defines who you are? It has been said that you can tell a lot about a person by their friends. Did you know that God has a lot to say about those whom you call friends? Okay, if you say Jesus is your best friend, what are your other friends like? Are they friends who want to see you excel at everything you do? Are they friends who encourage you to go deeper in God's Word, or are they friends who discourage you and tend to pull you back into old sinful ways? The Bible is clear when it comes to friends. It asks tough questions such as, *Can two walk together unless they are agreed?*

It describes a friend as one who prays for you, who speaks with godly wisdom and whose kindness is always evident (Job 42:10). Being friends with someone who does not love the Lord, well, how can they truly be your friend? A friend should be someone you know intimately and one whose counsel is rooted in the word of God. The choice is clear Beloved, if you have chosen to walk with Jesus; those whom you call friends will desire to walk with Him too!

*Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers.
For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness?
And what communion has light with darkness?*

2 Corinthians 6:14

Born Again

Cherish the fact that the God of the universe, lives inside of you. And through His infinite wisdom and patience He waited for you to open your mind and heart to accept Him. What's truly amazing is that if you were the only person living on earth, He still would have died, just for you! God sent His only begotten Son, Jesus, to die for us even while we were yet sinners! What an awesome and loving God we serve to have saved us out of darkness into His marvelous light! Stop right now, breathe deeply, and drink in the knowledge that you are loved; born again. You, Dear One, are set aside for His good pleasure! If you have been drawn to this book and you do not have a personal relationship with Jesus, you are a sinner. But, there is "good news". By saying the following prayer and believing it in your heart, you can receive Jesus, right now!

Lord Jesus, I believe You are the Son of God. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. Please forgive my sins and give me the gift of eternal life. I ask You to come into my life, come into my heart to be my Lord and Savior. (Romans 10:9-10)

Your Heavenly Father hears you! Now thank Him and tell another person of your recent decision. If you do not have anyone to share this good news with, please drop me a note, my email address is in the back of this book. I'd love to hear from you, but most importantly, I want to pray for you. May the Lord pour into you His infinite wisdom and knowledge of His Word.

I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.

John 11:25

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