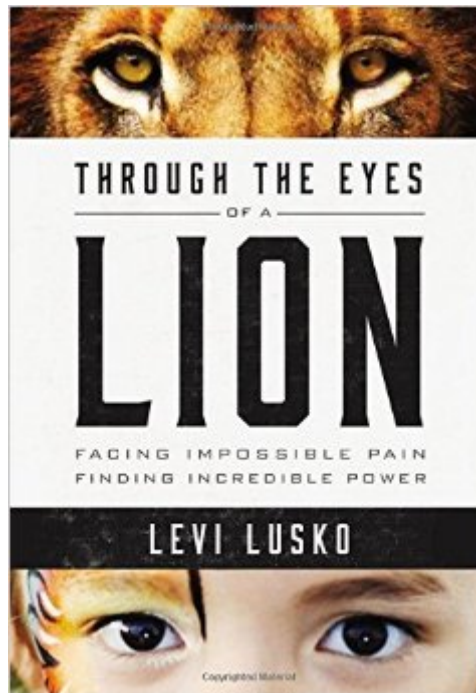


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# Through The Eyes Of A Lion: Facing Impossible Pain, Finding Incredible Power



## Synopsis

What will you do when the unthinkable happens in your life? Her parents called her Lenya Lion because of her ferocious personality and hair that had been wild and mane-like since birth. But they never expected that, five days before Christmas, their five-year-old daughter would suddenly go to heaven after an asthma attack. How do you walk out of an emergency room without your daughter? In *Through the Eyes of a Lion*, Pastor Levi Lusko shares the eye-opening truth of the power of hope in a world that is often filled with pain, suffering, and loss. He says, "This book isn't a manual for grieving, but a manifesto for high-octane living, and through it I want you to see that God made you for a purpose. There is a wild and wonderful calling on your life, a microphone in your hands. Jesus wants you to look at the adventure of your life through His eyes, the eyes of a Lion." Part memoir but all overtly instructive and deeply inspirational, *Through the Eyes of a Lion* gives readers the tools they need to face their fears and turn their journey into a roar story. Chapter themes include: Don't rely on the naked eye, Run towards the roar, There's no such thing as a wireless anchor, Let God use your pain, Cue the eagle, What we do in life really does echo in eternity. You are destined for impact, and there's not a moment to lose!

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## Customer Reviews

In this book, Pastor Levi Lusko shows with heartbreaking honesty how to face impossible pain and find incredible power. But *Through the Eyes of a Lion* is more than just a manual for dealing with grief. In Levi's words, it's "a manifesto for high-octane living." Those words couldn't be more true. I've never experienced the level of pain that Levi and his wife Jennie did the day their daughter Lenya left this earth. But I have struggled with fear, anxiety, and defeat, and I walked away from this

book encouraged and empowered to change the way I view the challenges in my life. Posing questions like "How do you live out an extraordinary calling while doing ordinary things and living in a world that is all screwed up?" Levi uses his real life experiences to teach you how to hurt with hope, look past what you can see, and let go of fear to become the you you were meant to be. And he does so with a mix of authenticity, brevity, gravity and humor that makes this not only a powerful read, but one you can easily engage with. From "cue the eagle" to "pain is a microphone" and "run toward the roar" the pages are full of tidbits of wisdom and key phrases that will stick with you long after you finish reading. Whether you're struggling under the weight of seemingly unbearable pain, or facing the everyday difficulties of life, this book offers renewed hope--for both your present and your future.

This book tells the very messy story of losing a daughter. It does not tell you how to get over it or move on - the two biggest lies of grief counseling. Levi strips away any preconceptions we might have about suffering, revealing the only substance that really matters: a transparent, raw, and very real relationship with God. Get to that point and maybe then we can begin to grieve our losses in a way that has lasting impact on a broken world. That impact, that calling - our grief now becomes a gateway, rather than a barrier. I'm thankful to Levi for writing this book and to the Luskos for their example in suffering through painful grief and sharing this story. *Through the Eyes of a Lion* reflects Levi's strength of character with authenticity of his voice - if you read this book with an appreciation and understanding of the richness of his enthusiasm and care for you that exudes from his preaching pulpit, you'll spend less time thinking about a critical literary review or dreaming up book club questions and more energy running to a God that soothes and heals your pain. Reading the book through in a single sitting, I confess that it's a page turner of the best kind - words that provide a catalyst for healing and motivation to keep pursuing God with all of your heart. And at the end of the day, isn't that really the only litmus test for whether or not a book has done a five-star job?

This book is a powerful journey through the loss of the Luskos' 5-year old daughter, Lenya (which means Lion in Russian) and will captivate the heart of any reader. What do you do when your child dies 5 days before Christmas? This book becomes a field-manual for anyone who is hurting, grieving, or looking for HOPE. But, just because a person isn't hurting now, doesn't mean they won't someday--so this book is equally relevant and resourceful for all people, to be ready for the tests of life that are coming. Purchase this book today, and be ready for what life has for you tomorrow. **POWERFUL, ENCOURAGING, RAW, RELEVANT...a MUST READ.**

You will not finish this book unchanged. Levi has a way of sharing moments he and his family have walked through, since their daughter Lenya went to heaven, in a way that you can tangibly feel their emotions. They have hurt so deeply but with hope, and through this book you get to see God healing parts of their soul. Levi is an incredibly gifted writer and weaves solid bible teaching throughout in a way that is relevant to every single person. You will cry and laugh and certainly be challenged to look at your own life as you read this book. I loved every single page and am so excited to be able to share this book with friends and family.

inspirational. moving. deep. life-changing. You will not be the same when you put this down. The best time to train for a marathon is before the race, not during it...when Levi shares this touching story of the loss of his daughter, he helps us learn to cue the eagle, to fix our eyes on eternal things, to believe that there is purpose for what we are going through. He shares that God puts to use what He allows us to go through. This book is an inspiration for my faith. Run towards the roar!

I have read many books written by pastors. Often they are trite, or shallow; often sermons repeated on paper. While not bad, not syntactically coherent or capturing for the entirety. This is not the case here! Levi is coherent, cogent, funny, and clear. His message is simple, but not easy: grief hurts, but is used by God as a microphone for our purpose. I particularly enjoyed the discussion of Bread and Circuses. Levi is a total nerd, and this shows through - always giving the background, meaning, and depth that a discussion on God's Word always deserves. I thoroughly enjoyed this read, and recommend it for those that are suffering, or will (that means you)!

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