

Why Write a Book for Strong-Willed Women Whose Hearts Belong to God?

- *When there is an overwhelming movement in our culture to just accept almost anything as being someone's right to be who they are; when even our leaders decide not to speak out against moral and spiritual injustice—who will stand up to that?*
- *When there is deceit, betrayal and persecution of the weak and innocent—who will stand against it, even if it seems virtually impossible?*
- *It won't be ordinary men and women who take charge and it certainly won't be an assignment for the average foot soldier in God's army. We need the courage and conviction of godly strong-willed men and women who serve in Special Operations.*

I believe this book comes from the heart of God—that He Himself has helped me write it and has commissioned the work to be used for His purposes and in His way. It's true that it's not written for the majority of women—the *majority* of women have *thousands* of books written for them. It's a book like no other, addressing those women who have strong wills—convictions of steel—and yet want their lives to bring honor and glory to God.

I'm not talking about women who are strong when they *need* to be—I'm talking about women who are strong when they don't even *want* to be. Women who often wish they didn't come across as so pushy or overly-opinionated. Women who sometimes just can't even *make* themselves back off or back down when they feel strongly about an issue.

Most of them don't attend women's ministry events. Many of them feel out of place in formal churches. A lot of them secretly wonder if it's even possible to be part of a body of believers when their very natures resist blending in with the crowd. Who speaks to and for these individuals? Who offers them the amazing opportunity to take what often gets them in trouble and turn it into an irresistible force for good?

If we back away from the term strong-will when we talk about living all out for God, surrender one of our greatest resources—individuals who have determined to use their intense strength and determination for the Designer of it—their Creator who gave them strong will deliberately and for a definite purpose.

I wholeheartedly believe God has a few amazing surprises for us along the way—and that we can't even imagine how He will use these humble chapters to accomplish His plan.

--Cynthia Ulrich Tobias