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The past year and a half has brought unexpected change and loss to nearly everyone in the world. But what if we viewed those disruptions as an opportunity to start new? Beloved author and podcast host **Leeana Tankersley** knows all too well the feeling of closed doors and abrupt change. But after facing the grief that came as her marriage ended, Leeana entered a new season that would reveal God's antidote for all her hurt: hope.

In her new book, *Hope Anyway: Welcoming Possibility in Ourselves, God, and Each Other* (Revell, August 2021), Leeana gives women the encouragement they need to rebuild after a time of loss. This book is an invitation for women to welcome new possibilities, open up to people again, and rediscover the promises that God has given us. Through her elegant storytelling and thoughtful reflections, Leeana gives readers a personal look at the kind of hardwon hope we find in our trials which allows us to always be moving forward.

Within the heart-wrenching moments of her own story, Leeana could see that life emerges from even the greatest depths of her pain. "Faith in God is the acceptance that death precedes new life," says Leeana. "In Jesus we have been given a model for going into the darkness and emerging anew...And we have been given a promise that we will never be alone, even in the valley of the shadow of death."

Leeana emboldens her readers to welcome possibility in every stage of life. She shows readers that the small wonders in our day-to-day are a penetrating light that bring abiding hope. At the end of each chapter, Leeana offers reflection questions for the reader to dig deeper into the longings of our hearts and to discover that the things in life that we want to reject can be a gift from our Creator if we see them as such.

Even in the trials of our last year, we still have much to put our hope in. So while darkness can plead with us to give up and let go, God beckons us to hope anyway.