

# WALKING TOGETHER? TWO LEFT FEET

Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

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To Tina for the lovely pictures, she takes that made  
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## DEDICATION

This Book is dedicated to all those in relationships or are thinking about being in one.

It is so important to make the right choice as you move forward in a relationship. It is a life time commitment and quite a bit of work.

If you are both working with the same foot it could be very tedious and just will not work.

Always take lots of thought before you jump in.

May this book give you some pointers and insight into how important life decisions can be.

## INTRODUCTION

Being married 4 times and in a relationship before that for 12 years I learned so much. I realized that moving too fast and thinking I had all the answers would make my life easier, well I was so wrong.

I am writing this book to hopefully save others from going through the heartache I went through because of my own desire for a happy relationship and life.

It took many years and tears to realize that I first had to love God, then myself first, and do what was best for me before I could make the right decisions.

If I could only go back to the early days and do things differently, I know my life would have been so much different than it is today.

I pray this book brings you some answers to your questions, doubts, failures, and happiness.

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## WHAT IS A RELATIONSHIP?

Now I am talking about a man and a woman relationship.... A relationship is a union between two people who are committed to making the other person happy. Not a relationship where one person takes and never gives, but one that they work together to set goals, share their life and try to make the other person happy.

As many know if you have read some of my other books you will see now that I have given my life over to the Lord, I love Him with all my heart and when I went through different things in my life, I knew HE was always there for me, no matter what. I failed Him many times but He always took me back and loved me. Which I had never experienced in any relationship. Now don't get me wrong, I had wonderful parents and I knew that I was loved. Life at times wasn't easy growing up but non the less I KNEW I was loved, so I knew the feeling of being loved and I guess I went searching for it.

You know how they say looking for love in all the wrong places, well that was me. I didn't want to take any advice at all when I was told they were the wrong person for me. Thinking I was much smarter than I was I carried on with my life doing what I wanted to do. Often times I sit now and wonder what my life

would have been if I had only listened to Mom and Dad... I know it would have been much different in many ways. Strange how as a teen you really think you know it all but sadly you don't. Just listen... its pretty easy to do...and it will make such a difference in your life.

There are other books out that I have written on my life so I'm not going to do too much writing about me... lol but I do want to talk about how we can get caught up with the wrong person and it can be very hard to get out of it. Brings a lot of heartache to yourself and to others around you.

I remember knowing this lady years ago, I used to go to her house and drink tea with her. She met this younger man and they got married. It all seemed like a good relationship at first, but then I saw things change. She became real bossy with him and honestly he was a pretty cool guy. Loved his work and was very faithful to her. He had taken his vows very seriously and the more I went over there I started to wonder if she had or did she have a motive in marrying this man. As time went by and three little boys later, I started to see so much change in her. Hubby would walk in the door and she started yelling, "Take the kids out, change their diapers first, and hurry up I am hungry and you are cooking" Did I just hear that right I thought... Yes it was right... She became a bossy nag. I couldn't

believe my ears that day and he just smiled and got the boys together and did exactly what she said. It never works when one person in a relationship has to take all the responsibility for everything and this poor man seemed to have it all. I found that I couldn't sit with her anymore as I lost all respect for her and her ways, but it opened my eyes to the way some people are treated.

**LADIES...** If you got a good working man take care of him... Make the supper, do the laundry, there are just too many men who can mistreat you so don't take advantage of anyone.

**MEN....** If you are in a situation like this because of maybe the children please realize that the children are watching this and are being affected by it all.

Well I am not here to tell anyone what to do, but I am here to let you know how important it is to pick the right person to be with.

People always told me there was a honeymoon period in a relationship, I never believed it until I experienced it first hand. When you date, each person is on their best behavior, they are happy, smile a lot and it seems so perfect, it may go on for a long time like that **BUT** If you should have sex with them it may change sooner than what you



think. The sexual act between two causes a chemical change which reflects on the behavior of the person. Woman or Men lose respect for the other and within a short time it can be devastating. A woman thinks she is giving him her all but that should only be done after the marriage. It sounds like old school huh? But, it is true, It's like eating chocolate cake, a slice is great but when you sit and eat the whole cake you may not want chocolate cake again for a while.

I was shocked a few months ago when a Christian man asked me out.. Now I honestly don't date right now as I have so much on the go. When I refused (in a nice way of course) He messaged me saying that woman were like an old car and had to be driven first before a relationship.... HmMMM Did he think I was like an old car? Hahaha He said you never buy a used car until you take it for a drive... YIKES it seemed to get worse... I was so glad I had turned down the dinner and stayed away from him. See, we really got to think ahead before we make a move.

When I dedicated my life to the Lord and I mean fully dedicated, not just playing around I made up my mind that the next person I was going out with would be the one that God had planned for me and not me picking the person. I sure was glad my

stomach told me to stay away from this man, also I may have got the bill for the dinner too... haha

## LIFE PASSES QUICKLY

Our life can pass so quickly and yet we look back and wonder where it went too. Each decision we make must be made with wisdom and caution.

Look ahead at the situation first before you get involved. Do they have kids? How many? Is it a package deal? Can you handle the fact that you will be sharing him? So many questions and before you get involved be sure you think it over good. It will only hurt you or him/her if you date for awhile and then have to end it.

These days relationships are so casual, most don't want marriage and just want to be able to have sex when they want it. If you find someone who is hinting at that then you know they are not the right one for you.

My Bible tells me that anyone who has sex before marriage in definitely not going to heaven. Now you may not care and that is your decision but it will be costly. I'm not here to preach at you either, just to talk about relationships that could be damaging.

Looking back I remember getting engaged to this real nice guy (woops) lol well he was at the beginning. 30 days after we were married, I became his wife, cook, housecleaner, and he told me what to wear, how to do my hair, take off my make up etc. etc. I can't really blame him for it all but he sure did change after I said "I DO"... And guess what? The preachers wife told me when I showed her my engagement ring not to marry him. I was shocked that day coming out of church but I did look back and say maybe she knew more than I did and I should have listened to what she had said.

See other people can look at your situation and see things that you can't because you are so in love with the person, but always listen to what friends or family say to you, weigh it over and take time to pray over it too. They just might be right.

## THE COVER

Do you like the feet? I love them. When Tina took this picture I know it really wasn't for a book but each time I looked at those feet I kept thinking how they are both left feet... Now most of us know if we were made to have two left feet we would probably not be able to walk real good, we surely would be off balance in some way and it always made me think of being in a relationship with the

wrong person. We would both be off balance in some way and to try to build on a relationship like that would be a disaster. Can you look back at some of your relationships and see that you both had left feet? Lol maybe it is just me, but it sure made sense to me. Now I did try to google, the differences of the feet, but it came up with some crazy thoughts so I left all that alone. When we use google we think we will get all the answers but many times we only get someone else's thoughts on a matter.

God made us special and has our body designed to work in the best way possible so I guess I will just leave it up to Him. Lol

## DAILY INPUT

You know it is strange to me many times that I get the same questions from women and men about relationships.

1. Why doesn't he call?
2. Why does she nag?
3. I need space but can't get it.
4. He won't listen to me.
5. She talks too much.
6. He is always wanted to go out with his friends.

7. She spends too much money
8. I love my job she seems jealous
9. He never helps me around the house

These are just a few things that are mentioned to me and then they ask for prayer for their spouse. **BUT**, did you ever think that maybe they need prayer? Now if you know me, you will know I am very blunt and straight to the point. I don't like to mince my words .. lol bad at times though, but that is what I am like. If we could only think of the other person before ourselves things may change.

One lady said her husband doesn't like her dinners that she cooks.... Hmmmm Well I said "Why don't you try cooking his favorite meal?" Her response was **WHY DO I HAVE TO COOK ALL THE TIME...** haha I could see that I wasn't getting anywhere and the prayer really was for her to change and not for him to eat her dinners.

So much can happen if we make the wrong choices in life and especially with a relationship.

## DEGRADING

Have you ever been in a situation where the boyfriend, husband, wife, girlfriend were also talking negative to you? Now I am sure you know what I mean.. they may say... I will call you back and never do for days... or Why didn't you answer the phone, you are always busy with someone else and not me..... Take a minute and think about this. If they say this to you before you put that ring on your finger what will they say afterwards to you? You may be laughing at what I am saying and also thinking it will never happen to you but I can almost guarantee it. One of the reasons they treat you like this is they have already lost respect for you and know that if they don't call you that you will call them back. They got you all figured out. Now this goes for both males and females. Or do you ever wonder why they call you late at night after the day is over? Say around 10 pm? That is cause it is the Bootie Call... They get lonely, sexual and want to talk to the opposite sex, maybe more if allowed.

I pastored a church in Pennsylvania for a while and also here where I stay now and I see where Preachers must educate people on every aspect of life. The Bible is a living book

with so many interesting stories and truths and covers most of our questions, it tells us how to live to be happy. Just take the 10

Commandments for instance. I have heard many say that God is trying to make them live a miserable life but if you go over them with an open mind you will see where He is protecting you from so much hurt. You murder someone you end up on death row or doing life. You commit adultery you could lose your family, home, kids etc. You lie, you only got to tell more lies to cover up the first. See life is just like that.

The Bible talks about not getting involved with the wrong person, at the end of this book I am going to put some scriptures to back up what I am saying. God always tries to protect us from the hurts that we cause ourselves and the many tears that we shed. I am not writing this book to preach at you, I just hope that you don't waste the years I have wasted on choosing the wrong person to spend your life with. Once my mom was sitting on the couch writing. I saw her face as she wrote and asked her what she was writing... she said "I am writing down the years you have wasted on relationships" YIKES there were years? When she read it back to me I almost fainted, I had wasted so

many years and then I thought “WHY ME?” But I found out pretty quickly that it was really my own fault for choosing or should I say maybe compromising in different areas to make the relationship work. I had failed miserably and I knew it, but I didn’t know what to do to make my life different. I see it now.... First I think I tried too hard to change my spouse. I saw heir faults but didn’t believe that they were really like that and I thought if I was a good person and gave them all they wanted that things would be different, but it wasn’t. See, things don’t work that way. Yes we are supposed to love them and do what we can for them but we are also not meant to be a door mat for anyone. I’m sure you know what I mean. We allow people to abuse us, to degrade us and to make us feel not worth anything. Now this is not only for woman it is for the men too. We must love ourselves and respect ourselves or no one will respect us.

Over and over I have seen a nice person get thrown to the curb because they tried too hard to be in a relationship with someone. It never worked because they had no respect for themselves at all and the other person could see it in them. We must love ourselves first, now that doesn’t mean you get so high and



mighty that you think you are the greatest, but it does mean that you are important too and are worth something.

You may have been in a relationship before that failed or maybe even been raised in a house where you were told that you would never amount to anything and it has left you thinking that you are not worthy of a happy life. That is all garbage and you have to bring yourself out of it or you will end up living like that the rest of your life believing you just are not good enough for happiness.

I have heard people say every time I do something that makes me happy it ends up falling apart and I get hurt or I just don't even try anymore because I am sick and tired of crying over people that I cared about. Do you see the pattern. It seems to be a life long thing that has jumped on your back to keep you down and you are allowing it to happen. Well today is the day you stop, stop all the negative thinking, the running yourself down and feeling that you will never accomplish anything. Today is going to be a **NEW DAY** for you.

## HOW DO YOU DO IT?

Well, It is going to take time to retrain your mind, the Bible talks about renewing your mind and that is what it is going to be like. Whenever you have a negative thought you are going to catch yourself from speaking it and say something positive.

Now I am not going to go into details about one of my relationships but I am going to tell you a little just so you know you are not alone in your thinking. I was there too at one time. I met someone when I was 15 years old, so sweet so kind and so deceiving too, but I didn't see it right away. We dated for three months and he was such a gentleman I thought I had found Mr. Right, but I had found Mr. Wrong and didn't even see it. One night I got a call from the police saying they had picked him up drunk and could I come and get him and take him home and he would not be charged. I was 16 and did have my own car, had a good job too and when I heard those words about him I just couldn't believe it. When I arrived at the police station two officers came out holding both his arms to help him walk to my car, he was drunker than a skunk as they say. I drove him to his

apartment which was a little one behind this old ladies house, got him inside and helped him to the bed. He looked like he had passed out so I quietly walked to the door to go home. I just got my hand on the door handle when he jumped up grabbed me from behind and beat me bad. I lay on the floor with two black eyes, bloody nose and swollen lips. I was in shock, no one had ever done that to me before and I didn't know why. I lay there crying as he passed out again. I called my mom and said something terrible had happened and I wouldn't be coming home that night. The terrible thing that happened was that I had got beat up. I called work the next day and told them I was taking a few days off as I was sick..... Not Sick.... Just my face was a mess and my body ached. In the morning when he got up he apologized and said he didn't know what had happened. Looking back I see I was way too young to be in any relationship and I found myself saying it was ok. IT WASN'T OK... I was hurt and was allowing him to abuse me... You may be in the same situation and you may be a lot older than I was too. That began a cycle of abuse that lasted till I was 27 years old. Some of my other books has the full story of the hell I lived in for all those years. But I wanted you

to know that my self esteem was gone, I hated myself and wanted to die. He would always say it was my fault that he beat me and call me all these worthless names, the more abuse I took the more I got into the feeling of I wasn't worth anything. Years, Tears and living a lie, see no one knew what I was going through. I didn't want my family to know cause I was scared of him and he said he would hurt them bad if I told anyone. It was a terrible way to live yet I lived it and you may be living it too. There is HOPE though, Nothing or No one is worth being with and letting them abuse you or drag you down to their level.

You maybe are just dating and he is acting like this, or you may have even married him/her and you are going through physical abuse, I know men who have been attacked in many ways too, so it just isn't the woman. BUT it is your life and you need to get it back. You need happiness and joy and FREEDOM to live the life you have always wanted to live. There are people out here who are not like that and will love you just because you are you. You just have to meet them and you will when you start to renew your mind.

I spoke a year ago to an elderly lady who had grown children, she told me how her husband was beating her and had ever since they had got married. I asked why she had not left him.

She said right after the marriage she got pregnant and had 4 little children one right after the other. She stayed with him as she didn't feel she could get a job and take care of the kids too. She spent her whole life in misery. When I got off the phone with her my heart was broken, see I knew what she was going through. Even when we were on the phone he came into the room and yelled at her and asked who she was talking too. The tone of his voice rang in my ears and my heart was so heavy for her. She was such a wonderful lady and it was only 2 weeks later she passed away in her 75<sup>th</sup> year ... How sad that her whole life had been like that. She didn't have the strength to leave the abuse and now it was too late.

You are either sitting there saying that is terrible or you are sitting there saying that I am talking about you, but you don't know what to do to make a change. First love yourself and realize that God loves you even more. So many Christians say "GOD LOVES YOU" but they don't understand that we can't

understand what they are talking about because we have never been loved by anyone and it is so hard for us to fathom that God who we have never seen could really love us. We tend to blame ourselves for the situation we are in and just like that lady who passed we stay in the abusive relationship till we die.

How can all this change? Well whether you are 16 years old or 76 years old you are worth something. You may not have friends or family who care, but **YOU ARE SPECIAL**. You were born for a purpose, God's plan was that you have a great life on earth as well as in heaven, and it certainly isn't God's plan to have you suffer. There is a scripture that talks about satan wanting to kill, steal and destroy us.. steal our life our joy our future. Don't let him take any more of your life. Make a change today.

See how important a relationship is from the very beginning? We tend to look at the outside appearance of someone and think that this would be the best person for us and yet we didn't take a few minutes to look at their insides and what makes them tick. It is so important to check every detail of their life out and don't let your emotion do it for you, use

your brains. Ask God for some wisdom if you feel you don't have any.

## HAVE YOU GIVEN YOUR LIFE TO JESUS?

This is for you.... When you surrender your life, you become a new person. The Holy Spirit comes and lives inside of you to give you strength to renew your mind, change your thought life and get the strength you need to move forward and love yourself.

We have an adversary = the devil who does not want you to succeed. He knows you have given your soul to Jesus and he wants it back to take you to hell with him. Don't be deceived, and use wisdom. We are in a fight each day, to survive, we can either give up or move forward with God's help for a brighter future.

After asking Christ to take over your life, don't compromise in any way, sexual, giving money, going to places that you know will only lead to trouble, drinking, drugs, etc. You know the things I am talking about but what we do (I did) was make excuses that it is not really that bad and won't hurt me if I go just once, or do it just once. Life is real my friend and it will open a door that may even take your life.

Our Relationship should first start with God, believe He gave His Son Jesus to die on the cross for your sins and mine and get into the word of God and find out all about Him and what can happen to us if we trust Him. Always remember that your soul is at stake here. We are not promised a lot of days down here and eternity is forever. God planned for us to be happy and live a prosperous life on earth.

We all long to have someone in our life to love us and that we can love them back, we are programmed as children that this is what we are to reach for as we grow up. Prince Charming will come and give us that kiss that will make our life complete, sadly it doesn't work that way. We do have a Destiny that God had planned for us and all we got to do is trust Him and make the right choices. Are you willing to try? I sure hope so.

I guess my parting words are that **YOU ARE IMPORTANT...** and God has a great plan for your life and **PRAYER WORKS...**

Always remember the **TWO LEFT FEET** on this cover. Pretty nice looking feet but it would be pretty hard to walk around with them, we would only trip and fall I am sure.



As you read this book I want you to know that every book that goes out we pray over it and ask God to bless every one who reads them. Just know you are being prayed over and God will definitely bring you happiness if you are willing to let Him.

I am going to add some scriptures now for you to read and remember if you really want joy in your life, turn your life over to the Lord. God sent His Son Jesus to die on the cross for YOU.. If you had been the only one He would have still done it. Now that is real love. We have many books that we will send free to you if you would like to read them. Please contact us and let us know how you are doing.

### The Value of a Friend

Two are better than one,  
Because they have a good reward for their  
labor.  
For if they fall, one will lift up his companion.  
But woe to him who is alone when he falls,  
For he has no one to help him up.

Again, if two lie down together, they will keep  
warm;  
But how can one be warm alone?  
Though one may be overpowered by another,  
two can withstand him.  
And a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

### 1 Corinthians 13

Though I speak with the tongues of men and  
of angels, and have not charity, I am become  
as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

2And though I have the gift of prophecy, and  
understand all mysteries, and all knowledge;  
and though I have all faith, so that I could  
remove mountains, and have not charity, I am  
nothing.

3And though I bestow all my goods to feed the  
poor, and though I give my body to be  
burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me  
nothing.

4Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity  
envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not  
puffed up,

5Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

6Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

7Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

8Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.

9For we know in part, and we prophesy in part.

10But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

11When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

12For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

13And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

1 Corinthians 16:14 - Let all your things be done with charity.

1 John 4:8 - He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

John 13:34-35 - A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

Colossians 3:14 - And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

John 15:13 - Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

John 3:16 - For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

1 John 4:19 - We love him, because he first loved us.

1 John 4:7 - Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

1 Peter 4:8 - And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.

John 14:15 - If ye love me, keep my commandments.

1 John 4:18 - There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

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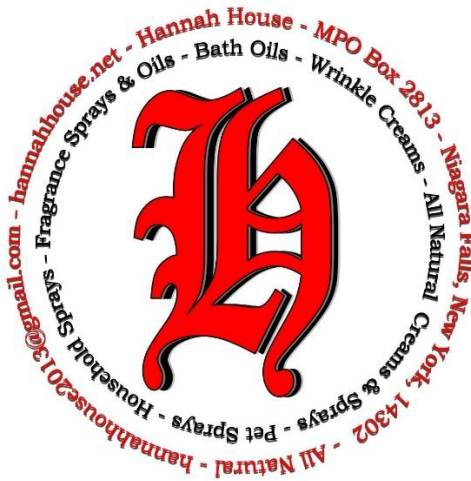
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