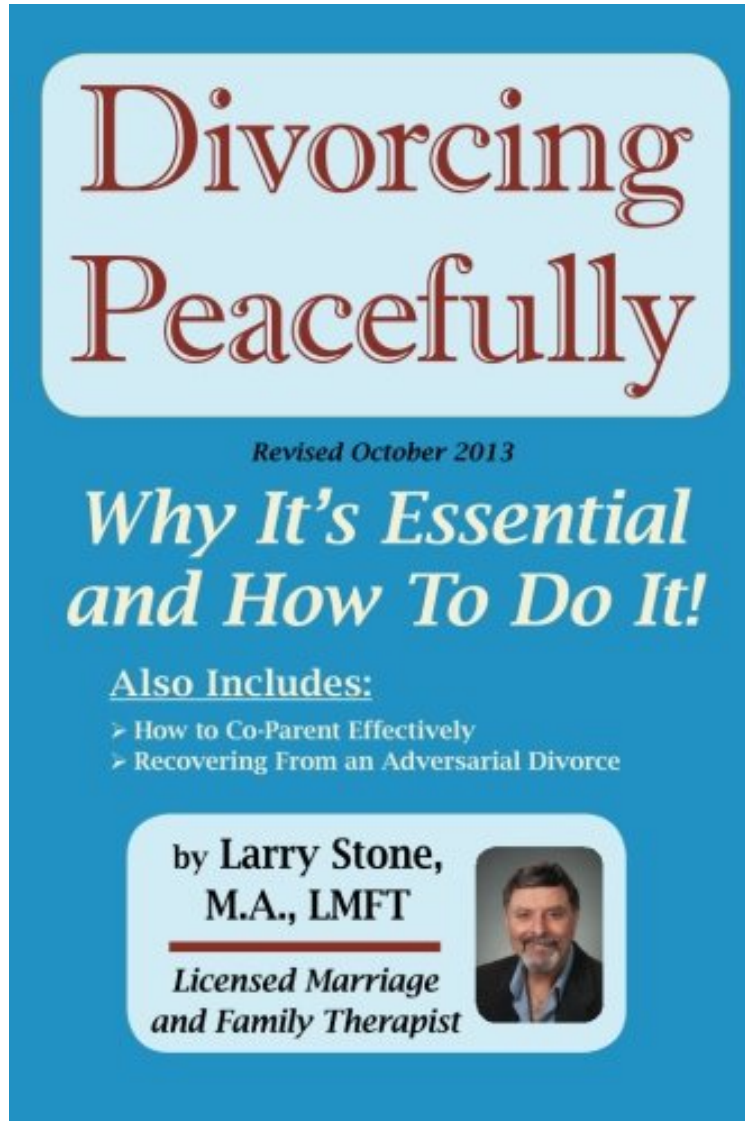


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The author, a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, draws not only on his experience as a therapist working with individuals and couples in distress, but also on his work as a Court Appointed Child Custody Evaluator, and as a co-parenting counselor with Court mandated clients, as well as on his personal experience as a single parent and co-parent. He presents a compelling, must read, description of the effects of high conflict adversarial divorce on the family, especially the children, and shows us a clear path to lowering the conflict and finding healthier alternatives. This book should be considered required reading for anyone going through, considering, or recovering from, a divorce!

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