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## Personal Testimonials of Cecil, His Work, and His Speaking

"Cecil Taylor is one of the finest teachers I know. His take on the Bible and discipleship is always fresh and helpful. He brings a lot of energy to every session. His classes are always well-received. His students enjoy themselves and see, in Cecil, a Christian who is devoted to the Lord and always ready to help."

- Dr. Scott Engle, Teaching Pastor, St. Andrew Methodist Church, Plano, Texas

"When I listen to you teach, I sense the fragrance of Christ."

- Lisle Barker, Rockwall, Texas

"I can't say enough great things about Cecil Taylor. A wonderful spiritual person, leader, teacher, mentor."

- Maureen Downing, Plano, Texas

"I like the way you teach. You teach so that I can understand which is very simple."

- Lavenda Elmer, Liberty Hill, Texas

"Your presentation and testimony were perfect examples of scripture. You are impacting many men in the name of Christ."

- Ted Hyde, Flower Mound, Texas

"I feel like I just received a great and inspirational sermon from a truly dedicated and knowledgeable disciple of Jesus Christ."

- David Inman, Florida

"I would highly recommend any of Cecil's teachings for someone or some group looking to seek God's direction in a way that is relatable."

- Kris Roberson, Plano, Texas

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# Reviews of "Unison Parenting: The Comprehensive Guide to Navigating Christian Parenthood with One Voice"

Wow! I am blown away by Cecil Taylor's new book, *Unison Parenting*! I've read and studied plenty of parenting guides during my twenty years as a Children's Ministry Director and Family Outreach Coordinator. But I've never come across a book like this one.

Taylor provides parents with a comprehensive framework for building solid relationships with their children that will foster trust, encourage growth, and train them for successful independence. He covers tough subjects and addresses out-of-the-Christian-box parenting scenarios in a way that reveals his heart for children and for the God who loves them.

This book is a must-read for any parent who feels alone in their efforts to raise well-adjusted kids and an essential guidebook for ministry leaders who want to come alongside struggling parents to offer hope and help.

-Annette Marie Griffin, award-winning author and speaker

In a world filled with challenges and complexities, *Unison Parenting* offers hope and wisdom for parents navigating the path of raising children together. This insightful guide is a testament to the transformative power of grace and love.

Cecil offers a roadmap for parents, empowering them to create an environment of love, understanding, and stability for their children. He masterfully emphasizes that co-parenting is not merely about logistics but also an opportunity to instill godly values.

I was struck by Cecil's genuine understanding of the real struggles parents face. His heartfelt stories and testimonials resonated.

Some books are read with mental note-taking. It's the rare gem that inspires physical notes eagerly put into action without delay. This book is the latter.

- Kindra Silk Kreislers, Author, Speaker, Children's Preacher

# Reviews of "From Comfort Zone to Trust Zone: How Jesus Urges Us to Take Leaps of Faith for His Kingdom"

Cecil is a very relatable, brilliant author. He has a way of applying the principles of the Bible to help us grow in Christ.

Once again, Cecil Taylor has written a book that is relatable and timely. **From Comfort Zone to Trust Zone** is a fantastic way of challenging believers to do more. It inspires you to get up and do what God has designed you to do, encouraging you to move forward.

The number one question flowing throughout this book is, "Are you ready to move from being in control to letting God control?"

Cecil uses his and others' experiences to inspire you to be a risk-taker. He encourages not letting your fears, despairs, insecurities stop you from trusting in God and His plan for you.

Each chapter contains a study of the two zones. Cecil presents strategies for entering the Trust zone and highlights their importance. In addition, he offers chapter summaries for your reflection.

I recommend this book for believers wanting more from life than just surviving. This book will direct you to the zone for abundant living.

- Lyvita Brooks, "Hanging Out with Jesus" podcaster and author of <u>Nuggets for Thought: A Mother</u> and Daughter's Collection of Poems, Reflections, and Flash Fiction About the Life They See

Cecil Taylor's new book, *From Comfort Zone to Trust Zone*, opened my eyes to a new way of looking at why we do some of the things we do, not only unbelievers but Christians as well.

I have always enjoyed my comfort zone but now can see that it might not always be what God wants for me.

I highly recommend this book. It will not only inform you but will create in you a desire to learn to trust God more.

This book is fabulous at teaching us how to take those giant leaps of faith that are so hard. *From Comfort Zone to Trust Zone* will challenge you and increase your faith in our mighty God.

- Jennifer Chamberlain, author of Christianity Unraveled: Unpacking the Essentials of Salvation

In Cecil Taylor's new book, *From Comfort Zone to Trust Zone*, you will be challenged in every chapter to deepen your faith by relinquishing certainty to replacing it with uncertainty and thus growing your faith by growing your reliance on God. This will be my go-to book when I need a reminder that I can do better for Christ.

- LuAnn Dolly, book reviewer

Cecil Taylor's latest work, *From Comfort Zone to Trust Zone*, is a compelling exploration of Christian discipleship in the modern world. At its core, Taylor's book is an invitation to journey beyond the familiar realms of personal judgement and into a deeper, more profound trust in Jesus Christ and his judgements.

Perhaps the most profound aspect of Taylor's book is the concept of the 'trust zone.' This is described as a spiritual state where individuals fully surrender to God's sovereignty, allowing Jesus to reign in their hearts. Taylor beautifully articulates how opening our hearts to Jesus paves the way for transformative change.

**From Comfort Zone to Trust Zone** is a thought-provoking, spiritually enriching guide that challenges readers to deepen their trust in Jesus and engage more meaningfully with the core Gospel principles in scripture. It starts strong and builds up steam all the way through. Taylor's insights and reflections offer a fresh and much needed perspective on Christian discipleship, making it a must-read for anyone seeking to grow in their faith towards the Great Commission and the New Covenant.

- David Inman, book reviewer

I loved the simplicity and structure of this book. It took a topic that many Christians know to be true (going the extra mile in our faith) and laid it out in irrefutable yet relatable ways. Cecil does such a good job of intertwining scripture, which is the basis for all of his thoughts, with historical figures as well as modern day scenarios.

- Kris Roberson, book reviewer

This book is great for a devotional, but it would also be great for a read through. I learned quite a bit and found different and better ways of thinking about Comfort and Trust Zones. I had not realized how comfortable I had gotten, so now I have some work to do.

- Jennifer Grillette, book reviewer

What makes this book unique is its blend of scriptural examples with practical applications for modern-day life. Taylor does not shy away from the uncomfortable aspects of faith, instead, he confronts them head-on, offering readers a chance to reevaluate their spiritual walk. The book's clear and engaging style makes it accessible to anyone looking to deepen their understanding of what it means to truly trust in Jesus. It's not just about reading biblical stories; it's about

transforming our lives today. This book is an essential read for anyone seeking to deepen their faith, challenge their personal status quo, and engage more fully with the teachings of Jesus. - Sung Sik Yoon, Amazon reviewer

# Reviews of "Live Like You're Loved: Living in the Freedom and Immediacy of God's Love"

"Cecil uses both scripture and experience to explain the truth of God's love for us - for me and for you - in such a way that "knowing love" moves from intellectual concept to spiritual experience. From head to heart. This alone should be savored and absorbed.

The journey into living like you are loved doesn't end with understanding God's love. Cecil moves God's love into the reality of our daily lives through practical steps for living in - basking in - the love of God.

Cecil's SAIL steps prompt the reader to make a genuine investment of mind, heart, body, and time, so that each individual step becomes part of a meaningful spiritual journey."

- Rev. Liz Moen (ret.), Coppell, Texas

"Live Like You're Loved is a great guide to start living. It begins with spiritual truths like you are loved, you are forgiven, you are sent, and you are eternal. These truths are supported by scripture. What I like most about the book are the practical examples Cecil gives to show that these truths are true. We live in a world where people doubt the truth, ignore the truth, and don't know the truth. Beginning the book on what we know to be true helps makes this a solid exploration of how to start living.

I love when an author bares his soul. Cecil shows he has not always gotten it right. As my mother used to say, "some lessons are store-bought." Cecil has invested, and his investment has grown. This is why you can trust his truth and the truth.

This book will bless you because it is well-written, thought-provoking, and well-done." - Rick Hightower, author of <u>26.2 Miles to Grace: How My Life Was Saved by</u>
Miracles, Marriage and Marathons

"Live Like You're Loved was a Godsend! As a session leader without much time, I was able to watch the video and prepare easily for the sessions. It is all laid out for you in an organized and precise way. Cecil does a phenomenal job of doing the majority of the legwork and preparation."

- Rev. Trevor Kennedy, Good News United Methodist Church, Leander, Texas

Live Like You're Loved: Living in the Freedom and Immediacy of God's Love is a profound and uplifting book that touched my heart in ways I didn't expect.

What I appreciate most about this book is its strong scriptural foundation. It's clear that the

author has done their homework, and the wisdom they share is firmly rooted in the Bible. This adds depth and credibility to their message.

The analogy of God and us as "rough-and-ready riders" in the concluding chapters was particularly inspiring. It beautifully encapsulates the journey of faith, with its ups and downs, and the assurance that God is with us every step of the way. This powerful imagery stuck with me long after I finished reading.

**Live Like You're Loved** is a must-read for anyone seeking encouragement and a reminder of God's unwavering love. It's a book that will not only strengthen your faith but also touch your heart in a profound way. I highly recommend it to anyone on their spiritual journey.

- Michael E. Mocerino, Amazon reviewer

"Our group found *Live Like You're Loved* to be thought-provoking and well-crafted." *Tayler Johnson, Admissions Advisor, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia* 

I have gotten away from my faith over the years for a number of reasons, but primarily it's that the daily grind of life got in the way. This book helped to bring me back. It acknowledges that everyday life and faith can go hand in hand. My favorite part of the book was the reminder that I am Loved by God, and then it walks through the actual steps of how to LIVE like you are Loved. I did a lot of self-reflecting while reading this book, and I'm happy to say I feel closer to God after reading this book.

- Carlie Miller, Amazon reviewer

"This course is near and dear to my heart. In my Christian Walk, I have encountered so many people who really and truly do not know the love of our Lord and Savior. I think that what Cecil is doing with his ministry and with courses such as this, is a definite need fulfillment and should be continued."

- Jerry Smith, Braselton, Georgia

#### Amazon Reviewer Comments on the Life-Changing Aspects of Live Like You're Loved

- "A very good evangelization tool and it could definitely help someone turn their life around."
- Lora Condon
- "I have gotten away from my faith over the years for a number of reasons. I'm happy to say I feel closer to God after reading this book."
- Carlie Miller
- "It left an indelible mark upon my soul."
- Nikolaos
- "A profound and uplifting book that touched my heart in ways I didn't expect."
- Michael E. Morecino
- "A life-changing read for anyone seeking a deeper relationship with God and others."
- Samantha Way

## Reviews of "The Next Thing: A Christian Model for Dealing with Crisis in Personal Life"

"The Next Thing could be one of the essential books in your life that you go back to time after time when crises overwhelm you. Our family has dealt with crisis after crisis all through our lives. Most recently we lost our special needs daughter at the young age of 25. This book is an easy read, based on practical experiences, and biblically supported. I intend to reread it multiple times and will share it with others as they deal with their own crises."

- Pat Warren, Plano, Texas

"The Next Thing is relatable. I appreciate Cecil Taylor's use of authenticity and vulnerability to connect with the reader. He gives practical steps to walk through a crisis, reminding us that we are not alone. The longer I serve in the hospital setting, the more I'm aware that suffering and crises are a natural part of the human experience. This book has given me additional tools to draw upon as I journey alongside our patients.

- Rev. Stacy L. Auld, System Director of Spiritual Care, Houston Methodist Hospital System

"The Next Thing is a clear, concise, and easy-to-follow guide on how to cope with crisis and the unexpected. Author Cecil Taylor intertwines his personal life experiences with wisdom and leads one through a simple model to navigate through unexpected losses and earth-shattering trials that life can throw our way. Faith-filled, and intertwined with Scripture, this book can be used before, during or after a crisis. It can be applied on a personal level or as an aid for grief therapy. It can be read again and again as it is adaptable to multiple scenarios. I would recommend **The Next Thing** to anyone who is processing a crisis or struggling with grief."

- Allison Lambert, LPC-S (Licensed Professional Counselor-Supervisor) Original Intent Counseling Center, PLLC

"I appreciated Cecil's openness and transparency of his family's struggles as I felt like I was journeying with him. It was comforting and reassuring to have someone walk the mental health crisis trail before us. If, and when, you are dealing with any crisis, I'd encourage you to read *The Next Thing.*"

- Michael Ong, Associate Pastor, Asian-American Baptist Church of Dallas

"Cecil Taylor provides a logical four-step, easy to follow process for dealing with a crisis: Simplify, Trust, Rest and Grieve. It is easy to follow, actually a quick read, but lots of tips and chapter summaries so when a crisis hits, you can quickly reference key takeaways. A great part of the book is providing the Bible verses which support the book content. Cecil shares many personal stories (thank you for being vulnerable) that bring the book alive. This is a must read and a great book to keep on your shelf ready to reference at any time."

- Megan Mahaney, Salt Lake City, Utah

### Reviews of "The Legacy Tree: A Christian Model for a Life of Significance"

"The Legacy Tree is a wonderful study in reminding us who we are as Christians and why we do what we do in His name. I would highly recommend it for a self-led small group at any stage.

Cecil has done a fantastic job laying out the perfect format for discussion in the leader's guide! Our Sunday School class used this study, and it was incredibly easy for any of us to facilitate and the content very much encouraged fruitful discussion."

- Joe Rule, Richardson, Texas

"The Legacy Tree Leader's Guide is well-written and makes it easy to teach the lessons."

- Pam East, Frisco, Texas

"I'm really enjoying your daily Participant questions regarding the *Legacy Tree*. Very thought-provoking."

- Pamela Handy, Carrollton, Texas

"What an amazing accomplishment your *Legacy Tree* series is, and how many lives you will bless with it!!!"

- Kelly Shamblin, Plano, Texas