

# OWN: OPRAH WINFREY NETWORK OCTOBER 2018 HIGHLIGHTS

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## **NEW SERIES & SEASONS**

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#### **READY TO LOVE**

Two-Night Series Premiere Tuesday, October 23 at 10 p.m. ET/PT and Saturday, October 27 at 10 p.m. ET/PT)

# \*The series will regularly air on Saturdays at 10 p.m. ET/PT

From box office hitmaker Will Packer ("Girls Trip"), "Ready to Love" explores the real-life dating interactions of sexy, successful and grown Black men and women in their 30s and 40s who are each looking for lasting love and an authentic relationship. A unique twist on a typical dating show, "Ready to Love" highlights the men's observations and experiences in the search for true love in Atlanta. The series is hosted by Thomas "Nephew Tommy" Miles of "The Steve Harvey Morning Show."

# (P) Tuesday, October 23 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: First Impressions

Tired of the superficial Atlanta dating scene, twenty high-caliber singles meet up to begin their search for real love. By the end of the first night, the women will have to decide which men show the most promise and which three aren't yet ready to love. The series is hosted by Thomas "Nephew Tommy" Miles of "The Steve Harvey Morning Show."

# (P) Saturday, October 27 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: First Dates

The five remaining men choose which of the twelve remaining women to ask on dates, with some going better than others. At the end of the week, two more men will be sent packing by the ladies, who still hold all the power... for now. The series is hosted by Thomas "Nephew Tommy" Miles of "The Steve Harvey Morning Show."

#### **BLACK LOVE**

Season Premiere Tuesday, October 2 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)

\*The series will regularly air on Saturdays at 10 p.m. ET/PT

"Black Love," from filmmakers Codie Elaine Oliver and Tommy Oliver, seeks to answer the burning question, "What does it take to make a marriage work?" "Black Love" dives into how love begins while showing the reality of what life-long love looks like and offers proof that while it can happen for everyone, it isn't a cakewalk. The docu-series shares honest, emotional and sometimes cringe-worthy always-true love stories. This second season will feature Emmy award-winning actor Sterling K. Brown and wife Ryan Michelle Bathe, Emmy Award-winning actress Niecy Nash and husband Jay Tucker, Tina Knowles-Lawson and husband Richard Lawson, NBA All-Star Grant Hill and Grammy-nominated recording artist Tamia, RUN DMC's Rev Run and wife Justine Simmons, Grammy Award-winning gospel recording artist Kirk Franklin and wife Tammy, comedian D.L. Hughley and wife LaDonna, former NFL running back Eddie George and wife Taj of R&B group SWV, hip-hop artist Styles P and wife Adjua, actors Alano Miller and Dewanda Wise, NFL linebacker Bart Scott and wife Starr, and more. The couples talk about how their relationships began, the road to the altar, life after

children and all of the other obstacles they may have faced to make their marriages stronger than ever.

# (P) Tuesday, October 2 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Second Time Around

Can you find love again after a divorce? "Black Love" couples share the unexpected, hard-earned and sometimes decades-long journey back to the altar. Featured couples include Niecy Nash and Jay Tucker, Tina Knowles and Richard Lawson, Michael Jai and Gillian White.

# (P) Saturday, October 6 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Picking Your Battles

"Black Love" couples share how they've learned to pick their battles and manage their emotions when they've reached the breaking point. Featuring Sterling K. Brown and Ryan Michelle Bathe, Grant and Tamia Hill, Rev Run and Justine Simmons, David and Adjua Styles.

# (P) Saturday, October 13 (10 p.m. - 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: In Sickness and In Health

"Black Love" couples share how they persevered through unexpected and sometimes life-threatening illness, proving that love has the power to conquer the most insurmountable odds. Featuring Grant and Tamia Hill, and two time Olympians Jamie Nieto and Shevon Stoddart.

# (F) Saturday, October 20 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Love That Lasts

Every married couple goes to different measures to keep their union happy and healthy. "Black Love" couples share the unique ways they've learned to stay together, even when leaving feels like the easier way out. Featuring Sterling K. Brown and Ryan Michelle Bathe, Kirk and Tammy Franklin, Grant and Tamia Hill, Rev Run and Justine Simmons, Devale and Khadeen Ellis.

## **CONTINUING SERIES**

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### **GREENLEAF**

## Wednesdays (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)

In season three of "Greenleaf," all the turbulent forces that Grace's (Merle Dandridge) return to Memphis unleashed threaten to destroy not just the church her family built, but the family itself. Fallout from last season's shocking revelation of Bishop's (Keith David) infidelities with Lady Mae's (Lynn Whitfield) sister, as well as reverberations from his current dalliance with that insidious Jezebel, Rochelle Cross (LeToya Luckett) that lead to all-out war in the Greenleaf home, setting the Bishop and Lady Mae on a collision course, unless God or Grace intervenes, can only end one way: divorce. In the wake of the marital mayhem, Lady Mae rushes to reconnect with Maxine Patterson (guest star Patti LaBelle), an old friend and now a world-famous Christian motivational speaker, in an attempt to reclaim her forsaken call to preach and thus do what no First Lady has done before — survive as the sole head pastor of a megachurch after a major rift between its founding couple. Grace, meanwhile, works undercover in the company of Rochelle, hoping to discover Rochelle's motives and true identity before the Bishop is swept away on a raging river of vanity and desire. Across town at Triumph, Jacob (Lamman Rucker) and Kerissa (Kim Hawthorne) try not to make the same mistakes Bishop and Lady Mae made as they work to build their own evangelical empire and manage parenting their teenage daughter Zora (Lovie Simone), but the roots of sin delve deep and old habits die hard. Sophia's (Desiree Ross) faith is tested when an unforeseen medical issue arises: Charity (Deborah Joy Winans) struggles to make peace with Kevin (Tye White) and find her place in the world; and Grace works to keep an abused woman from death row for the crime of defending her own life. Meanwhile, Darius (Rick Fox) finds himself in conflict due to being entangled in an increasingly strained relationship with Grace.

- (P) Wednesday, October 3 (10 p.m. 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: She Changes Everything
  Maxine Patterson (guest star Patti LaBelle) visits Calvary the weekend Lady Mae (Lynn Whitfield)
  and the Bishop (Keith David) announce their divorce to the congregation. Grace (Merle Dandridge)
  and Rochelle (LeToya Luckett) find a case for their legal defense fund.
- (P) Wednesday, October 10 (10 p.m. 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: That Was Then Grace (Merle Dandridge) questions her involvement in the Coralie Hunter (Bethany Lind) case when the D.A. threatens to reopen her case with Mac. The Bishop (Keith David) and Lady Mae (Lynn Whitfield) disagree on hosting "A Day with Lady Mae" at Calvary.
- (P) Wednesday, October 17 (10 p.m. 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Dea Abscondita
  The Bishop (Keith David) struggles to maintain his place within the family when another Zora (Lovie Simone) crisis hits the Greenleafs. Grace (Merle Dandridge) attempts to convince Coralie (Bethany Lind) not to take the D.A.'s plea deal.
- (P) Wednesday, October 24 (10 p.m. 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Runaway Train
  The Bishop (Keith David) wrestles with signing the divorce papers on the weekend of his Silver
  Jubilee celebration. Grace (Merle Dandridge) realizes her father will need help at Calvary when Lady
  Mae (Lynn Whitfield) is gone.
- (P) Wednesday, October 31 (10 p.m. 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Promised Land Grace (Merle Dandridge) discovers Rochelle Cross' (LeToya Luckett) true identity with Darius' (Rick Fox) help. Kerissa (Kim Hawthorne) welcomes Triumph's new accountant and learns two hundred thousand dollars is missing.

### THE HAVES AND THE HAVE NOTS

Tuesdays (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT)

Tyler Perry's "The Haves and the Have Nots," starring John Schneider and Tika Sumpter, portrays the ongoing drama between the wealthy Cryer and Harrington families and the poor Young family. The most explosive season yet continues with no one unscathed by scandal, destruction, life-threatening moments and even death. The series also stars Angela Robinson, Renée Lawless, Crystal Fox, Peter Parros, Aaron O'Connell, Tyler Lepley and Gavin Houston.

- (P) Tuesday, October 2 (9 p.m. 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Stronger Together
  Candace's (Tika Sumpter) plan begins to unravel as Benny (Tyler Lepley) discovers what she did to Hanna (Crystal Fox).
- (P) Tuesday, October 9 (9 p.m. 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Black Man...

  Jim (John Schneider) tries to save Wyatt (Aaron O'Connell) from himself while Jeffrey (Gavin Houston) deals with an uninvited guest.
- (P) Tuesday, October 16 (9 p.m. 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Three's A Crowd
  Candace (Tika Sumpter) comes face to face with Katheryn Cryer (Renée Lawless). Which firecracker will walk away the victor?
- (P) Tuesday, October 23 (9 p.m. 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Chosen

  The future President of the United States is back and has chosen Candace (Tika Sumpter), but will she choose him?
- (P) Tuesday, October 30 (9 p.m. 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Committee

Jeffrey's (Gavin Houston) scare with David (Peter Parros) brings him closer to Nurse Madison as the FBI gets one step closer to Veronica's (Angela Robinson) wicked trail.

#### THE PAYNES

# Fridays (9 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. ET/PT)

In Tyler Perry's new comedy series "The Paynes," Cassi Davis and LaVan Davis reprise their roles as Ella and Curtis Payne from the hit series "House of Payne." As Curtis and Ella are enjoying their retirement, a death in the family takes them on the road to Florida, where Curtis is roped into a real estate deal that will tumble their lives like clothes in a dryer – with plenty of laughs and life lessons along the way. "The Paynes" also stars Emmy-winner Jackée Harry, Stephanie Charles, Markice Moore, JD McCrary, Sanai Victoria and Anthony O. Dalton.

- (P) Friday, October 5 (9 p.m. 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Payneful Confrontation Confusion leads to a confrontation in the Payne household.
- (P) Friday, October 12 (9 p.m. 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Hostile Terrance (Anthony O. Dalton) comes to Nyla's (Stephanie Charles) defense.
- (P) Friday, October 19 (9 p.m. 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Payneful Business
  Terrance (Anthony O. Dalton) is angered to find out that Nyla (Stephanie Charles) has been the victim of an abusive relationship.
- (P) Friday, October 26 (9 p.m. 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Conundrum
  Kendrick (Matthew Law) confronts Terrance (Anthony O. Dalton) about Nyla (Stephanie Charles).

#### **IYANLA: FIX MY LIFE**

# **Saturdays (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT)**

In dramatic new episodes, life coach lyanla Vanzant helps those who are struggling, guiding them toward a new way of living and encouraging them to do the work necessary for real change. Through emotional heart-to-heart conversations and often a dose of tough-love, lyanla helps individuals confront unresolved issues that are causing turmoil. She coaches guests and gives them the tools to fix their own lives, seeking to break the negative patterns that are preventing true happiness.

# (P) Saturday, October 6 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Family's Curse: Abuse, Lies & Blackmail

What happens when Iyanla works with a woman who was abused by her grandfather at six years old and forced by her mother to cover it up? A dark path formed by lies, threats and blackmail is revealed – the same path taken by generations of women before her.

(F) Saturday, October 13 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Monifah: Fame Over Family What happens when Iyanla tells singer-songwriter Monifah that she was out of order as a mother at the height of her fame? The R&B star struggles to repair her fractured relationship with her daughter before their pattern gets passed to her grandsons.

### **SPECIALS**

## SUZE ORMAN AT THE APOLLO: WOMEN AND MONEY

## Premieres Monday, October 1 (8 p.m. – 9 p.m. ET/PT)

In her only live appearance for the re-launch of her iconic million-copy *New York Times* #1 bestselling book *Women and Money*, Suze Orman inspires a sold-out crowd at the historic Apollo Theater in Harlem with her signature mix of insight, compassion, and practical advice. Orman delivers people-

first philosophies and an achievable path to financial freedom and security. "Suze Orman At The Apollo: Women and Money" provides a window into Orman's unparalleled appreciation that for women, money itself is not the end goal, it's the means to living a full and meaningful life.

### **READY TO LOVE: ALL ACCESS**

Premieres Tuesday, October 16 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)

From the mind of prolific producer Will Packer comes a fresh perspective on dating. Can 20 Atlanta singles find true love? Go inside with host Thomas "Nephew Tommy" Miles for a sneak peek at OWN's newest show.

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