

# Steve McQueen: The Salvation of an American Icon

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Join Greg Laurie as he takes a cross-country drive in his 1968 Highland Green Ford Mustang 390 GT through the canyons of Malibu, the alleys of Hollywood, the wide and open roads of the Midwest, and the streets of New York as he traces the woolly geography of actor Steve McQueen's life, relationships, career, and spiritual journey. This iconic muscle car was the vehicle McQueen drove in his most raucous and enduring film, Bullitt.

In the 1960s, McQueen was, according to box office receipts, the biggest movie star of his generation and one of the coolest men to ever walk the planet. Greg Laurie was a teen at the time and an ardent fan of "The King of Cool," first mesmerized by McQueen in 1963's *The Great Escape*. Like millions of cinema fans, Greg developed a lifelong fascination with the actor. Now he has a chance to tell McQueen's story.

McQueen was a complex, contradictory man who lived the same way he drove his motorcycles and cars: fearlessly, ruthlessly and at top speed. After a lifetime of fast cars, women, and drugs, McQueen took a surprising detour.

In this book, Laurie thoughtfully interviews Steve McQueen's friends, co-stars, associates, widow, and pastor to tell of the dramatic life-change for the actor in the spring of 1979 - six months before McQueen was diagnosed with terminal cancer.

What were the critical steps that led McQueen to make such a life-altering decision? Perhaps more importantly, why is that part of his story so rarely told? This book answers these questions.

Greg Laurie will follow the seeds of Christianity that were sown throughout McQueen's improbable life where a Light finally shone into the darkness of his troubled life. These seeds miraculously germinated, allowing McQueen to see that redemption through Jesus Christ is a lasting truth more glittering and real than any magic of the entertainment industry.

Marshall Terrill is a veteran film, sports and music writer, and the author of more than books. They include bestselling biographies of Steve McQueen, Elvis Presley, and Pete Maravich. His book, *Steve McQueen: The Life and Legend of a Hollywood Icon*, is in development to be made into feature film. He also executive produced the 2017 feature film documentary, *Steve McQueen: American Icon*.

#### Other Books

Luchando Con Dios = Wrestling with God. Utilizando experiencias personales y ejemplos bíblicos, el conocido pastor Greg Laurie ilustra cómo funciona la oración en la vida de diferentes personas. En términos espirituales, Jacob luchó con Dios durante años. La mujer Sirofenicia también luchó con Jesús. Sin embargo, Dios llevó a ambos a una relación con Él más o menos igual. Ablandó la voluntad de Jacob y recompensó su sumisión; honró la determinación de la mujer y recompensó su decisión. A través de estos ejemplos, los lectores descubrirán cómo la oración sincera y la sumisión voluntaria pueden llevarles a sus

propias relaciones únicas y gratificantes con Dios. Using personal experience and biblical examples, well-known pastor Greg Laurie illustrates how prayer works in different people's lives. In spiritual terms, Jacob wrestled with God for years. The Syro-Phoenician Woman also wrestled with Jesus. Yet God brought them both to roughly the same kind of relationship with Himself. He softened Jacob's will and rewarded his submission; He honored the woman's determination and rewarded her resolve. Through these examples, readers will discover how heartfelt prayer and willing submission can bring them into their own unique, rewarding relationships with God.

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