



# Carla Gasser

## AT THE CROSSROADS

### CONNECTION CONFERENCE

- What if we experience authentic connection instead of superficial fun?
- What if we learn how to be instead of what to do?
- What if we practice communication and cooperation instead of comparison and competition?
- What if we share our stories with truth, grace, and authenticity instead of pretending we have it all together?
- What if we seek more of Jesus and the gospel instead of self-help and feel-good messages?

Carla's CONNECTION CONFERENCE provides the opportunity for women to connect with God, connect with the truth of scripture, and connect with each other within the context of a caring and committed community.

Women will learn how to:

1. Seek God at the PLACE OF CONNECTION
2. Serve others on the PATH OF CONNECTION
3. Support each other by becoming PEOPLE OF CONNECTION

Women are smart, brave, and ready to change the world. They are longing for authenticity and desperately need to connect with fellow travelers on their faith journey.

A CONNECTION CONFERENCE provides a safe yet challenging atmosphere for women to begin to develop true community by sharing stories, seeking the wisdom found in God's Word, listening to each other, and learning how to love and serve well.

How is this conference different? Each session incorporates a variety of methods including storytelling, audio/visual elements, interactive discussion, music, journaling, as well as audience participation to reach women of all ages in every season of life.

*Are your women  
looking for  
something new  
and fresh?  
Are they tired  
of the typical  
Women's Retreats?*



*Carla Gasser, Speaker*

INSPIRATIONAL CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S SPEAKER

## SESSION 1

### MEETING AT THE CROSSROADS: Where Faith & Life Intersect

If life is truly a journey, we face crossroads each day. At this place is where we must learn how our faith and our daily lives intersect. Using the story of Ruth and Naomi, we will learn how to follow the right road and fix our eyes on Jesus to walk by faith and not fear.

## SESSION 2

### The PLACE OF CONNECTION: Seeking God & His Truth

Once we understand what it means to follow Jesus, we need to put Him at the center of our lives. We need to connect with Him daily through prayer, worship, solitude, and Bible study. Every role we have as a woman, whether wife, mother, co-worker, friend, sister, or daughter, must begin at this place of connection with God. It is not about doing things for God, but rather about how to be with God moment by moment.

## SESSION 3

### THE PATH OF CONNECTION: Serving Others with Purpose & Intentionality

God has a specific purpose and plan for each of our lives. How do we live a life with meaning? How do we know what God wants us to do and where He wants us to go? God has called each and every one of us to impact our sphere of influence by serving and loving others well. There are practical things we can do to make a difference right where we are with what we have.

## SESSION 4

### THE PEOPLE OF CONNECTION: Supporting Each Other

Are you a Girl of Division or a Woman of Connection? Do you compare or champion? Compete or cooperate? Criticize or communicate? We need each other as women! God designed and created us to grow and thrive within the context of a caring and committed community. By sharing our stories with grace and truth, we can come alongside each other to encourage, inspire, challenge, and support. This session is an audience favorite and functions as a workshop providing women with the tools they need to authentically connect.

*Carla Gasser has been speaking, teaching, and writing for over ten years in northeast Ohio. She has a wide range of experience with groups including community organizations, outreach events, youth groups, workshops/training sessions, and retreats. She blogs weekly on her website, AT THE CROSSROADS, writes for online magazines, contributes to several inspirational blogs, and has authored and co-authored a few short devotionals. She teaches Bible studies at her home church, Christ Community Chapel, and volunteers monthly at RAHAB Ministries. Carla has also been interviewed on both WCRF Moody Radio and WHK The Word about her passion and purpose of connecting women to God, the truth of scripture, and one another.*



## MORE DETAILS

- Carla is happy to work with your Women's Ministry Team or Event Coordinator to flex content and schedule to meet the needs of your event and audience.
- All conferences include Power Point presentations, handouts, and questions for small group discussion.
- Activities can be generated in conjunction with team or event coordinator. Additional costs may apply depending on activity.
- The event host pays for travel/meals/lodging. Carla requests a private hotel room unless the event has a unique need.
- All other fees will be determined based on your unique needs, requests, and budget.
- See [www.carlagasser.com](http://www.carlagasser.com) for more information about Carla.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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# SAMPLE CONFERENCE SCHEDULES

## SCHEDULE FOR ONE-DAY CONFERENCE

Saturday	
8:00-9:00	Registration/Breakfast
9:00-10:00	Session 1
10:00-10:30	Small Group Discussion/Activity
10:30-11:00	Break
11:00-12:00	Session 2
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Session 3
2:00-2:30	Small Group Discussion/Activity
2:30-3:30	Session 4
3:30-4:00	Conclusion/Connection Stories

## SCHEDULE FOR A ONE-NIGHT GETAWAY

Friday	
4:00	Registration/Room Check-in
5:00-6:30	Dinner available
7:00-8:00	Session 1
8:00-8:30	Small Group Discussion/Activity
8:30-10:00	Free time/optional Connection Activities
Saturday	
7:30-9:00	Breakfast
9:00-10:00	Session 2
10:00-10:30	Small Group Discussion/Activity
10:30-11:00	Break
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