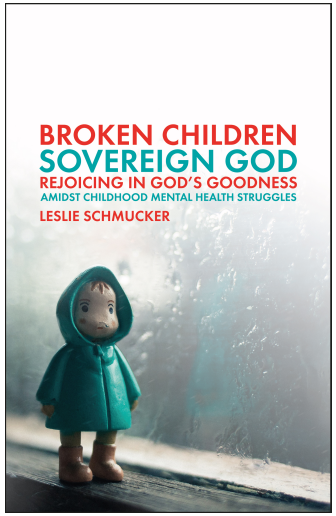
# Broken Children, Sovereign God

## Rejoicing in God's Goodness Amidst Childhood Mental Health Struggles

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**DESCRIPTION**

Writing to encourage other families who find themselves dealing with mental health disorders, Leslie Schmucker explores different aspects of her and her family's experience with their daughter,
Jackie. Through violence and mayhem, joy and hope, intense isolation, shame and confusion, Leslie's honest testimony to the goodness of God is humbling. Whether you are raising a child with a mental health disorder or not, this book will challenge your comfortable Christianity and show you a love beyond measure.

**MARKETING POINTS**

Day–to–day reality of childhood mental illness

Testimony to the sufficiency of God

Realistic but ultimately hopeful

**AUTHOR**

Leslie Schmucker worked for over a decade with mentally ill children. She directs the special needs program at Dayspring Christian Academy in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. She has written for The Gospel Coalition and Desiring God, and blogs at leslieschmucker.com. She and her husband Steve have three grown children and eight grandchildren.

**ENDORSEMENTS**

… an accessible, authentic, hopeful book about clinging to God and His promises in the midst of some of the hardest, most painful circumstances a family could face.

**John Knight**
*Donor Officer, Desiring God*

If you have a child struggling with mental illness, this book will be like sitting down with a good friend who can relate to what you're going through and has much wisdom to share.

**Keri Folmar**
*Author, Delighting in the Word Bible Study series and 'The Good Portion: Scripture' and co–host of Priscilla Talk*

… a story of courage and trust that all parents would benefit from, not just adoptive parents. The story is not sugar–coated. Disney would never consider an ending like theirs. Brace yourself, reader, and learn from experience to rest in the Lord.

**Matt Schmucker**
*Elder, Capitol Hill Baptist Church, Washington, DC; Director, CROSS Conference*

Never have I read a book that so powerfully owns the heart–wrenching realities of raising a child with severe mental illness, while simultaneously and fervently pointing the reader to truths of Scripture, the power of the gospel, and the love of God in Christ.

**Stephanie O. Hubach**
*Author, 'Same Lake, Different Boat: Coming Alongside People Touched by Disability'; Research Fellow, Disability Ministries, Covenant Theological Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri*

**TECHNICAL DETAILS**

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