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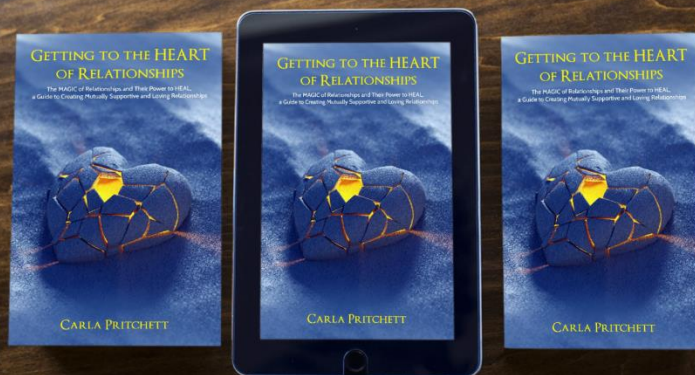
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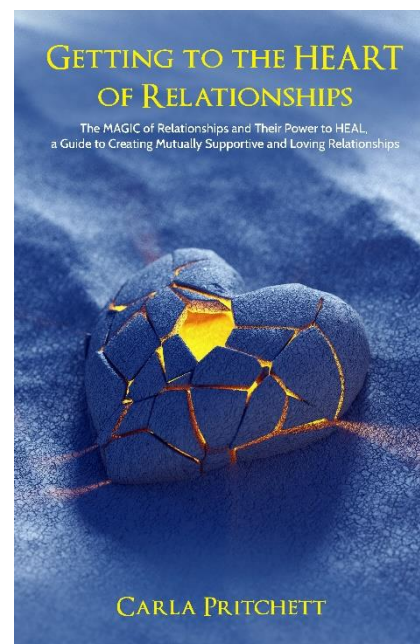
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## WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

*Getting to the Heart of Relationships* is a book that does just that. You will be encouraged to examine your own choices, beliefs, and behaviors, as well as explore what you want and are willing to do to have healthy relationships. Carla Pritchett has done an excellent job with examples and questions that incite self-reflection and growth.

~Colleen Baldrice, Ph.D., Author of *Tree Spirited Woman*.



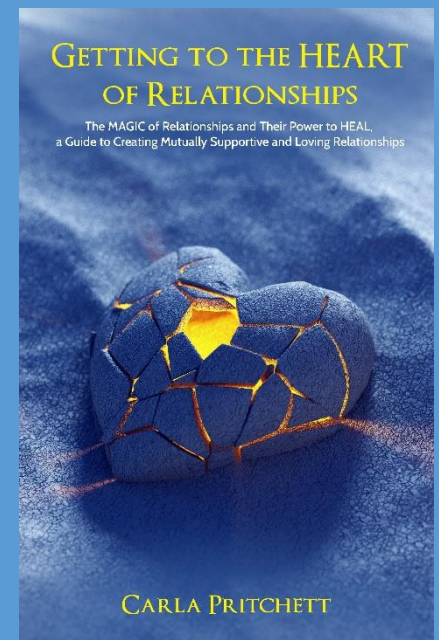
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Don't always think of relationships as two people meet, fall in love, and live happily ever after. *Relationships are about two people coming together, learning about themselves and each other, sharing what they have to share, possibly staying together, possibly not.* Be open to all possibilities. Just because you date someone doesn't mean they are a good choice for you as a life partner. They might be someone who needed to come into your life for a short amount of time—someone who came to teach you things, learn from you, then continue on their way.

Relationship questions to ponder:

- Why do we feel we have to love each person we date?
- Why do we put so much pressure on ourselves and our relationships?
- Why can't we enjoy each other more, allow each other the space we need in our lives, then continue on in a healthy way if the other person decides they want to leave.
- Why do we have so many expectations? This puts a great deal of stress and strain on a relationship.
- What if you can relax more, expect a little less, and enjoy the person with whom you spend time?
- Why does everything have to be so serious and so committed before each individual has decided what their needs truly are?
- Frequently we rush into relationships because we are afraid if we don't grab who is there, there won't be another chance for us. Why do we think this? Why do we devalue ourselves so much? Possibly your experience has been one of rarely meeting anyone with whom you have something in common. Now you have met someone, so you want to make them yours. What does it mean to "make them yours"? It means to get them to commit to living their life with you. What does this commitment entail? Is it marriage vows, or are you content to live together?

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