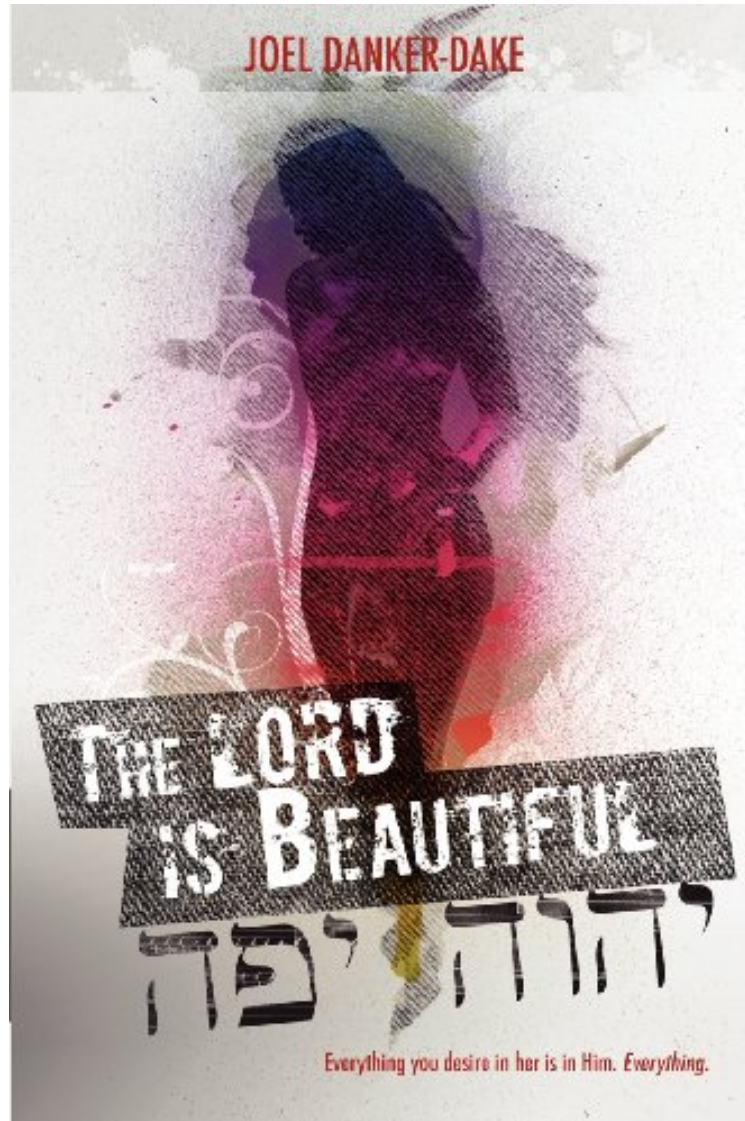


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. "We Need Liberators, Not Just Free Men"By Customer"The Lord Is Beautiful" gives so much more than expected. I was prepared to read a good story about a God fearing man deciding to leave pornography alone. What I received however, was a heart-gripping account that took me on an honest journey-- and I appreciated the honesty. The book doesn't read as a flowery rendition of "I'm such a good Christian man",

instead humanity and humility is shown, a raw struggle of flesh against life...and life more abundantly. Author Joel Danker-Dake effortlessly blends scripture, dirt bikes, statistics, heaven and desire with a uniquely poetic undertone. Danker-Dake raises the bar of explanation, rather than shunning sexual appetite he cross-references scripture to show God as creator of all created; including love and the expressions of. He doesn't emasculate the male nor does he excuse the male; alternately he shows man's identity in God and the life to be lead in His Word. I laughed, I cried, I related and walked with Jesus while reading. At first glance I saw the theme solely as 'deliverance from pornography', but the more I read the better I understood 'ultimate surrender unto the Lord--in every area of life'. Indiscriminate of gender or personal struggles, 'The Lord Is Beautiful' is a beautiful reminder of the power of Jesus and the saving grace of God's Love; if you're single, time doesn't have to be spent in bitter anticipation. An absolute must read! "We need liberators, not just free men" Joel Danker-Dake, "The Lord Is Beautiful" 4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. THE LORD IS BEAUTIFUL by Joel Danker-Dake By MOTU Review The Lord Is Beautiful is a 2012 book on pornography and Christian sexuality by Joel Danker-Dake. It is part treatise on sex, part spiritual memoir. Here, Danker-Dake chronicles the ten years he spent as a pornography consumer and addict, and how God delivered him from it. The Lord Is Beautiful is one of two extremely honest and profoundly important books on Christian sexuality and pornography to come out in 2012 (the other is Surfing for God by Michael John Cusick); they have a fair amount of topical overlap, but both are well worth reading - this one probably has more to offer women. Danker-Dake's thesis is that God is the source of all beauty, and as such, only he can truly fulfill the desires that he himself gave us, including the desires for sex, beauty, pleasure, and intimacy. Freedom from sexual addiction and relational fulfillment are found in Christ. Danker-Dake covers a number of other sex-related topics here, including relationships, struggle, self-effort, and sex trafficking, and he challenges both society's and some of the Church's teaching on sex and desire. On the whole, Danker-Dake's theology is sound - and I have not come to nitpick. He uses scripture extensively to support his arguments - the reader might well feel like he's read a third of the Bible by the time he gets done with this book. It's a bit much at times, but Danker-Dake mostly does a good job of incorporating it into the flow of the manuscript. Danker-Dake's everyman status works well here. He's not a psychologist or a marriage counselor, and he's not telling the reader to do this or that to change his life - just to be willing to be free, and to fight for that end. Essentially, he's saying, this is what happened to me, and this is what God did for me, and he can do it for you, too. His story is a testament to the power of the Gospel. Danker-Dake's writing is engaging, even entertaining. He has a lyrical, almost poetical style, and the book features a number of truly delightful sentences. At the same time, Danker-Dake is unflinchingly open, and his honesty and humility are what make the book work on the most fundamental level. The Lord Is Beautiful might be the best book on Christian sexuality I've ever read. It's a phenomenal, powerful book, and is recommended reading to just about everybody. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Something for EVERYONE By kathied7 What's your bondage issue? Smoking, shopping, hoarding, gossip, overeating, alcohol, drugs, pornography, soaps, self-loathing, arrogance? Until we're set free in Christ, we all have them. I know the author personally, and I have witnessed the change and growth in him over the last several years since his deliverance from bondage to pornography. This book is a totally honest, let all the dirt out, telling of his life without and with the LORD Jesus. With the soul of a poet, and the vision of one content not merely to get free, but to empower others to see what their bondage costs others and also be free, Danker-Dake offers a powerful, easy to read book that has a great deal to offer EVERYONE.

PORNOGRAPHY IS A PRISON God-given desires locked behind perversion, closed doors, guilt, and condemnation. Many who seek pleasure in it become bound, lost in an endless search for beauty and pleasure. Pornography leads to isolation, ruined relationships, and women who suffer either in their marriages or in the horrors of human trafficking. But there is **GOOD NEWS**. There is **FORGIVENESS** and **FREEDOM**. Jesus can do what years of struggle, willpower, and self-effort cant: deliver you and set you free free to enjoy all that He is. God made men with an insatiable desire for beauty, and nothing holds men captive or inspires them more than the beauty of a woman. Yet no woman, no life spent searching on the internet or in the bed can fully satisfy your deepest desire the desire for beauty, pleasure, and intimacy. But God made you for just that to find in Him everything you saw and sought in her. To know the God who made sex the joyous and ecstatic expression of intimacy between a husband and wife to foreshadow the ecstasy you will know when fully united with Him. To be united with the One who made every woman you ever desired in His image. To share your life with the Source of beauty you see so wonderfully formed in her. To trust that He **WILL** fulfill your hearts desires.