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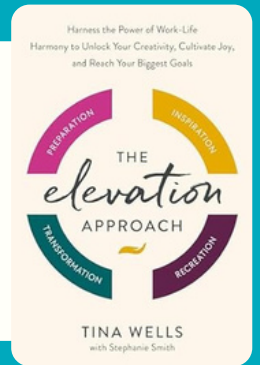
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On Thriving: Harnessing Joy Through Life's Great Labors
by Brandi Sellerz-Jackson



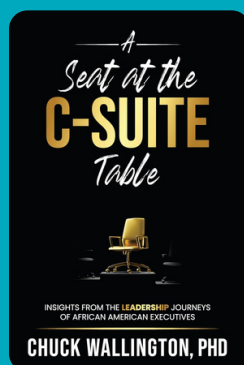
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And Then We Rise: A Guide to Loving and Taking Care of Self
by Common



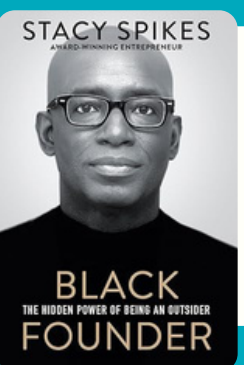
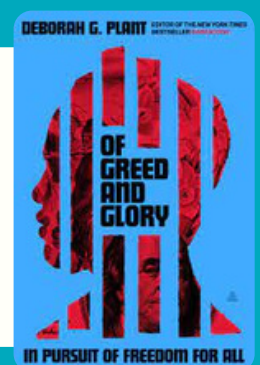
Wildflower: A Memoir
by Aurora James



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by Chuck Wallington, PhD



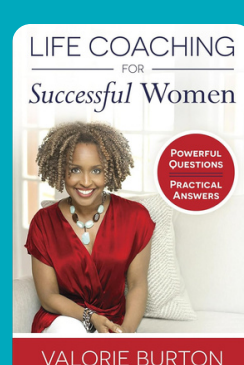
Of Greed and Glory: A Pursuit of Freedom for All
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Black Founder: The Hidden Power of Being an Outsider
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Heavy: An American Memoir
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2. ***Purpose Driven Leadership: Building and fostering effective teams*** by Bridgette Tasha Hyacinth
3. ***The Transformational Consumer: Fuel a lifelong love affair with your customers by helping them get healthier, wealthier, and wiser*** by Tara-Nicholle Nelson
4. ***Haben: The Deafblind Woman Who Conquered Harvard Law*** by Haben Girma
5. ***Unprecedented: The Masters and Me*** by Tiger Woods
6. ***The Truths We Hold: An American Journey*** by Kamala Harris
7. ***The Fire Next Time*** by James Baldwin
8. ***Sister Outsider: Essays and Speeches.*** by Audre Lorde
9. ***Hunger: A Memoir of (My) Body*** by Roxane Gay
10. ***Everybody's Got Something*** by Robin Roberts & Veronica Chambers
11. ***This is the Fire: What I say to My Friends About Racism*** by Don Lemon
12. ***On the Other Side of Freedom: The Case for Hope*** by DeRay Mckesson
13. ***White Girls*** by Holton Als
14. ***Nothing Personal*** by James Baldwin
15. ***Revelations: The Autobiography of Alvin Ailey*** by Alvin Ailey & A. Peter Bailey
16. ***Emergent Strategy: Shaping Change, Changing Worlds*** by Adrienne Maree Brown
17. ***We Will Not Cancel Us*** by Adrienne Maree Brown
18. ***Love and Rage*** by Lama Rod Owens
19. ***Pleasure Activism: The Politics of Feeling Good*** by Adrienne Maree Brown
20. ***How to Get Stupid White Men Out of Office: The Anti-Politics, Un-Boring Guide to Power*** by Adrienne Maree Brown
21. ***It's About Damn Time*** by Arlan Hamilton
22. ***My Story of Embracing Purpose, Healing & Hope*** by Karamo Brown
23. ***The Mentor Leader*** by Tony Dungy
24. ***Uncommon: Finding Your Path to Significance*** by Tony Dungy
25. ***The Secrets to Success: When You Want to Succeed as Bad as You Want to Breathe*** by Eric Thomas
26. ***Produced by Faith: Enjoy real success without losing your true self*** by DeVon Franklin
27. ***Super Rich: A guide to having it all*** by Russell Simmons
28. ***It Worked for Me: In life and leadership*** by Colin Powell
29. ***Reach: 40 Black men speak on living, leading, and succeeding*** by Ben Jealous & Trabian Shorters
30. ***Black Faces in White Places: 10 game-changing strategies to achieve success and find greatness*** by Randal Pinkett & Jeffrey Robinson
31. ***The Gatekeepers Are Gone: Hustle + Technology = Success*** by Lamar Tyler
32. ***Know What Makes Them Tick: How to successfully negotiate almost any situation*** by Shonda Rhimes
33. ***The Autobiography of Malcolm X: As told to Alex Haley*** by Malcolm X & Alex Haley
34. ***What I Know for Sure*** by Oprah Winfrey
35. ***Hidden Figures: The American Dream and the Untold Story of the Black Women Mathematicians Who Helped Win the Space Race*** by Margot Lee Shetterly
36. ***The Misadventures of Awkward Black Girl*** by Issa Rae
37. ***The One Week Budget*** by Tiffany Aliche
38. ***I'm Judging You: The do-better manual*** by Luvvie Ajayi
39. ***We Should All Be Feminists*** by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
40. ***The Awkward Thoughts of W. Kamau Bell*** by W. Kamau Bell
41. ***Between the World and Me*** by Ta-Nehisi Coates
42. ***My Bondage and My Freedom*** by Frederick Douglass
43. ***Drop the Ball: Achieving more by doing less*** by Tiffany Dufu
44. ***Biased: Uncovering the hidden prejudice that shapes what we see, think, and do*** by Jennifer Eberhardt
45. ***Stamped from the Beginning: The definitive history of racist ideas in America*** by Ibram X. Kendi
46. ***Lovesong: Becoming a Jew*** by Julius Lester
47. ***Becoming*** by Michelle Obama
48. ***The Race Whisperer: Barack Obama and the political uses of race*** by Melayne Price
49. ***A Promised Land*** by Barack Obama
50. ***Strength to Love*** by Martin Luther King, Jr.
51. ***My Grandmother's Hands: Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending Our Hearts and Bodies*** by Resmaa Menakem
52. ***Just As I Am*** by Cicely Tyson
53. ***Black and White: The Way I See It*** by Richard Williams
54. ***Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man*** by Emmanuel Acho
55. ***A Way Out of No Way: A Memoir of Truth, Transformation, and the New American Story*** by Raphael Warnock
56. ***Professional Troublemaker: The Fear Fighter Manual*** by Luvvie Ajayi Jones
57. ***Finding Me: A Memoir*** by Viola Davis
58. ***More than Enough: Claiming Space for Who You Are (No Matter What They Say)*** by Elaine Welteroth
59. ***My Life: Queen of the Court*** by Serena Williams
60. ***Small Doses: Potent Truths for Everyday Use*** by Amanda Seales
61. ***Bamboozled: How God Tricked Me into the Life of My Dreams*** by Yvonne Orji
62. ***After the Rain: Gentle Reminders for Healing, Courage, and Self Love*** by Alexandra Elle



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63. **The 1619 Project: A New Origin Story**
by Nikole Hannah-Jones
64. **The Mind of a Winner** by Steve Canal
65. **All Bout Love** by Bell Hooks
66. **The Little Black Book of Success: Laws of Leadership for Black Women** by Elaine Meryl Brown, Marsha Haygood & Angela Burt-Murray
67. **Your Next Level Life: 7 Rules of Power, Confidence, and Opportunity for Black Women in America** by Karen Arrington
68. **Playing the Game Without a Coach: How Courage, Resilience and Forgiveness Helped One Man Seize the American Dream** by Benjamin Raymond
69. **The Wealth Choice: Secret Success of Black Millionaires** by Dennis Kimbro
70. **Beating the Odds: Eddie Brown's Investing and Life Strategies** by Eddie Brown
71. **Strategize to Win: The New Way to Star Out, Step Up, or Start Over Your Career** by Carla Harris
72. **Rise and Grind: Outperform, Outwork, and Outhustle Your Way to a More Successful and Rewarding Life** by Daymond John & Daniel Paisner
73. **Life in Motion: An Unlikely Ballerina** by Misty Copeland
74. **The Work: Searching for a Life that Matters** by Wes Moore
75. **The Last Black Unicorn** by Tiffany Haddish
76. **Lead from the Outside: How to Build Your Future and Make Real Change** by Stacey Abrams
77. **50 Billion Dollar Boss: African American Women Sharing Stories of Success in Entrepreneurship and Leadership** by Kathey Porter
78. **Black Business Secrets: 500 Tips, Strategies, and Resources for the African American Entrepreneur** by Dante Lee
79. **Black Fortunes: The Story of the First Six African Americans Who Escaped Slavery and Became Millionaires** by Shomari Wills
80. **Black Power Inc.: The New Voices of Success** by Cora Daniels
81. **Climb: Taking Every Step with Conviction, Courage, and Calculated Risk to Achieve a Thriving Career and a Successful Life** by Michelle Gadsden-Williams, Carolyn M. Brown
82. **Boss Bride: The Powerful Woman's Playbook for Love and Success** by Charreah Jackson
83. **Conversations in Black: On Power, Politics, and Leadership** by Ed Gordon
84. **Double Down: Bet on Yourself and Succeed on Your Own Terms** by Antionette M. Clarke & Tricia Clarke-Stone
85. **Expect to Win: Proven Strategies for Success From a Wall Street Vet** by Carla A. Harris
86. **It's About Time: The Art of Choosing the Meaningful Over the Urgent** by Valorie Burton
87. **Little Black Book: A Toolkit for Working Women**
by Otegha Uwagba
88. **Miss Jessie's: Creating A Successful Business from Scratch - Naturally**
by Micho Branch
89. **Mo's Bows: A Young Person's Guide to Start-up Success: Measure, Cut, Stitch Your Way to a Great Business**
by Moziah Bridges & Tramica Morris
90. **More Than Pretty: Doing the Soul Work that Uncovers Your True Beauty**
by Erica Campbell
91. **The Book of Awesome Black Americans: Scientific Pioneers Trailblazing Entrepreneurs, Barrier-Breaking Activists and Afro-Futurists**
by Monique Jones
92. **The Memo: What Women of Color Need to Know to Secure a Seat at the Table**
by Minda Harts
93. **The Merchant Prince of Black Chicago: Anthony Overton and the building of a Financial Empire** by Robert E. Weems
94. **Balancing Work and Life: The Nia Guide for Black Women**
by Sherly Huggins & Cheryl Mayberry McKissack
95. **The Road to Someplace Better: From the Segregated South to Harvard Business School and Beyond**
by Lillian Lincoln Lambert
96. **You Got This!: Unleash Your Awesomeness, Find Your Path, and Change Your World**
by Maya Penn
97. **Women of Color in Tech: A Blueprint for Inspiring and Mentoring the Next Generation of Technology Innovators**
by Susanne Tedrick
98. **Finding My Voice: My Journey to the West Wing and the Path Forward**
by Valarie Jarret
99. **Believe Bigger: Discover the Path to Your Life Purpose**
by Marshawn Evans Daniels
100. **Swimming with Sharks in Dark Waters**
by Athene Brinson
101. **FutureProofed: How to Navigate Disruptive Change, Find Calm in Chaos, and Succeed in Work & Life**
by Natalia Peart
102. **Own Your Phenomenal Self: A Guide on Character, Success, & Leadership**
by Rita P. Mitchell
103. **Werk 101: Get Your Life Together Guide**
by Koereyelle DuBose
104. **Illogical: Saying Yes to a Life Without Limits**
by Emmanuel Acho
105. **Impolite Conversations: On Race, Politics, Sex, Money, and Religion**
by Cora Daniels & John L. Jackson Jr.
106. **Driven by Intention: Own Your Purpose, Gain Power, and Pursue Your Passion as a Woman at Work**
by Michelle Gadsden-Williams
107. **Right Within: How to Heal From Racial Trauma in the Workplace**
by Minda Harts



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109. **So You Want to Talk About Race**
by Ijeoma Oluo
110. **All Bout Love** by Bell Hooks
111. **Ain't I a Woman: Black Women and Feminism** by Bell Hooks
112. **You've Got to Be Hungry: The Greatness Within to Win** by Les Brown
113. **The Art of Ronin Leadership**
by Mike Howard
114. **Hood Feminist: Notes from the Women that a Movement Forgot**
by Mikki Kendall
115. **Where Do We Go from Here: Chaos or Community**
by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
116. **Upper Hand: The Future of Work for the Rest of Us** by Sherrell Dorsey
117. **Will** by Will Smith
118. **More Myself: A Journey** by Alicia Keys
119. **Undrowned: Black Feminist Lessons from Marine Mammals**
by Alexis Pauline Gumbs
120. **These Wilds Beyond our Fences: Letters to My Daughter on Humanity's Search for Home** by Bayo Akomolafe
121. **Black Futures**
by Kimberly Drew & Jenna Wortham
122. **Radical Dharma: Talking Race, Love and Liberation**
by Rev Angel Kyodo Williams
123. **Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption** by Bryan Stevenson
124. **Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls: 100 Real-Life Tales of Black Girl Magic**
by Sonja Thomas & Lilly Workneh
125. **How to Be an Antiracist**
by Ibram X. Kendi
126. **Bridges to Heal US: Stories and Strategies for Racial Healing** by Erin Jones
127. **The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother** by Andre Braugher, James McBride, Lainie Kazan
128. **The Tipping Point: How Little Things Can Make a Big Difference**
by Malcolm Gladwell
129. **David and Goliath: Underdogs, Misfits, and the Art of Battling Giants**
by Malcolm Gladwell
130. **Allow Me to Retort: A Black Guy's Guide to the Constitution**
by Ellie Mystal
131. **Fire Shut Up in My Bones**
by Charles Blow
132. **The Devil You Know: A Black Power Manifesto** by Charles Blow
133. **Speaking Truth to Power** by Anita Hill
134. **Writings on the Wall: Searching for a New Equality Beyond Black and White**
by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
135. **Becoming Kareem: Growing Up On and Off the Court** by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
136. **Up from Nothing: The Untold Story of How We (All) Succeed**
by John Hope Bryant
137. **The Memo: Five Rules for Your Economic Liberation** by John Hope Bryant
138. **Love Leadership: The New Way to Lead in A Fear Based World**
by John Hope Bryant
139. **The Purpose of Power: How We Come Together When We Fall Apart**
by Alicia Garza
140. **I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness**
by Austin Channing Brown
141. **Standing Above the Crowd**
by James Donaldson
142. **The Extraordinary Power of Leader Humility: Thriving Organizations - Great Results** by Marilyn Gist, PhD
143. **Talk it Up!: A Guide to Successful Public Speaking** by David Suk Brown & Danny Suk Brown
144. **Our Brave Foremothers: Celebrating 100 Black, Brown, Asian & Indigenous Women Who Changed the Course of History** by Rozella Kennedy
145. **You Owe You: Ignite Your Power, Your Purpose, and Your Why** by Eric Thomas, PhD
146. **Black Fatigue: How Racism Erodes the Mind, Body, and Spirit** by Mary-Francis Winters
147. **Outliers: The Story of Success** by Malcolm Gladwell
148. **Year of Yes: How to Dance it Out, Stand in the Sun, and Be Your Own Person** by Shonda Rhimes
149. **Acting Up: Winning in Business and in Life Using Down-Home Wisdom** by Janice Bryant Howroyd
150. **How Boards Work and How They Can Work Better in a Chaotic World** by Dambisa Moyo
151. **Chasing Youth Culture and Getting it Right: How Your Business Can Profit by Tapping Today's Most Powerful Trendsetters and Tastemakers** by Tina Wells
152. **Blink: The Power of Thinking Without Thinking** by Malcolm Gladwell
153. **Why Should White Guys Have All the Fun?** by Reginald Lewis & Blair S. Walker
154. **Unapologetically Ambitious: Take Risks, Break Barriers, and Create Success on Your Own Terms** by Shellye Archambeau
155. **The Rise: Creativity, the Gift of Failure, and the Search for Mastery** by Sarah Lewis
156. **Display of Power** by Daymond John
157. **Black Entrepreneur Survival Guide: The complete guide to becoming a successful African American Entrepreneur** by Dunneille D Anderson
158. **Black Wall Street: From Riot to Renaissance in Tulsa's Historic Greenwood District** by Hannibal B. Johnson
159. **CEO of My Soul: The Self-Love Journey of a Small Business Owner** by Nic Cober Esquire
160. **Mom and Me and Mom** by Maya Angelou



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162. **Success Never Smelled So Sweet: How I Followed My Nose and Found My Passion** by Lisa Price & Hilary Beard
163. **We Should All Be Millionaires: A Woman's Guide to Earning More, Building Wealth, and Gaining Economic Power** by Rachel Rodgers
164. **9 Laws of Success: Attracting the Life, Love, Health & Success You Want!** by Stormy Wellington
165. **Self-Esteem is the New Black: How to become the confident woman you have always wanted to be!** by Monique Mays
166. **Everyday Millionaires: How Ordinary People Built Extraordinary Wealth - And How You Can Too** by Chris Hogan
167. **Get Good with Money: Ten Simple Steps to Becoming Financially Whole** by Tiffany "The Budgetnista" Aliche
168. **How We Show Up: Reclaiming Family, Friendship, and Community** by Mia Birdsong
169. **Bad Feminist** by Roxane Gay
170. **Eloquent Rage: A Black Feminist Discovers Her Superpower** by Brittney Cooper
171. **The Pursuit of Happyness** by Chris Gardner
172. **Green Power: The Successful Way of A.G. Gaston** by A.G. Gaston
173. **The Black Woman Millionaire: A Revolutionary Act that DEFIES Impossible** by Dr. Venus Opal Reese
174. **When the Miracle Drops: How Instagram Helped Turn a Quick Fix Into a Million-Dollar Product** by Jessica Dupart
175. **Building Atlanta: How I Broke Through Segregation to Launch a Business Empire** by Herman J. Russell
176. **The Path Made Clear: Discovering Your Life's Direction and Purpose** by Oprah Winfrey
177. **Mental Detox: The Power and Guidance to Implement Peace, Joy, Balance, and Financial Abundance in Your Life** by Cheyenne Bryant
178. **Quantum Leaps: 10 Steps to Help You Soar** by Gloria Mayfield Bangs
179. **Air Traffic: A Memoir of Ambition and Manhood in America** by Gregory Pardlo
180. **A Lucky Man** by Jamel Brinkley
181. **Heavy: An American Memoir** by Kiese Laymon
182. **Invisible Man, Got the Whole World Watching: A Young Black Man's Education Book** by Mychal Denzel Smith
183. **Meaty: Essays** by Samantha Irby
184. **Unbowed** by Wangari Maathai
185. **Writing My Wrongs: Life, Death and Redemption in an American Prison** by Shaka Senghor
186. **Where You Are is Not Who You Are** by Ursula Burns
187. **The Perfect Day to Boss Up** by Rick Ross & Niel Martinez-Belkin
188. **Feeding the Soul** by Tabitha Brown
189. **Set Boundaries, Find Peace: A guide to reclaiming yourself** by Nedra Glover Tawwab
190. **Black AF History: The Un-Whitewashed Story of America** by Michael Harriot
191. **I Saw Death Coming: A History of Terror and Survival in the War Against Reconstruction** by Kidada E. Williams
192. **12 Notes: On Life and Creativity** by Quincy Jones
193. **The Beautiful Ones** by Prince
194. **Colorization: One Hundred Years of Black Films in A White World** by Wil Haygood
195. **The Complete Quincy Jones: My Journey & Passions** by Quincy Jones
196. **Eartha & Kitt: A Daughters Love Story in Black and White** by Kitt Shapiro
197. **Leslie F*cking Jones: A Memoir** by Leslie Jones
198. **Let Love Rule** by Lenny Kravitz
199. **Starting at Zero** by Jimi Hendrix
200. **Worthy** by Jada Pinkett Smith
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221. **Praisesong for the Kitchen Ghosts: Stories and Recipes from Five Generations of Black Country Cooks** by Crystal Wilkinson



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- 223. **First Things First: Hip-Hop Ladies Who Changed the Game** by Nadirah Simmons
- 224. **Madness: Race and Insanity in a Jim Crow Asylum** by Antonia Hylton
- 225. **On Thriving: Harnessing Joy Through Life's Great Labors** by Brandi Sellerz-Jackson
- 226. **A Seat at the C-Suite Table: Insights from the Leadership Journeys of African American Executives** by Chuck Wallington PhD
- 227. **Black Women Taught Us: An Intimate History of Black Feminism** by Jen M. Jackson PhD
- 228. **When Leadership Matters** by Robert Britten
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