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Eavan Gilhuly

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DESERT TEEN PENS 50-DAY DEVOTIONAL AS TRIBUTE TO PEERS

'Recognize' Aims to Inspire, Encourage, Challenge, and Comfort Readers of All Ages

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Bermuda Dunes, CA (October 24, 2019) - Eavan Gilhuly, an 18-year-old recent graduate of Desert Christian Academy in Bermuda Dunes, has written an inspirational and heartfelt devotional, a publication that provides a specific spiritual reading for each calendar day. Gilhuly says the book, entitled *Recognize*, was written as a tribute to her graduating class of 2019, and she presented it to them at a retreat last spring.

"It all started in April of my junior year, when my pastor told us to turn to a passage in the Bible, and I suddenly realized I had highlighted much of that exact passage and had also written some commentary on it," explains Gilhuly, who graduated in May. "As I further scrolled through my Bible, I realized there were more pages like that, with arrows connecting passages and themes. I thought, well this isn't an accident, so I'm going to dig down deeper into what this might mean. That's what inspired the name *Recognize*."

The book is structured so that each devotional day begins with a Bible verse, followed by Gilhuly's thoughts and feelings about that verse and then a subsequent journal prompt. She says it was her pastor who suggested the format, with an emphasis on "God," then "you," and then "them." While she enjoyed writing each of the fifty entries, Gilhuly says her favorite devotional is Day #3: Lamentations 3:22-23.

"That particular passage is all about God's faithfulness, and mercies, and promise, which I placed early in the book so it hooks the readers," she explains. "More importantly, this devotional is also the most compact in everything that God is all about. I wanted people to know that throughout their struggles, and life's trials and errors that we all face, there will always be those things for them."

Those closest to Gilhuly are not surprised that the spirited teen is adding author to her growing list of accomplishments.

"Eavan's heart is poured out onto every page of this devotional and it is evident that she has a heart for the Lord, her peers, her family, and the mission field," says mentor Denise Guy of Desert Christian Academy. "This book will challenge you with questions that really make you dig deep and inspire you through her personal stories, and through those you will gain a trust in God that you have never had before."

Gilhuly says she has received incredibly positive feedback thus far from those who have read *Recognize*. In fact, she recently finalized an agreement with Harper Collins who is publishing the book for national and online distribution. Harper Collins released the book on October 11, 2019.

"The response from family, friends, and classmates has been amazing, and I have loved every minute of this process. As soon as we got into a room at retreat, I poured my heart out to my classmates, and it could not have been a better feeling," she says.

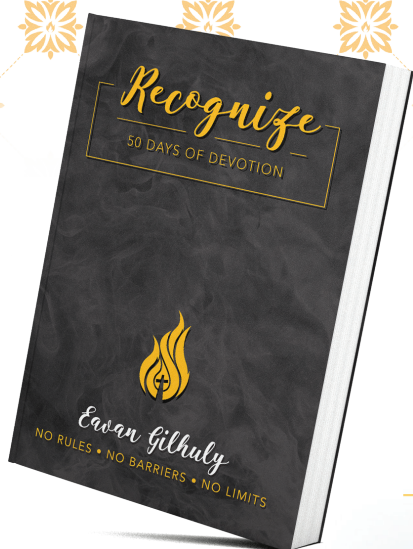
A lifelong desert resident, Gilhuly is a freshman studying psychology at Northwest University, a top-ranked Christian college near Seattle. She does not rule out a follow up to *Recognize*, but acknowledges the next book would likely be a different type of devotional.

"I would like to keep doing this sort of thing on some level in the future, but ultimately I think I will be living out my mission wherever that takes me," she explains. "No matter what lies ahead, I will do my best to love fully, give selflessly, and dream endlessly."

To learn more about Eavan Gilhuly and her devotional *Recognize*, visit www.eavannolimits.com.

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