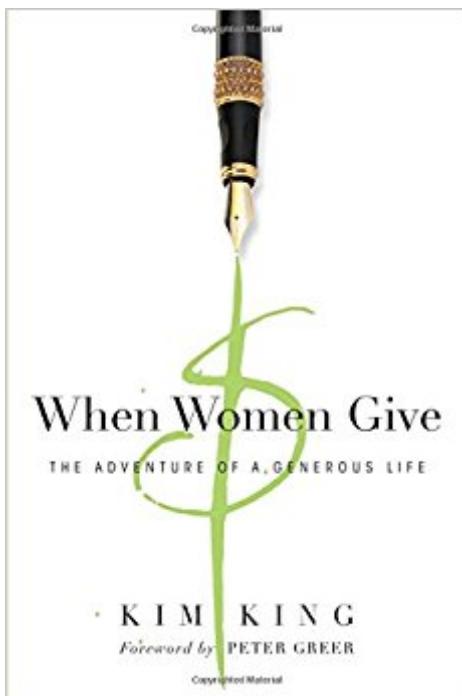


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# When Women Give: The Adventure Of A Generous Life



## **Synopsis**

Women are entrepreneurs, highly paid professionals, and leaders in business. Many of us have skills to give. We are marrying later. Many of us have time to give. Women are also likely to manage the family money for a significant portion of their lives. Many of us have money to give. When Kim King, a former corporate lawyer, began her own giving journey she found herself short on resources that would guide her along the way. She faced many questions: How much do I give? How do I find good organizations that are efficient and effective? What are some of the common methods of giving? How do I find others to join me on this journey? Most of all, she was eager to root all of her decisions in a biblical framework. When Women Give is filled with practical advice and stories to foster growth in giving at any and every level. Kim shares openly from her own story, both from her perspective as a donor and from serving on the boards of several Christian nonprofits. If you want to be a wise steward of what you've been given, then this book is for you.

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## **Customer Reviews**

While other writings about philanthropy lay out reasons to give, this book takes an unflinching look at the underlying excuses that we so often make for not giving. The stories in When Women Give fundamentally challenge the ways that we stifle our generosity. Ultimately, When Women Give serves as a call to move beyond our fears—“that we don’t have enough, that our giving can’t make a difference, that by serving others we’ll damage ourselves”—in order to embark on the great adventure of a generous life. (Peter Greer, from the foreword)"When Women

Give clarifies the impact of my role as a professional and paints an very clear picture of the impact of my financial contributions—â a picture I could only see before in black and white. The final chapter pierced my heart, leaving it as fertile soil ready to receive God's best, to give my firstfruits and storm my office Monday morning with reckless abandon. I will conquer my market share and live the great adventure! What if women really grabbed ahold of this concept? Imagine the advancement of God's kingdom here on earth." (Brandi McDonald, executive managing director, Newmark Grubb Knight Frank)"I was captivated by the stories shared in Kim King's book. As I work with women in the workplace, I'm surprised at the lack of understanding of financial tools available to enable giving in a much bigger way than most imagine. Not only does Kim provide 'giving' guidance, but she shares stories where God truly takes hearts and opens them to never-thought-about possibilities regarding generosity." (Diane Paddison, founder of 4word, author of Work, Love, Pray, former global executive team of two Fortune 500 companies and one Fortune 1000 company)

Kim King (JD, University of Alabama) is chair of the board of directors for Women Doing Well Initiatives, Inc., a Christian nonprofit ministry providing education and tools for women to facilitate generosity. She previously served as an attorney and manager in the law department of Exxon Mobil Corporation for over thirty years, and she continues to privately practice assisting nonprofits and the under-served. Kim is passionate about helping women fulfill their purpose to the glory of God. She has served on the boards of various ministries and organizations, including Hope International, the National Christian Foundation-Houston, and the Women's Council of InterVarsity. She loves to learn, write, and teach, and she has been featured as a keynote speaker at events around the country. She lives in Houston.Peter Greer is president and CEO of HOPE International, a global, Christ-centered microfinance organization serving throughout Africa, Asia, Latin America and Eastern Europe. Internationally, Peter served as a microfinance adviser in Cambodia, technical adviser for Self-Help Development Foundation in Zimbabwe and managing director for Urwego in Rwanda. As an advocate for the church's role in missions and alleviating extreme poverty, Peter has been a featured speaker at conferences such as Catalyst, Passion and Harvest International's Development Conference and Jubilee, and he has been featured in Christianity Today, World, Forbes, Relevant and Outcomes magazine, and on CNN. Peter is the author or coauthor of The Poor Will Be Glad, The Spiritual Danger of Doing Good, Mission Drift, Entrepreneurship for Human Flourishing, Stop Helping Us and Watching Seeds Grow. Peter and his wife, Laurel, live in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, with their three children.

I live in Houston, ground zero for Hurricane Harvey flooding. There are opportunities for giving everywhere I look. Kim King's book doesn't stop with the what of giving, but explores the whys and gives a blueprint for how. I love her writing style: clear simplicity interlaced with inspiring stories of giving, and how faith informs giving.

Short and to the point, author and philanthropist Kim King has written a primer on how to live a generous lifestyle. In nineteen chapters she covers a map on how to get started, how to evaluate ministries and organizations, and how to look at the things that block people from giving. She includes the importance of community, and the unexpected blessings of a generous lifestyle. Unabashedly Christian in her perspective, she laces her narrative with good humor, anecdotes and Scripture. King points out that women give more to philanthropic causes than men, and says, "...women today have more access to and influence over wealth than any of their sisters before them.... There is nothing less than a revolution taken place." The book is a quick read and chock full of helpful information - things like questions to ask, charts to determine one's values and expenditures, and lists of categories that may align with one's purpose. Every serious giver and those who wonder about giving more need to read "When Women Give." There has been a big, gaping hole in books regarding this issue, and this little book will likely become a classic.

Really enjoyed this book, it was so practical and had many recommendations of where to go if you had questions. Her illustrations were excellent, helped me understand the points she was making. I liked her example where she had to go through several financial advisors before she found one she liked. I plan to share this book with others who are generous or could be and want to learn how to leverage their personal assets to help ministries.

This book is full of grace and insights on how to give well to the Kingdom. Kim writes both personally and practically for women at any stage of their giving walk. Kim's experience is deep, funny and touched by the Holy Spirit. If you are looking to determine your next step in giving, "When Women Give," can be your guide!

What a gift this book is for women (and men) who want to grow in their ability to live a generous life. Kim King combines very practical advice on deciding where and how to give with the underlying reason for why we give, which goes to the heart of the matter. "This [generous] life

is not merely existence, static and safe, but joining [God] in the adventure for which he made us. This is living life to the full. She peppers the book with real stories of women who are on this adventure and addresses some of the challenges to giving, such as how fear affects our generosity, something with which I can definitely relate! I would highly recommend this book, it is clearly written and packs a lot in its 168 pages. Resources in the back are great.

When Women Give serves as a call to move beyond our fears that we don't have enough, that our giving can't make a difference, that by serving others we'll damage ourselves so we can embark on the great adventure of a generous life. At the heart of this book lies an invitation: be brave, step out, and watch how God provides. Highly recommend this book to all who want to grow in fearless generosity.

As CEO of a faith based not-for-profit, I see the world of generous giving from the recipient side. I expect and welcome a dialog of accountability with our donors. Kim using wisdom, discernment, and humor has outlined an appropriate model for the dialog between giver and receiver to occur. Her focus on a feminine perspective to giving is unique and well needed. The creative focus of including others in the giving process adds joy and builds the community of givers. This book is a well-rounded approach to giving for both women and men. C'mon guys pick it up and read. You just might learn something!

A book packed with insights into how to live a life of generosity. Her personal story and the stories of others, who have found joy in giving, is both encouraging and challenging to me and to others on the journey or for those looking for how to live a fuller life. The advise and personal stories are full of practical advice. This is a book I will give to others and highly recommend.

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