

# Vonda Skelton



## Inspiring Women to *Laugh, Learn, and Love*

Vonda is an entertaining teacher and speaker with a heart for women and their families. Whether you need a night of humor or a weekend of study, Vonda's final message is always the same: You are not alone, and Jesus loves you.

With topics ranging from marriage to children, and spiritual growth to seasons of life, Vonda has something special for every facet of women's ministry. God's Word is the authority and His Spirit is the teacher as Vonda leads women on a delightful journey of seeking, finding, and growing in Christ. By incorporating drama, music, and visuals, her programs offer engaging and practical application of spiritual truth. Her years as a wife, mother, grandmother, writer, women's ministry leader, and registered nurse have given her a unique and varied background from which to share her experiences of life.

Vonda's newest book is *Seeing Through the Lies: Unmasking the Myths Women Believe*, published by Regal Books. Appropriate for individual or small groups, this book offers practical steps to peeling away the layers of Satan's deceit and finding joy in the truth of God's Word. She is also the author of a children's series, *The Bitsy Burroughs Mysteries*. Her articles have appeared in *Focus on Your Child*, *Clubhouse*, *HomeLife*, *Christian Single*, and many others. A frequent instructor at writer's conferences, she is an award-winning playwright and lyricist, and enjoys performing in church and community theater. Vonda is a graduate of CLASServices and Proverbs 31 Ministries and is a member of the Advanced Writers and Speakers Association.

## Ministry Topics

### *Seeing Through the Lies: Unmasking the Myths Women Believe*

Join Vonda on a hilarious journey through all things female as she searches for real truth in a half-truth world. From spider veins and webs of deceit to cartoon characters and feminist funnies, this message will help you recognize the lies and take joy in the light of His truth. You'll laugh! You'll cry! You won't be the same! **Suitable for women and older teen girls (From a single 60-minute presentation up to three 45-minute presentations).**

### *Celebrating Womanhood: Bubbles to Beaus, Babies to Bedpans*

Celebrating Womanhood—sounds kind of liberating, doesn't it? Almost makes you want to build a big ol' bonfire and burn a bra or two! But instead of burning bras, you'll laugh out loud as this entertaining, multi-faceted program takes you on a humorous journey through each season of a woman's life. In the midst of the laughter, Vonda turns to Scripture and reveals the truth—that God can use every woman, no matter her age. **Suitable for women and teen girls (60 minutes).**

### *A Call to Holiness*

How can we live a holy life while living in an unholy world? In this program, Vonda compares what the world has to offer with the message from our Lord to "be holy." The world's garbage is an unavoidable part of our daily lives, but we, as Christians, can't allow that garbage into our hearts and minds. Vonda will teach you the Scripture's Test Verse for Garbage, as well as practical steps for keeping the trash where it belongs—on the curb. **Suitable for women and teen girls (60 minutes).**

### *Submission is Not a Four-Letter Word*

Society teaches women that being submissive is not "politically correct;" that we should be strong and independent. As a strong-willed woman, Vonda confesses that the Lord took her kicking and screaming all the way to submission. But through that defiant struggle, she discovered the truth—that God's plan has nothing to do with being weak. Join in the laughter and the tears as Vonda opens the Word and shares God's vision for women and their families. **Great for any women's event (From a single 60-minute presentation up to three 45-minute presentations).**

### *How to Raise Your Kids Without Raising the Roof*

When your children were born, you wanted to shout from the roof-tops. Now you're simply hoping your roof will survive! While carrying out our greatest parental priority—shepherding our children's hearts to love the Lord—we must learn balance. Gentleness without authority won't work, but neither will authority without gentleness. Vonda shares *The Rod of David—A Psalmist's Discipline* and *Four Basic Guidelines of Raising Children*. You will leave equipped and encouraged as a parent. **Appropriate for mothers and fathers (from a single 60-minute presentation up to three 45-minute presentations).**



## Ministry Topics (Continued)

### *The Fertile Ground of a Child's Heart*

One of the joys of parenting is watching our children grow and learn as they absorb everything around them—like soil absorbing water. But the most rewarding delight is being able to say, "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." (3 John 4). In this message of encouragement and hope, Vonda uses a garden analogy to walk you through the steps of growing godly children who will reap a harvest of holiness. **This program is designed specifically for mothers' ministries (60 minutes)**

### *My Mother's Hands*

Have the daily demands of parenting left you wondering what kind of legacy you're leaving for your children? Do you struggle with being the mother God wants you to be? Join Vonda as she takes you on a finger-by-finger walk through mothers of the Bible. From Jochebed to Hannah, and Mary to Eunice, these godly women will give you hope and confidence to create a legacy of love. **Excellent for Mother's Day events and mothers' ministries (45-60 minutes)**

*Other topics: Blueprint for Prayer, The Gift of Intimacy, Love Letters: The Legacy of Proverbs 31, and Taming of the Tongue; or Vonda can create a new program for your specific needs.*



## Women's Ministry Testimonials

"I prayed that Vonda would be funny enough to win our hearts, yet challenge us with the Truth of God's Word, and show us how to apply that truth to our hearts. God far surpassed anything that I prayed for! Glory to His Name!"

*Dee Dee Thornton  
First Baptist Church, Fernandina Beach, FL*

"Through Vonda, the Master Potter reached down and squished and squeezed our beating lumps of clay into shapes that are more pleasing to Him. Her messages re-centered us as women, as wives, as mothers, and as daughters of a holy God. What other response can there be but Thank You, Vonda, and Thank You, Thank You, Jesus!"

*Jodi Knepper  
New Life Bible Fellowship Church, Oley, PA*

"Vonda's sweet spirit, small stature and huge enthusiasm for life combine for a refreshing, humorous, and profound message. Her insight for women about living for Jesus is very encouraging. Her love of writing and eagerness to help others with the same interest went far above our expectations. She is quite simply, a gem."

*Jennifer Fromke  
Crossroads United Methodist Church, Concord, NC*

"Having led women's ministry events for 20 years, I do not know of any that have been more fulfilling than the one with Vonda as the featured speaker. Friday night had us in tears from laughter, and Saturday had our hearts at the cross. Her love for our Lord and thirst for His Word is demonstrated in a spiritual integrity that makes one long to sit under her teaching."

*Robin Williams  
Black Creek Baptist Church, Mechanicsville, VA*

"Vonda is a refreshingly honest speaker. Listening to her real life experiences and Biblical insight make for an entertaining and life-changing time."

*Jan Sherard, Athletes in Action  
Campus Crusade for Christ, Clemson University, SC*



## Contact Information

Vonda is available for seminars, conferences, retreats, and banquets and would love to assist you with your next event. She travels from South Carolina. For more information, contact:

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