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Author Bio

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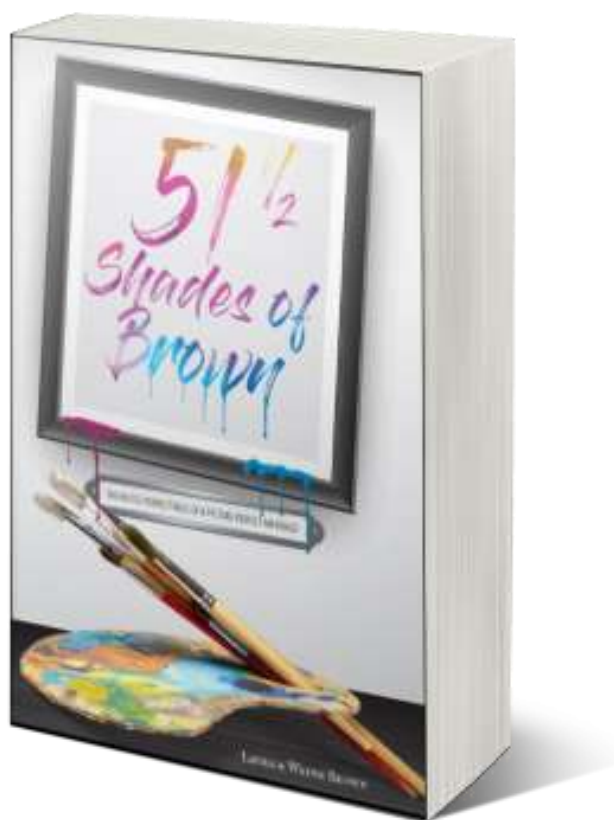
Laura is an author, speaker, and workshop facilitator. She is the owner of the Serious Writers’ Accountability Training (S.W.A.T.) Camp where she helps aspiring authors create literary legacies and unleash their inner superhero through writing. She created Wells of Truth Peer-Based Bible Coaching Group, where she teaches students how to study the Bible by using diverse study techniques. Laura is a native of Toledo, Ohio.

Wayne and Laura are certified marriage coaches, and certified Purpose Discovery Specialists. They have three children and two grandchildren, and enjoy planning “Pop Pop & Nanna Surprise Adventures” for their granddaughters.



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Book Bio

For REAL relationship advice, forget the emptiness of 50 Shades of Gray, and check out 51 1/2 Shades of Brown ~The Not-So-Perfect Tales of a Picture-Perfect Marriage.

51 ½ Shades of Brown is a collection of colorful, candid, humorous, and sometimes scandalous tales of an imperfectly-perfect marriage masterpiece.

Learn from 51 1/2 stories about Real Life Commitment and lessons Wayne and Laura learned through joy and pain, successes and failures, and victories and defeat!

Perfect for engaged or newly-married couples (or for those thinking about getting married), *51 ½ Shades of Brown* is a transparent and authentic view of marriage. *51 ½ Shades of Brown* offers a palette filled with practical life principles to help couples cultivate a vibrant, lasting, and healthy marriage.

A companion coloring book and prayer journal is also available to order @ www.coachlaurabrown.com

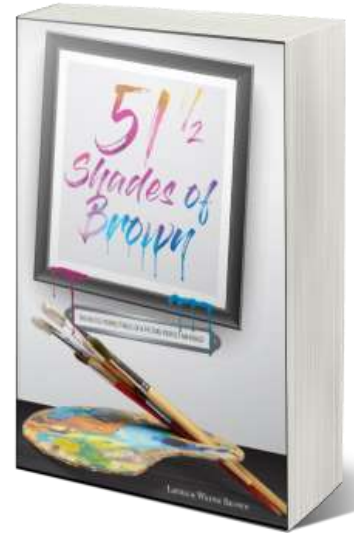
TESTIMONIALS



Witty, informative, sober, and educational, 51 ½ Shades of Brown serves well as a transparent compilation “bible” of survival in the areas of marriage, family, and parenting. An anthem for “togetherness,” this book reflects on the beauty of marriage as a one-of-a-kind masterpiece.

Dr. Miranda Y. Pearson

Licensed Professional Mental Health, Behavioral Health,
and Substance Abuse Counselor



"51 1/2 Shades of Brown" caught my husband and I by surprise, had us giggling and even made me blush a little. This book is a gem that reminds us of our own humble and sometimes humiliating beginnings. It reaffirms that true transformation still happens if we don't take ourselves too seriously. There are some serious concepts to glean from and apply to every marriage whether flourishing or floundering in this fun and flirty book!

Rich and Monica Allen

USAF Retired



Laura and Wayne capture the good, the bad, and the ugly of real life relationships. This book is a great testimony of how marriages are full of teachable moments when we are willing to be shaped by them.

Kathy Loo

Writer & Blogger @ Defender of My Home



51 ½ Shades of Brown takes you on a journey of Wayne and Laura's marriage and gives you a snapshot of their lives. As you are drawn into their personal stories you will also be challenged to look at your own marriage and pick up the tools offered to you to create and cultivate your own colorful “shades” of marriage.

David L. Banks, Ph.D.

Certified Relationship Specialist

Relationship Coach



"Shades of Brown is a golden treasure! An addictive read. I couldn't stop flipping the pages!"

Christopher Chaney

Author & Family Caregiver Advocate

CHANEYspeaks.com

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WHO SHOULD READ

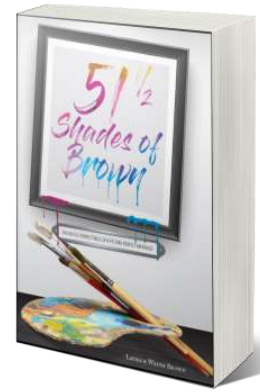
- Newlyweds
- Engaged Couples
- Couples Considering Marriage
- Couples Considering Divorce
- Marriage Counselors
- Relationship Coaches

BOOK BENEFITS

- hope in the sanctity, and covenant of marriage
- principles to cultivate a healthy marriage
- authentic view of marriage
- renewed hope in your marriage
- learn to find joy during trials



Book Excerpt



Internet Mojo

Wayne - It's the late 90s, and the internet is steadily changing. This was when, if you were on the internet, no one could call you on the home phone. To solve that problem, you could set up an internet voice mail-box...problem solved.

During this time in our marriage, I was at a low point. Not at a Cialis low, but I knew I wasn't 21 (or 31 for that matter) anymore. One day I was doing some work on the internet. To encourage me, Laura left me a sexy voice message. Instead of checking my messages when I finished working, I got up to do something else. Ouidii, our oldest daughter walked in after I left. She started surfing the web. Being more diligent than her father, she checked the messages. Imagine the look she had on her face when she heard the message. Unfortunately, she couldn't unhear the message.

Laura – I have had my share of embarrassing marriage moments, and this one ranks in the top five! I knew Wayne was going through a personal rough patch— at work, in ministry, and at home. It seemed no matter how many times I said, “It’s okay,” it never made him feel better.

“This called for a touch of creativity and spontaneity!” I thought.

Knowing he usually, USUALLY, checked the messages once he’s done working on the computer, I had the brilliant idea to leave a... let’s say... a very encouraging message, including some cutesy verbiage about his mojo still working just fine, which was from a line from the “Austin Powers the Spy Who Shagged Me” movie. I wasn’t paying attention when he finished working on the computer.

All I do know is I heard howling laughter from the room where the computer was located, and...

Interview Questions

1 Why did you write this book?

2 How is your book different from the others on the market?

3 How did you come up with the title?

4 What do you do when you are not writing books?

5 What was the biggest challenge in writing this book?

6 What did you learn about each other while writing the book?

7 What did you learn about yourself while writing the book?

8 What is your next project?

9 What is the core message you want your readers to grasp?

10 What was the most difficult story to write? Why?

11 What is your favorite story? Why?

12 Tell us about your marriage workshops?

13 What is your greatest hope for this book?

14 What is your greatest fear about the book?

15 Who is the target audience?

16 How do your children feel about the book?

17 How many stories didn't make the cut?

18 What are some tips for couples who want to write a book?

19 If this book were a movie, who would cast as yourself?

20 What is your contact info?"

Workshop & Coaching Opportunities

Picture-Perfect Power Couple Marriage Encounter

*A two-day event designed to empower couples with creative strategies to cultivate a satisfying and productive marriage

Dream Team – Power Couples Unite!

- Discover Your Purpose
- Develop Personality Synergy
- Learn Your Lead Language

Picture This – The Power of a Vision-Driven Marriage

- Discover Your Marital Purpose
- Develop Your Marriage Vision Statement
- Design Your Vision Canvas

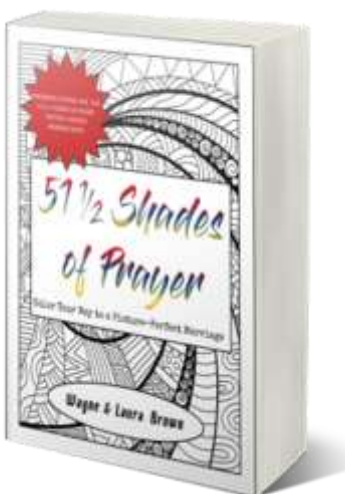
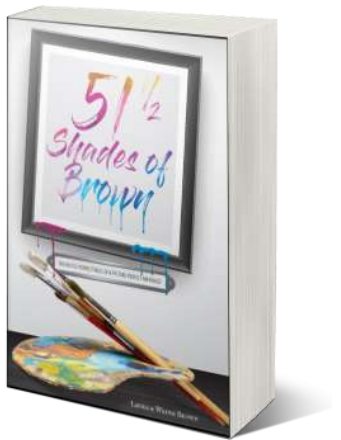
The Art of War - Handle Conflict with P.O.I.S.E. & C.A.L.M.

- Practice Communication Etiquette
- Discover D.A.M. Barriers to Listening
- Master the F'ing Weapons of War

Get S.H.I.F.T. Done – The Power Couple System for Success

- Develop a plan for your next Power Move
- Create S.U.P.E.R. S.M.A.R.T. Goals
- Design Your Next Level

*Ask about the virtual Picture-Perfect Marriage Encounter



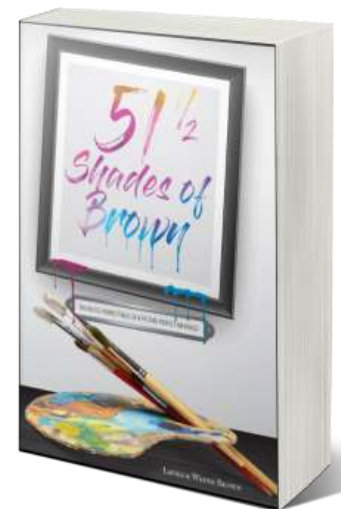
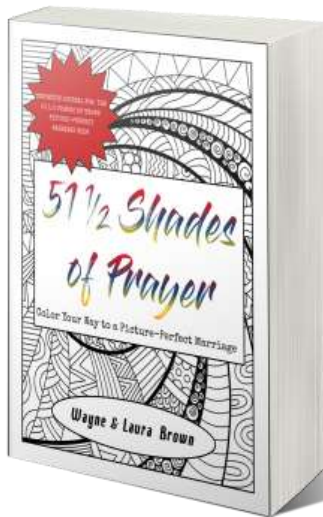
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