Contents

Foreword by Helen M. Alvaré	ix
Introduction	1
Chapter One: What If I'm Pregnant?	3
Chapter Two: What Now? Your Future as a Young Mom	6
Chapter Three: What Do I Say? How to Tell Your Parents	21
Chapter Four: What about Daddy? Things to Consider before You Tie the Knot	30
Chapter Five: What Did I Do? Navigating Your Feelings of Guilt	47
Chapter Six: How Does This Work? The Truth about Giving Birth (Including the Good, the Bad, and the Baby)	59
Chapter Seven: Who Am I Now? How to Reclaim Your Life	68
Chapter Eight: What Did She Just Say? How to Deal with Rude People	78
Chapter Nine: Is There a Syllabus for Parenthood? Being a Student and a Mom	93
Chapter Ten: What Else Do I Need to Know? What No One Tells You about Unplanned Pregnancy	99

Additional Resources

Early Mama's Questions to Consider before Marriage	112
Thirteen Steps to Changing Your Campus	116
Talking Guide for Religious and Pro-life Organizations	135
Six Lessons from an Unwed Mother	144