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# Finally The Bride - Finding Hope While Waiting: The Single Woman's Guide To The Wait For A Husband And Marriage



## Synopsis

Why Would God Care About My Love Life? From the woman behind the screenplay and novel, *Never the Bride*, comes a roller coaster of a love story with God. Cheryl McKay pulls no punches about what it's really like to be single, with your age creeping up, and no end in sight to the wait for love and marriage. It seems that many years ago, God asked Cheryl to surrender the pen she was using to write her love story. All He wanted was carte blanche. No problem, right? Cheryl tentatively conceded--that is, until it became apparent that the Almighty had no intention of conforming to her writing schedule, much less the tick of her biological clock. In fact, He blew every deadline she ever attempted to set. As romance seemed to pass Cheryl by, she couldn't help but question: Could God really be trusted to bring her the love of her life? Written during a long wait, this book opens up Cheryl's painfully honest, personal journals. She explores what it's like to enlist in God's Marriage Boot Camp, and how to survive singlehood year after solitary year. She wrestles with her Creator over multiple best friends that never see her "that way." Then there are those lists of what she wanted--you know, the ones she revised a billion times then laminated for safekeeping. She watches, bewildered, as much younger women find love that seems to elude her. Through it all, she falls head over heels for a God who proves Himself to be as resistant to her controls as He is faithful beyond her wildest dreams. Are you still waiting? Have you lost hope? Venture to victory with a woman who knows just how hard it is to wait for the day when you are Finally the Bride. This book includes a collection of real-life God-written love stories by such authors as SQuire Rushnell & Louise DuArt (*God Winks Series, Couples Who Pray*), and Victorya Michaels Rogers (*Finding a Man Worth Keeping*). If you purchase the Kindle version, get the audio book for 1.99 through / audible. Cheryl McKay is the screenwriter of the award winning film, *The Ultimate Gift*, and co-author of the ACFW/Carol Award winning novel, *Never the Bride*. Cheryl keeps her purple pen busy through Purple PenWorks. She's also released a new book series called *Dates With God*.

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## Customer Reviews

i've only read 3 chapters so far and they were spot on. they were exactly my feelings in areas. they were not eye opening revelations. it's stuff i have heard/read before but she has lived it. a lot of people who teach on marriage and singleness are not p[over 35yrs old and still waiting for a spouse. she was funny and open and honest. i really loved the chapter that her husband wrote. but i started with Chapter Four: I Must Be Defective then i skipped to Ch. 17 his finally where her husband talks about his journey of waiting- must read ladies and gents, then i read the first chapter. i might up it to 5 starts after i finish reading it. but i was so encouraged by this book.i finished it and wow the pitfalls she endures. love her honesty. love her repeated statements to PRAY, PRAY, and PRAY.first pray to see if it's god's will for you to even be married. then pray to surrender to his will. then pray for guidance EVERY step o f the way, every relationship, every friendship,, .etc.basically unless you have a close relationship with God, pray a lot, and know the Word you can't mimic her journey.great book!

I can't begin to say now awesome this book was, and how much I so needed to read such a story as this!! Everything I've gone through myself in my past relationships, I wasn't sure if the Lord could still write a love story for me. Now I know without a doubt, that He can and He will, thanks to Cheryl sharing her true story how God did just that for her! She allowed Him to take control, and the result was absolutely amazing and inspiring! Men, you also would do well to read this book, especially thanks to Chris, Cheryl's husband giving very sound advice on how to prayerfully pursue the right

woman God wants you to have in your life. I myself am now excited to see what God does this coming year in my life...waiting on Him no longer will be a chore, but a privilege, and I know that the end results will be exactly the way God always wanted it to be for me. Read, pray, get inspired from Cheryl's story, and get ready to see what God will do in your life, as you wait on Him to write our your own love story!

I'm a 33 year old single woman who has read almost every Christian single book out there, but this was the first book I read that really seemed to delve into the raw, aching questions I throw at God year after single year, and helped me not feel alone in doing so. Cheryl is honest, frank, sweet, and vulnerable through each page of *Finally the Bride*. While I think any single person could be encouraged by this book, it's definitely a must read for single women who have already crossed the 30 year point and feel like hope is fading. I was super hesitant to read it at first because who wants to read about a 38 year old woman who is still single when you're already 33 and feel like the door is already closing, and the thought that God could make you keep waiting another 5 or 6 years makes you want to sit in a fetal position and cry, but I am so grateful I downloaded it onto my Kindle and read it (even though it took me two months to work up the courage to hear what she had to say). It's a fresh perspective on a subject that is becoming more and more prevalent as people, especially Christians, take longer to settle down. It's a reminder to keep God first in your life, whether married or single, but not to stop hoping, praying, and seeking God to meet the desires of your heart. Sometimes He does it in ways you don't expect!

I picked up *Finally the Bride* because I am a fan of Cheryl McKay's *Never the Bride* (Co-authored by Renee Gutteridge). In *Finally the Bride*, I found an honest, heartfelt, and at times funny look at being single, and what it means when God writes your love story. McKay shares personal journal entries that helped me as a reader relate to her. Even when I found myself thinking that some of her Journals were kind of whiny in tone, in the next sentence she would admit that and go on to make her point. Her honesty made her story even more real to me because who hasn't whined about being single. I have...this week. McKay is bold in her faith. She often shares her belief in prophetic prayer and writes down words God speaks directly to her. If you do not believe God speaks in these ways, you may find parts of this book hard to read. Regardless of your beliefs, McKay presents many valuable points--such as God's sovereignty and His perfect timing...even if it doesn't seem perfect to us. Overall, I felt that reading this book was like having a conversation with a trusted friend. I enjoy McKay's humor, her warmth and her sense of understanding that can only come from

experience.Â Finally the Bride: Finding Hope While Waiting

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