



**Suggested Interview Questions for Rachel Held Evans,
author of *Searching for Sunday*
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You argue that, contrary to popular belief, churches don't need hipper marketing tactics (cool bands, coffee shops, and ipad giveaways) to draw millennials back. What makes you say that? How might those efforts be counterproductive?

Though you articulate questions that many of your millennial peers are asking, this is very much a personal story. What are you looking for when you “search for Sunday”?

What is a sacrament? How did the sacraments draw you back to church?

The seven sacraments you explore in the book are often associated with Roman Catholic and Orthodox traditions. How can less liturgical churches benefit from a deeper experience of the sacraments?

Much of your past work has been about deconstructing and analyzing evangelical culture. How is this book different?

What is the significance of baptism?

In the section on Confession, you suggest that churches should feel more like AA meetings. What do you mean by that?

How is Anointing of the Sick one of the most countercultural gifts the Church can offer?

What drew you to the Episcopal tradition?

You, your husband and some friends started a church that later collapsed. How did that experience affect your understanding of what it means to be the church?

You suggest that the Church in America shouldn't be afraid to die. What do you mean by that?

How has being a popular blogger whose views are sometimes controversial affected your ideas of what it means to be a Christian?