

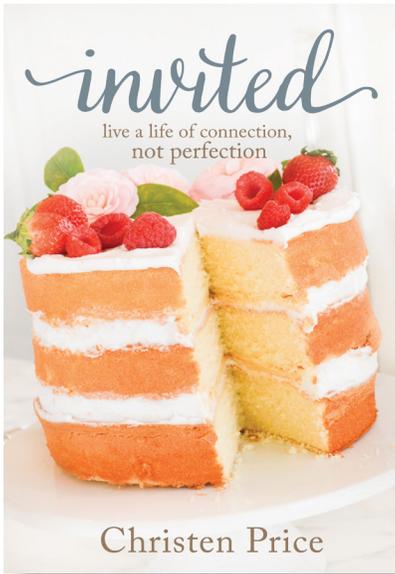


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NEW BOOK DEMONSTRATES HOW TO LIVE A LIFE OF CONNECTION, NOT PERFECTION CHRISTEN PRICE SHARES THE IMPORTANCE OF GLORIFYING GOD WHILE SERVING OTHERS



For immediate release: In her new book, *Invited: Live a Life of Connection, Not Perfection* (Ambassador International; June 1, 2017; \$15.99) Christen Price graciously demonstrates that perfectionism does not need to be a place in the life of a Christian hostess. With today's pressure from social media and society, the need to be the perfect mother, wife, employee, hostess and Christian has become the focus of many women who strive to have it all.

Invited is an honest account of life events that taught Price to serve God first and foremost instead of trying to please people at every corner. Price states, "Hospitality and hosting extend beyond the surface of happiness; it is also a way for us to give God glory." Price also shares biblical principles throughout her book to prove that God will indeed have the glory if we take the burden of ourselves and place it on Him.

Price gives us a refreshing display of love and the willingness to serve God and others through family gatherings, parties, dinners, holidays and charity events. Price writes in a way that relates to every woman, the planner and the non-planner. No matter where you are on the hostess scale, Price lovingly demonstrates the power of imperfection and how to embrace each and every flaw. "God does not allow anything to enter our lives that isn't able to glorify Him. By drawing us into deeper intimacy with Him, He reveals His glory in unfathomable ways."

About the Author: Christen Price is a writer for The MOM Initiative and founder of Undivided Women, an online Bible study community. With the heart of a hostess, she designs party printables and inspirational art that invites women to celebrate their people, place, and purpose in her Studio. Christen is married to her best friend, Raleigh, and their crew of three little ones, two dogs, and four chickens call the countryside of lower Alabama home.

For more information about the author visit www.christenprice.com. To connect with the author or request a review copy of *Invited*, please contact publicist Keli Garrett at media@emeraldhouse.com.

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Suggested Interview Questions for the Author:

1. What inspired you to write *Invited*?
2. You shared some very personal and challenging moments in your life. How did those events mold you into the woman you are today?
3. What has been your favorite event to plan?
4. What is the most challenging party/event you've had to plan?
5. How do you keep the biblical principles you mentioned in your book as a daily part of your life now?
6. What piece of advice can you give to the woman who "wants it all"?
7. You write about glorifying God through our service to others. How do you keep the focus on Christ while striving to throw an entertaining and successful event?
8. Can you further explain the "need to see God with skin on"?
9. How has your family supported you during all of your endeavors?

Endorsements:

"If you are a woman who struggles with perfectionism and putting too much pressure on yourself to be all things to all people, you will love *Invited*. *Invited* takes you on a journey to freedom from the pain of always feeling the need to measure up."

~ Alli Worthington,

Author of *Breaking Busy: How to Find Peace and Purpose in a World of Crazy* and *Fierce Faith: A Woman's Guide to Fighting Fear, Wrestling Worry, and Overcoming Anxiety*

"Whether you're a seasoned party planner or throwing your first-ever dinner party, *Invited* will draw you in with the warm welcome, genuine voice, and Southern charm of the author. And then, once you're settled in, you'll find inspiring truth about the ministry of hospitality and the many ways we can love one another through celebration. With story after story, Price shares her own experiences with events and parties, demonstrating how to plan and enjoy lovely events while also reminding readers that life will never be perfect—but, with Christ, it can be beautiful and something worth celebrating."

~ Mary Carver

author of *Choose Joy: Finding Hope and Purpose When Life Hurts* and *Plan a Fabulous Party {Without Losing Your Mind}*

"*Invited* could be my story. Christen Price gets me. She understands a woman's drive for perfection and how that drive so often just drives her over the edge. If that also describes you, don't miss Christen's new book, *Invited: Live a Life of Connection, Not Perfection*. Through real life illustrations and practical, biblical wisdom Christen digs out the roots of our need to be "perfect" and guides us to experience real connectedness with others through everyday hospitality."

~ Kathy Howard

speaker and author of *Unshakeable Faith*, www.kathyhoward.org

"This book, oh my! It's like a bubble bath for the frazzled woman's soul. All my adult life I've been envious of friends who can whip up a five-star event without breaking a sweat. *Invited* has freed me from the shame of my party deficiencies, my dust bunnies, and burnt pie crusts. It invites us, through delightful stories, practical tips, and biblical insight, to explore God's heart for hospitality—one that's far less about perfection than it is about love. And we all know love can be messy sometimes. Why shouldn't our parties be, too?"

~ Becky Kopitzke

author of *The SuperMom Myth: Conquering the Dirty Villains of Motherhood*

"In today's world where social media is the mainstay of human interaction, Christen Price reminds us the gift of hospitality is about loving others up close and personal—nothing fancy, just a warm invitation to the table. Christen reminds us to live a life of connection, not perfection, and it's this refreshing remedial lesson we all desperately need to hear."

~ Joanne Kraft

author of *The Mean Mom's Guide to Raising Great Kids* and *Just too Busy—Taking Your Family on a Radical Sabbatical*

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“Hospitality is not one of my spiritual gifts. I love being around people. I just tremble at the thought of letting them inside my messy house or my messy life. It feels too vulnerable. I’m afraid of being judged. Christen lovingly and transparently challenges me—and you—to get over ourselves. Because hospitality is not about perfection. It’s about connection. It’s about opening the doors of our homes and our hearts to the beauty of relationship. It’s about making people feel loved. It’s the same beautiful invitation Jesus extends to us: to be accepted and loved, just as we are, in all our messiness.”

~ Melinda Means

speaker and author of *Invisible Wounds: Hope While You’re Hurting*, www.melindameans.com

“In *Invited: Live a Life of Connection, Not Perfection*, Christen Price literally invites the reader to embrace the power and beauty of relationships ignited and nurtured through the lost art of imperfect and authentic hospitality. *Invited* is woven with biblical insight, infused with doable ideas, and chock full of delightful recipes in the back. I highly recommend *Invited* for individuals and women’s small groups as well.”

~ Stephanie Shott

author, Bible teacher, and founder of The MOM Initiative

“A refreshing breath of hope and hospitality, *Invited* reminds us that rich relationships are far more important than a Pinterest-perfect life. Christen encourages us to embrace the grace-filled life of connection rather than the distracted hustle of perfection, and inspires us to look to Christ as we continue the hard, rewarding work of loving our people.”

~ Kayse Pratt

www.IntentionalMoms.com

“With her southern hospitality charm, Christen Price makes plans to connect with and celebrate her people, but she’s learned the hard way those gatherings don’t always go according to plan. In *Invited*, Christen encourages people to never see a party in the same way again. This book has a biblical foundation and ushers readers into the freedom that comes with letting go of perfection and striving for genuine connection with your people instead.”

~ Kristin Hill Taylor

www.kristinhilltaylor.com

“If you have ever struggled with anxiety or its cousin perfectionism, this book will gently release you from fear to love your people, place, and purpose through the art of perfectly imperfect celebration. This book is full of Southern charm and real stories and was an absolute joy to read.”

~ Amanda Conquers

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