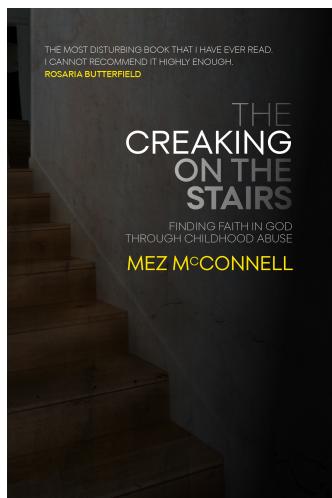


The Creaking on the Stairs

Finding Faith in God Through Childhood Abuse

Mez McConnell

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DESCRIPTION

This is a book that has no easy answers and will offer none. This is a book that tries to get behind the tough questions of why God permits such abuses to occur in this world. Using his own story of childhood abuse, Mez McConnell tells us about a God who is just, sovereign and loving. A good father who knows the pain of rejection and abuse, who hates evil, who can bring hope even in the darkest place.

MARKETING POINTS

Works through Mez's own story

For victims of child abuse

Victims & perpetrators can find love & forgiveness in Christ

AUTHOR

Mez McConnell is the pastor of Grace Church Orkney. He is also the Director of 20schemes which is dedicated to revitalising and planting gospel churches in Scotland's poorest communities. Previously he was a missionary with street kids in Brazil. He is married and has three children.

ENDORSEMENTS

Raw. Real. Redemptive. The story of Mez McConnell's childhood abuse, interestingly, neither centres on himself or his tormentors, but rather on God's good and sovereign providence, and a suffering Saviour who gave himself for Mez, and all who trust in him. It could have been just crushing, but instead it is filled with hope.

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For those who have been acquainted with abuse, a new song of freedom and healing will resonate as you hear the message of Jesus' work on the cross. Mez has carefully crafted a theologically rich, pastorally gentle, Christ-exalting tool. This is much needed in Christ's global church. Get it, read it, teach it, and heed it.

Doug Logan, Jr

Director of the Diversity Initiative, *Acts 29* & Co-director of *Church in Hard Places*

With honesty and grace, Mez McConnell weaves together the scope of his abuse and recovery with the scope of Jesus' person and work. In short, accessible chapters he outlines the hope of the Gospel available to both survivors and abusers. Highly recommended.

Eric M. Schumacher

Podcaster; songwriter; author, '*Ours: Biblical Comfort for Men Grieving Miscarriages*'

... a painfully raw, sweetly pastoral, and deeply theological word to those who have suffered abuse. This is a book that will speak to the hearts of many, and that will also open the hearts of many to understand the ravages of abuse and the healing power of the Saviour. You don't just read this book; you experience it.

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