

# A Father's Journey Through His Son's Addiction



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As a father, I never imagined that my son would become addicted to drugs. But that's exactly what happened. It started with prescription pain pills, which he was taking for a sports injury. But before I knew it, he was hooked on opioids.

At first, I didn't realize what was going on. He was still going to school and playing sports, so I thought he was just going through a rough patch. But then I started to notice changes in his behavior. He became withdrawn and secretive. He started skipping school and hanging out with a new crowd.

One day, I found him passed out in his room. He had overdosed on opioids. I called 911, and he was rushed to the hospital. That's when I finally realized the extent of his addiction.

The next few years were a blur. My son went through rehab several times, but he always relapsed. I was constantly worried about him. I didn't know if he was going to live or die.

But then something changed. My son finally hit rock bottom. He lost his job, his girlfriend, and his apartment. He was homeless and desperate. That's when he finally decided to get clean.

He went to a long-term rehab program, and this time, it stuck. He's been clean for over two years now. He has a job, an apartment, and a girlfriend. He's even started going back to school.

I'm so proud of my son for overcoming his addiction. It wasn't easy, but he did it. And I'm so grateful that he's still here with me.

If you're a parent whose child is struggling with addiction, please don't give up on them. There is hope. My son is proof of that.

Here are some resources that can help you:

- The National Institute on Drug Abuse: <https://www.drugabuse.gov/>
- The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration: <https://www.samhsa.gov/>
- Al-Anon Family Groups: <https://al-anon.org/>
- Narcotics Anonymous: <https://www.na.org/>

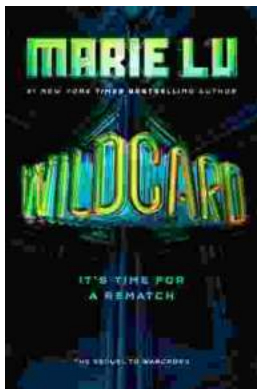
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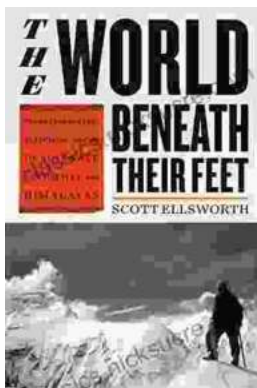
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