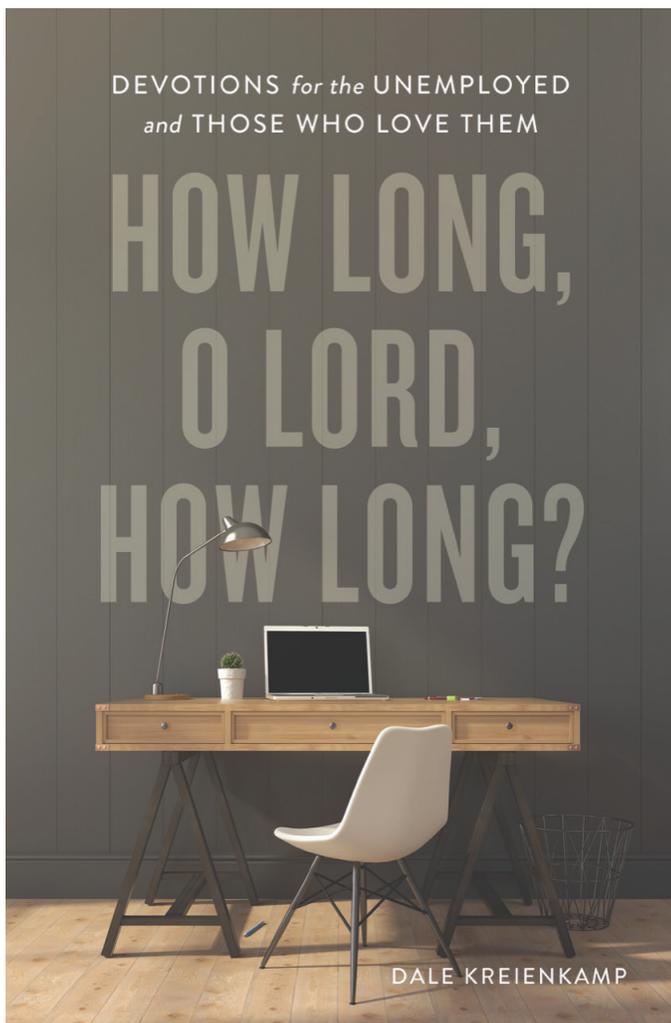


ABOUT THE BOOK



HOW LONG, O LORD, HOW LONG?

A BOOK OF DEVOTIONS

DEVOTIONS for the UNEMPLOYED and
THOSE WHO LOVE THEM

For more than two decades now, over 20 million people in America become unemployed each year through a layoff, a discharge or a job elimination. More members of your personal community will become unemployed in a year than will be diagnosed with cancer, be divorced or pass away, yet it often goes unnoticed because they don't talk about it.

ANGER ANXIETY EMBARRASSMENT IDENTITY PURPOSE
SELF-CONFIDENCE QUESTIONING DESPAIR

Being unemployed is a very personal journey; and the job search process is one where a person experiences loneliness, anger, despair, fear and anxiety. *How Long, O Lord, How Long?* written by Author Dale Kreienkamp – twice unemployed himself, is a book of devotions written by someone who knows, to offer help, hope and healing to anyone who is, or supporting someone, on this journey through unemployment.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Meet Dale Kreienkamp

Dale Kreienkamp is a Human Resources professional of 40 years who has served as an executive in the health care industry and as lead of a successful consulting practice. Dale has also served as a volunteer leader on numerous boards of directors, as well as in his home church.

Dale has experienced a personal journey of unemployment twice when, each time, his positions were eliminated in organizational restructuring. These personal experiences created a desire within him to help others impacted by unemployment through inspirational devotions.



INTERVIEW QUESTIONS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Interview Questions for Author Dale Kreienkamp

- Q. Why did you write this book?
- Q. What are the common emotions and reactions for someone who loses their job unexpectedly?
- Q. How does unemployment impact the spouse and the rest of the family?
- Q. How can friends and extended family support the person and their family going through this?
- Q. How does the unemployment journey impact a Christian's relationship with God?
- Q. What are the primary emotions people experience in this time of personal crisis?

Speaking Topics: Author Dale Kreienkamp

The Unemployment Journey – God is with you every step!

Even in a good economy, over 20 million people in the U.S. become unemployed through a discharge, layoff or job elimination each year. The journey of being unemployed is one most aren't prepared for. The future that seemed predictable is suddenly unknown, and most experience this silently. Join Dale Kreienkamp, Author of *How Long, O Lord, How Long? Devotions for the Unemployed and Those Who Love Them*, as he shares the emotional journey that led him to write this book and how He saw God's hand on him throughout the way.

As a former HR Executive who has twice experienced unemployment, Dale will share the obstacles he faced. More importantly, he will share how, through it all, God was there with him every step of the way, drawing him close and building trust in Him. Whether it is you or a friend journeying through unemployment, learn practical and spiritual ways to be a support through the unemployment journey so you too can experience God's wonderful plans through this.

How to Help a Friend who is Unemployed

Even in a good economy, over 20 million people in the U.S. become unemployed through a discharge, layoff or job elimination each year. In fact, you will have more people in your life become unemployed in a year than will be diagnosed with cancer, get divorced or pass away. Yet, this crisis often goes unnoticed because few talk about it.

Join Dale Kreienkamp, Author of *How Long, O Lord, How Long? Devotions for the Unemployed and Those Who Love Them*. Having twice experienced unemployment himself, Dale will provide insight to help you better understand the unique challenges and emotions faced in the journey. He will also share practical ways you can support a friend or family member in your life who is walking through the journey of unemployment towards hope and spiritual healing.

What to Do if You Become Unemployed

You have suddenly become unemployed. You are frozen. You don't know what to do, so chances are, you are doing nothing. It is a natural response to facing an unknown future that once seemed predictable. What is there to do? First, recognize that this is not your fault. You are not a failure. Secondly, know you are not alone: Over 20 million people in the U.S. become unemployed each year.

Join Dale Kreienkamp, Author of *How Long, O Lord, How Long?* as he shares about his personal journey through unemployment and the natural feelings faced: loneliness, anger, despair, fear and anxiety. Ultimately, gain practical, every day steps to not only get through this journey towards employment but to learn to rely on the Lord more through it.

ENDORSEMENTS & REVIEWS

Book Endorsements

Unexpected unemployment is an incredibly difficult experience. Thankfully, Dale Kreienkamp has provided an honest, faith-filled, clear devotional on how not only to weather this storm, but to come through it even stronger than you entered it. If you're between jobs or know someone who is, read it.

John O'Leary, International Speaker, Podcast host and #1 National Best-Selling Author of *On Fire*.

“Work has been an integral part of nearly my entire life of 75 years. As a young child I did chores at home. During elementary school, high school, college, and seminary, I always had a part time job. But then, after 48 years of full-time professional church work, including seven triennial elections to regional and national ecclesiastical leadership, I was unelected. Terminated. Someone else was elected to the position I had held for nine long and hard but meaningful and fulfilling years. Although my period of unemployment was brief, I experienced all the emotions and challenges described by my friend Dale Kreienkamp. Some of those emotions still exist today. How I wish I had been blessed back then, eight years ago, with Dale's 80 Devotions for the Unemployed. His experience, suggestions, advice, and counsel are laced with poignant scripture references that provide help, healing, and hope for the unemployed. Whatever the time or reason for your season of unemployment, you'll be blessed by *How Long Oh Lord How Long*, even as I have been, eight years after the fact.”

Dr. Gerald B. Kieschnick, President Emeritus, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and Chief Executive Officer, Legacy Deo

I have found Dale's book to be a tremendous resource for providing insights into the struggles of the unemployed as well as support and wisdom for themselves and their families! The book has proven to be a very powerful aide to help them to navigate the ups and downs while searching for employment.

Sally Gafford, Ph.D., LMFT, LPC, NBCC, AAMFT. Marriage and Family Therapy Therapist.

Amazon Reviews

“Dale's book is very readable. The chapters are short and focused on particular aspects and challenges of the job search. He provides great practical advice on how to face the reality of a job loss and how to find your next career opportunity; for instance, how to network, how to deal with emotions and set-backs, how to interview effectively, etc.

More importantly, Dale offers a unique faith-based perspective on how to respond to unemployment that will resonate with (and encourage) Christians and other believers. He uses biblical quotes and passages very effectively, making them relevant to the challenges faced by the unemployed and providing guidance on how people of faith should respond to those challenges.

Dale's book lifted my spirits as I continue my job search, and he helped me better appreciate how my situation is part of God's plan. I can't wait to see how His plan unfolds.”

“Unemployment, whether expected or unexpected, is a difficult and painful time. Dale offers concrete examples and uplifting information to help everyone going through the process. Thanks Dale, for a job well done.”

Press Release

New Book Releases for the 20 Million Unemployed and Those Supporting Them

October 2018

In fourth quarter in the United States, it takes only a glance at the Television or at a newspaper to recognize the economy is good and it is better than it has been for years. If this is the case then, why would anyone continue talking about unemployment? Well, while things are better as a result of the economy overall, this is not the case for everyone.

Even in this “good economy,” over 20 million people will lose their job this year due to a layoff, discharge or job elimination. Good economy, bad economy – this has been the case for two decades now.

While there are more job openings than people looking for work, those job openings don’t necessarily match the skills of those who are looking; and, for these individuals, the search is long.

Human Resources Executive and expert Dale Kreienkamp knows; he has been one of the unemployed twice in his life. Chances are many in your audience will join him amongst the unemployed, and chances are higher yet that someone you know well - a spouse, a family member or close friend - is or has been unemployed.

Dale Kreienkamp has experienced many, if not all, of the emotions the unemployed face from loneliness, anger, despair, fear and anxiety, on “this very personal journey through unemployment,” as he describes it. Yet, rather than sitting by and waiting powerless, Kreienkamp has chosen to take a step forward and use his time and talents to encourage others walking through a similar journey.

Kreienkamp says, “You need to know that you didn’t fail; unemployment just happens to good people.” And he is bound and determined to share this message of hope, as well as practical tips regarding the job search, which he will do through his new book called *How Long, O Lord, How Long? Devotions for the Unemployed and Those Who Love Them*, releasing November 1st.

“I wasn’t prepared for the journey of being unemployed. Most of us aren’t,” says Kreienkamp. “The future that was predictable was suddenly unknown. You don’t know where your next job will be, what you will be doing, who you will be working with or what company you will be working for. That’s hard for most of us. This roller coaster ride tests you and it tests your faith.”

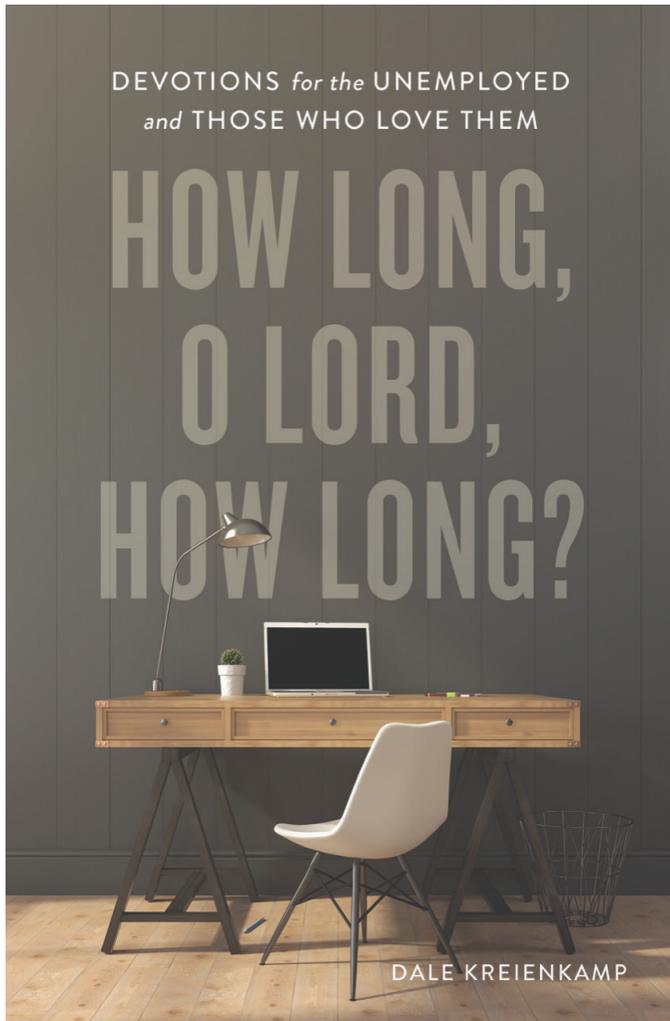
His new book, *How Long, O Lord, How Long? Devotions for the Unemployed and Those Who Love Them*, is not written from the stance of a Human Resources Executive or expert, but it is written like a letter to a friend from a friend, a father or colleague - someone who understands the journey.

This book is designed to be easy-to-read and was created to be a tool of support, encouragement and discovery, as Kreienkamp describes it. It isn’t intended to only be for those unemployed; it’s also for spouses and good friends of those unemployed, to help them better understand the challenges being faced by the person they care about.

Invite Author and Expert Dale Kreienkamp on your show to discuss the below topics.

Email Sarah@HowLongOLord.org to schedule your interview today!

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Devotions for the Unemployed and Those Who Love Them

God allows challenging experiences to strengthen us. Unemployment is no exception. This book will support individuals experiencing a period of unemployment and encourage those who love them along the way to something new. The book contains 80 devotions, each with scriptures to provide help, healing, and hope during the journey through unemployment.

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