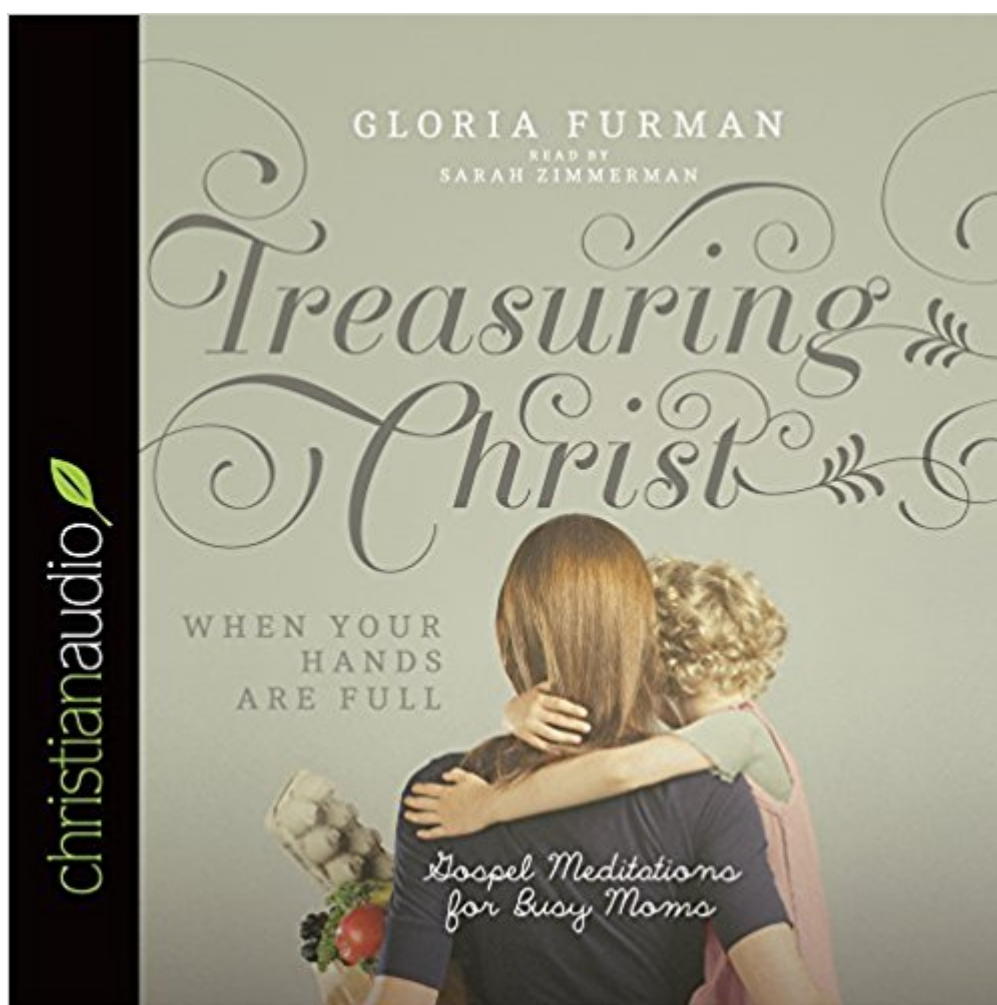


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# Treasuring Christ When Your Hands Are Full: Gospel Meditations For Busy Moms



## Synopsis

Grocery shopping. Soccer practice. Dirty dishes. Motherhood is tough, and it often feels like the to-do list just gets longer and longer every day—making it hard to experience true joy in God, our children, and the gospel. In this encouraging book for frazzled moms, Gloria Furman helps us reorient our vision of motherhood around what the Bible teaches. Showing how to pursue a vibrant relationship with God—even when discouragement sets in and the laundry still needs to be washed—this book will help you treasure Christ more deeply no matter how busy you are.

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## Customer Reviews

“These pages are filled with such helpful honesty and gospel centrality as we’re invited to look at the wonderful and messy world of motherhood! Reading it was like opening a window in the stuffy room of pretense, guilt, and self-focus that often press in on us as mothers. Let the windows fly open and come breathe the fresh air of grace!”—Kristyn Getty, hymn writer and recording artist

“As mothers, our to-do list is never ending, and many well-meaning people pile on how-to lists to try to help us manage it all. Here’s good news: *Treasuring Christ When Your Hands Are Full* refreshes the soul with gospel truths and is not a how-to book. Gloria Furman shares the liberating gospel on every page, helping us fix our eyes on eternity rather than on our circumstances. You won’t come away with yet another thing to do; instead you’ll know the one who gave it all for you and has much to say in his Word to sustain you.”—Trillia Newbell, author, *Enjoy*; *Fear and Faith*; and *United*

“Moms do not need another book telling them how short they fall or what they can do

to be a better parent. Moms need a book that will lift their eyes away from themselves and onto Christ. Gloria Furman has delivered just that book. Her honesty about her daily struggles and her hope in her strong Savior are a delightful encouragement. The grand picture of God and his redeeming love that Gloria paints gives courage to face each day. We will be recommending this book to future moms, new moms, and moms that have been at it for years.

• Jessica Thompson and Elyse Fitzpatrick, co-authors, Give Them Grace  
“Oh, how I wish I had had a voice like Gloria Furman’s to whisper such sweet gospel truths into the frustrations and discontent of my younger mothering days! There’s nothing simplistic or syrupy here. This book presents rich and deep wisdom that is sure to generate joy and peace in the homes and hearts of many moms.

• Nancy Guthrie, Bible teacher; author, *Hearing Jesus Speak into Your Sorrow*  
“A stunning invitation to see Christ in and through the everyday mundane. Every mother needs to read this book, to bathe her soul in the truth of the gospel, to stamp eternity on her eyeballs, and then come back tomorrow and do it all again. This book should sit on every nightstand of every weary mother wondering if there is anything more to look forward to than another sink full of dirty dishes, another day full of cleaning and wiping, cooking and scrubbing. The answer Gloria points us to is Jesus. And he is more than enough. I will be buying this book by the case and giving it away to all the moms I meet!

• Joy Forney, missionary mama; proud wife; blogger at [GraceFullMama.com](http://GraceFullMama.com)  
“I was wonderfully blessed by this book. With personal examples and teaching immersed in Scripture, Gloria invites us to savor Christ, the deepest need and joy of every mother. I certainly will reread it and look forward to recommending it to others.

• Trisha DeYoung, happy wife to Kevin DeYoung, author of *Just Do Something and Crazy Busy*; stay-at-home adventurous mother of six  
“We need this book. In the frenetic and sometimes overwhelming task of parenting, it’s hard to remember the gospel. Thank God for Gloria Furman! She helps us worship Jesus in the midst of chaotic commotion and see interruptions as invitations to joyfully trust him. Both mothers and fathers will find deep encouragement here!

• Jon and Pam Bloom, President, Desiring God, and his wife

Gloria Furman is a wife, mother of four, doula, and writer. In 2008 her family moved to the Middle East to plant Redeemer Church of Dubai where her husband, Dave, serves as the pastor. She is the author of *Glimpses of Grace*, *Treasuring Christ When Your Hands Are Full*, and *The Pastor’s Wife*, and blogs regularly at the Gospel Coalition and

Well-written, absolutely brimming with Scriptures throughout the text incorporating the truth of our real identities with present day struggles. I am very encouraged by the author's openness with her own journey of being sanctified, as well as encouraged by the simple and fundamental truth that all of our parenting boils down to the Gospel. Who we are in Jesus, how we are growing to be more like Him in ministering His likeness to our kids, is so much more important than any parenting style/philosophy. The author does not beat this fact into the reader, but it is I believe a central truth that has most impacted me in reading this book.

I have 4 kids of my own and a foster child in our home. Saying my hands are full is an understatement. Gloria Furman understands. She graciously and gently pushes me back towards the gospel, even on the hardest days. My life isn't about me. It's about Jesus. My kids need to see and learn that daily.

This book is full of gospel truth. She can get a bit repetitive, though. I appreciate that it is saturated with scripture. I can see where this book would really speak to some women where they are at and how they are struggling to get their arms around a broader, eternal view of motherhood. She has some practical applications but not many. I liked Glimpses of Grace much better.

I am not one to sit and write a review, but this book was absolutely wonderful. I have underlined, cried, stopped and referenced scripture, and prayed more reading this book than any book I've read in a long time! Can't wait to read her next book.

Even though I haven't gotten a chance to finish this book...I'm a busy mom haha....so far it is one of the best books I've read. This has been beyond encouraging in the day to day, remembering what, and Who (Christ) is important. This has given me a fresh perspective on the endless pile of dirty laundry, the mountain of dishes that I'm sure something is living in, and the dust bunnies playing hid and seek under my sofa and rug. I'd hands down recommend this to any mom that needs a new perspective.

Great book. Got it as a gift and bought it for 2 friends as gifts. Gloria's writing is easy to read, humorous, and relevant as she applies the gospel to mothering littles.

Wonderful book! So encouraging and Christ focused!

I appreciate how Gloria calls moms to lift their eyes above the mundane and up to the eternal. It's more than just looking past today but really fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. She shows how lifting our eyes puts things into perspective and provides true satisfaction and joy.

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