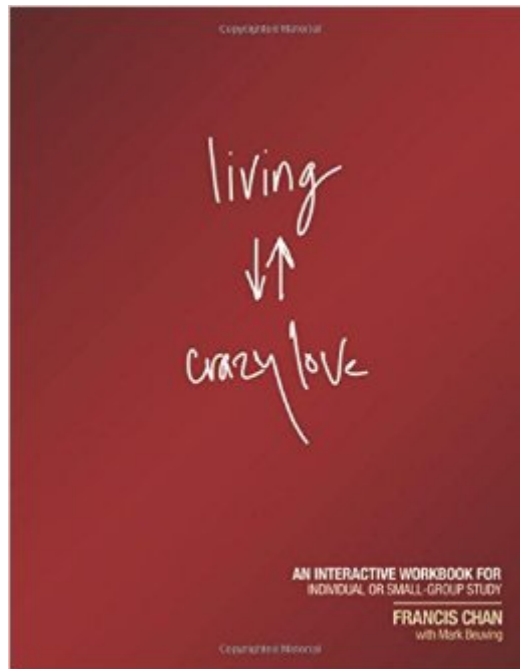


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Living Crazy Love: An Interactive Workbook For Individual Or Small-Group Study



Synopsis

From New York Times Best-Selling author Francis Chan comes fresh insight into the love of God. Francis Chan's new thoughts and reflections on God's love in *Living Crazy Love* allows the book to stand alone or be used as a companion to *Crazy Love*. This ten-week in-depth study of God's character helps readers embrace God's intense, relentless love and watch that love transform every aspect of their being. Designed for individuals or small groups, this study includes weekend retreat options and tips for small group leaders. However readers choose to use this book, Francis Chan's thought-provoking teaching will help them pursue God as they never have before, digging deep into their thoughts and beliefs about the love of God and how that love should impact their lives. After all, the spiritual journey is about so much more than what Christians have made it to be, and once they truly encounter God's love, they will never be the same.

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Customer Reviews

I lead a small group at our church and we used this book to conduct a group study. It was a very intriguing study that was extremely challenging. I really enjoyed Francis Chan's treatment of a difficult subject - realizing how much God loves us and the response that should elicit from us as Christians. Even though the book itself was great for use in a group study, I did not find the workbook to be that helpful. The questions in the workbook were only okay. They weren't very deep and seemed to only scratch the surface of what was learned in the reading. In short, I would highly recommend "Crazy Love", but given the choice I would skip on the workbook.

I remember reading my first paragraph of Chan's several years ago. I was hesitant because I already "had" my favorite Christian authors who wrote about God and our relationship with Him. What a tragedy it would have been had I not picked up Crazy Love! Along with Chan's excellent videos--i.e. "Just Stop and Think"--Crazy Love continues to help the church live the love that Jesus taught. And now Chan has taken it a step further by writing this workbook, which is "meant to help you think through God's intense, relentless love and how that love should transform every aspect of your being."

Living Crazy Love: An Interactive Workbook for Individual or Small-Group Study uses an inviting format that works hand-in-hand with Crazy Love the book and the Crazy Love DVD Study Resource. While Chan notes that you can learn a lot just from the workbook, he also writes: "Ideally, you will read the relevant chapter from Crazy Love, then go through the corresponding session in the workbook, watching the appropriate video from the DVD when prompted."

The workbook includes helpful sections on:

- * USING THE WORKBOOK ON YOUR OWN
- * USING THE WORKBOOK IN A SMALL GROUP
- * USING THE WORKBOOK FOR A WEEKEND RETREAT

Other helps within these sections range from being a discussion leader to setting up an effective small group meeting area. The workbook chapters mirror Crazy Love: Overwhelmed by a Relentless God exactly, which is a tremendous help. Also, the start of each chapter features a paragraph dedicated to how you or your small group can best dive into the section (i.e. watch this video; read this chapter).

Here is a bare-bones summary of each chapter covered by the workbook:

- * Chapter 1: Do we realize how crazy God's love is for us?
- * Chapter 2: Do we live as though today is just a "normal" day?
- * Chapter 3: Do we believe God is the greatest thing in the world?
- * Chapter 4: Do we assume that we're the good soil?
- * Chapter 5: Do we give God our everything, or just serve Him leftovers?
- * Chapter 6: Do we act because of guilt and rules, or because we're in love?
- * Chapter 7: Do we live lives that stand out among nonbelievers?
- * Chapter 8: Do we get obsessed with Jesus and His Kingdom?
- * Chapter 9: Do we learn from others who live out crazy love for Jesus?
- * Chapter 10: Do we live our lives in a way we want to be remembered for?

If you want to biblically examine yourself and radically obey Jesus, Crazy Love and all of its material is a wonderful motivator and encouragement. Chan is easy to read and communicates God's Word in a way that's biblical, humble, and very passionate. His critique of the church and how we ought to live our lives is soaked with humility and grace. He isn't into stirring controversy--he's into discussing biblical solutions. What a difference this tone makes!

It was this book that drove me to mentor young believers and eventually start an online community for those who are passionate about putting their faith, hope, and love into action [...]. None of it would have happened had I not read that first paragraph of Chan's. If you've been moved to action as I have by Crazy Love, then I'd also highly recommend his

book about the Holy Spirit,Â Forgotten God: Reversing Our Tragic Neglect of the Holy Spirit--an excellent read.

I was amazed at how good this workbook is. There is a lot of text in the workbook, not just questions. I think it adds a lot to the book, but you don't need to read the book to use the workbook. I bought the kindle version, which works great!

Great Book. Bought this book to use in a small group study and so far LOVE it. This book makes it easier for those who have a harder time coming up with questions and also re-highlights the main ideas of each chapter---which is super useful. Crazy Love is a challenging and great book for life.

The book gets 5 stars hands down. This workbook is good if you really want to torture yourself. Chan is very convicting in his book. If you don't get the 2x4 over the head, you're not ready for this study. The workbook is just another way Chan slaps your ego around. For me out was too much. The book alone was enough.

I have the workbook that goes along with the book. It is a nice tool to have because it does ask thought provoking questions that make you think. However, there are only 2 of us in the Bible study that are using it. If you have a study leader, I think the leader should have it and ask the group the questions in the workbook. If you are studying alone, I think the workbook would be helpful for your study!

Our Accountability group was getting a little off track and decided to do a study of Crazy Love. I ordered the books for every body and this work book for me. It was evident after a couple of weeks that every one should have the work book as well because it made the book, which is very good, come alive with thought provoking insights and probing, revealing questions of what was in your heart. Needless to say ordered the work books for every body as well and are going to start over from chapter one.

We absolutely love this workbook. It has been very challenging (in a good way) and has brought lots of deep discussion within our small group. We do this study along with the DVD's, and it's been great. The way that Francis Chan writes/speaks is very conversational. It doesn't seem like he's trying to make anyone feel bad about where they are in life, but he brings a lot to the table when it

comes to things to think about. Highly recommend this study for anyone in their journey.

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