

Sharon Jaynes

Personal Bio



Sharon Jaynes' in-depth knowledge of Scripture, combined with an engaging storytelling style, keeps listeners on the edge of their seats. Peppared with laughter and salted with tears, Sharon shares from her heart how to find peace and purpose in the hurts of your past. She guides women on a spiritual treasure hunt to discover their true value and see themselves as God sees them. Her messages inspire women to grasp the truth that can set them free to become all that God has created them to be. No matter where a woman is on her journey toward the heart of God, Sharon helps them take the next step closer.

Sharon Jaynes has been encouraging and equipping women through ministry for over twenty-five years. From the time she met Christ as a teenager; she fell in love with God's Word and has had a passion to bring God's truth to today's woman. Through the years, she has taught various Bible Studies and mentored women from all walks of life. Her mission is to encourage, equip and empower women to walk in courage and confidence as they grasp their true identity as a child of God and a co-heir with Christ.

For ten years Sharon served as Vice President of Proverbs 31 Ministries and co-host for their daily radio feature. She is the co-founder of Girlfriends in God, a non-denominational ministry that crosses generational and racial boundaries to bring the Body of Christ together as believers. She, along with her ministry partners, Mary Southerland and Gwen Smith, provide daily on-line devotions read by over 500,000 thousands of subscribers around the world. To learn more see www.girlfriendsinGod.com

Sharon is the author of seventeen books with Harvest House, Waterbrook/Multnomah and Moody Publishers. She has also written numerous magazine articles and devotions for publications such as Focus on the Family, Decision, and In Touch, and is a frequent guest on radio and television programs such as Revive Our Hearts with Nancy Leigh DeMoss, Family Life Today with Dennis Rainey, and Focus on the Family with Jim Daly and John Trent.

Besides her own books, she has also been a contributing author in many books such as Chicken Soup for the Sports Fan's Soul, Stories for the Teens Heart, Stories for the Man's Heart, and the Women's Devotional Bible. Her books have been translated into several different languages including Spanish, Portuguese, Polish, and Korean

Sharon lives in North Carolina with her husband, Steve. They have one grown son, Steven.

Speaking Topics

Becoming Spiritually Beautiful

Women love the idea of a day at the spa to be pampered and made-over from head to toe. In this conference, Sharon takes women to God's spa for the ultimate beauty treatment with lasting results. Many women struggle with feelings of inferiority, insecurity and inadequacy. However, when they discover who they are and what they have in Christ, God transforms them into the confident, courageous women He intended all along. Women learn how to see themselves as God sees them and leave feeling encouraged, equipped and empowered to walk in courage and confidence as they grasp their true identity as a child of God. They leave feeling truly spiritually beautiful and ready to live in victory.

This topic is perfect for a 1 session keynote, or multi-session conference/retreat.

The Power of a Woman's Words

Words... one of the most significant forces in the universe... can be used for good or evil. Our words can change the course of a day...the course of a life. They become the mirror in which others see themselves. Our words can instill confidence into a child's heart, encourage a husband to accomplish great feats, fan the dying embers of a friend's smoldering dreams, cheer on fellow believers to run the great race of life with endurance, and draw the lost to Christ. Sharon inspires women to use words in positive ways as she explores the power we possess, the people we impact, the potential for change, and the profound possibilities when we harness this mighty force and use it to speak life to those around us. This conference is taken from her best-selling book, *The Power of a Woman's Words*, and is perfect for 1 keynote session of a multi-session conference.

5 Dreams of Every Woman – and How God Longs to Fulfill Them

The desires have been there for as long as we can remember: to be beautiful, to be a bride, to be a mother, to be a cherished daughter, and to have a best friend. But for many of us, life took a different turn. Sharon challenges us to dust off our hopes and dare to dream again—through God's eyes. She shares stories of both Biblical and contemporary women: their broken dreams, interrupted dreams, and most importantly, restored dreams. Women realize that God still has dreams for their lives and has not forgotten them. She gives six steps to discovering God's plan for our lives and fills them with courage to take the first steps of faith. Sharon encourages women to place their hands firmly in His – take a deep breath and begin the exciting journey to a place they thought they'd never find: the dream God planned for them all along.

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Becoming a Woman Who Listens to God

Women long to hear God's voice – not as a once-in-a-lifetime experience but on a daily basis. The good news is that some of God's most memorable messages were not delivered while men and women were away on a spiritual retreat but right in the middle of the hustle and bustle of everyday life. Likewise, God speaks to us in our everyday lives. The question is – will we listen? In this session, Sharon takes a fun, tender look at how to recognize some of the wonderful and unexpected ways God speaks to us today. Women learn to sense God's presence in their own lives and listen to the One who loves to talk to them most.

What God Really Thinks about Women

What God Really Thinks About Women is filled with amazing stories of women whose lives were changed by Jesus. Sharon spends time with Jesus' mother, Mary, the woman at the well, the one who reached out to touch His robe, and many others as she brings to life their encounters with the love, forgiveness, and healing God offers so graciously. In a culture where women were rarely seen and seldom heard, Sharon shows how Jesus called women out of the shadows and onto center stage to play leading roles in the greatest story ever told. Through the miracles and messages of Jesus, we discover just what God thinks about women.

I'm Not Good Enough...and Other Lies Women Tell Themselves

You've heard the lies before. Maybe you've even whispered one or two to yourself from time to time. Maybe repeated them so often you've started to believe them. Nobody loves me, I would be happier if I were married, I would be happier married to someone else, I can't forgive the person who hurt me, I'm just not good enough. The list goes on... Just as Jesus countered Satan's lies with truth from God's Word, we need to go to the Scriptures to combat those falsehoods that all too easily creep into our thinking. It's time to recognize the enemy's lies and to replace those lies with liberating Truth.

This session is perfect for a keynote or as part of the Ultimate Makeover Weekend.

Your Scars are Beautiful to God

Like the spine of a good book, scars, by their very nature imply there's a story to tell. While some are on the surface, most are hidden in deep recesses of the soul. But like buried treasure, God's longs for us to unearth those jewels, come out of hiding, and invest those scars in the lives of others. Just as the disciples recognized the resurrected Jesus when they saw His scars, others will recognize the Healer Jesus when we show them ours. In *Your Scars are Beautiful to God*, Sharon takes us on a journey to discovering peace and purpose in the pain of our past by rejecting the lie of disqualification, resisting the fear of rejection, and releasing the power of our own personal stories. Learn to see your past through God's eyes - your scars are beautiful to God.

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Speaking Topics (continued)

Becoming the Woman of His Dreams

Do you want to become the woman of your husband's dreams? The woman who makes him sorry to leave in the morning and eager to come home at night? Sharon interviewed hundreds of men to discover just what a man longs for in the woman of his dreams - and you might be surprised! In this session Sharon teaches seven qualities every man longs. Sprinkled throughout are glimpses of men's hearts as Sharon honestly shares their responses to the survey. She also tells real life stories of restoration - all wrapped in biblical principles. Based on the book by the same title, this session will help make a weak marriage strong and a good marriage great.

Being a Great Mom Raising Great Kids

What is every mother's heart's desire? To be a great mom and raise great kids! In this session, Sharon inspires mothers of all ages and helps them understand they have the most important job on earth. She shares seven qualities of great parenting, wrapped in heart tugging stories and heart changing biblical principles. Using the acrostic B-L-E-S-S-E-D, moms learn how to be a beacon, listener, encourager, seed-sower, self-esteem builder, example-setter, and diligent. Get ready for lots of laughs and even a few tears as you explore what it means to be a great mom. This session is perfect for mom's groups.

Preparing Your Heart and Home for the Holidays (A Christmas to Remember is another popular conference title)

Much has changed since the God of the universe decorated the night sky with the star of Bethlehem and directed the choir of angels announcing Christ's birth over 2000 years ago. But we don't have to let commercialism rule in our hearts and homes. In this session, Sharon shares practical and inspirational ways, from A-Z, on how to keep Christ the focus of the holiday season. This session comes equipped with a "show and tell" as Sharon shows actual Christmas items from her book, Celebrating a Christ Centered Christmas, and demonstrates how to create a Christ-centered atmosphere in the home. She also shares her own personal testimony of how the Christ-child transformed her family, as well as many heart-touching and comical stories of Christmas. This session is perfect for an outreach event!

Building Your Confidence as a Leader

Whether you are a Women's Ministry Director, Bible study teacher, God's representative in the workplace, or a mom leading the next generation to greatness, God has called you to lead with the confidence that if He has called you to it...He will see you through it. Learn how God transforms feelings of insecurity, inferiority and inadequacy into confidence, competence, and courage. What made the difference between a reluctant Moses who begged God to choose someone else and a confident young David who ran toward the giant with a rock and a sling? David knew God's power working through him could accomplish anything. We can have that same God-confidence when we grasp God's perspective on our calling. This seminar is based on of Sharon book Building an Effective Women's Ministry. You'll leave this session feeling empowered to lead and teach as God works in you and through you to impact the world for Christ.

Sharon's presentations are excellent for a variety of women's events such as banquets, conference, and retreats. Each topic is approximately 50-60 minutes in length and several can be woven together for seminars and weekend retreats

To view a sample video of Sharon's speaking, visit her website at www.sharonjaynes.com

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A Note From Sharon

We women today face many struggles and challenges trying desperately to balance our varied roles and responsibilities. If you're like me, you're looking for peace in the chaos of life, perspective among the cultural clattering that daily bombards us, and purpose that brings true fulfillment. I've discovered there's only one place to find peace - it's God peace; there is only one place to find a proper perspective - it's God's truth; and only one place to find true fulfillment - in discovering God's purpose for my life.

One of my greatest joys has been having the privilege of watching God change women's lives: setting the captive free, mending broken hearts, or opening the eyes of a new believer for the very first time. Whether it is a person's first experience with the Savior or a seasoned saint growing deeper in her faith, my passion is to tell women about the truth that will set them free to be all that God has intended for them to be in Him (John 8:32).

My prayer for each life that I have the privilege of touching is "that they will be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" (Colossians 2:2-3).

Be encouraged!

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Books From Sharon

