

In a world of relativity, Michelle Christy believes there is a defining word that is true and life-giving. Michelle's passion is to encourage and enable others to experience the personal and transforming power of God's Word. She brings 15 years of experience to her inspirational speaking and Bible teaching ministry, *Defining Word* - leading others to an encounter with God through the study of His Word.

Michelle has a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology and education. In 1997 she experienced God's call on her life, one she has pursued through ministry within and outside of the local church. She is a 2002 School of Women's Ministry graduate, a 2006 "Proverbs 31 She Speaks" graduate, and a 2009 breast cancer survivor. In December 2005 she had completed nearly a decade of service to her church as a ministry assistant, when she sensed God's leading to leave and further pursue her call to a speaking and writing ministry. During the fall of 2010, Michelle taught her own material, *The Goodness of God in the Waiting Rooms of Life*, for the Okoboji Lakes Bible and Missionary Conference and for a six-week community-wide Bible study in northwest Iowa.

Michelle's natural and sincere teaching style reveals her journey through life as a daughter of the Most High King, a wife, a mother, and recent cancer survivor. She is married to Greg Christy, president of Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa, and is the mother of Ryan (17), Madalyn (13) and Kyle (10).