



# Media Alert

## ***Still Waiting***

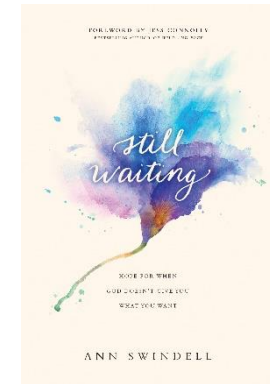
### ***Hope for When God Doesn't Give You What You Want***

#### **What if God wants you to wait?**

Most of us have places in our lives where we are waiting for God to change our circumstances. Waiting is something we usually try to avoid: we pick the shortest lines at the grocery store and bypass construction routes whenever we can. These are relatively short holdups, but they point to the deeper truth of what we try to evade on the larger scale: the anguish and heartache we experience during extended times of waiting when something we have hoped for gets delayed. The truth is that waiting is painful and hard – and inevitable.

In *still Waiting*, Ann Swindell explores the depths of why God wants us to wait by chronicling her own compelling story of waiting for healing from an incurable condition. She provides a vibrant retelling of the biblical account of the Bleeding Woman, which parallels her story – and yours, too. Her narrative touches on the deep yearning for wholeness that all of us share.

So what is your heart waiting for? Let Ann help you see the promise that is hidden in the ache of waiting and the hope of what God can – and will – do as you wait on him.



#### ***Still Waiting* is available for review, and Ann Swindell is available for interviews to discuss:**

- What Trichotillomania is, and how she has learned to live with it by the grace of God.
- Living with a condition that has no cure, and how she found God in her waiting.
- Learn how waiting can be an inevitable part of our walk with God and a sign of his goodness and plan for our lives.
- How to trust God when your prayers go unanswered, and how to find hope in Christ in the midst of pain and struggle.

#### **About the Author**



**Ann Swindell** is an author, speaker, and teacher of writing who is passionate about seeing people set free by the love of Christ. She writes regularly for publications such as *CT Woman*, *RELEVANT*, *Deeply Rooted*, and *Darling Magazine* and her own site, [www.annswindell.com](http://www.annswindell.com). Ann holds an MA in Writing and an MFA in Creative Nonfiction Writing and is passionate about helping other writers tell their stories powerfully. She teaches online writing courses at [writingwithgrace.com](http://writingwithgrace.com). She makes her home in St. Louis, Missouri, with her husband and daughter.



## Suggested Interview Questions

- Why did you decide to write this book "*Still Waiting*" at this time?
- In this book, you write about your journey with the condition of trichotillomania. What is trichotillomania, and how did you discover that you had it?
- How difficult was it for you growing up with Trichotillomania, and why do you feel that although this is a common condition, it is a condition that is still mostly unknown to the general public?
- How did you cover up your condition when you were younger?
- Throughout *Still Waiting*, you compare your story to that of the "Bleeding woman" in the bible. Can you explain how you identify with her story?
- We all struggle with something that needs God's help our healing touch. How did you see God in your struggle, and journey?
- Have you ever been angry at God because he wouldn't give you what you wanted (healing and wholeness)?
- You still have trichotillomania, and yet you say that waiting for God to heal you has actually brought you closer to him. How is that?
- If you were to meet a version of your college self, what would you say to her now?
- What spiritual lessons do you feel God was (and still is) teaching you as you waited for healing?
- Did you ever feel shame for pulling out your eyelashes and not being able to control it? How did you learn to silence your shame?
- How do you offer hope to others who are in waiting seasons of life – waiting for healing, or wholeness, or for God to do something for them that he hasn't yet done?
- How are you doing with trichotillomania today?
- Ultimately what message do you hope to share with your readers?

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