

WHEN
HOW TO ALLEVIATE POVERTY
HELPING
WITHOUT HURTING THE POOR
HURTS
...AND YOURSELF

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Unleashing and equipping people to effectively help the poor requires repentance and the realization of our own brokenness. *When Helping Hurts* articulates a biblically based framework concerning the root causes of poverty and its alleviation.

A path forward is found, not through providing resources **to** the poor, but instead by walking **with** them in humble relationships.

Whether you're involved in short-term missions or the long-term empowerment of the poor, this book helps teach you three key areas

- **FOUNDATIONAL CONCEPTS** (Who are the poor?)
- **PRINCIPLES** (Should we do relief, rehabilitation, or development?)
- **STRATEGIES** (How can we help people effectively here and abroad?)

An additional two chapters and conclusion will help you apply the teaching to your situation and take the next steps more quickly. It's your best way to a true understanding of poverty and a plan to make a difference.

"I have never read a better book on practically serving the poor, and I pray that God will use this new edition to equip His people to accomplish His purposes in a world of urgent spiritual and physical need for the glory of His great name."

DAVID PLATT, pastor and author of *Radical: Taking Back Your Faith from the American Dream*

"I can honestly report that *When Helping Hurts* is the single best book I've seen on this topic. It deserves a #1 spot on the reading list of every Christian who wants to follow Jesus in a genuine, mutually transforming love of neighbor."

AMY L. SHERMAN, author of *Restorers of Hope*

"Corbett and Fikkert build on the growing momentum of holistic witness that's sweeping our country and globe. *When Helping Hurts* will help the hurting—and us as well."

RONALD SIDER, author, *Rich Christians in an Age of Hunger*



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