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On May 23rd, 2006 an IED exploded in Baghdad instantly killing Army Captain Doug DiCenzo. His wife Nicole didn’t ask why? after the notifying officers knocked on her door, she immediately started asking God about Heaven.The next five years of her life became a quest to discover the truth about Heaven and Christ’s Millennial Kingdom. Her gracious God sent Her messages in miraculous ways – both from the battlefield and from Heaven - in order to keep her focused on His Word and His character. Nicole began to understand the vision she had created of Heaven was far from the truth.Revelations: A Survivor’s Story of Faith, Hope, and the Coming Kingdom is a true life account of a survivor’s search for answers with a heavenly twist: Doug is in Heaven and he is completely aware of Nicole’s experiences on Earth. While Nicole asks God if she should wait for Heaven or move on with her life, Doug is anticipating their reunion by preparing the preparations for the return of the King.Even though this world took her husband, it cannot have her faith. Now she knows when Jesus returns, He will bat a thousand – it is called the millennial reign of Christ.

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Fathers of the Kingdom - Eric Fontanez - 2017-08

This book will answer the following questions: Is a Spiritual Covering necessary? How do we separate from a Spiritual Covering? Is there a guide that will help us deal with the pain we will experience from a Paternal separation? What is considered a legitimate separation? What happens after you disconnect from a Spiritual Father? Is it legitimate to unite myself to another Covering? To these questions and others, Pastor and Prophet Eric Fontanez will answer based on his biblical knowledge and Ministerial experience. He teaches us that every believer has a task and responsibility to find a covering that understands their potential, but that at the same time can impart a Spiritual DNA that will keep living in them for future generations. The Fathers of the Kingdom of this generation, need wisdom to choose wisely in whom they can deposit and impart their Spiritual inheritance. A charismatic young leader is arrested after a riot in the city of Paterson NJ. He has traveled to different nations sharing and preaching the message of salvation and restoration that is only found in our Lord Jesus Christ. He lives on Orlando, FL along his wife Brunilda, and his two children named Caleb and Briana Fontanez.

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Kingdoms in Conflict - Charles W. Colson - 1989-01-27

Explains how separation of Church and State provides a necessary counter balance for each institution and why this balance approximates the biblical idea of government.
The Key of David - Gunther A Scchenek - 2010-09-02

The Key of David is a detailed outlay of the fundamental roles each Christian needs to fulfill in being a priest, a prophet and a king. Priesthood has to do with our relationship with God, which is the primary role we carry out. Being a prophet entails receiving revelation from God, and being a king involves ruling and establishing God's kingdom on earth. Living out these three roles in full will enable Christians to fulfill their destinies, and ultimately, the corporate body of Christ will complete God's purpose for it, and God's kingdom will come on earth.

Discovery in the Desert - Tom Thiele - 2011-02-21

Discovery in the Desert is the first book in Tom Thiele's Discovery Series. When asked about religious affiliation, do you describe yourself as a Christian? Do you wonder about heaven? When someone knows that they are a good person, does that mean that they are a heaven-bound Christian? That is exactly how David Hart saw himself before his discovery in the desert. David Hart, a young, bright NASA physicist is chosen to join a team of other NASA scientists assigned to a Classified Military Project. The team is formed to bring a new, cutting edge technology to the United States military-Time Travel. Initially great strides are made in developing a time travel capsule, and then the team hits a brick wall. Once the obstacle becomes common knowledge at NASA, the project transforms from one of prestige and glamour to one of embarrassment. The slowed progress grates on David's patience. Then he decides to do the unthinkable! Join David on this adventure of a lifetime as he realizes that not only has he been chosen to be on this NASA team, but he has been chosen for a much more significant task. A task, that once accomplished, will change David's life forever.

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