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“God chooses what we go through. We choose how we go through it.”

Become a SUPER Single Parent

Recommended Reading List for Single Parents & Potential Step-Families

▪ *Try to read at least 1 book every three months – that’s only 3 pages a day for 10 minutes a day* ▪

Single Parents

Single Parenting for Dummies by Marion Peterson and Diane Warner
Dating and the Single Parent by Ron L. Deal
The Five Love Languages—Singles Edition by Dr. Gary Chapman
Kickin’ Butt as a Single Parent by Bill McLeod
Overwhelmed—The Life of a Single Mom by Jennifer Barnes Maggio
My Single Mom Life by Angela Thomas
Hope & Help for the Single Mom—The 21 Principles of a Healthy Single Mom by Lori Little
The Single Parent Resource by Brook Noel with Art Klein
Chicken Soup for the Single Parent’s Soul by Jack Canfield & Mark Victor Hansen
Part Time Dad Full Time Heart by Keith M. Jowers
Single Parenting That Works by Dr. Kevin Leman
When “I Do” Becomes “I Don’t”: Practical Steps for Healing During Separation & Divorce by Laura Petherbridge
Formerly a Wife by Welby O’Brien
7 Pitfalls of Single Parenting by Carolyn B. Ellis
Surviving Single Parenting by Dawn Isenhardt
Twenty Things Adopted Kids Wish Their Adopting Parents Knew by Sherrie Eldridge
The Switching Hour: Kids of Divorce Say Good-Bye Again by Evon O. Flesberg

Parenting

Parenting by The Book by John Rosemond
The Five Love Languages of Children by Dr. Gary Chapman
Bringing Out The Winner In Your Child by John Croyle with Ken Abraham
Kids and the Single Mom by Jennifer Barnes Maggio
1-2-3 Magic for Christian Parents by Thomas W. Phelan PH.D. & Chris Webb M.S.,M.A.
Strong Fathers, Strong Daughters by Meg Meeker
The One Minute Father by Spencer Johnson, M.D.
The One Minute Mother by Spencer Johnson, M.D.

Step / Blended / Blending Families

The Smart Step-Family by Ron L. Deal
The Smart Stepmom by Ron L. Deal & Laura Petherbridge
The Smart Stepdad by Ron L. Deal
Loving Your Stepfamily: The Art of Making Your Blending Family Work by Dr. Donald Partridge
Saving Your Second Marriage Before It Starts by Drs. Les and Leslie Parrott
Making Your Second Marriage A First-Class Success by Doug and Naomi Moseley
Living In a Step-Family Without Getting Stepped On by Dr. Kevin Leman
When Your Parent Remarries Late in Life by Terri P. Smith with James M. Harper, PH.D.

Spiritual / Faith

The Bible

Financial

Total Money Makeover by Dave Ramsey
The Complete Financial Guide for Single Parents by Larry Burkett

Books can be dangerous. The best ones should be labeled “This could change your life.” Helen Exley



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Marriage

The Sacred Search by Gary Thomas

The Sacred Marriage by Gary Tomas

Separation

Hope For The Separated: Wounded Marriage Can Be Healed by Dr. Gary Chapman

Cohabitation

Living Together—Myths, Risks & Answers by Mike & Harriet McManus

Before You Live Together: Will Living Together Bring You Closer or Drive You Apart? By David Gudgel

The Sacred Search—What If It's Not About Who You Marry, But Why? by Gary Thomas

General

How to Survive the Loss of a Love by Harold Bloomfield, Melba Colgrove & Peter McWilliams

Rebuilding—When Your Relationship Ends by Dr. Bruce Fisher & Dr. Robert Alberti

Who Moved My Cheese by Spencer Johnson, M.D.

Boundaries by Dr. Henry Cloud and Dr. John Townsend

The Best Question Ever by Andy Stanley

The Principle of the Path by Andy Stanley

Shattered Dreams by Larry Crabb

Experiencing Grief by H. Norman Wright