



An Empowering Guide to Join God's Work of Justice and Restoration in Everyday Life

Activism is more than just signing petitions, attending rallies, having the right job, or engaging in political debates. The key to meaningful and impactful Christian activism is to follow Jesus daily. In *Everyday Activism* (Baker Books, November 2022), church planter and teacher J.W. Buck unpacks seven radical practices from the life of Jesus—mobilizing ordinary people to do God's work of justice in the world.

"He [God] demands justice because every single human has been made in God's image. God gave widows as much humanity as politicians, and vulnerable immigrants as much worth as the rich. When the scales of justice get out of balance, God desires for us to help restore justice in the world. Christians have been given the epic responsibility of stewarding and caring for these aspects of culture and making sure that those who follow Jesus are carefully, persistently, and actively moving these cultural systems in a more just direction."

Everyday Activism encourages readers to

- identify cultural evils and unjust systems they want to change
- fight for those who are oppressed
- respond in acts of compassion, support, and mercy
- use their power, status, and privilege to empower others
- dismantle corrupt systems with talents God has given them

If you've wanted to get involved in justice work but aren't sure where to start, this practical and visually engaging resource will show you how you can develop everyday habits drawn from the life of Jesus that make the world a better place.

Everyday Activism: Following 7 Practices of Jesus to Create a Just World

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About the Author



J.W. Buck is a church planter, filmmaker, teacher, and faith-based entrepreneur. With undergraduate degrees in biblical studies and ministry, J.W. has his PhD in intercultural studies, with a focus on the problem of racial violence. He is a cofounder of Pax, a Christian organization designed to inspire and equip the next generation through slow, beautiful, Jesus-centered content created by people of color. He and his wife, Sarswatie, live in Tucson, Arizona, with their three children.

PRAISE for Everyday Activism

"J.W. Buck has written an important book on justice by centering on the concept of Jubilee from Jesus in Luke 4. I have spent my entire ministry helping Christians catch a vision for justice. In *Everyday Activism*, Buck helps us imagine a more just world by living like Jesus on a daily basis. How do you apply the teachings of Jesus on a daily basis to make a spiritual and social impact? This book is a great starting point. *Everyday Activism* is fresh and relevant for people to read now. I recommend this book for all Christians who want to see justice roll down."

Dr. John M. Perkins, founder and president emeritus of the John & Vera Mae Perkins Foundation and cofounder of the Christian Community Development Association

"Buck gracefully and honestly shares what it takes to faithfully live as an activist committed to human flourishing and renewal one day at a time. From breaking down terms to practical examples, and with insightful inspiration from the Scriptures, Buck doesn't miss a beat as he proves that activism isn't beyond us but rather a holy mandate for followers of Jesus. A must-read for everyone committed to embodying the life of Christ."

Tiffany Bluhm, author of *Prey Tell*

"Oftentimes pastors and lay people do not know where to start when beginning an activist journey. J.W. Buck's *Everyday Activism* is an answer to their prayers. Buck masterfully engages issues of power, privilege, and trauma with the gospel message of Jesus. Filled with poignant stories, questions, and takeaways, Buck's book is one that my own white-identifying students can engage as they connect the gospel of Jesus to social justice and activist work. Buck provides an example to follow that will help many others to take their rightful place in activist work. As a Womanist Christian scholar, I appreciate Buck's clear clarion call for white-identifying Christians to engage justice work."

Dr. Angela N. Parker, author of *If God Still Breathes, Why Can't I?*

"Josh Buck's book is for ordinary Christians who suspect that the spiritual and the social are inseparable but who hardly know where to start. This accessible and scripturally based guide from a wise pastor helps overcome the despair of those who think there's nothing they can do and the exhaustion of those who think they must do everything. Buck gently leads the reader toward grace-filled ways of embodying gospel healing in a broken world."

William T. Cavanaugh, DePaul University



Sample Interview Questions for J.W. Buck

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- Thanks for joining us, Josh! Will you tell us a little bit about your story and why you decided to write *Everyday Activism*?
 - In the introduction, you write about discovering the “biblical and radical Jesus” in the Gospels. What is the difference between this Jesus and the one you knew growing up? Why do you think so many people have an incorrect perception of Jesus today?
 - You also talk about understanding the historical and cultural context of the Gospels. Why is this so important?
 - Can you define biblical justice? Why do we see a focus on justice—even from the beginning of God’s story?
 - Every day we are bombarded with injustices all around us—racial, social, economic, etc. How can we prevent ourselves from being discouraged?
 - What is the “gospel of jubilee”? Why do you encourage this framework for everyday activists?
 - In your book, you unpack seven radical practices of Jesus that show us how to live like everyday activists. Can you give us a brief overview of one or two?
 - What is virtual activism?
 - You write about God using “ordinary people to do God’s work of justice in the world”. How can ordinary people have an extraordinary impact?
 - What actionable resources have you provided in this book?
 - What is one practical step that we can take to move forward as everyday activists today?
 - Where can our audience go to connect with you and purchase a copy of *Everyday Activism*?
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