

# FIRST PERSON FAITH SERIES

## INTRODUCTION

Theologians often like to claim that *everyone is a theologian*. Still, theology is too often confined to stuffy classrooms and thick books full of footnotes. Meanwhile, everyday people are living their lives, suffering through traumas, celebrating joys, and reflecting on what it all means in relation to God, truth, and belief. In other words, they actually are *doing theology*.

Theology for the People endeavors to make theology relatable and readable, for everyone. And in this, the First Person Faith series, we have sought out authors who have reflected theologically on their lives, even though they are not theologically trained. In church lingo, these are called laypersons. But as you will see, just because they haven't been to seminary doesn't mean they haven't wrestled with meaning at the deepest and most profound levels.

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They have. And as you read along, we think you will,  
too.