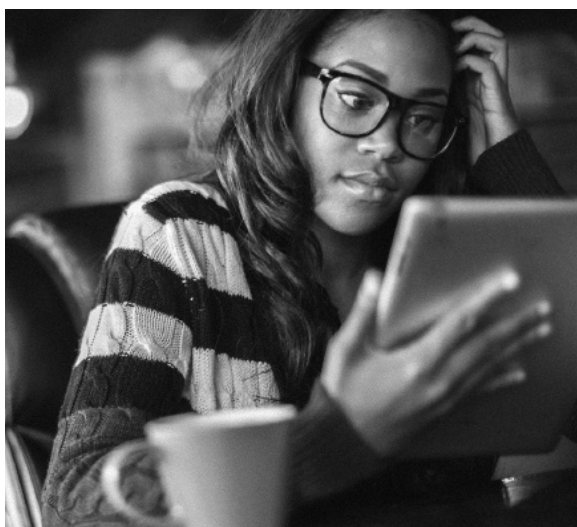




AUTHENTIC  
INTIMACY



**RECLAIMING  
GOD'S DESIGN  
FOR SEXUALITY**

MEDIA KIT

# WELCOME

to Authentic Intimacy

Dear Friend,

Thank you for your interest in the ministry of Authentic Intimacy. Most Christian leaders identify sexual issues as the greatest challenge to the modern-day church. As in any era, God equips His people to respond to the pain and confusion of the present day. This is our heart at Authentic Intimacy.

We believe that God's Word speaks into every area of our lives, including sexuality. When we stay silent about sexual issues, we add to the confusion Christians experience as they try to make sense of their own sexual pain as well as the cultural questions swirling around them. When we share truth, people find freedom.

I would love to partner with you in bringing biblical truth and Jesus' love to this very sensitive and critical topic.

In His grace,  
Juli

## "SO THANKFUL"

"I am so thankful for Dr. Juli Slattery and Authentic Intimacy for the indelible impression they had on our church. Our women were touched at a deep heart level. They heard things that they never had before in a church setting, and marriages were greatly impacted! I thank God for the grace and wisdom with which Juli shared and taught."

- Suzanne, Pastor's Wife at Calvary Chapel Ft. Lauderdale



# ABOUT

## Authentic Intimacy

Authentic Intimacy was founded in 2012 by Dr. Juli Slattery and Linda Dillow. The ministry is the result of an intense period of spiritual seeking and growth. As we draw near to the Lord, He often shares a unique piece of His work with us. The Lord burdened Juli and Linda's heart with the pain, confusion and brokenness women experience in their sexuality. Since 2012, the vision of the ministry has been refined to "Reclaiming God's design for intimacy and sexuality." Authentic Intimacy has developed a podcast, an interactive web community, books, Bible studies, and regional conferences to disciple individuals in the area of sexuality.

Sexuality represents shame and confusion for most people, young and old, single and married. Authentic Intimacy is a non-profit ministry that exists to help women and men in their most intimate relationships. We produce written, audio, and visual materials that will encourage you in your relationship with your spouse and your relationship with God. We are building a community of women (people?) who want to be honest about their journey, their struggles and their questions about intimacy issues.

Additionally, Dr. Juli Slattery is passionate about equipping leaders in a model called "sexual discipleship," helping them integrate sexual conversations within the larger message of the gospel and discipleship.

At Authentic Intimacy, we believe that God intentionally created us as sexual beings and that sexuality is a powerful metaphor of God's covenant love. Satan intentionally works to destroy the holy expression of sexuality. Everything we do at Authentic Intimacy is to help people understand and apply biblical truth about sexuality to healing, marriage, church, and community.



## WHO ARE THESE EVENTS FOR?

Authentic Intimacy's events are for churches, leaders, women's groups, communities, and ministries that want to learn how God's truth about sexuality interfaces with everyday struggles and questions. Our team will work with you to build an event that fits your church's needs and demographics.

Since 2012, all of our events have been for women. However, starting in 2017 we are now also offering events for both men and women. Our desire is for every Christian to understand the importance of sexual discipleship, and we know our events are a step toward men and women being able to understand and apply God's Truth.

## WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

Controversy and confusion around sexual issues are a major reason why many are leaving the Christian church. People have questions about cohabitation, marriage, sexual abuse, gender identity, pornography etc., and the world is shouting answers. Every snapchat story, every news piece, every personal story from a friend, every movie and TV show is providing "answers" to our questions about sexuality. But often when we show up to church, the word is never even spoken. 80% of the men in our churches are looking at pornography on a regular basis. There are hurting and confused people sitting in our church pews, and they think God doesn't care about their sexuality.

## "I'LL NEVER BE THE SAME"

"Thank you for coming and bringing an Authentic Intimacy Conference. I have been struggling with my husband's infidelity for a year. This is the first time I've been able to walk towards healing, and I know I'll never be the same."

- Conference Attendee

# HALF-DAY EVENTS

## Authentic Intimacy

Any of these 2-3 hour evening programs can be a great way to bring Dr. Juli Slattery and her wisdom/training into your church for the first time for a taste of her teaching on sexuality.

### WHY SEXUALITY MATTERS

Dr. Juli Slattery addresses the topic of sexuality through the lens of the spiritual importance of sexuality, understanding cultural changes in sexual ethics, and a personal response to sexual questions and challenges. This event is a great taste of the Authentic Intimacy message, and is ideal for church, community, or college groups.

### RETHINKING SEXUALITY

Using her latest book, *Rethinking Sexuality*, Juli encourages believers to reclaim the conversation around sexuality. In order to do this, she walks us through the process of acknowledging the crisis, understanding the narrative of biblical sexuality, and integrating the gospel within our own sexual narratives at home and at church. Juli presents a compelling vision for biblical sexuality, combining humor with biblical wisdom to convey God's narrative of sexuality.

### DATE NIGHT / GOD, SEX, AND YOUR MARRIAGE

God designed marriage for intimacy within covenant love. Unfortunately, most couples are too burdened by conflict, past wounds, and fear to experience this depth of love. Dr. Juli Slattery teaches you how to use your power in marriage to build intimacy and safety. In session two, she teaches specifically about how to overcome barriers to a thriving sexual relationship. (This event can also be an all-day or weekend couples retreat.)

## TARGET AUDIENCE

Our target event audience is men and women, 18 years and older, who are connected to a church. We also offer conference options that are built as women's ministry events, where the content and teaching is focused on women only. We often serve multiple cooperating churches at a single event.



# CONFERENCES

## Authentic Intimacy

Authentic Intimacy will work with your team to bring in any of the events below for a full-day Saturday conference. We can also host a leader training on Friday night before the conference!

### **AUTHENTIC INTIMACY CONFERENCE**

This event is an in-depth introduction to the material of the Authentic Intimacy ministry, including biblical sexuality and identity in Christ. Dr. Juli Slattery will share about why God cares about sexuality, what it means to walk with sexual integrity, and restoring intimacy with God.

### **SURPRISED BY THE HEALER CONFERENCE**

This event gives the audience hope and practical steps for pursuing God's healing for relational and sexual brokenness from content in our book *Surprised By the Healer*. Special guests from the book, including Linda Dillow, are often integrated into the teaching.

### **HIDING IN GOD CONFERENCE**

This conference is typically a weekend retreat exploring how every person must choose between hiding from God or in God. Dr. Juli Slattery integrates her background as a clinical psychologist with what the Bible says about confidence, identity, and surrender.

### **SEXUAL DISCIPLESHIP LEADER TRAINING**

This all-day, interactive event is for those in formal or informal leadership positions in churches, colleges, parachurch and counseling ministries. We take our Rethinking Sexuality event and allow leaders to explore a deeper understanding and application of the material in order to effectively dialogue around sexual issues.

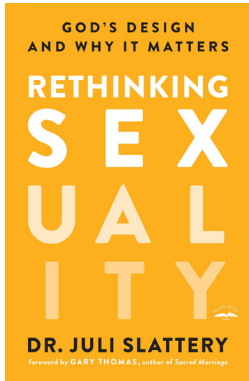
## SCHEDULE AN EVENT

Our events range from 200 to 2,000 attendees. If your church sees the need to address sexuality, contact [hannah@authenticintimacy.com](mailto:hannah@authenticintimacy.com) to get started!



# BOOKS AND STUDIES

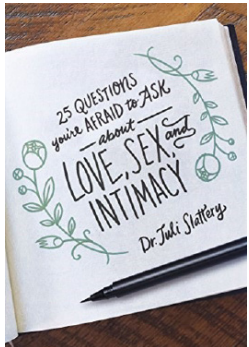
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## RETHINKING SEXUALITY

Sexual abuse, sex addiction, gender confusion, brokenness, and shame plague today's world, and people are seeking clarity and hope. By contesting long-held cultural paradigms, this book equips you to see how sexuality is rooted in the broader context of God's heart and His work for us on earth. It provides a framework from which to understand the big picture of sexual challenges and wholeness, and helps you recognize that every sexual question is ultimately a spiritual one.

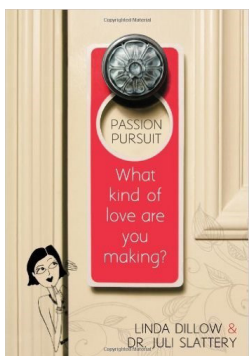
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## 25 QUESTIONS YOU'RE AFRAID TO ASK ABOUT LOVE, SEX, AND INTIMACY

This book takes the 25 questions single and married women ask most often about sex and relationships and gives quick, Biblical answers to each issue. What if I don't like sex? If I'm single, how far is too far? Is \_\_\_\_\_ okay in the bedroom? How do I get past my shame? What if I want sex more than my husband does?

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## PASSION PURSUIT WORKBOOK & DVD

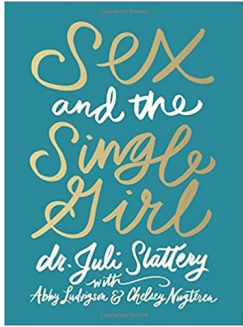
Our 10-week Bible Study for wives on sexual intimacy. Juli Slattery and Linda Dillow teach principles from the Song of Solomon and walk through practical areas of forgiveness, God's opinion on sex, what's okay in the bedroom, and how to make sex a priority in your marriage.

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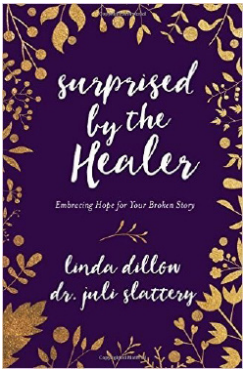
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## SEX & THE SINGLE GIRL

Written specifically for young women, Dr. Juli Slattery and Chelsey Nugteren created a six-week study designed to examine what God's word says about sex for single women, why your sexuality is a big deal, and how to honor Him in a society where anything goes.

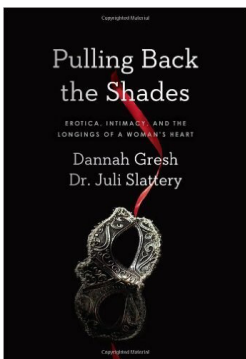
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## SURPRISED BY THE HEALER

This book tells the stories of 9 women who have been through sexual and relational brokenness, and their story of meeting the Healer. Whether from sexual abuse, betrayal in marriage, or other harrowing experiences, the Healer invited them on a unique journey of redemption in the midst of deep pain. We want women to see they are invited, too!

Paperback, Digital | ISBN-10: 0802413404 | ISBN-13: 978-0802413406



## PULLING BACK THE SHADES

Written in response to *50 Shades of Grey*, this book addresses WHY women are drawn to erotica and what we should do with those longings we have as women. It also addresses the growing phenomenon of mommy porn and erotica, equipping you to talk to your friends and connections who are reading *50 Shades of Grey* and don't see a problem with it. How can we be sexual and spiritual, whether we are single or married?

Paperback, Digital | ISBN-10: 080241088X | ISBN-13: 978-0802410887



# WHO WE ARE

## Authentic Intimacy



### **DR. JULI SLATTERY**

Dr. Juli Slattery is a clinical psychologist, author, speaker and the president/co-founder of Authentic Intimacy. Juli earned her bachelor's degree at Wheaton College, an MA in psychology from Biola University, and an MS and a Doctorate degree in Clinical Psychology from Florida Institute of Technology.

From 2008-2012, Dr. Slattery served at Focus on the Family writing, teaching, and co-hosting the Daily Focus on the Family broadcast. In 2012, she left Focus on the Family to start Authentic Intimacy, a ministry devoted to reclaiming God's design for intimacy. Juli is the author of ten books, the host of the weekly radio program/podcast "Java with Juli," and a member of the board of trustees for Moody Bible Institute. Juli and her husband Mike are the parents of three sons.

Juli challenges the church to have more than a "talk" or retreat teaching sexual purity. Instead, she equips leaders, pastors, and families to understand sexuality as not simply something to avoid, but a great and holy gift to be treasured, celebrated, and reclaimed.



### **HANNAH NITZ**

Hannah Nitz is the Director of Community Outreach for Authentic Intimacy. She works alongside Dr. Juli Slattery, connecting women to the life-changing message of Authentic Intimacy. She focuses mainly on conferences and events, college outreach, and book releases. She is passionate about God's Truth and learning to apply it to everyday life, including sexuality. Hannah and her husband attend Grace Church in Bath, Ohio, where they are involved in different leadership positions. They live in Akron and feel called to live, lead, and grow within the city.



**MANY CHURCHES ASK FOR HELP INTRODUCING DR. JULI AND AUTHENTIC INTIMACY TO THEIR CONGREGATIONS, BOTH BEFORE AND DURING CONFERENCES. HERE ARE SOME TYPICAL QUESTIONS THAT BRING UNDERSTANDING TO OUR MINISTRY:**

Why are you so passionate about the conferences you host? How are they different from other Christian conferences?

Why has the topic of sexuality been avoided by the church for so long?

You've introduced this new term "Sexual Discipleship" into the church. Can you tell us what that means and why it's so important?

How does understanding biblical sexuality empower parents?

One of the things you do at all of your events is a live Q&A, where people can text in their questions about sexuality and you answer them. What have you learned as you do these Q&As across the country?

If you could say one thing to every believer about sexuality, what would you say?

# ENDORSEMENTS

Authentic Intimacy

Authentic Intimacy has chosen to dive deeply, answering real women's questions - even the ones we are often too afraid to ask. The wisdom and integrity of Juli Slattery, coupled with her refusal to avoid even the most intimate issues, will have their resource flying off bookshelves and into the hands and hearts of women who want real passion in their marriage.

— **PRISCILLA SHIRER**

It's about time! Authentic Intimacy is biblically grounded, immeasurably helpful, and desperately needed.

— **DRS. LES AND LESLIE PARROTT**

Juli Slattery addresses some of the deepest sexual questions, struggles, and wounds of our era. It is a rare gift to the body of Christ for their remarkable wisdom, depth of experience, and passion for Jesus to be united to offer hope and direction. What she will bring us to enliven our passion and intensify our holiness will be a remarkable kingdom labor.

— **DAN B. ALLENDER**

Juli Slattery gently yet unapologetically leads Christian women to that most marvelous of places: helping them to care about their sexual relationship as much as God does. Women will certainly feel themselves drawing not just closer to their husbands, but also closer to God. A marvelous aim, successfully achieved, and brilliantly executed.

— **GARY THOMAS**

Authentic Intimacy tackles difficult topics with solid truth and a refreshing lightness. The answers the Church has failed to provide about sex and intimacy can be found right here.

— **DANNAH GRESH**



# ASSETS

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## DOWNLOAD ASSETS FOR YOUR USE

If you need photos, logo files, or video samples to use in communicating and promoting an Authentic Intimacy event, download them here:

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