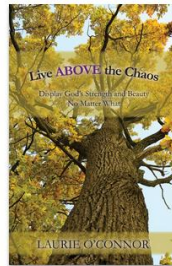




RESOURCES



During the early stages of writing *Live ABOVE the Chaos*, I took my young daughters to an event that required me to wait an hour in the hot sun. **That's when I spotted her, a giant oak tree.** Artistically gnarled and well established in her old age, **she beckoned me out of the intense heat and into her shade.**

As I entered the haven of her dappled light, I remember hearing a distinct crunch underfoot and looking down to see what I was walking on. **I was literally standing on a mattress of acorns several inches thick!** I was being cooled by a mama oak tree shedding acorns at an immeasurable rate.

Standing there under that beautiful oak, I

received a vision for my book.

I knew I couldn't discuss everything in depth, but what if I filled the pages with so many seeds that readers would hear the crunch of acorns as they turned the pages? What if God then used those acorn thoughts to produce immeasurable spiritual growth in each reader?

I wrote the book I would want to hand to any person who has:

- questions about why God allows suffering,
- discovered their faith is too weak to handle the stress and strain of life common to us all,
- has questions about Christianity, or has
- just decided follow Christ.

Do I provide comprehensive answers to all of life's big questions? No.

BUILD CAREFULLY

But each one should be careful how he builds. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.

I CORINTHIANS 3:10B-11

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