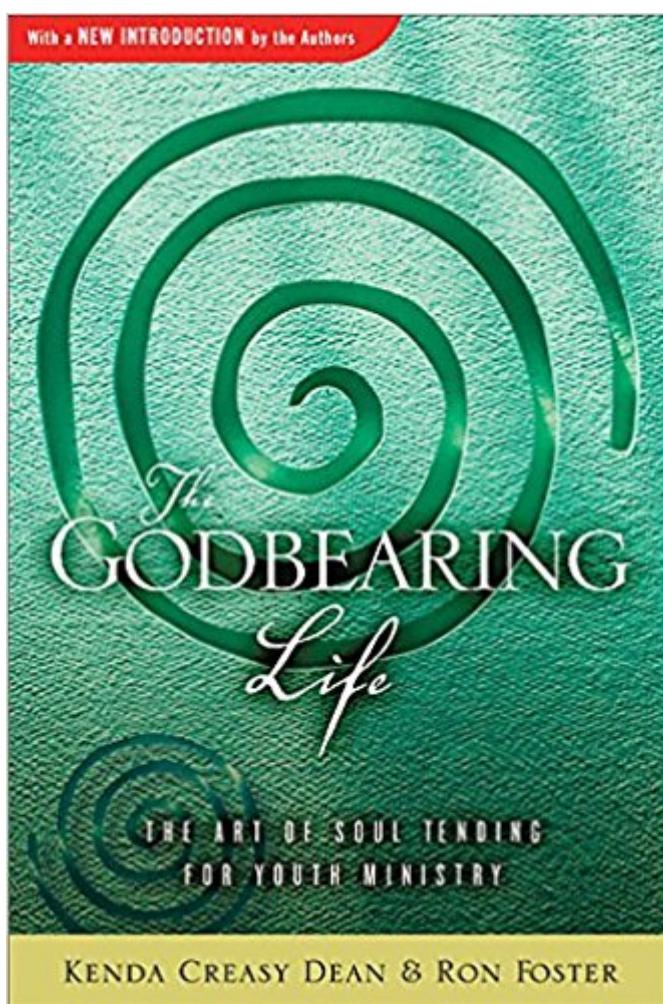


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# The Godbearing Life: The Art Of Soul Tending For Youth Ministry



## **Synopsis**

In The Godbearing Life, the authors offer a lively spiritual primer and practical guide for those who pastor young people. Dean and Foster rechart a course for youth ministry through the classical spiritual disciplines of the church. The book identifies families, congregations, and mentor relationships as the "holy ground" where young people are most likely to say "Yes!" to God.

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## **Customer Reviews**

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This should be required reading for seminarians, pastors, paid youth leaders, and volunteers. I have read this many times over the past several years and appreciate the depth to which Dean calls us as we engage in ministry with youth within the larger context of the Body of Christ and church-culture in general. Much of what she writes about applies to ministry in general, not only with youth. Thank you Kenda!

One of the best books for youth workers! I recommend this for individuals or a group study for all the youth volunteers. This isn't a "how to" for programming, but a deep breath and a touch stone for the spiritual anchor of those who journey with youth.

This book, more than any other I have read to date, describes the changes that must take place as youth ministry enters the 21st century. The authors focus upon the necessity of having spiritual, youth relationships rather than just social, youth recreation. The crying need today is for churches to minister as only they can do to the emptiness young people face in their lives. Rather than competing with secular programming, Christian youth ministries are called to offer something entirely different from the secular world. The authors describe in detail various measures to be taken that will energize youth in their Christian faith. This title is far from a book of programming ideas, but rather a very readable volume of philosophy and theology on youth ministry. I recommend it highly to all youth pastors, and other Christian professionals who will interact with teenagers on a regular basis.

very good for youth ministry

I absolutely love this book. It is one of my favorites books I have ever read. I would encourage anyone interested in youth ministry or even just working with youth in a non-religious format, to read this book.

Very helpful in my ministry! I refer to this book often.

Good read

Perfect!!

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