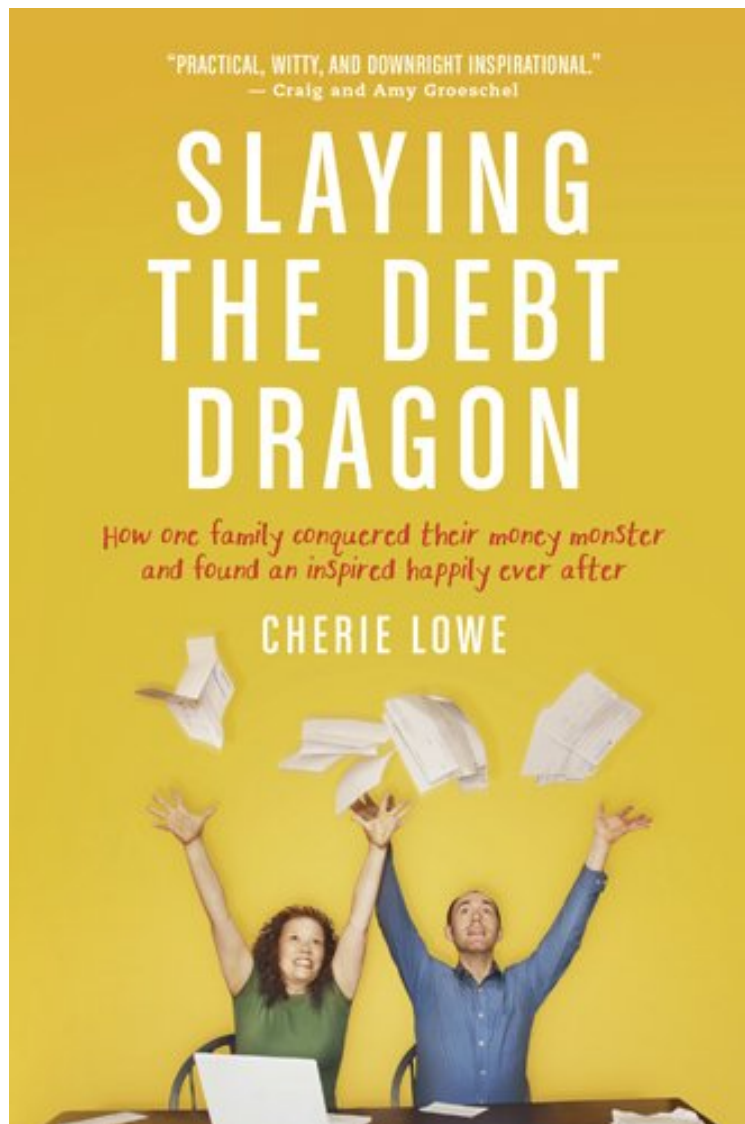


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me to read *Slaying the Debt Dragon* by Cherie Lowe. Her story sounds a whole lot like ours (I'm so thankful that our red number is much less than hers was at the beginning of her journey). Their debt racked up from normal every day life as well. Her story of perseverance and common sense decisions is so inspiring. She gives practical advice and loads of encouragement throughout the book. The Lowes listened to Dave Ramsey and incorporated some of his principles but really made their debt slaying journey their own. I love that she recommends making a visual debt count down aid. I did one for us and it is hanging up so we see it every day. I want to always remember why we are going to a cash budget. She also gives great information about surviving birthdays and holidays and lots of advice on grocery shopping. Groceries and dining out are definitely our two biggest downfalls. Cherie Lowe shares many Bible verses throughout the book and attributes their success to God. I'm so glad she gives Him the glory! This book will give tips and encouragement to anyone on the debt free journey. I received this book free in exchange for an honest review. All opinions are my own. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. ... to help instead of a collection of other's information like Dave Ramsey. By Kari L. Cherry I expected different information to help instead of a collection of other's information like Dave Ramsey. 41 of 42 people found the following review helpful. Debt-free inspiration from someone who was swallowed up in debt. By Paul Mastin It's a new year, a great time to make changes and build new habits, but as Cherie Lowe points out in *Slaying the Debt Dragon: How One Family Conquered Their Money Monster and Found an Inspired Happily Ever After*, "there is no good time to begin paying off debt. There is only today." She tells the story of her family's four year journey of paying off over \$120,000 in debt. Their combined student loans, credit card debts, and assorted debts were a burden; they decided to make some changes and get it done. Readers or radio listeners familiar with Dave Ramsey will recognize his attitude and principles in Lowe's book. She looked to his *Total Money Makeover* for inspiration. She and her husband are avid fans of Ramsey, and even appeared on his show to declare "We're debt free!" Lowe doesn't necessarily introduce new ideas for paying off debt in *Slaying the Debt Dragon*, but it's refreshing to hear her perspective and gather some of her money-saving tips. Like Ramsey, she tries to keep it simple. "It isn't that complex. Spend less than you make so you can whack away incrementally at the debt dragon with all you've got." The biggest key (again, no surprise) is making a budget and keeping it. She's a fan of the envelope system, and using cash only, especially at the grocery store and eating out. She explicitly ties in freedom from debt to freedom to live a fuller life as a Christian. "We had lost a sense of contentment. . . . We had lost the bigger picture of the adventure God wanted to take us on through our story. Living day to day, paying bill after bill, our lives had been locked into a boring status quo existence." I like this perspective. It's not about making money and saving money. It's all about making space in your life and your lifestyle to follow and obey God. *Slaying the Debt Dragon* is a very personal, honest book, but I wish she had given a bit more perspective on the income side. Her husband is a lawyer, so I assume he was making a decent income. On the other hand, she mentioned that he picked up some side jobs, but she doesn't go into what they were or what kind of hours those demanded. \$120 thousand is certainly a ton of debt, but did they pay it off while earning a salary of \$40K a year, or \$200K a year? I was just curious about that detail of the story. Whatever their income, their story is still inspiring and informative. She doesn't make paying off mounds of debt sound easy, but she definitely makes it sound doable. Thanks to Edelweiss and the publisher for the complimentary electronic review copy!

Are your finances getting out of control? Have you made mistakes with your money? Are you in more debt than you'd like to admit? Cherie Lowe has been there. She and her family found themselves \$127,482.30 in debt (did your jaw drop?). They hadn't bought a yacht, blown it on designer clothes, or purchased a mansion. The small, everyday expenses of living just added up—until suddenly, the Lowes were being threatened by one dragon of a debt. But through hard work and with God's help, Cherie's family vanquished this foe, one bill at a time. And you can too! In *Slaying the Debt Dragon*, Cherie shares how her war on debt made her financially free, strengthened her marriage, taught her children valuable money-management skills, and brought her whole family closer to God and one another. As you read her battle tales, you'll be armed with the weapons you need to fight your own financial foes. With God, all things are possible—and your inspired happily ever after can begin today.

Long live the Queen of Free! Practical, witty and downright inspirational, Cherie's debt-slaying book will lead you out of the dark pit of debt dragons to a place of hope and financial freedom with "been-there, done-that" wisdom. (Craig and Amy Groeschel, Founders of LifeChurch.tv) In today's world, financial choices we thought would bring happiness often turn into chains that keep us from experiencing the freedom that is ours through Jesus. Cherie Lowe will give you the practical tips, tools, and encouragement you need to break the line of financial burdens and discover how to live a truly abundant, joyful life. (Holley Gerth, Bestselling author of *You're Going to Be Okay*) The tentacles of debt just burrow into pocketbooks and bank accounts, they entangle our relationships, our attitudes, and our hearts. This fresh look at living debt-free once and for all is compelling, inspiring, and practical. You can't afford not to buy this book. (Margaret Feinberg, Author of *Wonderstruck and Fight Back With Joy*) If you've ever had a panic attack trying to develop a budget, wanted to get out of debt but don't know where to start, or said the words, "I'm just not a numbers person," then you need to

read this book today. Cherie Lowe is a kind companion for a difficult journey. She helps you make peace with your pocketbook as you learn to see the beauty in a budget, and she does it with wisdom, grace, and a light heart. (Emily P. Freeman, Author of *A Million Little Ways: Uncover the Art You Were Made to Live*) Cherie Lowe's incredible story of conquering her family's debt dragon is inspiring, entertaining, and filled with hope. Through practical tips and her own personal battle tales, you'll be reminded that financial freedom is indeed possible. (Claire Diaz-Ortiz, Author and Silicon Valley innovator) A plethora of words come to mind after reading this incredible book: insightful, honest, practical, challenging, wise, and useful. Cherie Lowe tells her saga with humor, guts, and raw transparency. It is a story that will encourage you to face your own debt dragon with hope and determined courage. (Kurt W. Bubna, Pastor and author of *Epic Grace: Chronicles of a Recovering Idiot*) *Slaying the Debt Dragon* is an approachable guide to ridding your life of unnecessary debt. Not only are the debt-slaying strategies practical and doable, but the advice comes from a family who truly experienced the journey toward financial freedom. Cherie helps her readers set aside the guilt and shame of living in debt and gives a step-by-step guide to getting out of debt into financial freedom. There is no way that you cannot save money after reading this. For those struggling with debt, this book is filled with hope for a better life ahead. I can't recommend it highly enough! (Amy Allen Clark, Author of *The Good Life for Less* and *MomAdvice.com*) *Slaying the Debt Dragon* is an honest, freeing, and entirely refreshing read. Cherie's story inspired me to reevaluate the way I view and spend money. Her wisdom is hard won, and is told with bold, witty authenticity. (Mary Demuth, Author of *The Wall Around Your Heart*) The humility and vulnerability revealed by Cherie in *Slaying the Debt Dragon* are refreshing and inviting. She has invited the world into her life by giving us a "look under the hood" of what it takes for the power of debt to lose its sting in our lives. By the end of this book, you'll be encouraged to press on to your own financial freedom because of her nonglamorous, authentically simple, and realistic journey that she has invited us to join. (Ryan Johnson, Lead Pastor of New City Church, Lawrenceville, Georgia) I read Cherie's story with my jaw dropped to the floor. The amount of debt she and her husband acquired is astounding, but the short amount of time in which they put their debt to death is astonishing and inspiring. Through her story and experience, Cherie will give you the practical steps you need to take to walk yourself right on up to the dragon and sling your sword into its mouth. She'll encourage you, give you hope, and hold your hand as you journey out of debt and into a life of financial freedom and wealth acquisition. Now, grab your sword and raise it with her . . . because she's about to teach you how to slay your debt dragon! (Erin Chase, Author of *The \$5 Dinner Mom Cookbook* series) I've known Cherie and Brian Lowe since before they slayed their debt dragons. The freedom they enjoy now comes from employing the principles and advice that Cherie generously shares in this book. They're not just theories and platitudes but tried and true principles and habits that turned things around for the Lowes. The good news is that the information Cherie offers really works and can make all the difference in your financial future. Follow Cherie on this adventure—you won't regret it. (Brodie Taphorn, Associate pastor of Upper Arlington Lutheran Church, Columbus, Ohio) Cherie has given us two amazing gifts: motivation and direction! Throughout the book, you will hear Cherie's spunky voice proclaiming, "You can do it!" Many good resources tell you how to "eat the elephant" and even where to begin. But if knowing "how" was enough, we would all be millionaires! In order to begin, we must believe the end of debt-free is truly possible. Out of the ashes of her family's own financial mistakes and despair, Cherie confidently says, "We did it, and you can too!" Prepare to be encouraged and empowered! (Pastor Michael Nave, Lead Pastor of Cornerstone Church) With flair, candor, and humor, Cherie Lowe offers a field-tested plan to turn your finances around. Her real-life story, strategies, and no-nonsense advice will help you find the freedom you've been dreaming of. (Scot Longyear, Pastor, author, and speaker)