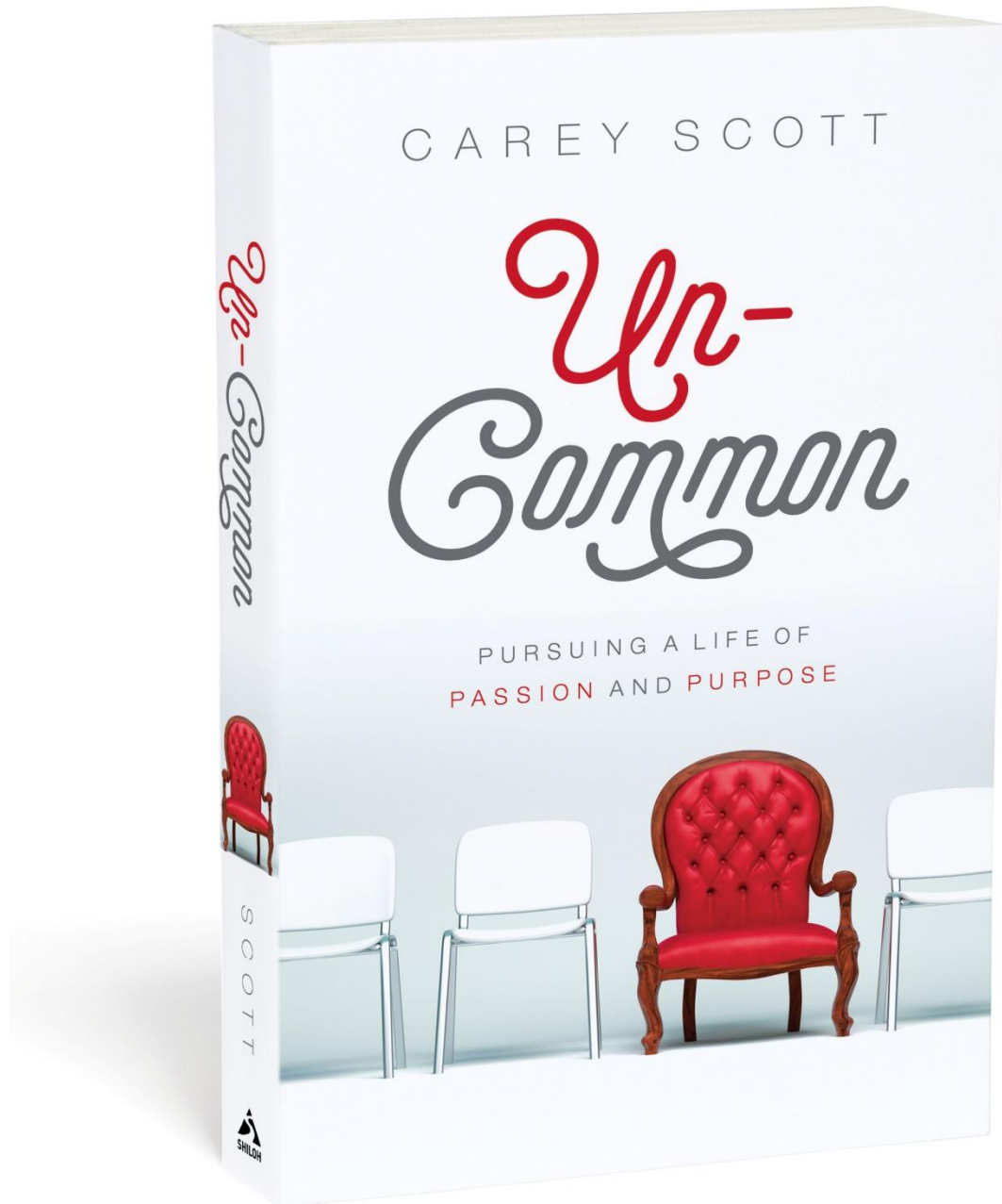


The Study Guide



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Hello Beautiful Friends,

I'm so excited you've chosen to dig in deeper. Unless we really understand what uncommon living looks like, we'll struggle to make the right choices. Remember, this way of living isn't always our default button. But you are taking a huge step towards making it be.

This study guide can be a personal journey between you and God or you can use it as a discussion guide as you facilitate a small group. Either way, I am confident God will meet you in the pages and provide fresh revelation, offer empowering challenges, and open to your eyes to a new way of walking out your one and only life.

It may not always be easy... but it will always be worth it.

Philippians 4:13 says *"I can do everything God asks me to with the help of Christ who gives me strength and power."* In other words, you are not expected to figure this out on your own. You don't have to rely on your own strength. So take a moment to invite God into your pursuit of the uncommon... and watch as He gives you all you need.

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How to use this study guide:

Chapters 1, 2, and 19 have their very own set of questions included in this guide.

But... Chapters 3-18 will *share* the same roadmap of questions.

- That means you will use the roadmap questions to answer each of those 16 chapters separately.
- So before you start, make copies of the roadmap questions—one set for each chapter you're planning to journey through.

If you'd like to join in the conversation, this is your official invitation to join the **Facebook group: Untangled and Uncommon Women**. This community is designed to encourage and support us as we purpose to live differently!

Are you ready? Click **HERE**.

What Makes a Woman Uncommon?

When we allow God to exchange our ordinary living for one that's extraordinary, it's a supernatural display of His amazing power. And in an amazing twist, His power in our lives is activated by our choice—our *yes* to being salt and light to a world who desperately needs to know Jesus.

Uncommon living isn't a call to be perfect. Perfection is a lie, and it's nowhere close to God's heart for us. Instead, uncommon living means we choose to live with passion and purpose.

Being an uncommon woman means...

- 1) You rely on God more than yourself**
- 2) You find hope in the hard places**
- 3) You stand up for what's right**
- 4) You hold on to joy no matter what**
- 5) You're not afraid to step out of your comfort zone**
- 6) You're willing to risk your reputation as you live differently**
- 7) You don't give up or give in**
- 8) You don't live tangled by your past**
- 9) You look past your circumstances**
- 10) You understand there is a calling on your life**

Now buckle up... and let's do this.

Chapter 1

The Common Life

1) We all have “fleshy” moments where we respond to life’s sucker punches in common ways. When those hard times knock you to your knees, how do you normally respond?

2) Have these sucker punches caused you to doubt God’s sovereignty or faithfulness? Why?

3) Where you did learn to respond in these common ways? Your home growing up? Friends or church? Society or Hollywood? What kind of living did they encourage or discourage?

4) Freedom from ordinary living is empowering, but sometimes we feel the draw back to the way things were. We miss how things have always been. We crave the familiar. Looking at your life, where do you need to choose to live differently? What will you have to give up as you pursue uncommon living?

5) Jesus gave us the gift of choice. You get to choose whether you stay stuck in common ways or embrace the uncommon life God created you to have. What makes God’s way worth it?

Chapter 2

The Reason We Can Be Uncommon

1) The truth is that we can't fully understand God's will and ways. He is unpredictable. We can't explain His actions (or lack of actions), and we're left even more confused. God just doesn't perform for us like some genie in a bottle. Our Father in Heaven is the essence of uncommon. How have you seen this truth in your own life?

2) Genesis 1:27 tells us that we're created in His image. That means because God is uncommon, we have the DNA to be the same. What does this stir up in you? How does this make you feel?

3) Uncommon living isn't a call to be perfect. But the Enemy wants you to believe it is. He knows that if you get tangled in trying to walk this out perfectly, it will eventually cause you to give up. The Enemy wants you to fail, but God wants you to live with passion and purpose. What are some practical ways to stay focused without feeling like a failure at times?

4) In this chapter, we looked at the Beatitudes from Matthew 5:1-12 and exchanged the word blessed with uncommon. What did you notice? What jumped out at you? How did this affirm and encourage you?

Chapter 2, *continued*

5) Being uncommon is a lifestyle change of sorts. And sometimes we need a rock-solid, hard-core, life-altering, kingdom-building reason before we'll embrace the call to live differently. We need the WHY. In our discussion of Matthew 5:13-16 on pages xx-xx, how did you answer that question for yourself?

6) What concerns or fears does this bring up? What insecurities might this tangle? What feels too risky? How will you fight through these challenges so they don't keep you trapped in the common life?

7) Write your declaration (or your prayer) to accept the call to be uncommon here.

Roadmap Questions, *continued*

7) How is the world distorting this specific call to be uncommon?

8) What is your Holy Spirit revelation?

9) What is your next step to apply this to your life?

10) What is your risk and reward for living this way?

11) What is the biggest uncommon take-away from this chapter?

Women from the Word...

1) Whose story was discussed? How did you connect to her (or them)?

Roadmap Questions, *continued*

2) Why do you think God included her (or them) in the Bible? What part did she (or they) play in the history of His plan?

3) What was the most remarkable detail to you?

4) What part did God play in her (or their) life? How quickly did she (or they) obey God?

5) How did she (or they) respond to her (or their) circumstances? Was she (or they) resolved from the beginning... or was it a process?

6) What obstacle(s) did she (or they) have to navigate to be uncommon?

Roadmap Questions, *continued*

7) Who were her (or their) influences—both people and societal—and how did she (or they) respond to them?

8) What would you imagine her (or their) family was like? Her husband? Her children? Her parents?

9) How would you imagine her (or their) everyday life to be?

10) What would you imagine was her (or their) greatest battle?

11) What qualities made her (or them) uncommon?

12) What is the biggest take-away from her (or their) story?

Chapter 19

Why the World Needs You to be Uncommon

1) Uncommon living doesn't mean we won't struggle. It doesn't mean we'll never be tempted to misuse our words and actions. It doesn't mean we won't royally mess up, hurting someone we love. Nor does it mean we will always make the best choices or that our lives will always point others to God. In your own words... what does it mean?

2) How does the concept of "choice" fit into your pursuit?

3) Never forget that you have a purpose, and how you live your one and only life on Planet Earth matters. We each have our own corner of the world to influence for Jesus. When you are rejected or ridiculed, what are some practical ways you can fight discouragement so you don't fall back into your old, common ways of living.

4) What changes have you seen in yourself and in your relationships as you've walked out the call to live in uncommon ways?

5) How have you seen God bless your uncommon-ness?

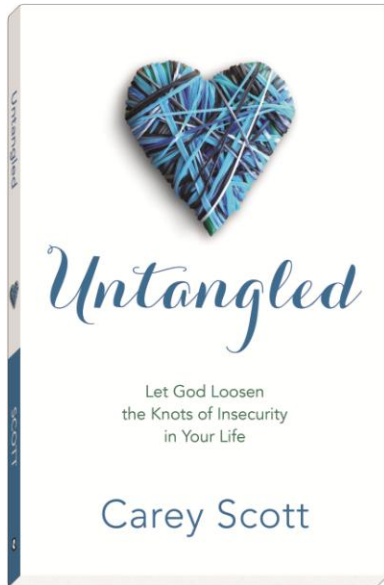
Chapter 19, *continued*

6) Right now, ask God to tell you what He thinks about your obedience to live differently. Write down what He reveals.

7) Write a prayer back to God in response to what He just revealed to you.

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Other titles include:



All women want to feel is valued. But problems arise when we seek confirmation that we are *enough* using the world's standards. Almost from birth, we are trained to find the approval and acceptance we crave in the eyes of family, friends, and even strangers. The result is that we cannot believe we are who God says we are--accepted, loved, beautiful, and treasured. We get tangled up in the world's assessment and our own self-judgment.

With hope-filled writing and plenty of hard-won personal advice, Carey Scott shows women how to untangle their self-esteem from the world and anchor it in Jesus. She lovingly shows readers that God was intentional in how he made them and that he is well pleased with his work. Women will learn practical strategies to escape unattainable standards and the performance-based measuring stick of the world, and find comfort in the fact that they are not alone on the journey.

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