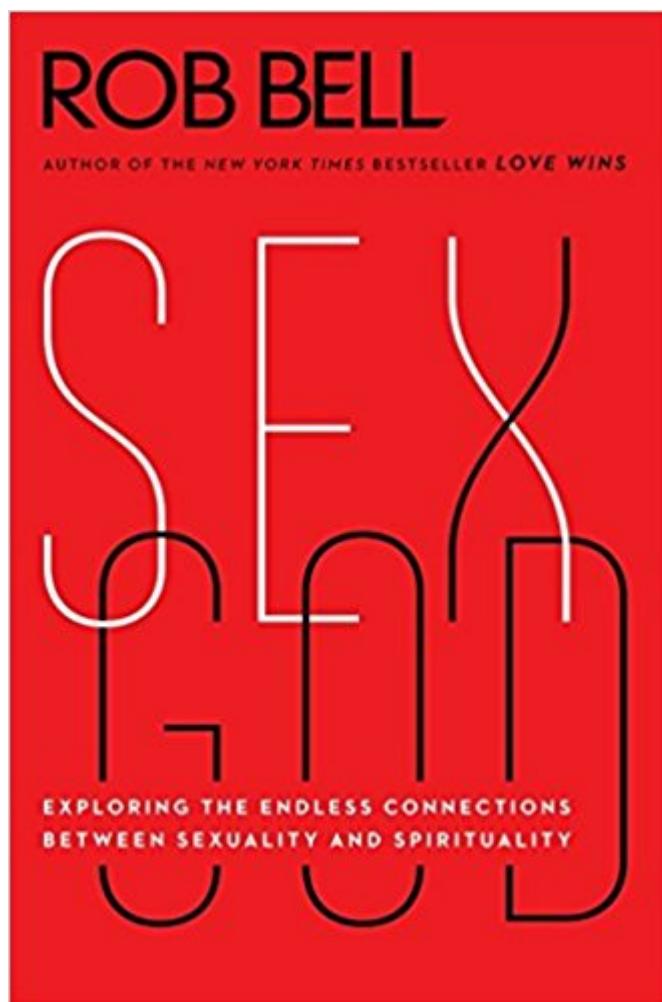


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Sex God: Exploring The Endless Connections Between Sexuality And Spirituality



Synopsis

From Rob Bell, the author of the phenomenal New York Times bestseller Love Wins and a Christian pastor named by Time Magazine as one of the most influential people in 2011, comes Sex God, an enlightening exploration of sexuality and spirituality. With profound beauty and insight, Bell addresses the truism that we can't talk about ourselves as sexual beings without asking who made us that way. For progressive Christians and readers who enjoy the writings of Donald Miller, N.T. Wright, Brian McLaren and Timothy Keller, Rob Bell is a pioneer among those seeking a new kind of Christian teaching.

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Starred Review. Bell raises the bar with this evocative follow-up to last year's bestseller Velvet Elvis. "Is sex a picture of heaven?" he wonders. It's all about God and sex and heaven, he says: "...they're connected. And they can't be separated. Where the one is you will always find the other." Bell's book isn't a sex manual, an exploration of the differences between men and women or a marriage how-to, though all of that is here. Instead, it's the story of God becoming human, of humans mirroring God and love made manifest in the chaos of our humanity. Sex God is about relationships revealed in a way that elevates the human condition and offers hope to those whose relationships are wounded. In Bell's spare, somewhat oblique style, he addresses lust, respect, denial, risk, acceptance and more. His love for God and the Bible is clear, as is his ability to ask probing questions and offer answers that make readers think deeply about their own lives. He does a fine job using the Bible and real life to show that our physical relationships are really about spiritual

relationships. This book joyfully ties, and then tightens, the knot between God and humankind.

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“The story of God becoming human, of humans mirroring God and love made manifest in the chaos of our humanity. This book joyfully ties, and then tightens, the knot between God and humankind.” (Publishers Weekly (starred review)) “Bell is at the forefront of a rethinking of Christianity in America.” (Time magazine) “One of the country’s most influential evangelical pastors.” (New York Times) “Rob Bell is one of the hottest names in contemporary evangelical life.” (Boston Globe) “While most books about sex for dating Christians begin and end with ‘Eros’ and ‘Eros’,” Bell outlines the bigger picture of human relationships and what they can teach us about God’s character. (Christianity Today) “Sex and spirituality are siblings who have a lot to say in this paperback about marriage, agape, intimacy, shared partnership, and the light [that] shows how things really are.” (Spirituality and Practice)

i love this book, i dont want to finish it, but when i do, ill reread it. theres always something to learn from this book and thats what i love about it! i try reading this as much as possible but i’m in the army so im always too tired to read. ugh, i know thats not a good excuse.lol, but yes, its wonderful and im trying to read as much as i can! i bring it with me everyday so when i find time i can read and highlight important stuff i found. i love this book! i wish i had the hardcover though because paperback always seems to deteriorate due to time and use...wonderful though!

I have bought several copies to give as gifts. I’ve read or listened to this well over a dozen times. I’ve never looked at submission the way it is described in this book. I’ve also been given a new outlook on how to view people as Gods creation. I thought about giving this book 4 stars because of the title but it’s just been to valuable of a read for me to give it less than 5.

I borrowed this book from a friend, devoured it, and immediately bought a copy for everyone in my family to read. Rob Bell, great thinker and writer. I now I want to read everything he has read or written. He is one of only a few authors I felt compelled to make a list all of the books he referenced. If he liked it, then I’m pretty sure I would too. The message of how and how much God loves is presented in such a way you cannot help but feel blessed.

Rob Bell has such a unique way of going back to the historical context of the Bible, pulling from the original Hebrew language and Jewish traditions to understand how God works - after all, Jesus was a Jew. Rob will open your eyes to the amazing opportunity God calls us to in the restoration of humanity, and the continuous creation of the world. We get to decide what the world will look like with our actions - either bringing with us heaven or hell to earth based on our actions.

I wasn't sure what to expect from this book when I first started reading it. At first I thought it was going to be a book encouraging sex. Lately I have been hearing about many sects where casual sex is part of their rituals. As it turns out, the book is about abstinence. To sum it up in one sentence, the same way we worship one God, we should worship one and only one partner. In other words, have sex with only one partner, in the same way as we pray to only one God! The author explains the joys of having one sexual partner by giving real case examples. I really enjoyed reading this book and I felt at home with the author's reasoning. I really recommend reading this book!

I really enjoyed reading this book. It challenges ones thinking and affects ones view on marriage and sex in a very positive way. I would recommend this book for both married and single people.

Excellent book about relationships, not only with God but your spouse, I am not currently a huge Rob Bell fan, but this was written before he started espousing some of the things he's saying these days. Incredible helpful, informative and page turning reading. I also like very much the way he writes...as if we are in a room talking face to face! A must read for everyone. (Christians too!)

This book, and how Bell wrote it, brought a lot of clarity to my life. I could see how a lot of things I thought for my life, for my sexuality and for my spirituality were completely off the hook. I love to see how God is everywhere and how he's trying to give us a glimpse of his beauty and greatness and goodness all the time.

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