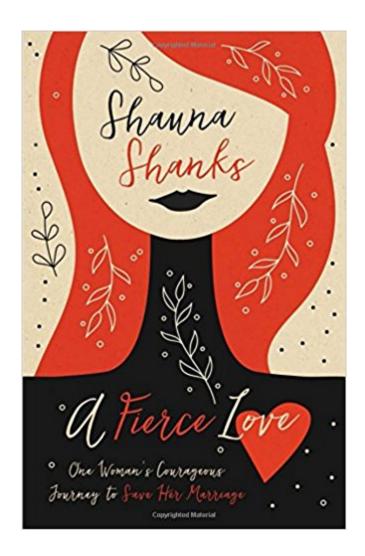


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# A Fierce Love: One Womanââ,¬â"¢s Courageous Journey To Save Her Marriage





## Synopsis

Love is easy to give when you are getting it back. Are we still called to Godââ  $\neg$ â, ¢s plan of how to love when we are getting none in return? Shauna Shanks $\tilde{A}$ ¢ $\hat{a} \neg \hat{a}_{,,}$ ¢s brave journey through obedience reveals the outcome of when we dare to follow Godââ ¬â,,¢s ludicrous outline for love as described in 1 Corinthians 13. Wrecked with news of her husband A¢a ¬a,,¢s affair and his request for a divorce, Shauna finds herself urgently faced with a decision. Does she give up and divorce her husband and move on, or does she try to fight for her marriage? The former choice seems to contradict Godââ  $\neg$ â, ¢s plan for how to love, such as ââ  $\neg$ Å" love never gives up, â⠬• â⠬œlove is patient, â⠬• and â⠬œlove is kind. â⠬•Taking God at His word and assuming the love chapter was really meant to be followed literally word by word, she not only finds herself falling in love with her spouse again, but also falling in love with Jesus, which changes everything. First Corinthians 13 presents an audacious, illogical, and irrational context of how to love, meant to be applied to every marital context not just the fairytale marriage. If God $\tilde{A}$ ¢ $\hat{a} \neg \hat{a}_{,,}$ ¢s instructions seem illogical and audacious, you might just expect the same kind of results in return! This book is not air-brushed. It was written in the midst of the author  $\hat{A}\phi\hat{a} - \hat{a}_{,,\phi}\phi$ s deepest trauma, and she purposefully did not edit out her mistakes and failures during that season. This book will resonate with women who do not feel like the picture-perfect Christian woman with the fairytale life and marriage. A Fierce Love is the story of a train wreck and reaching out to God not in the calm but in the chaos and finding hope for the future.

### **Book Information**

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### **Customer Reviews**

Shaunaââ ¬â, ¢s courageous fight for Godââ ¬â, ¢s will to prevail in her marriage is beautiful beyond words. A Fierce Love is an amazing reminder that, with his strength, we can still choose to show love . . . even with a broken heart. (Lysa TerKeur st, New York Times bestselling author;)When author Shauna Shanks got the worst news a wife could get---that her husband wanted a divorce---she pleaded with God,  $\tilde{A}c\hat{a} \neg A$  "Please just give me one thing I can focus on! Just one word.  $\hat{A}$   $\hat{c}\hat{a} - \hat{A}$  · He gave her two: Endure. Hope. I urge you to read this remarkable story of one wife who decided to lean completely on the Lord and to not give up, but to fight for her marriage. You will not be disappointed. (Chris tine Caine, founder, A 21 and Propel Women) This is so much more than the story of a faithful wife wooing her way-ward husband back to their marriage. It is the story of a faithful God wooing his wayward people back to his side. If youAca  $-\hat{a}_{,,c}$  ve ever wandered or been wounded by someone who has, you will find great comfort and encouragement in all the words Shauna shares. No matter what the imposing mountain in front of you looks like---marriage, money, sickness, or shame---you will learn from her example how God reveals himself through life  $\tilde{A}\phi \hat{a} \neg \hat{a}_{"}\phi s$  impossible situations. (Amy Lively, author, How to Love Your Neighbor Without Being Weird)Shauna Shanks takes us on a journey of what it  $\hat{A}\phi\hat{a} - \hat{a}_{,,\phi}\phi$  like to be faced with an impossible situation, and to either do what makes sense in the eyes of the world and those around us, or have the audacious faith that God calls on us to have. A Fierce Love is a must read for everyone who has ever had their faith put to the test in a big way. (Chad Veach, lead pastor, Zoe Church in Los Angeles, California)Wow. Sometimes relationship miracles are the most amazing miracles of all. This is one of those miracle stories we need to know about. At its core, this is a story about a person  $\tilde{A}\phi \hat{a} \neg \hat{a}_{,,\phi} \phi$  relationship with God as it is tested and navigated through one of the most severe crucibles of life. There were times in Shaunaââ  $\neg$ â, ¢s story where I could hardly believe she was getting skewered and crushed by these emotional attacks again and again. And yet in the midst of those situations, she shares her vivid examples of God opening her eyes and directing her to dig in and use the principles of the Word of God and overcome by faith, even when it seems she is hanging on by a thread emotionally. I really love the battle-tested and practical examples she shares. For this reason, this book is a road map of sorts, but one that shows not just the way through to a miracle, but also the pit- falls of despair when one strays off the path---and how to course-correct by Godââ  $\neg$ â, ¢s mercy and grace. We need to know stories like this exist---especially in this hour, when so many hearts are used to giving up and growing hard and cold. This kind of story restores hope in the power of God $\tilde{A}$ ¢ $\hat{a} \neg \hat{a}$ ,  $\phi$ s love to overcome obstacles and shows love is worth fighting for, even when the situation seems to drag on without any reason for hope. God never leaves your side, and his Word and his Spirit will both work in and with you to

strengthen you to see these amazing miracles happen. (Timothy Jorgensen, pastor; author, Spirit Life Training)

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Just finished the book that I purchased last night! Thank you for sharing! It is such a great read. It is such a personal story to you and even if I can't relate on all parts so much of your story touches places inside of me. There is such a good story about finding your way with God through it all! I would recommend this to all couples, and christians like! This has touched parts of me and reminded me what I fight for everyday. It reminded me what's the #1 thing that I need to love. I seem to forget that and I'm sure a lot of christians forget that they need to love The Lord first! A truly lovely story of restoration and Gods undending, undeserving love!!!

Do you have relationship struggles? Not just with your spouse? As I read this book, time and time again I found tools and encouragement to fight for those in my life and a new way to love them. Thankfully I'm in a season where my husband and I have a good relationship. This book opened my eyes to weak spots that need to be strengthened. I have other relationships that are going through a hard spell and "A Fierce Love" has not only encouraged me to stay and fight, but also reignited the belief that things can change for the better. I will be honest before reading this book, mentally I believed God could change and heal those relationships but I didn't believe it in my heart and I sure wasn't living that way. Thank you Shauna Shanks for sharing your story!!!

I could not put this book down. The author writes from a very real place about experiences that many would keep to them selves. While this book is about how she loves her husband after an affair it's really about something much more. This book is more about learning to love well. To love our husbands, to love over our children, to love like Christ commands us to love.

Order this book today! I started reading it last night and my heart has been wrecked in the best possible way. The love she describes for her husband in the most difficult and painful time in her life

could only be the love of the Lord flowing through her! This is not a book of sadness or despair but a book that brings hope, healing and most of all perfectly describes the love of our Heavenly Father!

What a heartbreakingly beautiful love story. A story of loss, hurt and betrayal, but also a story of hope, restoration and redemption. What I love most about this book (other than Shauna's willingness to share the good, the bad, and the painful) is that, while a story of a marriage in crisis, it is ultimately a guide on how to love hard to love people. It shines the light on what true love (God's love) looks like and acts like. This book will be an encouragement to anyone facing a difficult relationship.

As soon as I saw how perfect the cover art was for this book, I knew it was going to be precious. And it was! Shauna's strength to share her story was beyond what most people would have for sure. It was such a good feeling to have my own faith boosted as I read her words. I have no doubt this book will be a miracle for many people.

I'm amazed that this book was published this year. Shows me what a tough year it's been for me. I saw this because I know I've read this book before and while I liked it, it didn't affect me much. Then my break up this spring and my man telling me the same things Micah told Shauna. And my heart broke and I went on a journey I didn't realize I had already started. That was a couple months ago and then just this week I found this book (oh and discovered kindle heck yes) and downloaded it as my first one... so so good this time around. Shauna you literally guided me thru what I've been going thru...yeah that didn't make sense but trust me it does! I wish I could grab coffee with you :) thank you for sharing this. It was anointed for me in this time in my life and again God shows me His pursuit of me is life changing. I have so much more to say but I might be out of words soon on here?!? $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A}$   $\hat{A}$ - $\tilde{A}$   $\hat{A}$ - $\tilde{A}$   $\hat{A}$ - $\tilde{A}$ - $\tilde{A}$ - $\tilde{A}$ - $\tilde{A}$ - $\tilde{A}$ 

When I originally heard what this book was about, I had no desire to read it. I did not want to be reminded of the pain I experienced after my ex husband had an affair. After all, I had tried my best to put that behind me. Much to my surprise, there were very few resemblances in our stories. I handled myself the complete opposite of the author of this book. I am so impressed with her strength and determination to remain obedient to God. I have learned so much from her since the very first chapter. It has made me fully aware of how un Christian like many of my reactions/behaviors are when feeling rejection from my family. Not just my husband. I highly

recommend this book to anyone and everyone. You will not be disappointed.

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