
MICHELE CHYNOWETH



Modern Day Bible Stories by award-winning author Michele Chynoweth bring stories in the Bible to life for today's readers with contemporary characters and plots so they can better understand and relate to God's messages of faith and hope. Michele's universally-appealing inspirational novels are filled with drama, suspense and romance and include "The Faithful One" based on the Book of Job, "The Peace Maker," based on the story of David and Abigail in the First Book of Samuel, and "The Runaway Prophet" based on the Book of Jonah.

Michele believes the Old Testament stories are often difficult to read and comprehend, so she hopes that re-imagining them in contemporary times with fiction that's fast-paced and entertaining will help readers appreciate them, understand God's messages and hopefully bring people back to the Bible itself. In addition to being an author, Michele is also an award-winning speaker, book coach and college instructor of writing, publishing and marketing fiction. A graduate of the University of Notre Dame, Michele and her husband have a blended family of five children and live in North East, Maryland.

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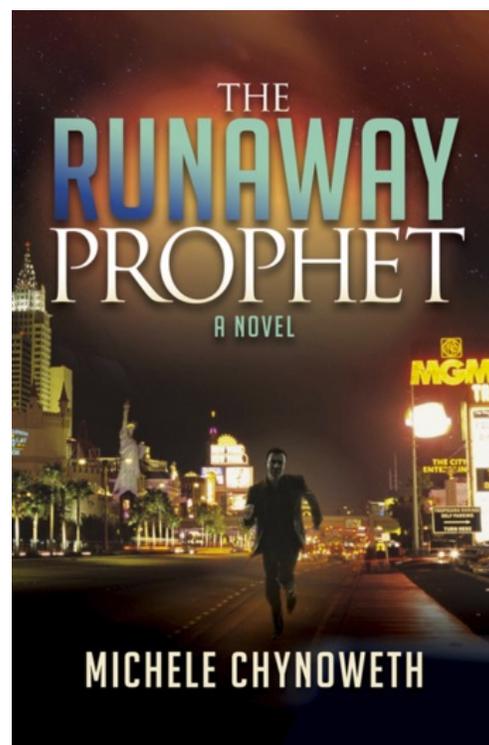
The Runaway Prophet

Rory Justice leads a relatively “normal” life as a conservative, divorced, middle-aged ad agency account executive. He doesn’t like to rock the boat—but that’s just what happens when his retired FBI agent father, on his deathbed, asks Rory to hand deliver a sealed letter to the Las Vegas Sheriff’s department detailing plans by a new Islamic State Mafia running the casinos to destroy the city with an underground nuclear bomb.

Instead, Rory tries to run from his dad’s request to warn Vegas of its impending doom by mailing the letter and jumping on a cruise ship, only to find himself entangled in a series of misfortunes including being imprisoned as a suspected terrorist on a US Naval submarine. Rory is eventually brought to Vegas where he ends up helping a group of investigators that has forty days to uproot the Mafia and the bomb they’ve planted before it destroys Sin City. In so doing, he finds himself confronting the very low-lives he abhors – the prostitutes, gamblers, drug addicts and thugs. In the process he falls in love with police lieutenant Susan McAfree, a tough yet vulnerable police officer on his team. But can this newfound love outweigh the hate he feels for the sinners she lives among and works to save?

Old Testament stories can be a bit challenging to read; yet, God’s messages in them are as important and relevant today as they were thousands of years ago. A modern-day novel based on the Bible book of Jonah, *The Runaway Prophet* delivers the message of the Old Testament story in a way that modern readers can relate to. In all of her novels, Michele has “re-imagined” the same characters and exciting plots found in the Bible in settings that readers today can identify, understand and enjoy, and hear the messages loud and clear.

Full of intrigue, suspense and a little romance, *The Runaway Prophet* delivers the message that you can try to run from God’s call, but you can’t hide – that the more you try, the more pain you’ll face – and that sometimes, by rescuing other people, God rescues you in the process. Bringing hard-to-read Bible stories to life in today’s world, *The Runaway Prophet* presents a universal read for people of all faiths in need of a clear depiction of God’s messages.



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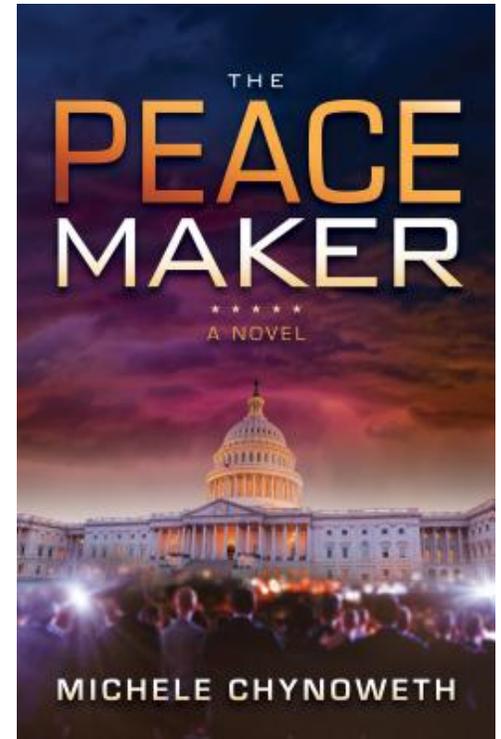
The Peace Maker

Chessa's husband, U.S. Senator Darren Richards, is a behind-the-scenes narcissistic abusive alcoholic. None of that changes when he becomes the leading candidate for President of the United States. Chessa's worries about her husband reach a fevered pitch as he closes in on winning the nation's highest office. How can she support his candidacy, even if it will mean becoming First Lady?

Meanwhile, Darren's opponent, Leif Mitchell, is selected from his humble life as a stable hand and country rock singer to run for political office. His charm and leadership pave the way for him to become a national hero and a real threat as the leading Republican presidential candidate. A rich and powerful Darren will stop at nothing to bring Leif down, causing Leif to reconsider his "high road" approach to politics. When Chessa finds out Leif is preparing to seek revenge on Darren in an attack that will not only destroy her husband's candidacy, but will probably cost other innocent lives as well, she is suddenly faced with a decision:

Should she preserve peace at all costs, protecting those who would become collateral damage as a result of the ensuing battle – and in default, her husband—in turn sacrificing her freedom and risking her own life? Should she try to stop Leif, which may ruin his chances but save his soul?

The Peace Maker is a modern-day novel based on the story of David and Abigail in the Bible's First Book of Samuel – a politically charged suspense full of hardship, struggle, courage and faith that when it comes to doing the right thing, God will lead you if you let Him.



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REVIEWS



About The Runaway Prophet...

"With another novel that will put you on the edge of your seat, local author Michele Chynoweth delights again with The Runaway Prophet. The story introduces us to Rory, the conservative son of an FBI officer who just wants life to remain simple. But when his father assigns Rory the task of delivering a sealed letter to the Las Vegas Sheriff's department, Rory's life is turned upside down. Inside the letter details plans by an Islamic State Mafia to uproot the city of Las Vegas with the help of an underground nuclear bomb. Prepare to be swept up inside this page-turner as Rory attempts to run from the duty that has befallen him, only to find himself in Las Vegas after all. Through one heart-stopping event after another, Rory and a team of investigators battle against the clock to remove the mafia and the dangerous bomb they've planted somewhere underground.

The Runaway Prophet will keep you riveted."

—Alexandra Karlessas for Delaware Today Magazine

About The Peace Maker...

The race to The White House is set to be an interesting one. No one knows who may be the next one to claim the office and both Leif and Darren are extremely passionate about reaching that goal. Leif, the humble horse trainer from Kentucky, and Darren, the rich boy from New York, are pitted head to head. But there is more to this battle than meets the eye. Both Darren and Leif have things to hide in their past and they're determined to defeat each other, no matter what it may mean for them in the end. It's going to be up to Chessa, Darren's wife, to ensure that both of them are able to escape from the battle unscathed.

Chessa is a slightly naïve college girl who gets swept off her feet by a handsome older man. It's definitely a role that many young women can relate to and, when you consider the man, it seems very likely. But Darren isn't everything he seems to be and in fact the secrets he's hiding are what make him even more interesting. The Peace Maker by Michele Chynoweth is the type of story that many young women have lived in one way or another. Many of us have been like Chessa, caught between the one we love and doing what's right, but how can you decide what's right when your heart and your mind are conflicted?

—Five Star Review by Samantha Rivera for Readers' Favorite International Book Awards

About The Faithful One...

"It often seems that the great characters of the Bible are so far removed from us. We sanitize them and dehumanize them. The

Faithful One puts the character of Job into a whole new contemporary light. The story makes his struggles so much more tangible and relatable to today's audience. Kudos to Michele Chynoweth for helping us get a better handle on what Job may have gone through. It certainly makes my struggles seem much smaller!"

—Gus Lloyd, Host of "Seize the Day" on The Catholic Channel, Sirius XM 129 and Author of "Magnetic Christianity" and "A Minute in the Church"

INTERVIEW TOPICS



The Runaway Prophet

ISIS IN AMERICA?

Michele's work of fiction tells of an Islamic State mafia that's running the "new Nineveh," Las Vegas, and has planted a nuclear bomb under one of the casinos. How close to the truth might this soon be?

The Peace Maker

2016 ELECTION FORESHADOWED?

Originally published in 2012 yet written about a future US presidential election in 2020, *The Peace Maker* is ultimately about a Republican man running against a Democratic woman with today's issues of "right to life" vs. "right to choose," stem cell research and more. Who are the "good guys" and who ends up winning? And is God behind the results?

The Faithful One

WHEN YOU LOSE IT ALL...

The Faithful One is a contemporary novel based on the Book of Job in which a man loses everything, including his wife, kids, career and health when he's dying from cancer. Can we hold onto our faith when we go through divorce, lose our jobs, lose a child or are go through a fatal illness? How should we pray? And might there be a cure for cancer on the horizon?

General Topics:

- God's Word Today—Making God's Bible Messages Clear in Our World Today
- You Can Run, But You Can't Hide—Be Open to God's Call and Purpose for Your Life
- Journey to Become an Author—Having Faith to Make it Happen Despite the Pitfalls

SAMPLE INTERVIEW

(longer, 5-7 minute answers)

- 1) How did you develop and interest in becoming an author?
- 2) What made you start writing modern-day bible stories?
- 3) How do you select which Bible stories to re-imagine into novels?
- 4) Has your publishing journey been challenging and if so, how?
- 5) How do you develop your characters?
- 6) Are your books alike or different from each other and how?

(short, 2-3 minute answers)

- 1) How relevant do you think the Bible is in today's world?
- 2) How true to the Bible stories are your novels?
- 3) Do your books have any real-life elements in them?
- 4) What is the next book you plan to write?
- 5) What are your dreams or aspirations for the future as an author?
- 6) Do you think your books will be made into movies?

SAMPLE SOCIAL MEDIA PROMOTIONS



Here are a few tweets and Facebook posts that you can use to promote Michele's book. Alternatively, you can create your own.

- Are you facing a possible divorce or big decision that will take courage? Here's a story you can relate to: #ThePeaceMaker by @AuthorMichele Chynoweth!
- You can run, but you can't hide! Learn how Rory tries and fails to run from God's call in @AuthorMichele's latest novel, #TheRunawayProphet
- Much more than a man being swallowed by a whale @AuthorMichele's latest re-imagined Bible story #TheRunawayProphet captures the message in Jonah's story for readers today!

PUBLIC SPEAKING



Fear, Failure, Faith: A Writer's Rocky Road to Success

Award-winning author and speaker Michele Chynoweth is excited to share with you the trials, tribulations and success stories she's found on her journey to becoming a best-selling novelist. Often humorous and poignant, Michele tells her story about falling into despair and then recovering her true self through her literary works. She'll also share how she is reaping the reward of answering God's call to write inspirational fiction that helps people find faith and hope in today's challenging world...and how you can become a best-selling author too if you follow your heart, believe in yourself, work really hard, and never, ever give up.

The Bible in Modern-day Times

There's a reason the Bible is the best-selling book of all time...because it's messages are timeless. Sadly, many people don't bother reading it and some don't believe it is still relevant today. Michele Chynoweth challenges those beliefs with her contemporary novels based on Bible stories. Michele believes the Old Testament stories are often difficult to read and comprehend, and through re-imagining them in contemporary times with fiction that's fast-paced and entertaining, she can help readers understand God's messages and hopefully bring people back to the Bible itself. Michele shares just how relevant the Bible truly is today.

Answering God's Call

For a long time, Michele Chynoweth has dreamed of being an author...but she never imagined she'd be working for God as an employer! Michele's goals were always to become a best-selling novelist...but she never really considered how she could help others through her work, nor cared much about doing God's Will. At first it was all about seeking riches and fame. But a few real-life lessons taught her that it doesn't pay to just become rich and famous...to find our true purpose on earth we have to answer God's call.

You can connect with Michele to find out more and book your speaking opportunity at:

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