

Shannon Primicerio



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The Divine Dance: If the world is your stage who are you performing for?

Many girls dance their way through life begging for applause from people around them. Whether it's friends, guys, parents, teachers or others the average girl has quite an audience. In this session (or three-sessions), Shannon teaches girls they were created by a God who loves them and that life is about dancing for the Audience of One. She covers topics like wanting to be loved and the desire to fit in, turning from a life of rebellion and sin and learning that there is more to life than popularity and applause. Whether you are thirteen or thirty-five this message will speak to you about who it is you're dancing for, and how you can experience the freedom that comes from dancing for the Audience of One. This talk/series is based on Shannon's book with the same title.

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You Hurt Me! Choosing Forgiveness When Your Heart is Broken

Teenage girls today are no strangers to heartache. Many come from broken homes, while others endure ridicule, breakups and backstabbing at the hands of their peers. In this talk Shannon shares openly about her own struggles to forgive someone who hurt her deeply, and she tells of how she spent nearly two decades harboring bitterness she didn't even know she had. She then takes her audience to John 13 where Jesus begins washing the feet of John (the disciple whom Jesus loved), Peter (the disciple who would deny Christ three times when it really mattered), and Judas (the disciple already in the act of betraying Christ). Shannon points out that Jesus knew what was coming yet He still treated all three of the men the same. He deserved better and they deserved less, but He put real love and forgiveness into action and then asked us to do the same. Shannon offers practical advice on how to let go of anger and bitterness, honor Christ in your attitude toward (and treatment of) those who have hurt you and how to finally be set free from an unforgiving spirit. This talk is based on a chapter in her book *Being a Girl Who Loves*.

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Maybe They'll Love Me Now: Finding Your Worth in a Constant Competition World

Using the pages of Genesis Shannon introduces audiences to two sisters: Rachel (the beautiful one) and Leah (the ugly sister with nice eyes). Through a tragic turn of events they wind up sharing a husband—and competing for his affections. As Shannon tells their story girls will begin to relate to the way these women fight for the affections of a guy, and the way Leah finds herself thinking *maybe he'll love me now* each time she bears a son to the husband who only has eyes for Rachel. Whether girls find themselves competing for the attention of a guy, a parent or even just a friend they will be encouraged with how Leah's story ends. The sister Jacob rejected was really the sister God loved. One of Leah's sons was Judah, which means Leah found herself in the lineage of Jesus Christ Himself. Shannon uses this irony to encourage girls to get their eyes off their circumstances, stop competing and embrace the life God has exclusively designed for them. This talk is based on Shannon's Bible study *Leah: Confessions of a First Runner-Up*

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Don't Be a Drama Queen: Making Sure Your Faith Isn't Just an Act

Statistics state that 80% of churchgoing teens abandon the Christian faith by their 29th birthdays. Using the parable of the soils in Matthew 13, Shannon takes a creative approach to describing the four responses a girl can have to the gospel. She can be: The Academy Award Winner (pretending that she understands what it means to be a Christian so she can fit in), Little Miss Waterworks (the emotional girl who thinks following Jesus will fix all of her problems and make her life perfect), The Have-it-All Princess (who wants religion but wants her popularity and fun too) or a Daughter of the King (who is willing to forsake it all and truly follow Christ). By unpacking each of those four responses, Shannon helps girls figure out where they stand when it comes to their faith and she teaches them how they can make sure they won't be among the 80% who will fall away.

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God Called a Girl: Dreaming Big Because God Does

Using the story of Mary the mother of Jesus as an example of one teenage girl God used to change the world, Shannon encourages girls to dream big and begin cultivating the same heart attitudes that Mary reflected. She asks them to evaluate their gifts and talents and look for ways God could be using them in those areas today. She also walks through some of the main concepts of a set apart life and the attitude of someone who is willing to embrace a life that says, "Whatever God wants". Shannon also weaves her own story into this talk and shares about how God took her from being a small group leader to junior high girls when she was 15 to being a published author with a nationwide ministry by the age of 21. This talk is based on Shannon's book *God Called a Girl*.

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Confessions of a Dirty Band-Aid: Why Purity Triumphs Sexual Experience

Girls are constantly being told that gaining sexual experience now will help them enjoy sex within marriage even more. Or that real love in dating relationships is spelled S-E-X. It's almost as if girls feel they need a resume of sexual experience to be considered worthy or attractive to the guys in their lives. That couldn't be further from the truth. Using the example of someone else's dirty Band-Aid ("a Band-Aid with a resume") Shannon talks about the importance of saving yourself for marriage both in body and in heart and she points out that purity is really the most attractive quality to any guy who is worth being with. She also deals with how to set appropriate physical boundaries in dating relationships and how to spot a guy who only wants one thing. Shannon also provides hope to the girl who has already compromised her purity and talks about how to start over. This talk is based on a chapter in Shannon's book *Being a Girl Who Leads*.

These are just samples of some of Shannon's most popular talks. She is willing to customize a message or series that is just right for your event. Please feel free to approach her with your theme verse or desired topic and she'd be happy to create just what you're looking for.

about Shannon



From the moment she learned to talk, author and speaker Shannon (Kubiak) Primicerio has been engaging audiences with her wit and wisdom. A writer from the second she could hold a pencil, Shannon brings a deep passion for God and a keen awareness of the issues teen girls face to both the page and the stage. Whether you are reading one of her books or sitting in a room listening to her speak, you will feel like you know Shannon—and like she knows you.

Using Scripture, personal illustrations and questions that provoke reader interaction, Shannon is able to bring the Bible to life so that teen girls can apply it to the daily drama of their own circumstances. Some of her favorite biblical illustrations are teen girls themselves—Leah, Hagar, Miriam and Mary.

Shannon has a B.A. in journalism and a minor in Biblical studies from Biola University, and was the recipient of the North County Times *Excellence in Writing* award in 2000, and the San Diego Christian Writers' Guild Nancy Bayless Award for *Excellence in Writing* in

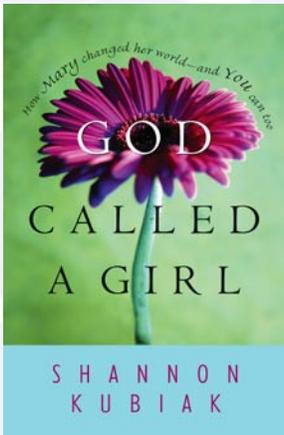
2003. Her first book, *The Divine Dance*, was published while she was still in college.

She has been interviewed on radio and television programs across the nation and featured in such media outlets as PBS' Religion and Ethics Newsweekly, The Harvest Show and *TIME* magazine. Her ministry spans the globe, as her books are available in several languages.

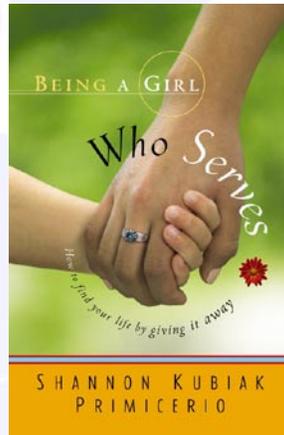
Shannon also served as a mentor to young authors through the Jerry B. Jenkins Christian Writers Guild for three years before creating her own writing curriculum for tweens and teens. Her articles have appeared in *Marriage Partnership* and *BRIO* magazines. In 2006 Shannon and her husband, Michael, traveled to Lima, Peru as part of the annual *BRIO* missions trip.

Although Shannon and Michael live in Southern California they are avid fans of the New York Yankees. They also partner with Compassion International to help eradicate global poverty. Shannon enjoys interacting with her readers and can constantly be found updating them on her whereabouts from her Blackberry via Twitter and Facebook.

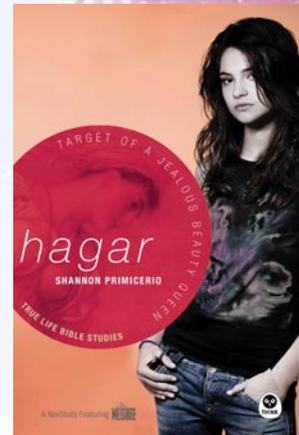
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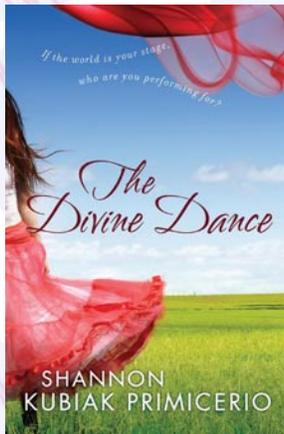
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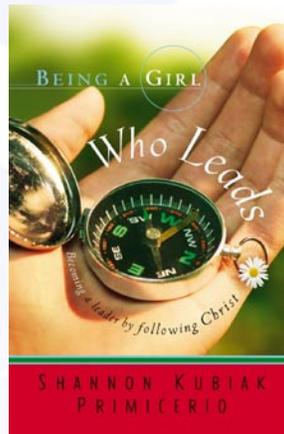
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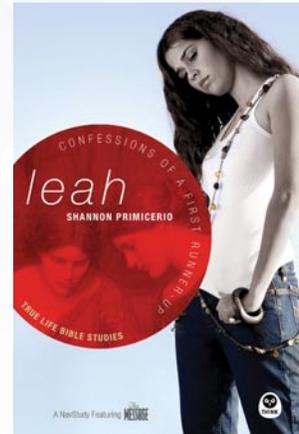
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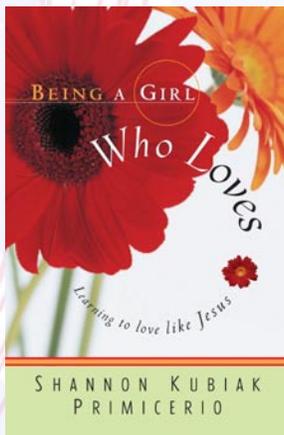
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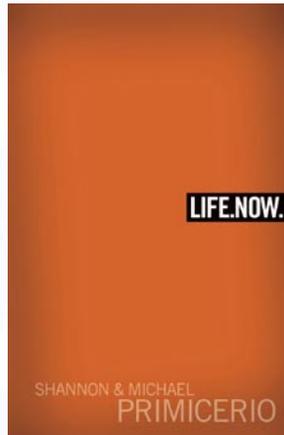
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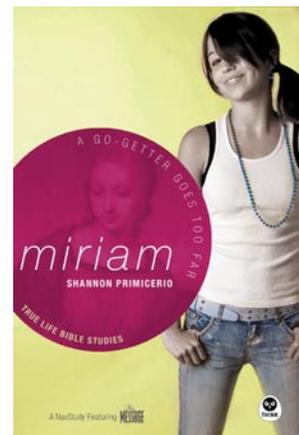
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Bethany House, October 2005



LIFE. NOW.
Bethany House, March 2007



MIRIAM
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endorsements

“Shannon Primicerio loves communicating God’s truth! I’ve had the privilege of watching her with teens, and she hits a homerun! Shannon’s articulate style of sharing deep lessons in creative and relatable ways make her a speaker and a writer whom everyone loves!”

— Susie Shellenberger, Editor of **SUSIE Mag** for teen girls (susiemag.com)



“Shannon speaks truth with grace in her books and in person. Thousands of young women have been challenged by her message and have found themselves drawn closer to Christ as a result. I especially appreciate her heart for missions.”

— Robin Jones Gunn, best-selling author of the Christy Miller series

“When planning an event for young women finding the right speaker is key. As I co-planned an event for young women we were beyond blessed to have Shannon Primicerio come as our main speaker! She was powerful, relatable and down-to earth. Her messages were Bible based and spoke to this text-messaging, ‘Facebooking’ generation! You won’t be disappointed when you invite Shannon to speak at your event.”

— Heather Patenaude, co-planner of Meant For More young women’s conference (2008, IL)

“Shannon captures girls’ attention by drawing from her own life experiences and tightly weaves those experiences with solid biblical application. She has encouraging and energetic messages that impassion our youth to live solely for the One who created them.”

— Ruth Ellis, coordinator of Staying True teen girls’ event (2009, CA)

get in touch

booking

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