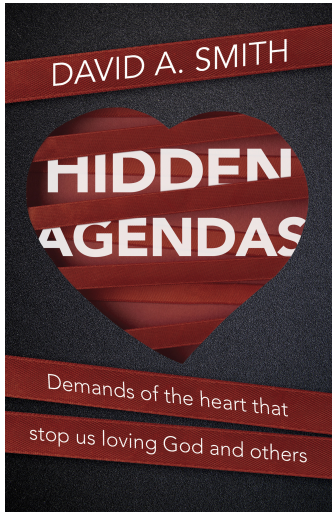
# Hidden Agendas

## Demands of the Heart that Stop Us Loving God and Others

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**DESCRIPTION**

This book lifts the lid on the human heart, seeking to uncover the hidden agendas that stop us from loving God and others as we should. David Smith uses four biblical pictures to help us consider these agendas that are often hidden so deep within our hearts that we are unaware of them. Using examples from the Bible, he uncovers the desire to be significant; to have certainty; the desire to have peace, safety, and security; and the desire for our own fulfilment. David helpfully finishes the book with guidance on how to journey towards the heart agendas God wants us to have.

**MARKETING POINTS**

Examines desires common to all human hearts

Desire for significance, certainty, security, fulfillment

Includes reflection questions and helpful summaries

**AUTHOR**

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**ENDORSEMENTS**

With appropriate and often deeply moving pastoral insights from his own life and refreshing honesty, the author reveals these agendas and the corresponding heart problems they generate. I thoroughly recommend it as a book to strengthen our confidence in the adequacy of God.

**John C. Lennox**
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These are challenging chapters, especially when compared with the highest model of service, for we are called to follow our Lord who washed the feet of others. A highly recommended read for all.

**Ian Burness**
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As I read, I found myself entreating the Lord through the sentiments of Psalm 139 to search and know my heart, test and know my thoughts, uncover hidden agendas, and lead me in His ways.

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… a helpful and refreshing book. This book would be a help to anyone in ministry or leadership, however experienced or inexperienced. It provides a vital health check and should be a must read for practitioners.

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