



Brazen: The Courage to Find the You That's Been Hiding

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Truth-Filled Writing Sets a Fire in the Hearts of Women Who Struggle to Find Who They Are

She calls them Soul Critics. Those are the voices that tell us who we are and who we will never become. But there is wonder to be found in our passions and a voice to be found in our hearts – and that voice is a brazen one.

Leeana Tankersley knows personally that it requires courage for a woman to live in her identity and embrace who they were made to be. The word *brazen* means *without shame*. That is what it takes to overcome the message of the world that tells women they need to be like this, think like that, and become someone they are not.

Leeana's hope is that women will dare to be brazen and find that they can finally, unapologetically move from shame and fear toward the sense of self-belonging that they desire. In a world of outside influences telling women who to be, Leeana steps in and tells them what they struggle to believe, that they are already worthy.

Brazen is full of relatable personal stories and straight-to-the-heart truths that cut to the core of what it takes to break the mold and discover joy in who you are. With an earthy, hands-on approach, Leeana provides readers with the tangible challenges they need to step forward in their shameless journey. Women will walk away feeling empowered, feeling uplifted – feeling brazen.



Leeana Tankersley is the author of *Breathing Room* and holds English degrees from

Liberty University and West Virginia University.
She and her husband, Steve, are currently stationed
in San Diego, California, with their three children:

Luke, Lane, and Elle. Leeana writes about living
from the spacious place on her blog,
www.leeanatankersley.com.

Praise for Leeana Tankersley

"Leeana's words have taught me how to be at home with myself."

Myquillyn Smith, The Nester, author of *The Nesting Place*

"We all want to find our voice, feel comfortable in our own skin, and come out of hiding. Leeana is a trustworthy companion on this journey of becoming broken and beautiful."

Rebekah Lyons, author of *Freefall to Fly*

"Leeana Tankersley has the gift of breathing life into the weary souls of women; souls exhausted from anxiety, from negative self-talk and unfulfilled dreams. Leeana sees those souls and puts her arms around them, breathes life back into them through prophetic verse and gentle, pragmatic exercise. She draws the wounded daughter back into the lap of her heavenly Father, and invites her home."

Emily T. Wierenga, founder of The Lulu Tree and author of *Atlas Girl* and *Making It Home*

"If you ever feel inclined to apologize for your own existence in this world, then please, please read this insightful, soulful book. A writer with as much spice and sass as compassion and grace, Leeana is the friend providing you with peace in your personhood as she shows you how to see yourself as your Creator does. This book will both unhook you from your false press as it anchors you to your true identity: You are a brazen and beloved creation worth celebrating."

Kristen Strong, author of *Girl Meets Change: Truths to Carry You through Life's Transitions*

Suggested Interview Questions

Leeana Tankersley, Author of “Brazen”

1. The word “brazen” has often been used in a negative light, why this word to get your message across?
2. At what point in your life did you realize that you needed to make a change to be brazen and find yourself?
3. You and your family spent some time living in the Middle East where you Navy SEAL husband was deployed, what was that experience like for you?
4. Social media and online resources allow everyone to express themselves as often as they want, do you think this helps them be at peace with who they are or does it hinder them?
5. You take a very hands-on approach to discovering your identity and passions. Is this a necessary part of the process?
6. In *Brazen*, you write about the “Soul Critics” and “Soul Bullies.” Where do these voices come from and is there a way to stop them?
7. What advice would you give to someone who doesn’t know where to start in this journey?
8. I love this line you wrote: “We need to welcome our brokenness, but also our belovedness.” (quote, page 111) Why do you think women have so much trouble loving themselves?
9. In *Brazen*, you encourage readers to make a “brazen board” to help guide and inspire them in their journey. Can you share how you thought to do this? What shows up on your brazen board?
10. What do you say to the woman who is living in shame and fear?

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