

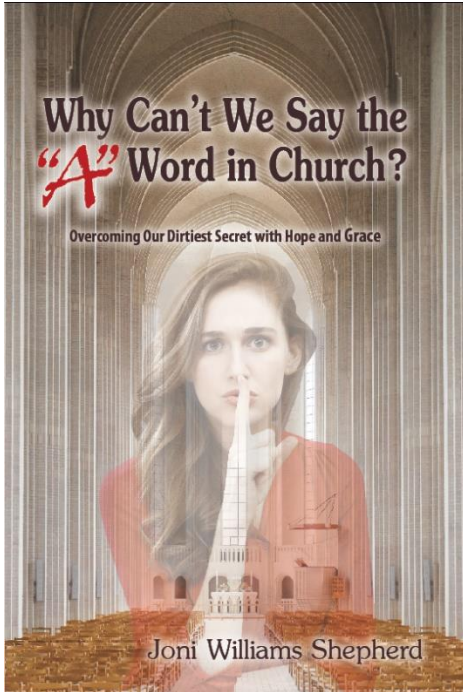
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[Why Can't We Say the "A" Word in Church? \(Overcoming Our Dirtiest Secret with Hope and Grace\)](#)

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In this groundbreaking and prophetic book Joni Shepherd raises a call to the Church, and particularly to those in spiritual authority, to break the chains of silence and shame that have bound the victims of one of modern history's greatest moral catastrophes, abortion. Joni skillfully weaves together the rarely discussed and understood scientific facts of the far-reaching negative consequences of abortion. She includes the dramatic personal stories, including her own, of those who made the "choice" for abortion from within the walls of the Church. It is in the telling of this story that Joni shows us that the Church bears a much greater responsibility for the sin and consequences of abortion than most of us would admit. However, this is much more than just a story of the past; it is a roadmap drawn by someone who's made the painful journey from silence and shame to hope and grace. This is a roadmap for how you, no matter your role in your local church, can truly help your church become the "hospital for sinners" that Jesus meant it to be (Mt. 9:12)

This book contains crucial and compelling information and direction for church leaders (pastors and lay leaders) about *The Scenario* of abortion and its ensuing trauma in the US and the world, *The Dilemma* the church faces in talking about abortion, and *The Remedy* for how to address abortion in the church comprehensively and with compassion.

NOTE: The stories in this book are expounded upon in the book, [Memoirs of a Christian Who Chose Abortion](#)

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