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**A sympathetic, compassionate, and inspiring guide for parents, from the founders of one of the first Christian ministries for parents of LGBTQ children.**

Greg and Lynn McDonald had never interacted with members of the LGBTQ community until they discovered that their son was gay—and without resources or support, they had no idea how to handle this discovery. At first they tried to “fix” him, to no avail. But even in the earliest days of their journey, the McDonalds clung to two absolutes: they would love God, and they would love their son.

This book follows the McDonald family’s journey over the next twenty years, from a place of grief to a place of gratitude and acceptance that led the McDonalds’ to start one of the first Christian ministries for parents of LGBTQ children. Based on their experience from counseling and coaching hundreds of struggling Christian parents, they offer tools for understanding your own emotional patterns and spiritual challenges. They also help you experience a deeper relationship with God while handling difficult or unexpected situations that are out of your control. You will discover tested principles, patterns, and spiritual lessons that can change the way we all see our families, and help Christians at large think through Christ-like ways to respond to the LGBTQ community.

Written in an unvarnished, honest, reassuring, and relatable voice, this is a practical guide for parents and a roadmap to learning to love God, the people He created, and the church, even when they seem to be at odds.

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## **Linda Robertson says**

If you are a Christian parent whose child has recently come out to you, please, please take the time to read this account of Greg and Lynn's efforts to reconcile their faith in Jesus Christ with their desire to love their son well. Had my husband and I found a book like this after our 12-year-old son came out back in 2001, it very well would have changed everything. We would have recognized ourselves in the McDonalds' fears and anxieties, and through their gentle promptings learned to listen both to God's voice and to the cries of our child rather than hearing only our own panicked thinking.

This unflinchingly honest & humble telling effectively demonstrates how so many of us who love our children [passionately] can, unintentionally, cause grievous harm because of our desire to obey God's Word and to see that our children do, as well. If you want to remain committed to your faith while also preserving your relationship with your child, friend or family member, set aside a few hours to consider what Greg & Lynn have learned. What you discover might just save a life.

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