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- to be sexually alive
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### Editorial Review

#### Review

Dannah and Juli pull back the shades to shine some light on how erotic literature exploits the deep spiritual and sexual longings of a woman's heart. With the Bible as a mooring, they help us address these longings in healthy and holy ways. If you've read erotica, have been tempted to read it, or are even mildly curious about it, you MUST read this book!

—**Mary Kassian**, author, *Girls Gone Wise*

Dannah and Juli have created a beautiful guide book for real intimacy that satisfies our deepest longings. They debunk the lies we naively trade for the Truth. Open the pages of this book to discover the satisfaction you deeply long for.

—**Jill Savage**, Founder and CEO of Hearts at Home, author of nine books including *No More Perfect Moms*

Sexual pleasure is not about self-gratification, and it is more than mutual gratification. Single or married, we are called to be spiritually, relationally, and sexually mature, for the glory of God! Whether man or woman, our sinful natures can easily lead us into the false intimacy of BDSM. *Pulling Back the Shades* exposes the myths of *Fifty Shades of Grey*. This book will lead many who have fallen into the darkness, back into a passion for God's glory with both a strong mature spiritual and sexual desire.

—**Harry W. Schaumburg**, Founder of Stone Gate Resources, author of *False Intimacy* and *Undefiled*

Do you long to be a spiritually satisfied woman? Do you long to be a sexually satisfied woman? *Pulling Back the Shades* will take you to new places in spiritual and sexual freedom (and it's not to a Red Room of Pain!).

—**Linda Dillow**, speaker and bestselling author of *Calm My Anxious Heart* and *What's It Like to Be Married to Me?*

You may be surprised that this is a gracious, sensitive, encouraging, and direct (but not embarrassing) book. Dannah and Juli have tackled a tough topic but do so in a compassionate manner, examining the consequences of a trend that may seem new but was just as much of a challenge to first-century Christians as it is today. The temptation is timeless, but so is the solution. Single women, teens, wives, mothers, aunts, grandmothers, sisters . . . this one's for you.

—**Carolyn McCulley**, author of *The Measure of Success*, *Radical Womanhood*, *Did I Kiss Marriage Goodbye?*

Our culture is changing and the blurry lines of what is "right" and "wrong" are confusing to many. It is time for Christian women to take a stand for what is true, right, and holy. Dannah and Juli challenge us all to lead lives that are above reproach without a hint of sexual immorality. This book is a call to influence, with biblical guidelines, our culture by living lives as wise, godly, and pure women.

—**Beth Luebe**, The Collegiate Navigators

From the Back Cover

## **You don't have to choose between being sexual or spiritual**

Spiritual women have legitimate desires that are seldom addressed—and books like *Fifty Shades of Grey* are designed to exploit! Yet, *spirituality* and *sexuality* were never meant to be mutually exclusive. Now, with solid biblical teaching and transparent stories, trusted authors Dannah Gresh and Dr. Juli Slattery offer an unflinching look at the most personal questions women ask. Whether you are single or married, reading erotica or Jane Austen, *Pulling Back the Shades* will address your desire to be both sexual *and* spiritual.

About the Author

**DR. JULI SLATTERY** is a widely known clinical psychologist, author, speaker and broadcast media professional, with a weekly radio program called "Java with Juli". Dr. Slattery is the co-founder of "Authentic Intimacy", an international non-profit designed to minister to women on topics around intimacy and sexuality. Her books include *Pulling Back the Shades*, *Passion Pursuit*, *Beyond the Masquerade*, *Finding the Hero in Your Husband*, and *No More Headaches*. She currently sits on the board of trustees for Moody Bible Institute. Juli and her husband, Mike, have been married for 20 years, and are raising their three boys in Colorado Springs where Juli can be found playing in the mountains and trying to manage her addiction to soy lattes.

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