

AN INVITATION INTO THE GOOD LIFE

THE GOOD LIFE is an invitation into the abundant life that Jesus won for us on the cross and in His resurrection.

The author believes that such life is what we were created for and is the only path to true fulfillment. And he believes that this life is to be the norm in the Church as a way of glorifying God and drawing sinners to Him.

He writes much of our need to live in the awareness of daily and even moment-by-moment choices in the process of following Jesus. And He views free will not only as the opportunity to choose to receive the gift of eternal life, but as a responsibility to then actively pursue the II Corinthians 3:18 and Romans 12:2 transformation that leads to our becoming more and more like Jesus.

Supplement I introduces you to the Kingdom of God. Supplement II, "Free or Pre, A Study in Contrast", offers observations on Calvinism's influence upon abundant life and our being Spirit-filled saints who can thrive even in times of trouble.

In addition to many scriptures embedded in the text, the book includes over 100 scripture references, with the scriptures themselves printed out in Supplement III.

Born in 1940 and raised in an Anabaptist (Mennonite/Amish) community in southeastern Pennsylvania, Ken Stoltzfus, a retired pastor, missionary, entrepreneur, commercial pilot and flight instructor now lives in northeast Ohio. He is "Dad" to three sons, two of whom are now with Jesus; a twin; husband to Elaine for over 62-years; and "Grandad" to nine—and now to 14 great-grandchildren. He is well occupied these days with writing, napping, seeking God's heart, mentoring some, befriending many—and reading more than ever.

This is Ken's second book, following "Restless Teens and Those Who Nurture Them" (2008), and is the first in his Abundant Life Series. It is joined there by "Bookends, A Truth That Matters", second in that series.

THE GOOD LIFE will inspire you personally or in group study and includes discussion questions with each chapter.



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ABUNDANT LIFE SERIES → BOOK 1

KEN STOLTZFUS

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For personal inspiration or group study.

Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard,
neither have entered into the heart of man,
the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

1 Corinthians 2:9 KJV

ABUNDANT LIFE SERIES → 1

Offered in the spirit of Hebrews 10:24

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With the supplement: Free or Pre, a Study in Contrast
Considering free will and predestination.

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THE GOOD LIFE speaks much of our need to live in the awareness of daily, and even moment-by-moment choices in the process of following Jesus. And the author views free-will not only as the *opportunity* to choose to receive the gift of eternal life, but as a *responsibility* to then actively pursue the II Corinthians 3:18 and Romans 12:2 transformation that leads to our becoming more and more like Jesus.

Supplement II considers free-will and Calvinism's predestination, and how each belief system and its culture impacts the likelihood of our experiencing John 10:10 abundant life. **Price: \$7.99**



Ken Stoltzfus was born in 1940 and raised in the Anabaptist (Mennonite/Amish) community of southeastern Pennsylvania. A retired pastor, missionary, entrepreneur, and commercial pilot, he now lives in northeast Ohio. Ken has pursued II Corinthians 3:18 transformation into the image of Christ personally for over 50-years, and has passionately invited others into that walk as a pastor, missionary teacher and mentor.

He is "Dad" to three sons, two of whom are now with Jesus; husband to Elaine (1941-2022) for over 62 years; "Grandad" to nine, and now to 14 great-grandchildren. He is well occupied these days with seeking God's heart, writing, mentoring some, being a friend and brother to many, reading more than ever - - and napping.

BOOKENDS A TRUTH THAT MATTERS

BOOKENDS is an invitation into the life that we were created for. The life that naturally follows our being reconnected to the Father, through Jesus.

What if someone told you that He offers us abundant life that is more like the Garden of Eden than most dare to think? And that the little two-letter word “if” is the only thing that stands between you and that abundant life?

BOOKENDS is a bold and passionate portrayal of that life, and a candid treatise on the exclusive path into it through the narrow gate.

Will you keep reading when you realize that “if,” is part of Jesus’ statements like “if you obey my words”?

The author, a retired pastor, missionary, entrepreneur and commercial pilot, loves Jesus and His Matthew 16:18 Church enough to challenge some of our present assumptions—which, he asserts, grow out of our pursuit of the American Dream.

Those who dare to read BOOKENDS will find themselves at various times challenged, affirmed, encouraged and/or convicted through the many scriptures that the author bases his thoughts on.



BOOKENDS A TRUTH THAT MATTERS

ABUNDANT LIFE SERIES *Part* BOOK 2

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A Biblical and Anabaptist Vision
for the Matthew 16:18 Church of the 21st Century,
inviting us into the Holy Spirit empowered
Abundant Life and fruitful service
of the Kingdom of God on the earth.

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Ken Stoltzfus

BOOKENDS, A Truth that Matters

From Genesis 2 to Revelation 22 we see the story of God wanting to make life good for fallen man, but man often saying, “No thanks, I know a better way.” Obedience matters, and everything that God offers us now and forever hinges on it.

In 29, two-page chapters, the author contends that Jesus was serious about what it means to be His disciples; that the New Testament Church and the early Anabaptists embraced that truth; that the Church in America today has abandoned it in favor of the American Dream; and that our now giving ourselves to our forbearers’ culture of Spirit-empowered holiness and mission will be the only way to do well in the troubles that are soon coming to America.

BOOKENDS is a bold and passionate portrayal of what that life looks like, and a candid treatise on the exclusive path into the Kingdom of God through the narrow gate where we take up our cross daily to follow Jesus. Those who dare to read it will find themselves at various times challenged, affirmed, encouraged and/or convicted.

BOOKENDS is written for the larger Matthew 16:18 Church but with a specific focus on those who consider themselves Anabaptists. **Price: \$8.99**

Both books have discussion questions for personal or group study

“Serious Books for Serious Folks in Serious Times”

Offered in the spirit of Hebrews 10:24-25

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

I highly recommend Restless Teens. I have read widely and must say that this is one of the finest books I have ever seen on the topic of influencing teenagers as they navigate their way into adulthood. This material is relevant and full of challenging, practical truths that desperately need to be applied. Every adult who deals with teenagers ought to read, absorb, and refer to this book.

Pastor Nathan Ward, Senior Pastor, Wooster Church of the Nazarene

MISUNDERSTOOD

Speaking respectfully, understanding my generation and its intentions is something my educators and elders largely failed at. My personal questions and challenges were considered brash and disrespectful, so I spent much of my formative years in a secluded study to discover and accept the truth for myself. As I read Ken's book I kept thinking to myself "Yes, **THIS** is how my parent's generations needs to think! **THIS** will make the difference!"

Nic Miller, a recent teen

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Ken Stoltzfus was born in southeastern PA in 1940 and grew up in the Mennonite Church. In 1960 he married Elaine Beiler, his high school sweetheart, and God has blessed them with three sons and nine grandchildren. Over the years Ken has been an ordained pastor, professional pilot, flight instructor, aircraft mechanic, missionary, marketing manager, and business entrepreneur. The Stoltzfus' presently live in northeast Ohio where Ken is engaged in writing, and in building the web site www.FlyingHigher.net.



Ken is shown here with his grandson Garrett as they prepare for an instructional flight in the family glider.

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KEN STOLTZFUS

on the interaction between grownups, and **TEENAGERS** who are forging **THEIR OWN IDENTITY**

confusion acceptance rules authority freedom respect truth lies hypocrisy sex drugs love hate

RESTLESS TEENS

The author, once a restless teen but now a great-grandfather x14, believes that it is normal and healthy for teens to be restless with adult rules and expectations as they seek to find their personal identity and their place in life.

His thesis is that many are judged as rebellious, when they are simply trying to find their personal identity and their place in society. He believes that informed and humble parents and institutional leaders can contribute much to that process and minimize the trauma for all.

Published in 2008 but more relevant today than ever, readers will find RESTLESS TEENS to be excellent for parents of pre-teens as well, as they nurture their children toward those potentially troubling years.

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