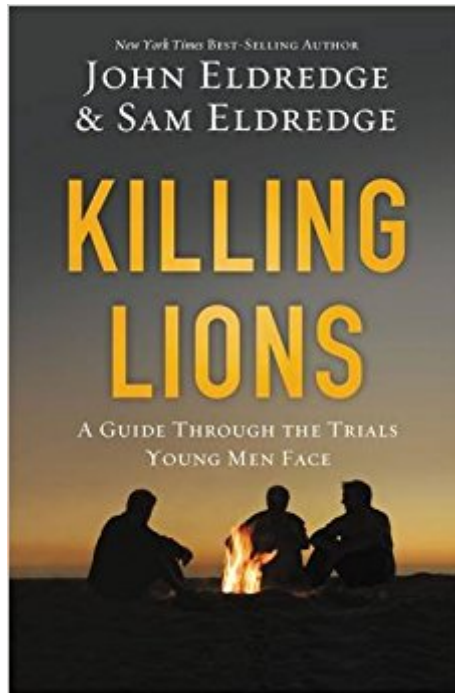




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Killing Lions: A Guide Through The Trials Young Men Face



Synopsis

The Challenge Before You Is a Bold One: To Accept the Wild, Daring Adventure of Becoming a Man. We want to be self-sufficient. Find our own direction as we pursue our dreams. Know it all and never ask for help. Isn't this how most guys approach manhood? On our own, pretending we are doing better than we really are? But sooner or later the thrill of independence gets lost in the fog of isolation. It's time to take the pressure off. We were never meant to figure life out on our own. This book was born out of a series of weekly phone calls between Sam Eldredge, a young writer in his twenties, and his dad, best-selling author John Eldredge. Join the conversation as a father and son talk about pursuing beauty, dealing with money, getting married, chasing dreams, knowing something real with God, and how to find a life you can call your own. Killing Lions is more than fatherly advice. It is an invitation into a journey: either to be the son who receives fathering or the father who learns what must be spoken. Most important, these conversations speak to a searching generation: "You are not alone. It's not all up to you. You are going to find your way."

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Customer Reviews

John Eldredge is an author, a counselor, and a teacher. He is also president of Ransomed Heart, a ministry devoted to helping people discover the heart of God, recover their own hearts in God's love, and learn to live in God's kingdom. John and his wife, Stasi, live near Colorado Springs, Colorado. Samuel Eldredge began his writing career in second grade with a memorable essay on penguins. He graduated with a bachelors in English and is currently developing an online journal for men. In his spare time he enjoys cigars and films by

Hayao Miyazaki. When he goes out of doors he loves to ã ã ride motorcycles, sail, and adventure with his wife, Susie. They currently live in Minneapolis.

I am a 26 year old man, married 3 years last August and have a 6 week old daughter. I have never felt so "called out" and depended on in my life. The search for validation and to know I am not blowing it has never felt more real than now. How do I know I am making the right choices? Am I loving my wife and daughter well? What is my purpose and am I missing it? Why does God have me in the job I am in? Am I alone in all of this? I feel needy. These have been a few of the questions that I have had in my young adult life. Killing Lions touches on every one. It takes the pressure of having it all together. I have a Father, really. He knows me, sees me and loves me. To all the guys out there wrestling and searching, this book is a knife when you're caught in a net. page 9.

(John) This is time for revolution, and one of the great wonders of Christianity is the idea that you are born into your times, to set your times aright... Fredrick Buechner believed that, "The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet." Thank you Sam for asking the questions. Thank you John for answering them. Thank you Jesus for validating who I am and giving me a new identity.

I am a 36 year old man and I found this book to be very helpful as a future dad of a boy. It touches areas that were personal to me and found some answers to some of my questions. I don't have it all figured out so I honestly can say I did take some good things from this book. It is also a good book to keep to remind me of the struggles my boy will face. Chapter 8 is the one that spoke to me the most because I still ask the same questions. I recommend it. I'm not giving it 5 stars because I can't say I LOVED it but I really liked it and I recommend it. Give it a try.

This book by Sam and John Eldredge is a conversation between father and son about reaching one's manhood, and the difficult journey of getting through college, finding a career, and entering marriage, while walking with God and listening to Him. There are many 'Wild at Heart' themes here as John relates them to Sam's growth and journey. Although there is some repetition, the 'Wild at Heart' themes are clarified in this young man's journey. This book is definitely geared to the young man and his early struggles in life, but some of the themes caught my attention for me having been through a previous marriage and career changes while trying to walk with God. Sam's lessons are relevant in many different seasons of a man's life to help clarify the past and give hope to the future. I have even thought there may be some lessons from the book my daughter can take from this as

she leaves college into her first job and career. There is an excellent chapter on prayer, praying against evil and praying against the noise of the evil one, which is very beneficial and well worth reading and following daily. Many of the Eldredge books incorporate the Daily Prayer and Prayer for Sexual Healing as does this one. I took away much from the book, and knocked it down a star for some of its redundancy with other Eldredge books. This won't matter if you are new to 'Wild at Heart' and this will be a five star book for you, if you have a Christian background. Again, I think the book is a good one for those familiar with other Eldredge books for Christian men in all seasons of their lives.

Good book for those about to enter college or are finishing college. Not for me as I am too old for all of that. May pass it on to my grandson.

I'm Jenifer's husband, David, and a longtime fan of John Eldredge and his writing. I just finished the book yesterday, having been sent an advance copy. This book contains a critical message very much needed for today's unfathered young man. These 15 to 30-year-olds are looking for direction while acting like they have their act together. But instead of rising up into the roles and responsibilities of manhood, they secretly flounder from fad to fad, trying desperately to figure life out. Hence the 20-something adolescent who takes on the vestiges of manhood all the while hiding from challenges that might expose him for the unfinished man-boy that he is. John and Sam address these issues in the context of a father-son conversation that every young man, including myself, a man about to turn 50, wishes he could have with his father. Career, dating, marriage, purpose, politics, social issues all come into better focus as Sam exposes his internal struggles, the struggles that all of us face as men. John responds as a wise and informed father, who has himself been fathered by God. The book is full of hope and direction! I have purchased 20 of these books and will pass them out to the men I have been entrusted with. I can highly, highly recommend this latest book and all of the books penned by the Eldredge family of writers.

This is incredible book that every young man in high school, college, or beginning life needs to read. I'm currently applying it to my life while in college and am already seeing great results in areas such as finances, dating, and spiritual awareness when it comes to my walk with Christ. I also bought four other copies for my older brother and my closest friends! Great read.

Struggled through the first 14 pages. To me, it was a bore. It seems to be pretty standard and

conventional advice and common sense. Not that it's not well written it just doesn't have any grab, personally. I do see that for some it could be of great help and maybe I'll read it later.

I've always enjoyed John Eldredge's books, and this one was good for the most part. I find myself in a different place than I was when I first started reading his books and I can't agree with everything he says. I love his use of story in all his books. His background in theater definitely shows in his writing. This book is definitely directed at the Christian community and as such it might not be as helpful to others at different parts in the book. I skipped one chapter entirely because I couldn't agree with what was said. There are definitely some parts that are worth reading regardless of your religious conviction, however.

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