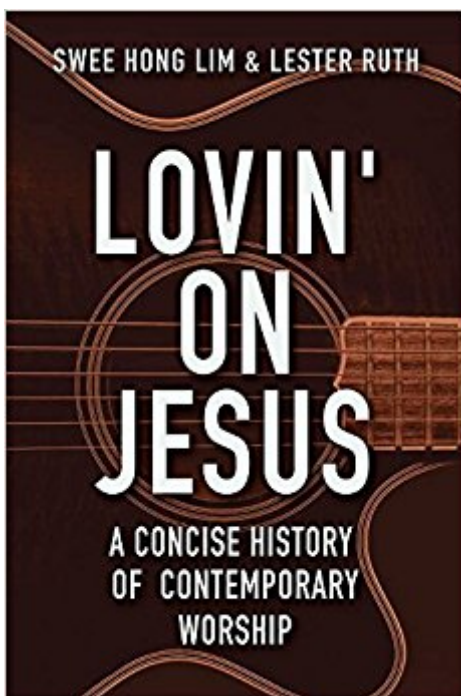


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# Lovin' On Jesus: A Concise History Of Contemporary Worship



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