

CJ Schaeffer, Author and Speaker

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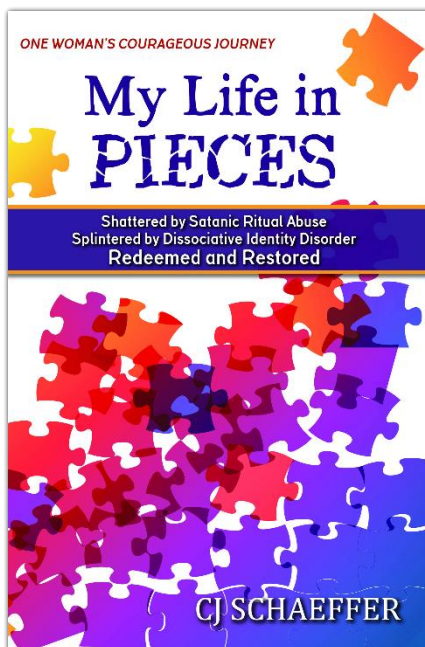
Speaking hope to the hearts of the broken.

“As the author and steward of Alice’s life story, my mission is to impact a broken world with the Living Hope of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, so people may experience healing and wholeness from the One who created us.”



Speaking Engagements

CJ Schaeffer is the author of *My Life in Pieces*, the courageous journey of Alice Fisher from horrendous Satanic Ritual Abuse and Dissociative Identity Disorder to healing in Christ. She ministers Christ-centered encouragement, with a sprinkle of humor, in her *Speaking Hope to the Hearts of the Broken* program chats, designed to meet the needs of varied groups and events.



Speaking Program Touchpoints

Using Alice’s story as a catalyst, CJ Schaeffer shares how the living hope of God’s love reaches far, wide, and into deep, dark broken places, to rescue his beloved sons and daughters. Her added experiences with personal trauma informs her inspiring words for hope and healing in five areas of brokenness:

- **The Brokenness of the Abused**—I am a survivor of childhood sexual abuse.
- **The Brokenness of the Betrayed**—Broken marriage vows left me as a single parent for seven years.
- **The Brokenness of the Addicted**—I’ve worked extensively for several years with a recovery ministry for men and women addicted to drugs, pills, and alcohol. I have fought my own on-going battle with weight issues, having once weighed 286 pounds.
- **The Brokenness of Financial Hardship**—When the 2008 economy flipped, our business took a deep downward dive and caused us to accumulate massive credit card debt.
- **The Brokenness of a Health Crisis**—A triple threat! I faced my husband’s near-death heart attack, subsequent quintuple by-pass, then prostate cancer, while dealing with my own thyroid cancer scare and surgery.

CJ Schaeffer: A Speaker's Portfolio

As a seasoned Children's Ministry Pastor, CJ Schaeffer partnered for many years with parents to help them train up their children in the ways of the Lord. She wrote mission curriculum, planned an annual Vacation Bible School, and organized retreats.

As an experienced biblical counselor, she has worked with children, teens, and women, to help them overcome fear, anxiety, depression, loss, trauma, and other individual, mental health and emotional crises. CJ Schaeffer has also facilitated weight loss groups, Bible studies, book clubs, and coordinated and spoke at numerous women's events.

She has served as an Executive Administrative Assistant at a large corporation and a church, and understands the many challenges faced by working women. Her sage insights on how to manage life amidst a busy home, church, and career schedule frees women to be all God created them to be with practical tools for living.

CJ Schaeffer relates easily to business owners and their unique challenges in tough economic times due to her seven years of experience as a Bed & Breakfast host, a ministry she shared with her husband in the mountains of Tennessee.

Her extensive travels throughout the United States, Europe, and Africa expanded her horizons as she joyfully engaged with people of all races and socio-economic backgrounds. "I've discovered we are more alike than different," she states. "We all share the brokenness of humanity that can only be fixed by faith in the One who can transform us—Jesus."

Fun Facts about CJ Schaeffer

- CJ Schaeffer has recently developed a thing for coffee, after 50 years of being a non-coffee drinker, and credits the creamers for her craving.
- A blue-ribbon baker & cookbook author, CJ Schaeffer has made thousands of chocolate-covered pretzels for special occasions.
- CJ Schaeffer loves reading, writing—but not 'rithmetic—and has an annual goal of reading 100 books.
- CJ Schaeffer has walked the three-day, 60-mile breast cancer walk and hiked Diamond Head in Honolulu Hawaii.

Planning an in-house or virtual event?

CJ Schaeffer would love to meet you! She's available for book club chats, book signings, recovery groups, women's events, church events, conference break-out sessions, retreats, or fundraisers. *My Life in Pieces* is available on the author's website. A portion of the proceeds benefits victims of child abuse. This book is also available via Amazon. Ask your local bookstore to carry it and consider donating one to your local library.