

## **Depressive Illness The Curse Of The Strong The Curse Of The Strong 3rd Edition Volume 3 Overcoming Common Problems**

***The evidence that long-term anxiety causes a whole host of health problems is incontrovertible, as is the fact that it exacerbates existing problems, such as pain. The causal link between anxiety and heart disease, strokes, bowel diseases, inflammatory conditions and some cancers is well established. Reducing our anxiety would improve our long-term health as clearly as exercise and good diet. It would also allow us to perform better in whatever we are doing. The good news is that we can do something fairly quickly about stress and anxiety. This book examines characteristic thinking patterns in anxiety such as predictions, catastrophic thinking and assumptions, and looks at ways to accept and change the processes of anxiety. Topics include: Triggers of anxiety and panic Anxiety threshold - how much can we take? Free-floating anxiety Traumatic anxiety (PTSD) Performance anxiety Fears and phobias ie flying, claustrophobia Physical causes including hormonal (post-partum***

***and menopause) What is a 'nervous breakdown'? When to see the doctor Treatments - talking therapies, medication Getting better, staying well***

***The New York Times bestseller “A glistening psychological history, faceted largely by the biographies of eight famous leaders . . .” —The Boston Globe “A provocative thesis . . . Ghaemi’s book deserves high marks for original thinking.” —The Washington Post “Provocative, fascinating.” —Salon.com Historians have long puzzled over the apparent mental instability of great and terrible leaders alike: Napoleon, Lincoln, Churchill, Hitler, and others. In A First-Rate Madness, Nassir Ghaemi, director of the Mood Disorders Program at Tufts Medical Center, offers a myth-shattering exploration of the powerful connections between mental illness and leadership and sets forth a controversial, compelling thesis: The very qualities that mark those with mood disorders also make for the best leaders in times of crisis. From the importance of Lincoln's "depressive realism" to the lackluster leadership of exceedingly sane men as Neville Chamberlain, A First-Rate Madness overturns many of our most cherished perceptions about greatness and the mind. I've been to hell and I'm back. If you're in that same place, then I***

***understand what you're going through. 'John Kirwan was one of the most devastating wingers New Zealand, and world, rugby had ever seen. A prominent and revered figure at the dawn of the professional age of rugby, he seemed to live a charmed life. But nobody knew, though, that behind closed doors 'JK' was living a life of torment. Afflicted with depression for many years including those as a high-profile sportsman. Kirwan was able to survive by reaching out, seeking help from those closest to him. All Blacks Don't Cry is John Kirwan's story of hope, of working through the pain and living a full life. It is a poignant, inspirational and helpful example for anybody battling depression. At my worst moments, I lost all sense of hope for the future. As I began to slowly get better, I began to be able to say to myself, 'this will pass, you'll get through this. Hang on to hope.'***

***Insomnia is responsible for a great deal of lost productivity, accidents and suffering. Ironically, the more you try to sleep, the worse the situation becomes - so the key is to stop gritting your teeth and attempting to wrestle your wakefulness to the ground. In Beating Insomnia, Dr Tim Cantopher will help you to achieve a calm acceptance of your sleeplessness in the short term, so you can focus***

***on solving the problem in the longer term. Firstly, you need to manage the stress or anxiety that might be underpinning your insomnia, and much of the book will show you how to do practical strategies using relaxation exercises and mindfulness. It will also help you to keep a sleep diary, to tackle specific problems which might be interfering with your sleep, and will give you advice on when - and when not - to consider medication to help you sleep. By working at the strategies in this book your insomnia will improve significantly and you will experience more peaceful nights.***

***Confession***

***Inspirational stories of bringing depression to heel***

***Anxiety in a Professional World***

***Marbles***

***Night Shift***

***A Family's Journey Through Bipolar Disorder***

***Mending the Mind***

A moving, compelling memoir about growing up and escaping the tragic legacy of mental illness, suicide, addiction, and depression in one of America's most famous families: the Hemingways. She opens her eyes. The room is dark. She hears yelling, smashed plates, and wishes it was all a terrible dream. But it isn't.

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This is what it was like growing up as a Hemingway. In this deeply moving, searingly honest new memoir, actress and mental health icon Mariel Hemingway shares in candid detail the story of her troubled childhood in a famous family haunted by depression, alcoholism, illness, and suicide. Born just a few months after her grandfather, Ernest Hemingway, shot himself, it was Mariel's mission as a girl to escape the desperate cycles of severe mental health issues that had plagued generations of her family. Surrounded by a family tortured by alcoholism (both parents), depression (her sister Margaux), suicide (her grandfather and four other members of her family), schizophrenia (her sister Muffet), and cancer (mother), it was all the young Mariel could do to keep her head. In a compassionate voice she reveals her painful struggle to stay sane as the youngest child in her family, and how she coped with the chaos by becoming OCD and obsessive about her food, schedule, and organization. The twisted legacy of her family has never quite let go of Mariel, but now in this memoir she opens up about her claustrophobic marriage, her acting career, and turning to spiritual healers and charlatans for solace. Ultimately Mariel has written a story of triumph about learning to overcome her family's demons and developing love and deep compassion for them. At last, in this memoir she can finally tell the true story of the tragedies and troubles of the Hemingway family, and she delivers a book that beckons comparisons to Mary Karr and Jeanette Walls.

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Anxiety and depression are the two most common emotions that plague people, causing emotional distress and feelings of inferiority, loneliness, and despair. Help is available for these people in pain--help from God, from His Word, and from the experience of gifted men and women who seek to lead people to wholeness. Readers will readily identify with licensed family counselor Bob Phillips as he provides descriptions of the potentially debilitating effects of these difficult emotions. He reveals the root causes of anxiety and depression, which are fear and anger, and he helps readers acknowledge and deal with these driving forces in an effective, godly way. He includes a gentle and helpful presentation of spiritual issues and the gospel that will benefit believers and nonbelievers alike. This hands-on, user-friendly approach is written with the lay person in mind and includes plenty of practical and effective self-help exercises that readers can use to find freedom. Christian counselors will recognize that Bob's system is built on a solid foundation of scriptural principles and up-to-date technical research on mental health.

No further information has been provided for this title.

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hundreds of people with stress-related illnesses. He will help you to understand the causes of your stress (past and present), and to recognise the people who may be making it worse. This book offers treatments and strategies to manage the stress-related illnesses you may be suffering - whether physical or psychological - and gives you advice on getting, and staying, well. Written in the author's trademark style, blending simple but astonishingly astute insight with straightforward but astonishingly effective strategies, this book will put you back on the path to wellness as you embrace a gentler, kinder life.

Stress-related Illness

Out of the Woods

Dying for a Drink

The powerful self help book for anxious people from Dr Tim Cantopher, bestselling author of "Depressive Illness: The Curse of the Strong"

Reverse the Course of Depression

Out Came the Sun

Dealing With Dysfunctional Relationships

**FAILURE IS YOUR FRIEND, YOUR TEACHER, YOUR PASSPORT TO SUCCESS - LIFE LESSONS FROM ONE OF THE UK'S MOST ESTEEMED PSYCHIATRISTS** Dr Tim Cantopher spent four decades helping people get better - get better psychologically, emotionally, mentally. He has guided hundreds of men

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and women through anxiety, depression, addiction and other mental health issues. In *The Power of Failure*, he will share with you some of the most powerful lessons learned from his life in the psychiatrist's chair, with the aim of helping you get more joy from your life, to become more resilient and to achieve more by no longer fearing failure. Navigating the pitfalls of vulnerability and perfectionism, Dr Cantopher will show you how optimism and resilience can change the outcome of challenging events, and how to find lasting happiness that won't be derailed by negative emotions such as shame or fear. As an expert on toxic and dysfunctional relationships, he will give strategies for surviving narcissistic or destructive behaviours in your family or friends, and explain the benefits of kindness, consistency, persistence and pacing. Bringing together a lifetime's work in psychiatry with unparalleled expertise and clinical insight, this new book from the bestselling author of *Depressive Illness: The Curse of the Strong* has the power to change your life in the same way that Dr Cantopher has changed the lives of the many hundreds of people who have sought his help over the years.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO STRUGGLE WITH ANXIETY. WHETHER YOU DEVELOPED IT RECENTLY, OR YOU'VE BEEN LIVING WITH IT FOR YEARS, YOUR ANXIETY CAN BE TREATED. Expert psychiatrist and bestselling author Dr Tim Cantopher has helped hundreds of people just like you, and in *Overcoming Anxiety*

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Without Fighting It, he gives you tried and proven strategies for escaping the fear that stalks you. Discover a series of simple, manageable lifestyle skills and strategies that will make an immediate difference to your life, as well as practical suggestions for longer-term changes, including advice on how, when, and what sort of professional help to seek. At the heart of this warm, supportive and expert book are the author's decades of experience with people just like you, and with this experience comes a message of hope, and reassurance. Stick with the changes you are going to make, and seek the support you need, and your life will no longer be dominated by fear. 'I'm speaking to you now - if you are going to gain the relief from your symptoms which I hope for you, you'll need to promise me and yourself one thing from the start: that you'll try your hardest not to judge yourself and how well or badly you're doing at getting better.'

- Dr Tim Cantopher

THE INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER 'A book that could actually make us happy' SIMON AMSTELL 'This amazing book will change your life' ELTON JOHN 'One of the most important texts of recent years' BRITISH JOURNAL OF GENERAL PRACTICE 'Brilliant, stimulating, radical' MATT HAIG 'The more people read this book, the better off the world will be' NAOMI KLEIN 'Wonderful' HILLARY CLINTON 'Eye-opening' GUARDIAN 'Brilliant for anyone wanting a better understanding of mental health' ZOE BALL

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'A game-changer' DAVINA MCCALL 'Extraordinary' DR MAX PEMBERTON  
'Beautiful' RUSSELL BRAND Depression and anxiety are now at epidemic levels. Why? Across the world, scientists have uncovered evidence for nine different causes. Some are in our biology, but most are in the way we are living today. Lost Connections offers a radical new way of thinking about this crisis. It shows that once we understand the real causes, we can begin to turn to pioneering new solutions - ones that offer real hope.

"In his Pulitzer Prize-winning poetry, Robert Lowell (1917-1977) put his manic-depressive illness into the public domain. Now Dr. Kay Redfield Jamison brings her expertise to bear on his story, illuminating the relationship between bipolar illness and creativity, and examining how Lowell's illness and the treatment he received came to bear on his work"--

Manic Depression and Creativity

Rethinking Your Relationship with Alcohol

Spiritual Depression

Understanding and Helping Your Partner

How Words Healed Me, My Journey Through Depression

**A First-Rate Madness**

What happens when your world falls apart? How do you start again? By all markers, Richard's life

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was a success: he was happily married, a great father, and lived a fulfilling life, professionally and personally. But the pressures of a highflying legal career, his increasing social commitments, and family illness all took their toll. Richard pulls no punches in describing his breakdown and the crushing social anxiety that left him scared to even answer the front door. As his life crumbled around him, Richard fought hard to get to grips with the mental illness taking over his life. This is his inspirational story...

Autobiographical stories written by sufferers of depression open the lid on this insidious and often silent disease and chart the journey from first onset to successful management. Inspiring and insightful reading from people who know exactly what it means to bring the black dog to heel. Three out of four adults will feel overwhelmed by stress at some point in their lives - if not regularly. Although stress is a very subjective condition - some people thrive on a certain amount of it - one thing is certain: too much stress, if you feel unable to cope with it, can make you ill. Dr Tim Cantopher has diagnosed and helped hundreds of people with stress-related illnesses. He will help you to understand the causes of your stress (past and present), and to recognise the people who may be making it worse. This book offers treatments and strategies to manage the stress-related illnesses you may be suffering - whether physical or psychological - and gives you advice on getting, and staying, well. Written in the author's trademark style, blending simple but astonishingly astute insight with straightforward but astonishingly effective strategies, this book will put you back on the path to wellness as you embrace a gentler, kinder life.

'Debi Gliori is amazing. Her pictures offer people an insight into depression that words often

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struggle to reach. She makes visible the invisible. And I for one want to thank her for that.' - Matt Haig, bestselling author of *Reasons to Stay Alive* A groundbreaking picture book on depression with stunning illustrations. With stunning black and white illustration and deceptively simple text, author and illustrator Debi Gliori examines how depression affects one's whole outlook upon life, and shows that there can be an escape - it may not be easy to find, but it is there. Drawn from Debi's own experiences and with a moving testimony at the end of the book explaining how depression has affected her and how she continues to cope, Debi hopes that by sharing her own experience she can help others who suffer from depression, and to find that subtle shift that will show the way out. 'I have used dragons to represent depression. This is partly because of their legendary ability to turn a once fertile realm into a blackened, smoking ruin and partly because popular mythology shows them as monstrous opponents with a tendency to pick fights with smaller creatures. I'm not particularly brave or resourceful, and after so many years battling my beasts, I have to admit to a certain weariness, but I will arm-wrestle dragons for eternity if it means that I can help anyone going through a similar struggle.'

Journeys With the Black Dog

Depressive Illness

Lost Connections

Its Causes and Cures

Loving Someone with Bipolar Disorder

Toxic People

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### The Curse Of The Strong

*In 1879 the fifty-one-year-old author of War and Peace and Anna Karenina came to believe that he had accomplished nothing and that his life was meaningless. Marking a shift in his career from the aesthetic to the religious, Tolstoy's Confession relates this spiritual crisis, posing the question: Is there any meaning in my life that will not be destroyed by my death? It is a timeless account of an individual's struggle for faith and meaning.*

*If you have depression, don't blame yourself or wonder if you and God have somehow failed each other. Mental and emotional health issues strike the strongest of us. King David led a nation - yet wrote some of the Bible's bleakest laments. Naomi experienced deep emptiness and bitterness following devastating loss, and Job longed for a death that would not come. This book explains what happens in stress-related depressive illness, and presents effective ways to get better and stay well. Topics include: what to do when you become ill medication psychotherapy recovery making lifestyle changes problem-solving skills, including mindfulness Don't struggle on alone - read this book instead! 'People affected by depression tell me this is the most*

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*powerful and helpful book ever written about the topic. I keep meeting people who say this book changed their lives.’ Jeremy Vine, BBC Radio 2 ‘This book should be read by everybody . . . It offers invaluable insight into depression and promotes a level of self-awareness, which . . . could keep many of us a lot healthier.’*

*Depression Alliance*

*While working on his second novel, John Sedgwick spiraled into a depression so profound that it very nearly resulted in suicide. An author acclaimed for his intimate literary excursions into the rarified, moneyed enclave of Brahmin Boston, he decided to search for the roots of his malaise in the history of his own storied family—one of America's oldest and most notable. Following a bloodline that travels from Theodore Sedgwick, compatriot of George Washington and John Adams, to Edie Sedgwick, Andy Warhol's tragic muse, John Sedgwick's very personal journey of self-discovery became something far greater: a spellbinding study of the evolution of an extraordinary American family.*

*Presents a first-of-its-kind, cross-cultural lens to mental illness through the inspiring story of Gayathri's thirty-year battle with*

*depression. This literary memoir takes readers from her childhood in India where depression is thought to be a curse to life in America where she eventually finds the light within by drawing on both her rich Hindu heritage and Western medicine to spare. As a young girl in Bangalore, Gayathri was surrounded by the fragrance of jasmine and flickering oil lamps, her family protected by Hindu gods and goddesses. But as she grew older, demons came forth from the dark corners of her idyllic kingdom--with the scariest creatures lurking within her. The daughter of a respected Brahmin family, Gayathri began to feel different. "I can hardly eat, sleep, or think straight. The only thing I can do is cry unending tears." Her parents insisted it was all in her head. Because traditional Indian culture had no concept of depression as an illness, no doctor could diagnose and no medicine could heal her mysterious malady. This memoir traces Gayathri's courageous battle with the depression that consumed her from adolescence through marriage and a move to the United States. It was only after the birth of her first child, when her husband discovered her in the backyard "clawing the earth furiously with my bare hands, intent on digging a grave so that I could bury myself alive," that she*

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*finally found help. After a stay in a psych ward she eventually found "the light within," an emotional and spiritual awakening from the darkness of her tortured mind. Gayathri's inspiring story provides a first-of-its-kind cross-cultural view of mental illness--how it is regarded in India and in America, and how she drew on both her rich Hindu heritage and Western medicine to find healing.*

*The Art and Science of Overcoming Clinical Depression*

*A Story of Hope*

*The Curse of the Strong*

*Beating Insomnia*

*This Too Will Pass*

*The Creative Person's Path Through Depression*

*Where Are the Cocoa Puffs?*

ARE YOU REALLY IN CONTROL OF YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH ALCOHOL?  
ARE YOU FINDING YOUR NEED TO DRINK GETTING STRONGER? DO YOU  
DEPEND ON ALCOHOL TO MANAGE DAILY LIFE? In his role as a consultant  
psychiatrist, Dr Tim Cantopher has worked with countless people to help them  
overcome dependency, and this book distils his decades of experience into a  
series of practical, achievable, straightforward steps to reduce your own intake,

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or give up altogether. Problem Drinking explains why you are drinking too much, what alcohol does to you physiologically, the influence of environment and personality, and the long-term consequences of alcohol addiction. It offers supportive strategies to help you cut down or do without, including advice on relaxation and sleep, problem-solving approaches, time management skills, and insight into drug treatments, the disease concept and the role of Alcoholics Anonymous. Read this book, take it one day at a time, and don't look back. Creative people will experience depression — that's a given. It's a given because they are regularly confronted by doubts about the meaningfulness of their efforts. Theirs is a kind of depression that does not respond to pharmaceutical treatment. What's required is healing in the realm of meaning. In this groundbreaking book, Eric Maisel teaches creative people how to handle these recurrent crises of meaning and how to successfully manage the anxieties of the creative process. Using examples both from the lives of famous creators such as van Gogh and from his own creativity coaching practice, Maisel explains that despite their inevitable difficulties, creative people possess the ability to forge relationships, repair themselves, and find meaning in their work and their lives. Maisel presents a step-by-step plan to help creative people handle their special brand of depression and rediscover the reasons they are driven to create in the first place.

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Two teenagers, strangers to each other, have decided to jump from the same bridge at the same time. But what results is far from straightforward in this absorbing, honest lifesaver from acclaimed author Bill Konigsberg. Aaron and Tillie don't know each other, but they are both feeling suicidal, and arrive at the George Washington Bridge at the same time, intending to jump. Aaron is a gay misfit struggling with depression and loneliness. Tillie isn't sure what her problem is -- only that she will never be good enough. On the bridge, there are four things that could happen: Aaron jumps and Tillie doesn't. Tillie jumps and Aaron doesn't. They both jump. Neither of them jumps. Or maybe all four things happen, in this astonishing and insightful novel from Bill Konigsberg.

Maintaining a relationship is hard enough without the added challenges of your partner's bipolar disorder symptoms. *Loving Someone with Bipolar Disorder* offers information and step-by-step advice for helping your partner manage mood swings and impulsive actions, allowing you to finally focus on enjoying your relationship while also taking time for yourself. This book explains the symptoms of your partner's disorder and offers strategies for preventing them and responding to these symptoms when they do occur. This updated edition includes a new section about the medications your partner may be taking so that you can understand the side effects and help monitor his or her bipolar treatment.

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As a supportive partner, you deserve support yourself. This book will help you create a more balanced, fulfilling relationship. Improve your relationship by learning how to:

- Identify your partner's symptom triggers so you can prevent episodes
- Improve communication by stopping irrational "bipolar conversations"
- Handle your partner's emotional ups and downs
- Foster closeness and connection with your partner

Robert Lowell, *Setting the River on Fire*

*The Bridge*

*The Book of Woe*

*Overcoming Anxiety*

*The Van Gogh Blues*

*Overcoming Anxiety and Depression*

*Depressive Illness: The Curse of the Strong*

*Spiritual Depression* is one of the great classics of the modern Church and tackles the big question: If Christianity is such "good news" why are its followers often unhappy? Dr. Martyn Lloyd-Jones was possibly the greatest Christian preacher and teacher of the twentieth century. A medical doctor by training, *Spiritual Depression* draws together his professional understanding of the mind with a profound understanding of Christian teaching and the

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Bible. Spiritual Depression diagnoses the causes of the ill feeling that many Christians experience. It prescribes the practical care that is needed to lift people's spirits and bring them freedom, power and joy. Spiritual health is possible and this book explains how everyone can grasp it for themselves. Invisible Driving is a memoir of Manic Depression that takes readers inside the terrors, thrills, and triumphs of coming to terms with this debilitating and misunderstood mental illness. The manic narrator's voice vividly recreates the feelings and sensations of mania, offering an unprecedented look at this fascinating and bizarre state of being. While behavior and thought illuminate the condition of mania, it is the protagonist's language itself that most viscerally conveys what it feels like to be trapped inside a manic 'high.' The voice of the recovered narrator provides context, reliability, and credibility. Where the manic narrator is relentlessly entertaining and delusional, the recovered narrator is tough minded, concise, and determined to reveal the truth, no matter how painful. With a cold eye he examines the forces that shaped him in order to shed light on the psychological architecture driving the episode. The interplay between these two perspectives underscores the bipolar nature of Manic Depression; the greatest personal challenge is reconciling them. Ultimately, the narrator must confront his own worst nightmare and in doing so gain character, insight, and acceptance.

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'People affected by depression tell me this is the most powerful and helpful book ever written on the topic. I keep meeting people who say this book changed their lives.' - Jeremy Vine, BBC Radio 2 Do you have depression? Firstly, stop blaming yourself. Secondly, don't struggle on alone - read this book instead. It has helped thousands of people just like you. Dr Tim Cantopher knows two essential truths about depression and depressive illness. One: it's strong people who are most vulnerable to it; people whose standards are high, whose ethics are powerful, who want their lives to be meaningful. Strong people, like you. Two: depression is a physical illness, and this book explains just that. Depressive Illness will explain all the above in detail, and more importantly, give you effective ways to get well and stay well. It covers symptoms, what to do when you get ill, medication, recovery, lifestyle changes, psychotherapy and problem-solving skills, including mindfulness. Most of all, take heart - people recover from depressive illness and remain mentally well, and you can, too.

In 1997, Oxford graduate, working mother and Times journalist Rachel Kelly went from feeling mildly anxious to being completely unable to function within the space of just three days. Prescribed antidepressants by her doctor, and supported by her husband and her family, Rachel slowly began to get better, but her anxiety levels remained high, and six years later, as a

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stay-at-home mother, she suffered a second collapse even worse than the first. Throughout both of Rachel's periods of severe depression, the healing power of poetry became an integral part of her recovery. As someone who had always loved poetry, it became something for Rachel to cling on to in times of need - from repeating short mantras to learning and reciting entire poems - these words and verses became a powerful force for change in her life. In *Black Rainbow* Rachel analyses why poetry can be one answer to depression, and the book contains a selected 40 of the poems that provided Rachel with solace and comfort during her breakdown and recovery. At a time when mental health problems and depression are becoming more common, and the stigma around such issues is finally being lifted, this book offers a lifeline for anyone seeking to understand depression and seek new ways to treat it. Poetry is free, has no side-effects and, as Rachel can attest, 'prescribing words instead of pills' can be an incredibly powerful remedy.

Developing Resilience in a Mad World

Healing from Depression and Finding the Light Within

Unfortunate Situations, Flawed Coping Mechanisms, Mayhem, and Other Things That Happened

Mania, Depression, Michelangelo, and Me: A Graphic Memoir

Black Rainbow

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Shadows in the Sun

Invisible Driving

*Depression is an illness that can cripple people from living a joyous life. This book helps you get through the tough days by identifying the triggers and helping you understand how to get beyond the tricks of the mind.*

*“Gary Greenberg has become the Dante of our psychiatric age, and the DSM-5 is his Inferno.” —Errol Morris* Since its debut in 1952, the American Psychiatric Association’s Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders has set down the “official” view on what constitutes mental illness. Homosexuality, for instance, was a mental illness until 1973. Each revision has created controversy, but the DSM-5 has taken fire for encouraging doctors to diagnose more illnesses—and to prescribe sometimes unnecessary or harmful medications. Respected author and practicing psychotherapist Gary Greenberg embedded himself in the war that broke out over the fifth edition, and returned with an unsettling tale. Exposing the deeply flawed process behind the DSM-5’s compilation, *The Book of Woe* reveals how the manual turns suffering into a commodity—and made the APA its own biggest beneficiary.

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*Helping Christians Cope with Mental Health Problems*  
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*Dr. Cantopher provides a comprehensive, accessible overview of depressive illness, which affects over 15.5 million people in the United States. Guiding the reader through the nature of depression, its history, symptoms, causes, and treatments, as well as myths about it along the way. Warm and supportive, this new edition, which also includes the latest on medications, stresses that sufferers should not blame themselves but can take hope from the fact that there is meaning in their illness and that getting better is a real option. Generously supplied with illuminating anecdotes and insights, this book has specific advice about what to do if you are currently unwell, as well as valuable information for caregivers, medical professionals, or anyone interested in this destructive illness, which is set to become the second biggest health burden in the world after heart disease.*

*Practical Tools to Help You Deal with Negative Emotions*

*Problem Drinking*

*Hyperbole and a Half*

*The DSM and the Unmaking of Psychiatry*

*The Power of Failure*

*The Letters of Virginia Woolf*

*A Journey Through Depression and Anxiety*

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*When Amanda Benson is diagnosed with bipolar disorder her extended family offers up everything from unconditional support to uncomfortable scrutiny as Amanda careens between bouts of frightening violence, cosmic euphoria, and suicidal despair. Then there's Ryan, an architecture student who is initially ensnared by Amanda's manic sexuality, but is ultimately captured and held throughout the chaos by the force of love and strength of family.*

*"Out of the Woods is a graphic memoir to help people understand and overcome depression and anxiety. Although the format is an autobiographical comic, it is primarily an educational self-help book, using the author's own life story"--Publisher information. Cartoonist Ellen Forney explores the relationship between "crazy" and "creative" in this graphic memoir of her bipolar disorder, woven with stories of famous bipolar artists and writers. Shortly before her thirtieth birthday, Forney was diagnosed with bipolar disorder. Flagrantly manic and terrified that medications would cause her to lose creativity, she began a years-long struggle to find mental stability while retaining her passions and creativity. Searching to make sense of the popular*

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*concept of the crazy artist, she finds inspiration from the lives and work of other artists and writers who suffered from mood disorders, including Vincent van Gogh, Georgia O'Keeffe, William Styron, and Sylvia Plath. She also researches the clinical aspects of bipolar disorder, including the strengths and limitations of various treatments and medications, and what studies tell us about the conundrum of attempting to "cure" an otherwise brilliant mind. Darkly funny and intensely personal, Forney's memoir provides a visceral glimpse into the effects of a mood disorder on an artist's work, as she shares her own story through bold black-and-white images and evocative prose.*

*'A brilliant book about how we identify the often-charming people who only spread misery.'* Jeremy Vine, BBC Radio 2  
BMA MEDICAL AWARDS 2020: HIGHLY COMMENDED  
*Some people are so stressful, they can actually make us ill. Gamers, bullies, users and abusers - all pose a risk to our health and welfare if we don't take action. This book presents the tools we need to deal with the toxic people in our lives who drain our energy. It explains how to make healthy relationship choices, set proper boundaries and recognize the red flags that should alert us to*

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*avoid certain people. Whether you are struggling with a narcissistic partner, or dealing with a bullying boss or a sociopathic colleague, there is practical advice that will help you not only to protect your mental wellbeing but also to thrive. You will understand the nature of the toxic workplace - how to avoid it and if necessary survive within it. If you're surrounded by the takers of this world, read this book and gain the freedom to make your own choices and live your own life.*

*Six Generations of Madness and Desire in an American Family*  
*Uncovering the Links Between Leadership and Mental Illness*  
*Overcoming Depression*

*All Blacks Don't Cry*

*A Study of Genius, Mania, and Character*

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Many recognized geniuses had creative capacities that were driven by bouts of manic intensity followed by the depths of mind-numbing despair. From Plato, who originated the idea of inspired mania, to Beethoven, Dickens, Newton, Van Gogh, and today's popular creative artists and scientists who've

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battled manic depression, this intriguing work examines creativity and madness in mystery, myth, and history. Demonstrating how manic depression often becomes the essential difference between talent and genius, Hershman and Lieb offer valuable insights into the many obstacles and problems this illness poses for highly creative people. Lieb critiques the wave of new books on depression as well as those on creativity to determine how far we have come in our understanding of this complex illness. The authors also explode the myth that suffering is essential to creativity. Guides for the manic depressive are suggested to reduce emotional pain and personal problems while increasing productivity. Julian Lieb, a psychiatrist in private practice and former director of the Dana Psychiatric Clinic at Yale-New Haven Hospital, and D. Jablow Hershman authored *Brotherhood of Tyrants: Manic Depression and Absolute Power*. This splendidly written book has a brisk flow and is clearly organized to be enjoyable and informative. -American Journal of Psychiatry

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#1 New York Times Bestseller “Funny and smart as hell” (Bill Gates), Allie Brosh’s *Hyperbole and a Half* showcases her unique voice, leaping wit, and her ability to capture complex emotions with deceptively simple illustrations. FROM THE PUBLISHER: Every time Allie Brosh posts something new on her hugely popular blog *Hyperbole and a Half* the internet rejoices. This full-color, beautifully illustrated edition features more than fifty percent new content, with ten never-before-seen essays and one wholly revised and expanded piece as well as classics from the website like, “The God of Cake,” “Dogs Don’t Understand Basic Concepts Like Moving,” and her astonishing, “Adventures in Depression,” and “Depression Part Two,” which have been hailed as some of the most insightful meditations on the disease ever written. Brosh’s debut marks the launch of a major new American humorist who will surely make even the biggest scrooge or snob laugh. We dare you not to. FROM THE AUTHOR: This is a book I wrote. Because I wrote it, I had to figure out what to put on the back cover to explain what it is. I tried to

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write a long, third-person summary that would imply how great the book is and also sound vaguely authoritative—like maybe someone who isn't me wrote it—but I soon discovered that I'm not sneaky enough to pull it off convincingly. So I decided to just make a list of things that are in the book: Pictures Words Stories about things that happened to me Stories about things that happened to other people because of me Eight billion dollars\* Stories about dogs The secret to eternal happiness\* \*These are lies. Perhaps I have underestimated my sneakiness!

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Helping Christians Cope with Mental Health Problems