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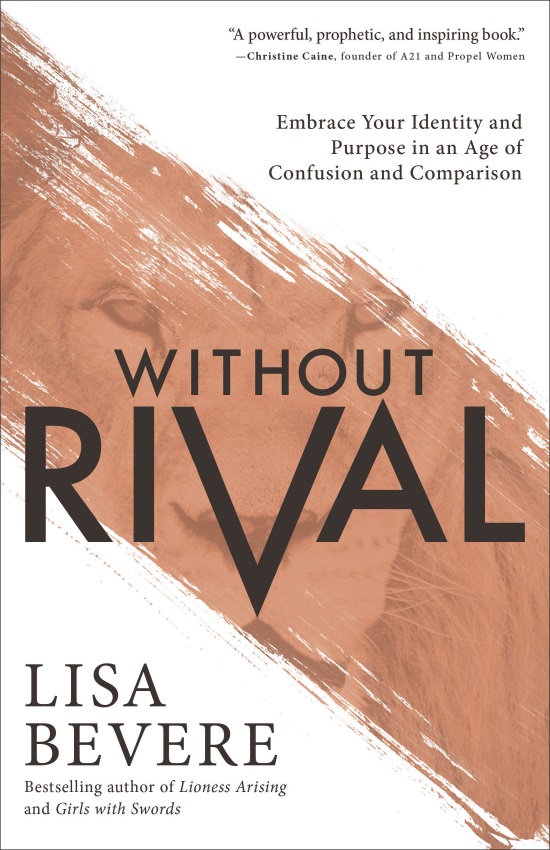
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***Without Rival***

*Breaking free from a life filled with comparison and rivalry to live a life uniquely loved by God*

Today women face constant comparison which can lead to self-doubt and rivalry. We want to be as good, as wanted, as talented as the other women we compare ourselves to. In this new book, Bible teacher, Lisa Bevere, shares a truth that is eternal. God loves all of his children marvelously. But he loves them uniquely.

We may think that God loves all of us the same but *same* just isn’t big enough. We are not replaceable or interchangeable. Each of us is incomparably made, uniquely loved and born for a powerful purpose.

God, our father, created each of us with a purpose and a plan that no one else can fulfill. There will only ever be one of you – exactly as God planned. His plan for us is an unrivaled promise.

There has never been a more desperate need for each of us to discover who and why we are a daughter without rival, loved by God without rival, entrusted with a promise without rival, to complete an assignment without rival, that is destined for an eternity without rival.

Includes questions for personal reflection and small group discussion, plus additional questions designed for use with *Insights to a Life Without Rival* video sessions.

**Lisa Bevere**is a sought-after international speaker, a bestselling author, and the cohost of *The Messenger* television program, which is broadcast in more than two hundred countries. The author of *Lioness Arising*, *Girls with Swords*,and *Fight Like a Girl*, Lisa is a frequent guest on *Life Today* and has been a speaker at Women of Faith, Joyce Meyer conferences, and Hillsong Church.She and her husband, John, have four sons and live in Colorado. Learn more at [www.lisabevere.com](http://www.lisabevere.com).

**Praise for Lisa Bevere and *Without Rival***

“Imagine the world if each of us understood how loved and valued we are. In her book *Without Rival*, Lisa Bevere encourages us to know and understand that we are uniquely created and loved by God. Because we are, we have each been given a crucial and important role to fulfill in God’s plan. This book is an invitation to pursue God and the mission he has for you.”

—**Holly Wagner**, pastor and author

“We live in a culture that is filled with wandering souls looking for identity in all the wrong places. This book is a true compass that points men and women to the real source of our spiritual identity. We belong to God, he has chosen us, and we are loved uniquely. Lisa does a masterful job of bringing these timeless truths to life. This book is a must-read!”

—**Brady Boyd**, pastor of New Life Church, Colorado Springs, and author of *Addicted to Busy*

“In *Without Rival*, Lisa shares the penetrating truth about who God created us to be and how he loves each of us personally and uniquely. After reading this book, I can’t imagine anyone ever doubting God’s love for them!”

—**Chris Hodges**, senior pastor of Church of the Highlands and author of *Fresh Air* and *Four Cups*

“If you have ever struggled with your identity, this book will be a game changer. Understanding who we uniquely are in Christ transforms us from playing it safe to taking our place in God’s great plan of redemption.”

—**Sheila Walsh**, author of *God Loves Broken People* and core speaker for Women of Faith

“*Without Rival* is a truly eye-opening book that I believe will greatly impact this generation. Lisa Bevere conveys God’s love in such a beautiful and vivid new way that will surely captivate every reader. As readers delve deeper and deeper into this amazing book, they will learn more and more about God’s love for them as well as the importance of finding one’s identity in him.”

—**Matthew Barnett**, co-founder of The Dream Center

“*Without Rival* is a beautiful reminder of God’s love for all people. Lisa approaches the subject with fresh revelation and expresses her thoughts in such an elegant and concise manner. This is a truly beautiful book that every reader will be inspired by.”

—**Caroline Barnett**, co-pastor of The Dream Center

“In a world obsessed with competition and comparison, this book is a must for every mother, daughter, leader, and friend. It’s time we joined hands instead of comparing what’s in them. It’s time for celebrating one another instead of tolerating. We are without rival, so let’s make room for everyone to thrive.”

—**Charlotte Gambill**, lead pastor of LIFE Church, Bradford, UK

“If you struggle with feelings of worthlessness or lack a sense of purpose, *Without Rival* is just what you need to silence your inner critic. God has positioned you to find contentment in the midst of any circumstance and live a life without comparison.”

—**Pastor Steven and Holly Furtick**, Elevation Church

“Lisa will help you discover how to experience the freedom and confidence that comes from knowing you are God’s exclusive masterpiece—without comparison and without rival—and that you have everything you need to reach your unique God-given destiny.”

—**Victoria Osteen**, co-pastor of Lakewood Church, Houston, Texas

“Lisa Bevere’s book *Without Rival* will wake you into new dimensions of your identity in Christ. Lisa’s book is full of insight and godly wisdom. It will challenge, inspire, and equip you to pursue the Lord’s unique calling on your life. If you are longing to tune in to what the Lord is speaking over your destiny, this book is for you! I highly recommend it.”

—**Kris Vallotton**, senior associate leader of Bethel Church, Redding, California

“Lisa Bevere has been a close friend of ours for many years, and we believe the insights she shares in *Without Rival* will bring freedom to many. As you read these pages, ask God to help you overcome the desire to compare and compete, and allow him to show you how to embrace and celebrate the person he created you to be.”

—**James Robison**, founder and president of LIFE Outreach International

“I *love* Lisa. She is carrying such a timely word. This book is a must-read, must-believe for people. Knowing who you are and your need for others is huge! You will be strengthened as you read this, feeling the Father speak over you your true, unshakeable identity.”

—**Jenn Johnson**, worship leader/songwriter with Bethel Music

“*Without Rival* is a brilliant wake-up call for women of all ages. Lisa’s message that we are uniquely loved and called by God is so needed. I love her passion and energy that leap off of every page.”

—**Alli Worthington**, author of *Breaking Busy: How to Find Peace and Purpose in a World of Crazy*

“Lisa’s bold and spirit-filled words will help set women free from comparison, pride, and envy. She lives what she preaches: when you belong to Jesus, you are without rival.”

—**Sarah Bessey**, author of *Jesus Feminist* and *Out of Sorts: Making Peace with an Evolving Faith*

“Lisa’s newest book is such a treasure. It’s basically the literary equivalent of God putting his hands on both sides of our face, turning our attention toward him, and then saying slowly and firmly, ‘I love *you*.’”

—**Lisa Harper**, author and Bible teacher

“Understanding who you belong to, your unique place in the family of God, and the character of Christ is paramount to the continual growth of a healthy heart and soul. Lisa Bevere has a unique ability to expound on biblical truth and personal revelation when it comes to these eternal principles. You will discover again not only who *you* are but who *he* is—an unrivaled, personal, and powerful Savior.”

—**Brian and Bobbie Houston**, global founders and senior pastors of Hillsong Church

“In a world where women can be marked by comparison and rivalry, Lisa Bevere does what she does best—pulls us close to her feminine heart with nurturing, empowering, and healing words: ‘Daughter, you are enough, because you are uniquely loved.’ *Without Rival* strips us of our need to compete, landing us safely in the heart of the Father and rooted in his embrace. A must-read for all women longing for deeper connection, identity, and purpose.”

—**Christa Black Gifford**, award-winning songwriter, speaker, author of *God Loves Ugly* and *Heart Made Whole*

“Lisa Bevere’s new book *Without Rival* is a beautiful description of the unique love that God has for each of us. The book reminds us that we have no rivals because God created us to have our unique values and identity in him. This is a must-read for all!”

—**Jentezen Franklin**, senior pastor of Free Chapel and *New York Times* bestselling author

**Suggested Interview Questions**

***Without Rival* by Lisa Bevere**

1. Why did you write ***Without Rival*** and who is it written for?
2. You state that God loves us uniquely. What is the difference between him loving us uniquely and him loving us the same?
3. Why is knowing who you *are* more important than even knowing *where* you are going?
4. You write that there are two main detractors from a life without rival. What are they and what impact do these have on our lives and our perception of our relationship with God and others?
5. Why is our perception of God best described as “crusts and crumbs”?
6. How is our concept of God reflected in us?
7. When is silence not submission?

1. What is an idol and how do we build up idols for ourselves today?
2. How does being labeled limit us and how can we move out beyond the label?
3. How can social media lead to a life of comparison? What steps can we make to make sure it is a constructive influence?
4. Why should we be grateful for the opposition of rivals in our lives?
5. You write about gender discrimination in the church throughout history and today. Why is this such an important of issue?
6. Are there times where a lack of vulnerability can translate to a lack of love? What part does fear play in this?
7. Is it possible to be spiritual without being biblical?
8. What is the difference between friendship with the world and being a friend to the world?
9. What does a life without rival look like?