

## Books by Dave Hopwood

Just over eight years ago I began writing a book called *The Bloke's Bible*. It was an attempt to explore a few Bible stories with humour and honesty, and to find myself in the Good Book with all my mistakes, misdemeanours and muddling. It was the first of four books published by Authentic Media. All of them attempting to explore the places where faith in God touches the real world. The third of these, *Sons of Thunder*, updated the story of Jesus to the 21st century and transplanted him and his surfing, garage mechanic disciples to the coast of Cornwall.

More recently I have produced other books with the intention of helping folks connect the Bible with every day life. Life in all its fullness with life in all its gritty, unexpected, often strange and funny reality. *31 Weird Places* takes the ordinary moments we all experience, like doing the washing up, choosing the day's underwear, going to the loo and shopping in the supermarket, and uses these as launching pads into various Biblical accounts. *The Lost e-Pistles from the Dead Sea iParchment* is a collection of emails behind some of the characters in the Bible. Some serious, some funny. All intended to help the reader cast a fresh eye over the original stories.

I have been a fan of Indiana Jones for decades and to that end have created a similar rough and ready, action man archaeologist. Max Maguire features in two books so far - *The Twelfth Seer*, and *The Valley of Eight*. Both are big screen, action adventure novels for teenagers and adults. Full of much action, mystery, combat and intrigue. And embedded in Biblical quests.

*Top Stories* revisits the parables of Jesus, updating them for a modern audience. The lost coin becomes the lost car keys. The house on the rock, the caravan by the river. The sheep and the goats are contestant in the X Factor finals.

*Men & Boys* is a useful gift for the man in your life – be it son, brother, friend, work colleague, partner, dad or husband. A pocket book full of brief, anecdotal reflections on life and faith for men.

*Telling Tales* is a collection of 130 responsive stories for children of all ages. They are easy to deliver and can involve an audience, group, class or congregation in the telling of the story. Very little preparation is required, a quick read through and a few moments to teach the half dozen responses to your given audience.

You can read extracts from these and other books by going to my website: [davehopwood.com](http://davehopwood.com), and clicking on each individual book. All are available to order from [Amazon.co.uk](http://Amazon.co.uk). I hope you may find one or two of them useful and helpful.

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