

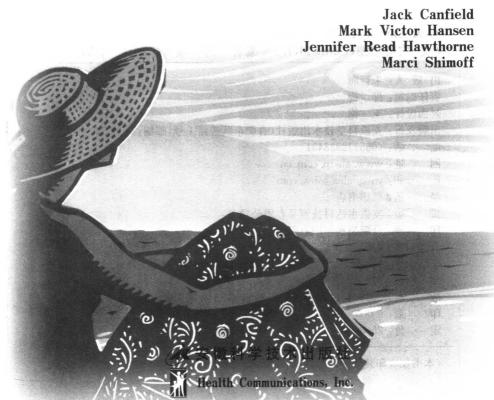


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Introduction 简介

Welcome to A Second Chicken Soup for the Woman's soul:101 More Stories to Open the Hearts and Rekindle the Spirits of Women.

Since the first *Chicken Soup for the Woman's Soul* came out, we have been overwhelmed by the response from readers around the world. The book has been at the top of every major bestseller's list in the United States, and it continues to be read by millions.

But what has moved us most is the feedback about how the stories have touched the lives of women around the world. Our goal in writing that book was to open the hearts and touch the souls of women everywhere. Apparently, that happened.

In fact, many readers told us that these stories are like potato chips—once you start, you can't read just one. The letters and comments we have received have been so moving and inspiring that we wanted to share a few with you.

From the Bahamas: "It was just absolutely one of the best books I have read for a long time. When I was about halfway into the book, I deliberately slowed down because I did not want the beautiful stories to end."

From New Zealand: "...after reading this book, I can honestly say that I say more thank-ous, and as I climb into a warm bed at



night, I count my blessings."

From Michigan: "The stories made me cry—not out of sadness but out of joy. I said to myself, 'Who are these women and how come I don't know them? They are so much like me, sometimes struggling but with an amazing sense of self.' I found myself then saying, 'I do know them. I am them.'"

From California: "I suffer from depression. I've never wanted to take anti-depressants due to their side effects. Your books work as my medication. As long as I am able to read at least a story or two a day, I feel okay. Being a single mom, life is hard enough, but your books give me what I need to make it a little easier."

We are often asked why the *Chicken Soup for the Soul* books have become such a phenomenon. From our experience, people seem to be soul-starved. With all the bad news that we hear all day long, people are relieved to hear these true stories of hope, courage, love and inspiration. They nourish the soul.

Mother Teresa has said:

The greatest disease in the West today is not TB or leprosy;it is being unwanted, unloved and uncared for. We can cure physical diseases with medicine, but the only cure for loneliness, despair and hopelessness is love. There are many in the world who are dying for a piece of bread, but there are many more dying for a little love. The poverty in the West is a different kind of poverty—it is not only a poverty of loneliness but also of spirituality. There's a hunger for love....

The stories in A Second Chicken Soup for the Woman's Soul are about ordinary people doing extraordinary things. We are happy to celebrate the good in people and we hope that this "soup" helps satisfy, even in some small way, the hunger for love in the world.



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