

Welcome *Fall*



From Your Friend, *Elisabeth Elliot*

Fall brings a new season of service and activity. We pray that we all would honor the Lord in each and every endeavor. Please enjoy this introductory excerpt on service to God which was first published in the Elisabeth Elliot Newsletter from Fall of 2001.

“There has often been a tendency to think of service to God as necessarily entailing physical hardship and sacrifice. Although this is not really a scriptural idea, it has gained wide acceptance. It is easy to recall the saints who “climbed the steep ascent of heaven through peril, toil, and pain,” but the Bible also makes mention of Dorcas whose service to God was the making of little coats. (And who can tell what pain she knew that is not recorded? It is God who keeps tears in His bottle.)

When I lived with the Auca (now called Waorani) people of the eastern jungle of

Ecuador (who had killed five missionaries, including my husband, thinking they were about to be eaten!) there were some who, from a long distance and with little idea of the actual situation, commended me for my “wonderful work, “ probably because they thought of it as difficult, isolated, dangerous, or even sacrificial (the truth is that I loved the two years I had with those dear people!). There were others who for the very same reason condemned me, for I had the audacity to take a three-year-old child into that setting. Some envied me, some pitied me. Some admired, some criticized. I could not help asking myself if perhaps I had been mistaken. Was I really obeying God, or had I merely obeyed some misguided impulse, some lust for distinction, some masochistic urge to bury myself in that forsaken place? There was no way of being sure what was in the murky reaches of my subconscious, but I was sure I had committed myself to God for His service, and I knew no other motivation. The opinions of others— whether they commended or condemned—could not alter my duty, but their very diversity caused me to ponder carefully what that duty was.

And then, by contrast, I watched the Indians, doing things they understood, untroubled by questions of “service” to God or fellow-men (although they had served me in countless ways—and I thought of the King saying to them, “Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these . . . ye have done it unto Me,” and of how surprised they would be if they knew), free of the pressures of competition or comparison. There was for me here a lesson in simplicity and acceptance of one’s place in life, which I, because I was a Christian, could take from the hand of God.

My duty was one thing, theirs another. My responsibility lay here, but the responsibility of some of my correspondents who gazed starry-eyed at my role lay perhaps in an office or a kitchen or the cockpit of an airplane. Who was to say which served on God’s right hand?”

From the Board



Fall has arrived here as we watch the leaves turning and enjoy cool and crisp mornings. God is at work in the change of seasons as well as in the midst of the Elisabeth Elliot Foundation.

We are so excited to see His hand upon all avenues of our work to bring Elisabeth's wisdom and encouragement to a new generation. We hear from many around the world that the *Elisabeth Elliot Podcast*, which just aired it's 100th Episode, is a wonderful resource, and we also receive requests to have her *books published in new languages*. We are on course to bring all of her titles into *audiobook format*, and we are working with various entities across the US to host the Museum of the Bible's current *Elisabeth Elliot Exhibit* in 2024 & 2025! An *EE documentary* is in the beginning stages, and our publisher is looking to bring *out of print titles* back into print once again! They are also working to make a beautiful and timely *box set of five "Elisabeth Classics"* available this May! Our *website developers* are making changes and additions to the website, and *archivists are cataloging* Elisabeth's work for safekeeping and availability to you, our readers. We are humbled by all of these wonderful developments and grateful for the way God fills our Fall days with joy as we steward Elisabeth's legacy for His Glory!

~ *Kathy Reeg, Board President*

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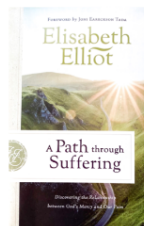


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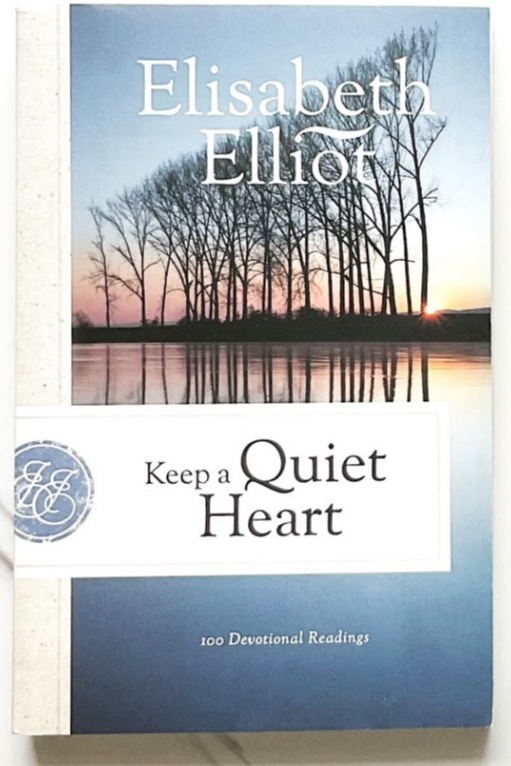
Book Study Guides



Enjoy *Keep a Quiet Heart*... a wonderful devotional of 100 writings from Elisabeth Elliot.

Here's a description from the publisher:

“When life gets too busy, too impersonal, and too much to handle, it’s time to turn to God for some peace and quiet. Keep a Quiet Heart is a unique collection of some of Elisabeth’s best work from her newsletters. More than 100 short passages offer a bit of relief from everyday life as they point the reader toward the everlasting love and peace of God.”



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From the Scrapbook

Fall Days

A collection of photos of the Fall months with Elisabeth in the 1990s. She enjoyed leisure time with her husband Lars and at home in Massachusetts, a 1985 FCA gathering, and the 1987 Pine Mountain Gathering.

