



## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Ascension Press is committed to publishing popular Catholic books, Bible studies, and faith-formation resources that speak to the needs—and touch the hearts—of today’s Catholics. Our current product focus includes developing our *Great Adventure* Bible study program, our Theology of the Body offerings, and our sacramental preparation resources, among other catechetical and faith-formation materials.

We publish only a limited number of books and programs per year, focusing considerable developmental and marketing resources on each title. We generally seek the most “popular” ideas, i.e., titles that are being requested by the Catholic community.

### **Considerations**

Authors who wish to submit a proposal or manuscript to Ascension Press should keep the following points in mind:

- Ascension Press seeks proposals and manuscripts that inform and inspire Catholics—works that bring people to a deeper understanding of their faith and help them grow in their relationship with God. We seek to publish books and resources that speak to average Catholic “in the pew” rather than scholarly or academic works.
- A proposal or manuscript will be evaluated in light of its potential integration with our existing faith-formation programs and our ability to develop and market it successfully.
- We seriously consider for publication only a small percentage of the unsolicited manuscripts we receive. Authors are encouraged to review our current product offerings and craft a submission proposal that demonstrates a thorough knowledge of both industry standards and the mission of Ascension Press.
- Ascension Press only publishes works that faithfully reflect the official teachings of the Church’s Magisterium.

- We do not consider works whose subject matter deals exclusively or primarily with private revelations.
- We do not publish works of fiction or poetry.

### **What to Submit**

Proposals and manuscript submissions to Ascension Press should include the following:

- A brief summary of your book's content, along with its approximate length, intended audience, and any unique factors you believe set it apart from similar books or products currently on the market
- A table of contents
- One sample chapter, at minimum (assuming that an entire manuscript is not submitted)
- A brief biographical sketch or curriculum vitae
- Any endorsements you have received for your book
- Your ideas for its promotion and marketing

Upon receipt, our editorial committee will review your submission to determine whether it fits our publishing needs. Please allow eight to twelve weeks for a final decision.

### **How to Send Us Your Submission**

We encourage you to email us your submission, as this expedites our review. Please send to [submissions@ascensionpress.com](mailto:submissions@ascensionpress.com). In your email, be sure to include all of the components outlined above under "What to Submit."

Submissions may also be mailed to the following address:

Submissions Editor  
Ascension Press  
P.O. Box 1990  
West Chester, PA 19380

*Note:* If you send us your submission via regular mail, please retain a copy of any materials you submit. Unsolicited manuscripts cannot be returned.

Thank you for your interest in submitting a proposal to Ascension Press.

