

What We Wish Were True

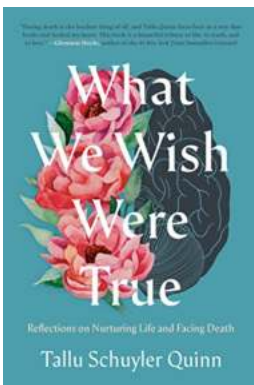
Have you ever found yourself indulging in daydreams and imagining a world where your deepest desires came true? We all have wishes and fantasies that we secretly hold onto, hoping that one day they will manifest themselves into reality. Whether it's a childhood dream or a current longing, the notion of our wishes coming true captivates our minds and gives us a sense of hope, excitement, and anticipation.

Imagine a world where money grows on trees and every individual can effortlessly fulfill their material desires. Picture a society where love is guaranteed, and heartbreak is nothing but a distant memory. Envision a reality where success is a birthright, and failure is merely an illusion. This is the world we often long for, a world where everything we wish were true is the reality we live in.



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Wishing for Eternal Happiness

One of the most common wishes we all desire is eternal happiness. We dream of a life where every second is filled with bliss, joy, and contentment. Whether it's finding the perfect partner, pursuing our passions, or simply escaping the stresses of everyday life, the desire for eternal happiness is ingrained within us.

The wish for eternal happiness is not simply about experiencing pleasure, but also about finding a sense of purpose and fulfillment. We yearn for a life where every action we take aligns perfectly with our values and brings us immense satisfaction.

Fulfilling Our Wildest Dreams

Another wish we all harbor is the ability to fulfill our wildest dreams. Whether it's becoming a renowned artist, traveling the world, or achieving financial independence, our desires push us to strive for greatness. We fantasize about reaching the pinnacle of success and basking in the glory of our accomplishments.

The dream of fulfilling our wildest aspirations is a powerful motivator. It fuels our determination, encourages us to overcome obstacles, and reminds us of the limitless potential that lies within each of us. We wish for a life where our dreams are not only possible but also within our grasp.

The Longing for Unconditional Love

Love, one of the most profound human emotions, is another wish we hold dear. The longing for genuine, unconditional love permeates our thoughts and

reverberates in our hearts. We yearn for a connection that transcends superficiality, a bond that withstands the test of time and obstacles.

In a world where true love is readily available, hearts would be spared from the pain of rejection and heartbreak. We would revel in the security and comfort that comes with knowing we are truly cherished. The wish for unconditional love encapsulates our deepest desires for emotional fulfillment and companionship.

Escaping the Harsh Realities

At times, life can become overwhelming, and the desire to escape from its harsh realities becomes irresistible. We wish for a world where we can find solace and respite from the burdens that weigh us down. Whether it's retreating to a serene paradise or immersing ourselves in a captivating story, we crave moments of refuge.

The longing to escape the harsh realities of life is not rooted in weakness, but rather in the need for self-care and rejuvenation. We seek moments of peace and tranquility that allow us to recharge our spirits and face the challenges that lie ahead with renewed strength.

Embracing the Power of Imagination

While the world we wish were true may seem elusive, there is tremendous power in embracing the capabilities of our imagination. Through the lens of creativity, we can manifest a fragment of our desires into reality. Imagination allows us to explore possibilities, craft new narratives, and find solace in the world within our minds.

By embracing the power of imagination, we can effectively channel our wishes and desires towards tangible actions. It grants us the ability to create a future that

aligns with our deepest longings and brings us closer to the world we wish were true.

The Beauty of Hope

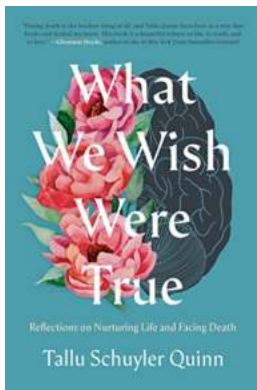
The essence of wishing for what we desire lies in the beauty of hope. It is hope that fuels our dreams, motivates us to take action, and shapes the course of our lives. While the world we wish were true may not always materialize in its entirety, the pursuit of our wishes brings forth personal growth, resilience, and a zest for life.

Hope, therefore, becomes the driving force that keeps the flame of our desires burning bright. It keeps us moving forward, seeking opportunities, and embracing the possibilities that exist within ourselves and the world. Hope allows us to navigate the complexities of life and cherish the moments of joy that come with every step taken towards realizing our wishes.

The Magic Lies Within Us

Ultimately, what we wish were true resounds deeply within us because it speaks to the untapped potential and yearning within our souls. The dreams we hold dear remind us that we are capable of creating our own magic, shaping our own destinies, and finding the beauty amidst the mundane.

The world we wish were true may not exist in its entirety, but the power of our desires and the intentions we set can transform our realities. By nurturing our wishes and embracing the possibilities within our grasp, we can create a life that reflects our deepest longings and brings us one step closer to the world we wish were true.



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NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • “Facing death is the hardest thing of all, and Tallu Quinn faces hers in a way that broke and healed my heart. This book is a beautiful tribute to life, to truth, and to love.”—Glennon Doyle, author of the #1 New York Times bestseller *Untamed*

Profound essays on nurturing life while facing a terminal diagnosis, from the dedicated humanitarian and young mother creating “a vibrant legacy for us to hold on to and learn from” (Ann Patchett)

“I am holding both my hope and my grief together in the same hands. It is a loosehold, looser than I am accustomed to. My love is so much bigger than me.”

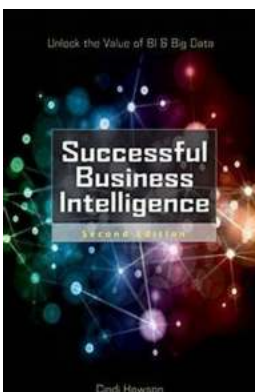
Nonprofit leader and minister Tallu Schuyler Quinn spent her adult life working to alleviate hunger, systemic inequality, and food waste, first as a volunteer throughout the United States and abroad, and then as the founder of the Nashville Food Project, where she supported the vibrant community work of local food justice in Middle Tennessee. That all changed just after her fortieth birthday,

when she was diagnosed with stage IV glioblastoma, an aggressive form of terminal brain cancer.

In *What We Wish Were True*, Quinn achingly grapples with the possibility of leaving behind the husband and children she adores, and what it means to live with a terminal diagnosis and still find meaning. “I think about how my purpose may be the same in death as it continues to be in life—surrendering to the hope that our weaknesses can be made strong, that what is broken can be made whole,” she writes.

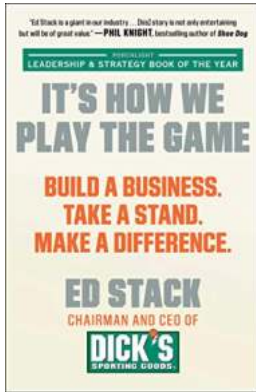
Through gorgeous prose, Quinn masterfully weaves together the themes of life and death by integrating spiritually nourishing stories about family, identity, vocational call, beloved community, God’s wide welcome, and living with brain cancer. Taken together, these stunning essays are a piercing reminder to cherish each moment, whether heartbreaking or hilarious, and cast loose other concerns.

As a mother, a kindred spirit, and a dear friend, Tallu Schuyler Quinn looks into our eyes with well-earned tears in her own and tells us the bittersweet truth: We are all searching for what has already found us—present and boundless love. This love will deliver us and never let us go.



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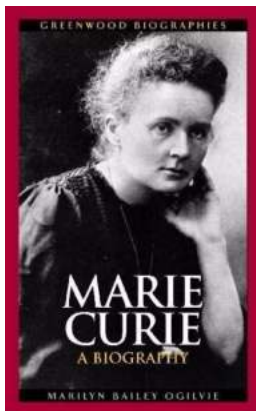
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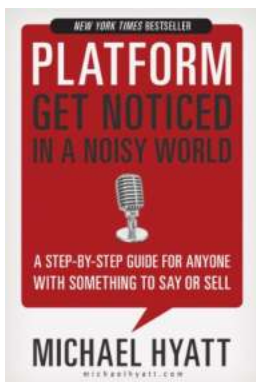
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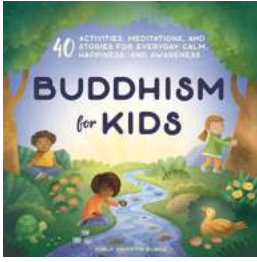
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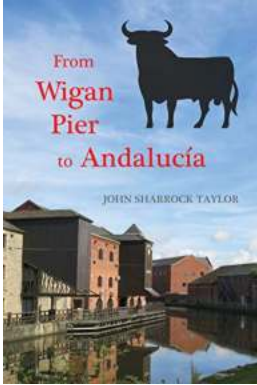
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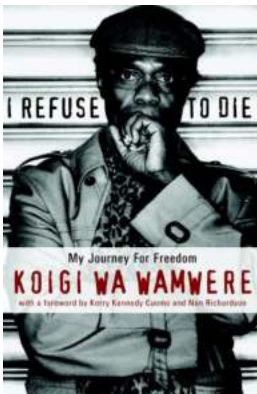
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