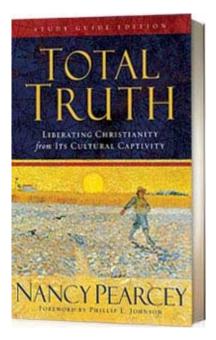


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## Nancy Pearcey's Total Truth Wins Top Award

Wednesday, July 13, 2005 — As America continues its heated debates on the role of religion in public life, Nancy Pearcey's highly acclaimed book *TOTAL TRUTH: Liberating Christianity From Its Cultural Captivity* (Crossway) has won the 2005 ECPA Gold Medallion Award for best book in the category of "Christianity and Society."

Pearcey, a former agnostic, has been heralded as "one of the few female intellectuals in evangelicalism" (The Evangelical Outpost). She is also a musician and a homeschooling mother. The prestigious award was announced at a presentation event held in Denver, Colorado, on Monday, July 11, 2005. The ECPA reports that more than "1,000 publishers, retailers, authors, and industry colleagues" attended the evening's festivities.

"There is much to be thankful for in receiving this award," Pearcey said. "It is a positive sign that a 'rock-the-boat' book like *TOTAL TRUTH* could find a base of support among the grassroots of evangelical publishing."

"The book rocks secular boats because it argues that God is a public figure," Pearcey explained. "It shows why secularists cannot simply relegate religion to the private realm of faith and feelings, which is the most common way of stripping Christianity of its power to challenge and redeem the whole of culture."

"But the book may also rock some evangelical boats," Pearcey said, "because it challenges a tendency to allow essentially secular principles to shape the way we do business in Christian circles, which hurts many people who are seeking authentic relationships and answers to life's questions."

Pearcey, who became a Christian at L'Abri Fellowship in the early 1970s, said, "I am thankful to Francis and Edith Schaeffer, who opened the door to doing this kind of worldview analysis."

The ECPA Award comes on the heels of *TOTAL TRUTH* winning an Award of Merit in Christianity Today's 2005 book awards. Celebrating the news are voices from the U.S. and Europe:

• "Delighted to hear about the Gold Medallion. Nancy's book

TOTAL TRUTH is one of our top books here in Christian Heritage-Cambridge."
—RANALD MACAULAY son-in-law of Francis and Edith Schaeffer Director, Christian Heritage-Cambridge, Cambridge, England

- "TOTAL TRUTH is the "most important single book to have come out of the U.S.A. in recent years because it tackles the root-level misunderstandings which stop people from seeing that the message of Jesus brought, and still brings, individual liberties, social transformation, political freedom, and scientific, technological and economic progress."

   Prof. PRABHU GUPTARA
   Chairman, Trinity Forum-Europe
   Executive Director at Wolfsberg (subsidiary of UBS), Zurich, Switzerland
- "Congratulations to [editor-husband Rick] and Nancy!"
   —DAVID LIMBAUGH author, syndicated columnist, Cape Girardeau, Mo.
- "Nancy Pearcey has performed an important service to evangelicals in *TOTAL TRUTH*, and her Gold Medallion Award testifies that her kind is not yet extinct."
   —CAL THOMAS author, syndicated columnist, Washington, D.C., area

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