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Haley Emerson is a survivor. After enduring a childhood filled with the pain of a family thrown in turmoil by her alcoholic, womanizing father, Haley leaves Tennessee to establish a career on Wall Street, where greed and pragmatism are a way of life. But for Haley, the two evils serve as a refuge from her dysfunctional family. Haley views her success at a New York brokerage firm as a sign that she is finally free of her past and convinces herself that she will never be reckless and selfish like her father. Before long, however, she finds herself quelling her persistent inner demons with alcohol and doing anything and everything she needs to succeed—even if it means others suffer as a result. When she returns home for Christmas—where she plans, as always, to secretly measure her success in New York—she is once again forced to face the chronicle of her family's failures, fortunes, and self-inflicted madness. But when the consequences of her unscrupulous behavior on Wall Street come back to haunt her, Haley soon discovers just how tight a grip her family still has on her. The Emerson Gospel is the poignant tale of one woman's journey to freedom and a life worth living as she slowly discovers the power

of unconditional love.

Staff Sergeant Mitchell Sibley, stationed at Alamogordo, New Mexico, is a man who believes in destiny and righting wrongs. His attempt to correct a wrong in Brianna Chavis' life, however, sends them both into danger when they become involved with a security breach investigation.

Can a person change their outlook on Christmas and the self-centeredness they have towards gift-giving? What events would need to occur in your life that'd take you to the realization that there's more to life than . . . stuff? Year after year, as a child, Allen and his Daddy went Christmas shopping together and both wished upon an age-old wishing well. Allen's wish was consistent year after year. He never knew his Daddy's secret wish, and may never know . . . until now. Life was hard, money was tight. In Allen's eyes; no one's life was as bad as his. Scarred by tragedies of Christmas past, and the certainty of future disappointment, his outlook on Christmas continued to deteriorate each year. He'd lost the most important people in his life, and is now facing the

This daily devotional illuminates one verse each week with a fresh look for every day. God loves you and wants you to be successful in every area of your life.

The first step on that journey is knowing and believing the love that your Daddy God has for you. Chillin' with Your Daddy God seeks to catapult you in that direction. Using one verse per week and examining the truths within on a daily basis can help you break through religious traditions and rediscover what it means to meditate on Scripture. After spending time chillin' with your Daddy God, you will realize you were created by a loving Father who wants only the best for you. You can begin to understand how valuable and precious you truly are because of the high price He paid for you. Your Daddy God is saying, "Come on over. Relax. Kick off your shoes and stay awhile."

My Daddy's Secret the sensitive-often heartbreaking-true story of the effects of a father's secret sexual addictions on his family-particularly on his oldest daughter, whom he made his confidante when she was just nine years old. The author hopes this book will provide new insights into the pain such addictions inflict on families-and insight into God's amazing grace in healing those pains. Denise Shick, an author, speaker, and the Director of Help4Families, a Christian ministry that compassionately reaches out to family members and churches, bringing a broader understanding of the emotional pain and spiritual confusion that people face when a loved one has gender-identity issues. Help4Families networks hurting family members with resources, Christian counselors, and personal/group supports. Denise leads a church-based support group for people with sexual addictions. Denise is the Administrator of Family related issues with TGIF (Transgender International Fellowship). She has served as a program aid for an alcohol and substance abuse clinic. She also has 7 years experience with a Christian

Pregnancy Center in the roles of Administrative Assistant, a volunteer counselor, and later she implemented an abstinence program in which she had the lead role of the Abstinence Director. Denise has been married for 26 years and has four children.

A classic work from Walter Jon Williams, "Daddy's World" earned the Nebula Award in 2001. Little Jamie lives with his family in an eerily perfect environment, entertained by characters from literature, sung to sleep at night by the Woman in the Moon. But cracks begin to appear in Jamie's world that reveal rifts within his family, and he begins to see the terrifying reality behind the walls of his life, and to understand that perfection has its price . . .

The daughter of author William Styron discusses growing up in the same house as a moody literary giant, whose life spiraled out of control when he sank into a deep depression.

New edition of "a tough, tender, bitter novel of a black girl struggling toward womanhood."

Are we living in a "post-father" era? This book is a wake-up call to men and women, challenging them to understand the crisis of fatherlessness in the world and to examine its impact on our culture and in individual lives. The author also identifies the different types of father wounds, the specific scars that men and women carry, and provides personal steps for healing and experiencing God's Father Love. As a generation, one of the biggest issues we face is fatherlessness. We have a generation of boys, raised by women, who don't know how to be a man, husband, or father; and a generation of girls raised without the protection, affirmation, or wholesome affection of a father. In this book, Waylon Ward

tackles these tough issues head on. Dr. John A. King Best-selling author of *It's a Guy Thing: Helping Guys Become Men, Husbands, and Fathers* Waylon Ward is an experienced pastoral counselor and life coach who has focused on healing the wounds of father deprivation for more than 30 years. From his own childhood and the life experiences of thousands of people he has counseled, he has learned how to enable individuals to find healing from these wounds by coming home to the loving heart of God the Father. Waylon and his wife, Lynn, founded Mercy Matters, a ministry of counseling, teaching and restoration. The Global Fathering Initiative (GFI) was created in 2008 to address the fathering crisis in our world and to provide healing for wounded men, women and children. Waylon is also the author of *The Bible in Counseling and Sex Matters*.

Gloria Navarro met and married her soul mate. When he died, she felt she'd never know that kind of love again. But when she finds a love letter between the pages of a book and the man who wrote the missive, she starts to believe lightning might strike twice. To Bryan Dunn, love is a four-letter word. He doesn't go in for cheap sentiment or hearts-and-flowers. But he wants Gloria, and to get her, he'll let her believe he wrote the silly letter. The longer he's with her, though, the more he cares. If she discovers the truth about him, it just might break the heart he never thought he had.

Sammy will pull at your heart in his struggle for acceptance. Everything Sammy did his whole life was to win love that he felt he never received. Sammy was a gifted artist that was always overshadowed by evil forces, but yet he chose love in a world of so much hate. Sammy's grandmother Ruth saw Sammy for who he real-

ly was – a soul simply wanting to be accepted by spreading his gifts. Daddy will Fix It is book one in a trilogy that helps readers take a look inside to make their own right choices, even if it means losing. There is a Sammy in all of us.

In this "tantalizing" (Booklist) novel, Mary Higgins Clark, the #1 New York Times bestselling "Queen of Suspense," exposes a dark secret from a family's past that threatens the lives of two sisters. What was Kate Connelly—a tall, glamorous CPA—doing in her family's antique furniture museum when it exploded into flames in the middle of the night? Why was Gus—a disgruntled retired employee—with her? Now Gus is dead, and Kate lies in a coma, unable to explain the tragedy's mysterious link to a decades-old missing persons case. And unable to warn her sister what could happen next. In a novel of dazzling suspense and excitement, Mary Higgins Clark once again demonstrates the mastery of her craft that has made her books international bestsellers for years. She presents the reader with a perplexing mystery, a puzzling question of identity, and a fascinating cast of characters—one of whom may just be a ruthless killer.

"Mama, something terrible is wrong with me. There is blood in my panties!" Those were the words of seven-year-old Sarah. Mama told her she must have fallen or something and not to worry. Sarah went away feeling sad; her chance for help was gone! It was Sarah's alter, Susie, who had been sticking pencils and other items in her private place. Susie had come when Sarah was only four years old. Susie had become Daddy's 'special' little girl by sitting on his lap. In return he gave her a dollar for any change she had. Daddy played with Susie's pee pee and it was Susie that slept in the upstairs

bedroom with her fourteen-year-old brother. Later in life, two other alters would appear. "You Love Your Daddy, Don't You?" is told through the memories of Sarah. It reveals a child's determination to survive despite profound emotional, physical, and sexual abuse. This was compounded by constant neglect from both parents. About the Author: Sarah Harrison has written several articles for the Women's Institute for Incorporation Therapy's monthly newsletter as well as articles for spiritual magazines. She also volunteers as a mentor in a local school system, helps with special group activities in an assisted living home, and provides guidance to troubled parents and teens on www.experts.com. After the death of her husband, Sarah Harrison moved from Atlanta, Georgia in 2007 to a suburb near Charlotte, North Carolina to be near her grandchildren. She has joined Harrison United Methodist Church and is active in Youth Group, Emmaus, Epiphany, and Faith Partners.

Xie Tian, a deity in heaven and earth, not only broadcast boys and girls live in the election of the Lord, but also lost the position of the Lord! When his life fell to the bottom of the valley, he decided to break the pot and take his 3-year-old son to the ceremony of the successor of Justice Fairy League, the leader of the right path, to rob the wedding! Who is the father of the child? ! Bai Jing, who took the initiative to be robbed of his wedding. Since I'm here, I don't want to leave. I want both my children and you. Xie Tian, who took the initiative to rob the wedding: Get Married? Okay, but let's talk about who will stay upside at first.

Jonathon and Gavin Nightly are in love with Hannah Lasker, a gifted artist on the verge of a meltdown. Their lives spiral toward heartbreak with the release of a controversial vaccine that grants eter-

nal life. This "miracle cure" is only the beginning of a true-to-life technological takeover that pits friendships against progress, science against faith, and love against time.

Surf, sand, and sex meet the macho world of construction workers in this unique coming-of-age novel from Lambda Literary Award finalist Jay Quinn.

In 1994, Fig looks back on her life and relates her experiences, from age six to nineteen, as she desperately tries to save her mother from schizophrenia while her own mental health and relationships deteriorate.

The author practices Optometry in the Atlanta area, and serves as a legal consultant to optometrists and related health care professionals. He holds an undergraduate degree in Physics-Mathematics, and post-graduate degrees in Law and Optometry. Dr. Provost is a member of The Florida Bar and The Georgia Bar, and is licensed to practice Optometry in Florida and Georgia. He lives in an Atlanta suburb with his wife Evelyn, an attorney, and their four champion Persians, who have replaced in both intelligence and charm, four talented children who have gone on to careers in Optometry, teaching and real estate. The author graduated from Berry College near Rome, Georgia in 1961. While at Berry College in the late fifties the author was President of the Freshman Class, Treasurer of the Sophomore Class, Secretary, Vice-president and finally President of the Men's Student Government. At the end of his Junior year he became the first ever recipient of the Jessie Pritchett Parish Student Leadership Award, presented to the one student among the entire student body who best demonstrated leadership qualities on campus. While at Berry College the author rewrote the Berry

College Handbook for Men. Following graduation in 1961, the author enlisted in the U. S. Army. He served two tours of duty in South Korea, the first as the feature writer for The Pacific Stars and Stripes newspaper, distributed daily to more than 37,000 U. S. soldiers in South Korea. The young reporter covered all meetings of the Military Armistice Commission (MAC) held at Panmunjom, and traveled freely throughout South Korea in his assigned Jeep, writing about anything of a military or civilian nature that interested him or that might be of interest to his readers. At age 24 the author was accepted as a student at the prestigious Defense Language Institute, located at Monterey, California, where he studied the Korean language for a year, graduating first in his class of thirty students. Following months of instruction at the U. S. Army Intelligence Center located at Ft. Holabird, Maryland, the author was stationed with the 502 Military Intelligence Battalion in Seoul, South Korea. As the youngest of the five prisoner interrogators and intelligence analysts, the specialist daily interrogated captured North Korean espionage agents and their 'minders' who had failed in their attempt to infiltrate the irregular coastline of South Korea. These experiences are the subject of the author's soon to be published book entitled The Wall at Incheon. In 1965 the author received an Honorable Discharge from the U. S. Army, and in 1967 was accepted as a student at the University of Houston College of Optometry. Dr. Provost graduated in 1972 with the degree Doctor of Optometry, and began his private practice of Optometry in the Ft. Lauderdale, Florida suburb of Plantation. In 1977 Dr. Provost was accepted into Nova Southeastern University College of Law, graduating in 1980 with the degree Juris Doctor. He

has practiced Optometry since 1972 and Law since 1980, in Georgia and Florida. The author was born in Kinston, North Carolina in 1939, the knee baby of seven children. Following the sudden death of his father, a wartime U. S. civil service engineer, in February 1947 the seven-year-old was sent to live for a decade in historic Oxford Orphanage, located northeast of Raleigh. Dr. Provost's Reflections in An Orphan's Eye-A Decade at Oxford is the first book written about the historic 132-year-old institution since Nettie Bemis' popular Life at Oxford, published in 1925. However, whereas Nettie Bemis' work centered around the history and campus life at Oxford, Dr. Provost's work, while recounting the history of the institution, is a factual, bittersweet narrative of a youngster's decade-long odyssey spent growing up 'inside the hedges.' This work is a moving account of how tradition rich Oxford Orphanage and its four hundred students and staff grabbed a timid, disillusion

I was with her twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week for the last ten months of her life. The conversations we had were priceless. The promises I made to her I am still fulfilling. Dawn definitely made me a stronger person. She taught me so many things about life, about myself, but also about others. After she was diagnosed, Dawn saw things as they were and not as she wished them to be, and slowly but surely she began putting things in order. Yes, this cancer is going to end my life here on earth several years sooner than if I didn't have it. Though it won't take away what I have. I have a loving father and best friend. I have Cathy, my wonderful mother by marriage. I have my mother and Kristie who I love so very much. I have the two most beautiful children in the world in Tyler and Jordan. I have peace with God

and myself. I also have something that is so important to me: I have love from all those I just mentioned. They love me. So you see, cancer didn't win. It can never take what I have. Please understand that I haven't given up on a miracle nor have I given up on life here on earth. I won't live my life waiting on a miracle. I'm going to live my life as if I don't need a miracle. I won't live my life in fear of death. I'm going to live my life as if I have nothing to fear. Yes, I will do whatever it takes to live. I'm going to do my best to do what it takes to be happy not depressed. So yes, I hate that I have cancer, although I love my life and those who are in it and make it what it is.

It's a story you shouldn't be reading, it's a personal journey that was originally written by a father for only his daughter's eyes. It's an emotional story that shows how a father was brought to his lowest point in his life where he could see no return. But the father held on; his daughter was his vision, his daughter was what kept him going, and kept them both from harm's way. It's all about a father's love and devotion to his daughter, in a world where he struggles to grasp how parents can play games in aid to gain for themselves, in a world where fathers at times are pushed aside and their voices ignored and unheard, just like a child's, just like the life he lived. A father leaves his story for his daughter so she can understand in years to come, how he fought for her, how he gave up his life just so his daughter could be brought up in a normal way. It's now a father's turn to speak up, to show his daughter and maybe the world how and why they have an unbreakable bond, to show how this bond has been tested and pushed to its limits. This story is for every person, for every mum for every dad who has a child they love, it's for every

person who has a parent they love and cherish because this story will make you fall in love with how a father loves his daughter and how far he will go to make sure she is fine. It's a story to show the world, nothing can beat the love of your child and nothing should, it's a story he hopes will change the thinking of many people one day.

Roger Ebert wrote the first film review that director Martin Scorsese ever received - for 1967's *I Call First*, later renamed *Who's That Knocking at My Door* - creating a lasting bond that made him one of Scorsese's most appreciative and perceptive commentators. Scorsese by Ebert offers the first record of America's most respected film critic's en...

Potius Mori Quam Foedari! Death before dishonor! Words that had been drilled into Lee Mordetur's head almost from birth. From the time her Uncle, Two Spears, had held her up as a squalling infant before her father's Wolf Soldier guard, to inspire them to sack Outpost IX! Thirteen years later, now Princess of the Imperium, daughter of the Eldadorian Emperor, Lee stood toe-to-toe with the ancient power of the King of Trenbon; he nearly 1,000 years old, she barely fourteen, a Sorceress in her mother's training. With victory impossible, Lee allowed her own Wolf Soldier guard, the Duke's son, Hectaro, to leap with her into a void and certain death! The ancient king would have no daughter of the Mordeturs as a bargaining chip! And yet, Lee and Hectaro didn't die, but found themselves instead in a land far from Eldador. Surrounded by enemies, without food, without water, with only Hectaro's sword to protect them. Now Lee travels the lands of an enemy far worse than the Trenboni King, across mountain ranges and roaring rivers, and through

armies numbering in the tens of thousands. Can Lee Mordetur find the allies, the magic and the strength within herself to overcome the obstacles now before her, and to find her way home? Maybe that's why they call her Daddy's Girl!

Brittani's book, "Is it Mommy's Turn or Daddy's Turn?", was inspired by the author's youngest daughter when their family was going through their divorce. Four-year-old Layla has a big birthday coming up! The only gift she wants is for her parents to be together to celebrate her big day! Layla has been confused about why her days have been jumbled between the two. In her young mind, she can't quite grasp the idea of her parents being divorced. However, Layla loves the time she gets to spend with both. Find out if Layla will get what she hopes for in this uplifting story!

It is often hard for children to think of their Daddy as a 'little boy'. Sasha discovered that her Daddy was once upon a time a little boy when she fell ill and her Daddy told her a story about himself when he was her age. Sasha was fascinated by this discovery. So, whenever she would fall sick, she would ask her Daddy to tell her a story about himself 'when he was a little boy', and, each time her Daddy would tell her a new story of funny things that ever happened to actual little boys like him or to other little daddies that he knew. After all, all daddies were 'little boys' once. When Daddy was a little boy is a timeless collection of tales that happened to a Daddy when he was a 'little boy'.

Do fathers love their children more than the mothers do? Why or why not? Yusuph is Tanzania Congolese boy who born and grow in Tanzania with unaware of his mother's (Tecla) and father's

(Joseph) love for him because of some complicated situation. As Yusuph grew up, he longed to live with his family but at the end he received bad news of Joseph's death. "I literally can't remember what was my dad looks like, or his voice, or anything about him but there are still some missing pieces of him deep down inside me that I brought into my countless dreams of him." Father will say they love their children just as much as their Mothers, but it looks different on the outside. He buried him in his mind, and transform almost every aspect of his live, he decided to pursue his new dream of not letting his children go through the life he went through. Yusuph and Samir were selected by the college to study abroad. Father tend to love their children in the way they perceive is the best but mother love their children in the way they can best perceive it. So, from children's perspective, the father's love may seem to be less than the mothers. Samir explore Yusuph's life situation to accomplish writing his own novel. "... He's committed to reading as many novels as he can, hoping that one day he'll find something to write about in his novel, but still, I wish I could tell my life story so he could write something..." THE BEGINNING OF NOVEL WITHIN A NOVEL. Later on Yusuph find out that, before Joseph death, he left special love message for him about his steps sister, Clementine who live in Drc Congo. It is very difficult for Yusuph to go meet his step sister because he want to spend most of his time with his girlfriend (Naomy) for his future family. As time goes by pain of loosing Joseph never leaves Yusuph. "The foot prints our loved ones leave on our souls are permanent. Never to be filled with another. Never forgotten. They live on in our memories and in our hearts." The importance of fatherhood extend beyond a

provider. Keep that in mind. Yusuph couldn't deal with the future while he didn't clean all of his past memory. "Now we're all together and we can't shake hands... We can't kiss... Hugging each other is a test for us... Having sex is also a problem.... I don't think if we will get married... Bearing children is a dream..." Mother's love is mild while father's love is shape. They are different but neither is dispensable. Instead to go study abroad, he go to meet Clementine because she is the one who will restore all the love he had for Joseph without care if there a civil war. Yusuph's heart-beat, thump-thump -- His finger is taking up trigger-slack. He holds off as Justine (Rebel) continues to drag Clementine backward into the woods... So yeah, I think fathers love their children, but they way they express it can sometimes be misunderstood or undervalued.

African-American hit man Daddy Cool tries to protect the only person he loves--his daughter, Janet--when a cunning pimp lures her into his stable.

Janet Lansbury's advice on respectful parenting is quoted and shared by millions of readers worldwide. Inspired by the pioneering parenting philosophy of her friend and mentor, Magda Gerber, Janet's influential voice encourages parents and child care professionals to perceive babies as unique, capable human beings with natural abilities to learn without being taught; to develop motor and cognitive skills; communicate; face age appropriate struggles; initiate and direct independent play for extended periods; and much more. Once we are able to view our children in this light, even the most common daily parenting experiences become stimulating opportunities to learn, discover, and to connect with our child. "Elevating Child Care" is a collection of 30 popular and widely read arti-

cles from Janet's website that focus on some of the most common infant/toddler issues: eating, sleeping, diaper changes, communication, separation, focus and attention span, creativity, boundaries, and more. Eschewing the quick-fix 'tips and tricks' of popular parenting culture, Janet's insightful philosophy lays the foundation for a closer, more fulfilling parent/child relationship, and children who grow up to be authentic, confident, successful adults.

Terror gripped the streets of Willow Woods as the grisly deaths increased. The killer struck in isolated areas, slashing young women into bloody ribbons of flesh with the precision of a surgeon. The experts knew he used a razor-sharp butcher's knife, but only the dead knew his face.... The bad dreams started when Danny's real dad disappeared. Weird, scary dreams about a strange man with a long, shiny knife, standing over Danny's mother covered in blood on their kitchen floor. His mom told him to forget about the dreams and stop watching the TV news reports about the Mad Slasher. She said they were safe, especially with their new friend Michael, his pretend daddy, to protect them. But Danny was afraid of Michael. Michael looked too much like the monster in his dreams....

"I THINK ONE OF DADDY'S LITTLE GIRLS KILLED HIM." For the four glamorous daughters of Lord Oswald Balcon, money can buy anything. From Fendi handbags to Ivy League educations, they live in a world of designer labels and unrestricted opulence -- their father's money and aristocratic status, coupled with their dazzling good looks, bought them every opportunity and advantage. They are beautiful, blond, and barely thirty, and the world is their luxury playground. Venetia, the sophisticated interior designer, has

booming professional success but is desperate for a child and an escape from a loveless marriage. Camilla, the rising political star, is too brilliant and ambitious for any of her unworthy lovers to handle. Sweet yet savvy Cate is living out her ultimate dream, launching her own magazine, with an all-too-handsome business partner. The baby of the family, Serena, is one of the country's most beautiful actresses, on the cusp of international stardom, but her party-girl lifestyle is bringing about more scandal than success. The girls are the darlings of the London paparazzi, but when Lord Balcon turns up dead, the shadow of suspicion falls on his four daughters. A jealous tyrant, Daddy has tried to bring his daughters down all their lives. These four women -- at the top of their careers in show business, publishing, interior design, and politics -- must face an awful accusation, and each other, as they try to discover the truth that lies beneath the glossy surface of their lives. The facade of the Balcon family hides a web of deceit and betrayal, in which a thirty-year-old secret lurks, threatening to destroy them all. From the sun-drenched beaches of the Caribbean to Manhattan's elite society circuit, from the exclusive fashion houses of Milan to the star-studded streets of Cannes, the Balcon sisters play out their lives in a whirl of glitz and the ultra chic. But as tragedy and danger stalk every one of them, the scene is set for a stunning climax.

My daddys daddy is my Big Papa, Leroy Percy Volmar. Thats where this story begins since I never saw the face of my great grandfather, James Joseph Volmar, whos buried somewhere around Etoile, Texas; except for one picture where hes lined up with members of the Masonic Lodge, upright dignified men in aprons, embroidered cowls down to their waists.

And thats not a picture to be passed around to average folks or women. I expect that at my great grandfathers wake, a Mason sneaked the picture out from under his coat and gave it to my Big Papa who wears the black ring too. My grandfather had a big bunch of brothers and two sisters. Well, you might as well say one sister. My great-aunt Edna got TB when she was a girl and they sent her to Boonville, Arkansas, to a sanatorium for a twelve-year quarantine. When it was time to get out, shed been there most of her life and decided to stay. Big Papas wild brother Bill got the Volmars from Texas to Louisiana. They had to hotfoot it out after Bill went and killed a man during an argument. Leroy, Eb, and Bill ran to North Louisiana hoping the law would give out before they did. That dead body changed just about everything for the Volmars. Recently at a family reunion my brother and I were talking about our great-uncle Bill. Donna, do you think he was saved? Well, I know he was saved one day from the law when he made it to Louisiana where he married five times, a younger woman each time. Jim, my daddy, was a roughneck and picked up where his wild Uncle Bill left off. From Chapter 9 Blow Out I was up in the derrick and I heard a rumble down in the hole. I dont think the driller realized when he heard the kick what was happening. Before I had time to yell down, there was a flash, and then a blast jarred my feet off my board. The well was gonna go. I reached out to cling onto one of the steel shafts when I was knocked from one side to the other in that derrick. Thank God I didnt have on a damn safety belt up 120 feet high. Sounded like a freight train when we hit that gas. I leaned out and pulled the soft line close. Had to get ready to leap out on the damn thing. I hung out there

seemed like forever while that rope swung me back and forth, banged me up against the derrick. I pushed away with one foot until I could get my legs around the rope and slide down. The whole shebang was about to blow. I was flying down that rope by the time my feet touched the ground. Looked up to see the god damn tubing bust clean off. Oil went spewing everywhere, shot way high in the air. It felt like hail until I looked down and saw grease plastered all over me. We fell over each other trying to get away. After we jumped in the car, we looked around at each other, What in the shit just happened? Are you hurt, Daddy? Im okay, but look at my arms, theyre already red and burning. I dont ever want to be caught up in that derrick again when some god damn driller isnt paying attention. Or maybe hed never seen a well come in. I wont ever work for him again. You can get fuckin killed. Honey, Ive got to hurry up and get in the tub. Find my lye soap and Petroleum Jelly. Youre a sight. Have you looked in the mirror? Im scared. Baby. Ill be alright. From Chapter 10 Greyhound to Cincinnati I see the faces of smutty, ragshag men watching me from all the rows clear to the back. Guess they decided they didnt need a shave to ride a Greyhound. Any one of them could be that serial killer on the news. Theres a bad smell in here, too. Granny says bouquet for smell. She says its more lady-

like. But I think shed even agree theres no sweet bouquet on this bus. One day, Ill get me a ticket on an airplane. Hey, Bubba, I wonder what Mother will have for us to eat. Probably some of those store-bought cookies she sends for Christmas in the tin, crumbled up by the time they

This is how the story begins, it was a Wednesday night and I went to a dance every Wednesday night at the P.S. Pavilion; a nice big dance hall like the big ones we had in Chicago, with the big bands. I felt like I was about 18 years old and I danced every dance. I had a few drinks and I left the dance about 11 :00 P.M. I got to bed about 11:45 p.m. I woke up about 5 a.m the next morning. I couldn't breathe, I was having a tough time breathing; so I called 911. I knew I was in some kind of trouble so I took my pajamas off, put on shorts and with that I put my medicare card and blue cross/blue shield card, and my driver's license in my pocket I waited out side. It seemed like an hour but it was probably only a few minutes, before the fire dept arrived with their wagon. I was standing in the driveway, waiting for them to arrive. I said, "I'm having a hard time breathing would you please give me some oxygen." They kept asking, what's your name, . . .where do you live? I kept asking them to please give me some oxygen. I was having a tough time breathing.