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President/CEO of Franklin Entertainment and former Sony Pictures executive DeVon Franklin and award-winning actress Meagan Good have learned firsthand that some people must wait patiently for “the one” to come into their lives. They spent years crossing paths but it wasn’t until they were thrown together while working on the film *Jumping the Broom* that their storybook romance began.

Faced with starting a new relationship and wanting to avoid potentially devastating pitfalls, DeVon and Meagan chose to do something almost unheard of in today’s society—abstain from sex until they were married.

DeVon and Meagan share the life-changing message that waiting—rather than rushing a relationship—can help you find the person you’re meant to be with. *The Wait* is filled with candid his-and-hers accounts of the most important moments of their relationship and practical advice on how waiting for everything—from dating to sex—can transform relationships, allowing you to find a deep connection based on patience, trust, and faith.

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Tracee says

I can't say enough how much I enjoyed it. Have your highlighter and sticky notes ready because there are tons of knowledge in this book that can help us all in various areas of our lives.

Diamond says

I love this couple and believe they are a strong force to be reckoned with in the film industry. There are great strategies and view points made, although I do not agree with all of them. I encourage anyone who reads this book to also read their bible and back up the information they learn.

Michael says

I was very shocked to only find this book average. Despite a few tips on how to maintain celibacy, this did not really blow me away or offered any significant solutions how to overcome temptation. Granted it was not preachy, it just felt forced, almost if the author wanted to define the meaning in a short amount of time. Just how many times, do you have to keep repeating the purpose of why you wrote the book? It was clear from the title, so to continue to elaborate was unnecessary.

Maybe that is trivial to some, but that was really annoying to me. Also it had some contradictions. For instance, it will state not to use willpower to overcome temptation, then offer the same 'willpower' to not give in. Huh? It was turning into a confusing inconsistent tangent.

Will I recommend it? Obviously no. It did not really capture what purity was all about, but kept dancing around the real issue.

Three stars is me being generous, not worth the hype!

Victor Gentile says

DeVon Franklin and Meagan Good in their new book, "The Wait" published by Howard Books gives us A Powerful Practice for Finding the Love of Your Life and the Life You Love.

From the Inside Jacket Cover: Hollywood power couple DeVon Franklin and Meagan Good candidly share about their courtship and marriage, and the key to their success—waiting.

President/CEO of Franklin Entertainment and former Sony Pictures executive DeVon Franklin and award-winning actress Meagan Good have learned sometimes all we can do is wait for "the one" to come into our lives. They spent years crossing paths but it wasn't until they were thrown together while working on the

film Jumping the Broom that their storybook romance began.

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Considering that Hollywood is not known for its portrayal of chaste women, then the fact that Franklin is a Corporation executive and Good is an actress makes this book all the more spectacular. This is the way it used to be. Everything that Hollywood is portraying in the movies and on the TV is not true. Franklin and Good are a married couple and they have written "The Wait" to show us how a dating relationship should be. And it turns out that abstaining from sex actually fortifies your relationship. If you are not married then I recommend this book for you. If you have children then I say that they should be read this book. I believe that what this couple have to say will benefit them highly. It is a marvelous story.

Disclosure of Material Connection: I received this book free from Howard Books for this review. I was not required to write a positive review. The opinions I have expressed are my own. I am disclosing this in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission's 16 CFR, Part 255: "Guides Concerning the Use of Endorsements and Testimonials in Advertising."

Deirdre says

This book was a gift that was right on time (Valentine's Day) and I put off reading it for quite some time but I'm glad I finally opened it. I've enjoyed spending time with this book; it's a good read: reassuring, encouraging and honest. I can certainly see myself revisiting this book.

Cheryl says

When I completed this book I was ready to write my review. I ran through it in my head and it was too much to remember and I always have these great things to say but trick myself into thinking I will recall and be able to bring it up later. No such luck.

I was excited about this book when it came across my Facebook feed for 2 reasons. 1. I decided to become celibate after my last relationship. 2. This year is all about me and my self-development. Back to number 1—I was celibate a few years ago for a year and began dating someone. On our 2nd date, things happened. We lasted 6 months and he moved away with no concern or consideration for me or what we were doing. So I became celibate again for another year and met someone. I thought with this person being 8 years older than I, that he'd be in a different space than the previous fella. Nope, not even. 2nd date, things happened. At this point, I realized it was me. We lasted 8 months and really 6 of those was just passing time waiting for him to call it quits. Realizing that I've been making the same relationship mistakes and choosing the same "type" of

person brought me to number 2-time to work on my self-development and my unresolved issues and past traumas.

When I was 15, my mother let her boyfriend have sex with me. Any protest on my part was met with belts, curses and fists. This lasted until I was 18. It put me in the position of "my body is not my body" and saying "no" to a man brings me back to this place of why fight it, it will happen regardless. So I've entered into a lot of relationships like this as evidenced by my last two relationships. Over 20 years later and I still have not figured out how to reclaim my power. So, I said, I have to take myself out of this game. I've been reading a lot about transference of energy and carrying individuals energy/spirit around with you when you allow them to enter you and all of that really resonates with me. So I said, I have to be celibate and really figure out me and what is best for me to heal. I have my good days and I have my bad days.

So reading this book was right on time for me. I marked so many great passages in the book but unfortunately I loaned it out (which I never do, but she caught me at a moment when I was in my feels.) and cannot quote as I would like. Maybe I can come back and do an edit when I get my book back.

When you engage in a relationship with someone and you let that person know sex is off the table up front, it will let you see where that person is at mentally. They will either say, that is not how they are living and walk away or they will say they too are on that journey and continue to see you. BUT there are always those that say, they understand, but then try their best to get you to cave. They enjoy the challenge and those are the ones you need to walk away from. I want a relationship built on a solid foundation of trust, respect, intellectual compatibility, emotional intimacy, with similar interests, morals and goals.

This book is great and offers a lot of tips to those who are curious about practicing the wait. It is also encouraging to those who are on the journey and just need a little motivation to know they are not alone. For me the wait isn't about a husband but for me to find my purpose, love me and heal. I think once I become a whole and healthy person then I can attract to me someone who on the same page as I.

Jennifer says

The Wait is written from 2 perspectives: one being for those who have already chosen to be celibate and for those who have not seriously considered it.

The couple does not shy away from attributing their decision for celibacy to their faith in God. Before you roll your eyes, I believe there are still great takeaways for those of alternative beliefs. This is NOT a "you're going to hell if you're sleeping with your man!" read.

It's about how withholding sex in a relationship helps you to get to know someone without the distraction of sex blurring your view. It's about seeing your worth in God's eyes so you don't need to gain it from another person. It's about getting to know YOURSELF: your likes, dislikes, needs, wants and what you bring to the table. It's about getting to know one another's financial habits, problem solving skills, and more.

See more of my thoughts [HERE](#) :)

Amy says

The Wait: A Powerful Practice for Finding the Love of Your Life and the Life You Love is a fabulous read. The authors are DeVon Franklin and Meagan Good. What a beautiful couple! Their faith is so inspiring. They tell why it is important to wait to have sex until marriage.

I think the book would be great for everyone who is not married, including teenagers who are contemplating sex.

I highly recommend this book!

100+ stars. I received this book from Howard books and exchange for my honest opinion, which was given

Sophia L. says

I thought the book was pretty good. The advice they gave was rather vague. I wish they would have went into more detail about their struggles to remain celibate or more things like that. Devon was celibate for like 10 years. I wish he would have went into how he remained strong and some of the temptations he encountered dating women or when he met his wife. The advice was kinda vague and got kind of repetitive. I would have loved for the book to be more personal. See my full review here:

<http://sophie-sticatedmom.com/2016/02...>

Winter Sophia Rose says

Uplifting, Inspirational & Motivating! A Powerful Read! I Loved It!

Amanda Nesbitt says

So I just finished reading The Wait by Devon Franklin and Meagan Good and I have to say it was a pretty good read. It's way more then just a book about not having sex before marriage. The book focuses on building your relationship with GOD , working on yourself , having FAITH and learning to be PATIENT(which 'm not lol) in order to receive the blessings that God has in store for you and to build a health strong relationship with your future Husband/ Wife .Which are things we could all benefit from, go out and purchase the book, Men if you dont wanna read the whole book I would suggest reading Chapter 6.

ChaelaRenee says

I had already been practicing the Wait and at first was reluctant to read this book. However, "The Wait" has reaffirmed my decision to be abstinent. I'm a stickler for terms used and would never say I was celibate, but the text offers more insight into why they chose to refer to their wait as celibacy over abstinence. The

reasoning makes sense. This book has also been uplifting and has offered more insight on the purposes of waiting, it's so much more than abstaining from sex. My commitment and dedication to remaining celibate has been renewed. I am more encouraged to continue using the time between being single and married to become the me God envisioned from the very beginning.

Adrienna says

I did like the portions where they share their experiences in reference to dating and knowing they were meant to be together per se. There was much material I am well-familiar with already or read somewhere else.

"Your goal is to fall in love not with the body, face, clothes, or title but the person--the spirit--underneath. That's who you'll still love madly in fifty years." (page 209). This sounds great, but in reality, we are attracted to the person in some physical sense before we know the spiritual being of a person. Devon and Megan are a hot, cute couple, and I know there had to be a physical attraction; but yes, in the long run, you want more than infatuation or sexual attraction...you need something stronger that will last longer.

I get the premise and purpose of this book: celibacy during the wait for your mate. I have been living that lifestyle since I read "Kiss Dating Goodbye" in the late 90s. However, there are some parts I really needed more, and started off speaking towards the end of the book about people who are practicing celibacy and what to do during the wait, but I felt it was vaguely put and left me in the dust. Not much on how to deal with your hormones, sexual attractions, and when there is an attraction....another part was about "passing" your mate in the sense that you may be waiting and because of the "list" you may have missed him. But don't worry, and then was like this passage is done with no real solution. Do we wait for another mate if we missed him or her? Is there a such thing as soul mate?

I also wondered how to know or accept that maybe you are meant to be alone, never marry. But most women are seeking their Boaz, as for most men, want to still graze the field. In this reading, I was still left with questions unanswered.

It was a fairly alright read. Just still waiting...

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Brandi Davis says

ENCOURAGED! This book was so good. Each chapter spoke to me in a way that kept me wanting more. DeVen and Meagan's story is beyond inspiring. The fact that they modeled the very principles on which this book stands is amazing. I also love that it isn't merely a preachy "wait to have sex until marriage" book that makes an individual who isn't already on that journey feel bad about themselves -- they have both been there before, coming to celibacy after having had sexual relationships in the past, which makes it easier for readers in the same situation to relate to them. Don't get me wrong, the book is definitely centered around celibacy, but it is so much more than just that. It frames the decision to be celibate as a total life changer -- how that one decision to surrender such an instinctual and primal part of us sets us up to receive God's best, not only in a mate, but in all areas of our lives. I definitely recommend this book, whether you are considering celibacy or have already been celibate for many years. I pray that it touches you as well!!

Jonathan says**Transformational**

I cannot express in words, how this book has changed my perspective, and approach relationships . But even more so, it is changed how I see and think about myself.

I am now practicing The Wait for the next three years (God lead). And while I don't know when God will reveal my mate to me, it doesn't really matter, because The Wait is just as much about seeking me, as it is about seeking a mate. The Wait has caused me to get to know a "me" that I never knew. In turn, I am becoming the "he" that "she" will one day need.

Thank you DeVon and Meagan, for this gift.
