

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING ABOUT
UNPLUGGING FROM RELIGION...CONNECTING WITH GOD

Wow! *Unplugging From Religion...* will blow away your religious suppositions and bring you into the presence of the real God who loves you more than you could know. It's time someone wrote it! And Greg Albrecht has...radical, profound, biblical and true. Read this book and give it to all your friends. They will rise up and call you blessed!

—Steve Brown, author, professor at Reformed Theological Seminary (Orlando), Founder and President of Key Life Network

Greg Albrecht is one of today's leading voices speaking out against "Christ-less religion." He articulates this message well and points the reader to the Cross, the empty tomb and our risen Lord—calling us to new life in Christ—away from hollow forms of religion.

—Ruth A. Tucker, author, former professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

Greg Albrecht has written an important and timely book. *Unplugging From Religion...* should be read by all serious and dedicated Christians, and, I should add, by all seekers who, perhaps, have been turned off by traditional religion and religious traditions. As Greg says so eloquently in this exciting new book, authentic Christianity is not about deeds, creeds or personal behavior. It is about God and his unconditional love for us. This book will help you *unplug* from religion and *connect* with a dynamic and vital faith that is centered on God and his beloved Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

—Millard Fuller, author, Founder, Habitat for Humanity; Founder and President, Fuller Center for Housing

Greg Albrecht has been so utterly ruined by the grace of God that he'll never be any good for religion again. That's a positive thing because religion, by its nature, is binding. Grace, on the other hand, sets people free. Free to live in carefree abandon, knowing that because Christ is indeed our Life, we don't ever have to jump through religious hoops again. We can simply relax and run the race with joy.

Unplugging From Religion... is needed more today than it ever has been. Legalism runs rampant in the church. In a church-world-gone-berserk over programs and personalities, this book is a voice calling us back to the Person of Jesus Christ.

If the Apostle Paul were to write a letter to the legalistic Galatians today, I would imagine it sounding much like *Unplugging From Religion...Connecting With God*. I predict that this book will draw a clear line in the sand. Those who find their sense of identity in religious performance will think Greg has simply gone too far. On the other hand, those who hunger for more than the same-old-same-old many of us have known for years will find it to be a clarion call and guiding light toward the freedom they yearn to know. Read *Unplugging From Religion...* carefully, and then share it with your friends. You may discover that it ruffles the religious feathers of some, but others will be set free by its grace-filled truth.

—Steve McVey, author, President of Grace Walk Ministries

My journey has increasingly connected me with people who are interested in God but not religion—who want to know and live the truth of Christ beyond the walls of the institutionalized church. There are a few books I feel comfortable in recommending to people, and Greg Albrecht's *Unplugging From Religion...Connecting With God* is now one of them. It's not difficult or novel to write a book railing against religion and church, but what's different about this book is that Greg Albrecht addresses the underlying religious mentalities that hinder our connection with God. He profoundly captures the root difference between God and religion—religion thrives on fear, while God is love. *Unplugging From Religion...* helped me, which is why I plan to keep a stash on hand to give to others.

—Jim Palmer, author, *Divine Nobodies* and *Wide Open Spaces*

Greg Albrecht has once again made the critical distinction between divine reality and popular religion. He states categorically, "There is a difference between God and religion." *Unplugging From Religion...* is not just another diatribe of religion-bashing, but begins and ends by emphasizing God's loving desire to enter into meaningful personal relationship with his created beings. Such personal relationship is not predicated on our performance to establish or maintain the connection, but is

entirely based on the dynamic of God's grace activity in Jesus Christ. Greg has *pulled the plug on religion*, but has graciously encouraged his readers to find their personal *connection with God* through his grace in Jesus Christ.

—Jim Fowler, author, Founder, Christ in You Ministries

Unplugging From Religion... is a call to take religion seriously as a threat to freedom in Christ. Greg Albrecht exposes subtle religious attitudes and the tendency to talk fondly about grace while at the same time encouraging religious bondage and legalism. He demonstrates that *connecting with God* has little to do with the travesty of religion.

—Rachel Ramer, author, adjunct instructor at Indiana University East, Co-founder, www.ill-legalism.com

Unplugging From Religion... is Greg Albrecht's newest missile launch into the war zone of legalistic bondage. Using pictures, stories and his own personal experience of liberation from religious bondage, Greg unabashedly points his sights on religious institutions that capture, captivate and confuse. And Greg's spiritual aim is accurate.

Reading *Unplugging From Religion...* I consistently nodded my head in agreement, identifying with the descriptions of the legalism that run through the evangelical church in North America. Greg will make you laugh (watch how he turns the movie *Weekend at Bernie's* into a profound spiritual parable!), and he will make you angry. But he will also give you hope. He doesn't just hand out blame—he points the reader to the grace of Jesus. Read *Unplugging From Religion...* and let Greg help connect you to the God of love!

—Ron Benson, author and pastor

Whenever I read Greg's insightful and courageous writing, I feel relieved of my self and church-imposed burdens. The Official Script (the list of dos and don'ts that I mistook for Christianity early on) still haunts me, trips me and tramps me with the most prideful seduction. *Unplugging From Religion...* is a light unto my path and I pray yours as well.

—Paul Coughlin, author, *No More Christian Nice Guy* and *Unleashing Courageous Faith*, and Founder of The Protectors: The Faith-Based Solution to Adolescent Bullying