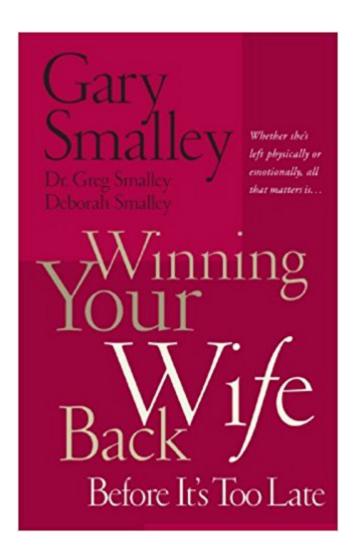


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Winning Your Wife Back Before It's Too Late





Synopsis

Winning your wife back from emotional or physical separation is more than doing the same things with more intensity. It involves developing a whole new strategy to overcome what seem to be overwhelming odds to attain a come-from-behind victory. In Winning Your Wife Back Before It's Too late, Gary Smalley utilizes the following game plan to significantly increase your chances for a "miracle comeback":Understand "penalty flags"Open a closed spiritHonor your wife and childrenDevelop sacrificial lovelnitiate change in yourselfBe accountable by joining a support groupThrough true stories of previously separated couples, you'll see how the principles illustrated in this plan have been fleshed out in the lives of real people and can lead to a successful reconciliation. Although there is no guarantee that you will win your wife back, you can still experience personal triumph and gain significant yardage in becoming the godly man you were intended to be.

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Gary Smalley was one of the country's best-known authors and speakers on family relationships. He was the award-winning, best-selling author or coauthor of sixteen books, as well as several popular films and videos. The Blessing and The Two Sides of Love have won Gold Medallions, The Language of Love won the Angel Award as the best contribution to family life, and his other titles have received Silver Medallions. His national infomercial Hidden Keys to Loving Relationships has been viewed by television audiences all over the world.Dr. Greg Smalley graduated with his doctorate degree in clinical psychology from Rosemead School of Psychology at Biola University in Southern California. He also holds master's degrees in counseling psychology (Denver Seminary) and clinical psychology (Rosemead). Dr. Smalley is the director of research and development at Smalley Relationship Center in Branson, Missouri. He lives in Ozark, Missouri with his wife, Erin, and their two daughters, Taylor and Madalyn.

Before I read this book, I wasn't certain my wife and I would ever reconcile. We were separated and she didn't seem to care if we ever got back together again. I read this book and it was exactly what I needed! God began to open my eyes to the ways I had let down my wife and what I needed to do to fix it. The biggest takeaway for me was that she needed to feel safe with me and to feel adored, but to do that, I needed own up to my part in our failing marriage. This may seem like common sense, and it is, but Dr. Smalley has a way of making you think about your situation and act on it without beating you up.Since I have read this book, I see my wife in a new light. She has let her guard down and is relying on me again. Now, I can't wait to see her and talk with her every day, and I love and adore her now more than at any time in our relationship. And guess what - I feel more loved and adored than ever! I have already recommended this book to a friend and I encourage every man that is trying to fix a struggling or failing marriage to read this book and apply its principles. You will not regret it!

My husband didn't loose me. However, he did loose a lot of my trust, respect, energy, and enthusiasm in pursuing him as one who's reliable, trustworthy, caring, and wise to consider the true meaning and purpose of relationships, family, and friends. I tried to be sensitive in discussing this book with him. I thank God that somethings in this book doesn't apply to us, such as physical and sexual abuse between the two of us; though both of us have, in different levels, suffered such hardships in the past, before we met.We are reading it together, not before praying, asking God to open our hearts and minds to the many great and very true insights and strategies this author offers, especially for those who have reached separation, which isn't our case and we hope and pray it won't be. I trust it's wise to read this book before things get out of hand...things get a lot more difficult when we are not careful to place important boundaries on how we allow our emotions to take over our mouths, attitudes, and behavior, which definitely leads to mutual attacks, hurt, controlling, and manipulative tendencies. At the moment, we are both trying to avoid getting to the point "of no return", although hurtful things we say to each other already qualify for going too far and beyond. Why? Although we may experience mutual regret, repentance, and forgiveness, we can never take back awful mean words we said to one another! Therefore, even if you haven't reached the point of leaving your husband yet things are tough; perhaps you live under the same roof but sleep in different beds; perhaps your children must grieve and stress over your constant fights; whatever the case, my husband and I highly recommend this book for those husbands (perhaps wives as well) who aren't living in peace and harmony, who have separated or are even divorced, and for husbands who do great at footing the bill yet know you can do a lot better, even though yours is a tough, Godly wife who doesn't say much about the hurt she holds inside, especially when you keep yourself "too busy" to listen and talk to her, except when you ask her "what's for dinner?"!After 9 years of struggling, praying, crying, and asking him to seek counsel support, I went from being a healthy active hardworking wife, mother, fitness instructor & personal trainer, to unable to walk and hardly move. Two major spinal surgeries and knee surgery last year, and I saw myself living the worst of our relationship when I needed him the most (in the past five years!). He is now in counseling, trying to learn to accept that men do have emotions and that burying past hurts and hardships isn't the way to understand how our childhood molds into who we are today and it certainly isn't the way to overcome the various emotional and behavioral problems that sooner or later, spring and surface in one warped way or another. In our 13th year of marriage, I am on the mend and could never do as well as I do, if I were to do it without my God given sweetheart, husband, best friend, caregiver, supporter, and lover! Our child deserves far better from us and we both have our share of work to do, including finish off reading this book! Other married couples, their children and extended families are my main reason for feeling compelled to write this review. However, when it comes to this book, about half way or a bit beyond reading it and I can truthfully testify that our relationship has taken a turn for the much better. It's not perfect and no relationship in this side of eternity is! Not in this planet, anyhow! LOL! Yet we believe every life is a God given opportunity for learning, growing, retaining what's good, changing what's bad or simply doesn't work, for caring for another at the very least as well as we do ourselves, and for waking up to the reality that love isn't an emotion but a choice and action, and that marriage isn't a contract where each spouse pursue happiness, expecting both will provide it for each other in the exact way each one, who are but two opposite beings, to say the least (for that, we have God Who explains why the differences in male and female!), rather than accepting marriage for the covenant that it is, expecting to give, rather than to take! This book, along with many others, is definitely worthy your try! But far better than this book, your wife, your children and yourself deserve reading this and change things where things went wrong!

If you want to have marriage dumbed down to football, go ahead. This book talks about strategy

and effort relating to a sport. I love football but in such a critical time in life, it doesn't hold a candle to the complexity of a marriage. Effort isn't enough. Intelligent effort is key. This book makes it sound like you can just hire a new coach and win the super bowl. I'd donate this book but I really don't want to see other men reading it.

I bought three books on porn to help my husband's addiction and hoping to save our marriage. One book for him, one book for me and one for us. I asked him to read this along with the others. He did. We've been at several cross roads regarding this awful, devasting, marriage destroying addiction. When he read it, I saw a change in him. I feel he is more educated about what he has done and how it affects not only him but others as well. Thankfully there are books like this one available to help others. It's been a year since we've read the books, we are still together. We needed help. Will keep this book and reread it. This is a very sensitive subject, being open minded is helpful to recovery. I also have read this book, it helped me to feel better about myself, and know he can change if he chooses to. You're not alone and there is help available. It's a struggle for my husband and he has had relapses. This is one of the hardest battles that I have endured. I am better educated about the porn and it's unrelenting grasp on individuals. I know my husband loves me and he is trying. This book has helped us both. I think it also needs to be reread.

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