Thoughts on Choosing and Using Books with Your Children

When Should I Start Reading to My Child?

Short Answer: As soon as you want!

Reading is simply another form of language, so why not? Most parents begin talking to their children from birth, and children begin absorbing understanding through voice tone even before the words make sense.

But, if you begin reading to your young infant, don't do it with the agenda of getting them to polish off the Bible by the time they are one! (This sounds ridiculous, but it's amazing what ideas we eager parents get into our heads!)

Do it to begin the pattern of enjoying time together, cuddled on your lap, listening to your voice and with an open heart.

Gradually, as your child develops, watch for cues that they are ready for more. You will see them begin to point to pictures or bring you particular books to read (usually over and over again!). Then you know they are engaging with not just the feel of reading, but the content of what you are reading. That's when you can begin to really think about using books to fill their hearts and minds with truth.

Bible Storybooks FAQs

#1: What's the difference between a Bible storybook and a full Bible? Which would you recommend to using?

A Bible storybook is a collection of Bible stories, written by an author, while the Bible is...well....the Bible-a translation of the entire Old Testament and New Testament into a particular language by a group of Bible scholars.

#2: What are some things to consider in using a Bible storybook?

The Advantages: A Bible storybook--like a good sermon-- can add descriptions about people and places that were known and assumed by the original writers and readers of the Bible, but that aren't obvious to us. They can use language that may be much more suitable for younger children to understand. They can give spiritual insights that help both child and parent learn important truths about God and how He wants us to live. These are all wonderful things.

The Tricky Parts: But, Bible storybooks have their down sides, too. In an attempt to bring the story to life and "up-to-date", authors may take quite a bit of creative license with language and emotion--adding things which may or may not be true. People who write Bible stories for children have to walk a very thin tightrope between bringing a story to life and not adding to it what isn't there. Authors also may choose to shift the true main point of the story to something more to their liking--often a more simple, moralistic application. You must be on your guard to edit on the spot.

Tips for Choosing a Bible Storybook (as well as other Bible-based books)

- **#1 Theology:** Check for sound theology! The story of Noah is often a good story to look at for this. Is it a story of the animals in the ark, or of the mercy and holiness of God towards sinful people? Praise God there are more and more good Bible storybooks with great theology available! But sometimes these books are so bad that you just can't use them. Other times, there are books with only largely-good theology that are so attractively done, that you may choose to edit as you read them aloud rather than not use them at all.
- **#2 Pictures:** Do they show Jesus' face or not? Christian Focus books and Ella Lindvall do not illustrate Jesus' face, feeling that is breaking the 2nd commandment regarding graven images. Many others disagree. They don't believe it breaks the 2nd commandment to carefully use pictures to help teach young children.
- **#3 Creative License:** Does the storybook add details that bring light to the story, but are in keeping with the original Bible text? How much license does the author take in adding extra details (especially emotional) that are not clearly inferred by the original Bible text? The Jesus Bible Storybook (Sally Lloyd-Jones) is an example of a Bible storybook that takes quite a bit of creative license, both in language and emotion enhancement. The Read-Aloud Stories (Ella Lindvall), The Children's Story Bible (Catherine Vos), The Big Picture Bible (David Helm) and The Beginner's Bible (Zonderkidz) are all examples of ones that do not.
- **#4 Main Point:** Does the author seem to bring his own (often moralistic) main point to the story or does he stick to the main point of the original text? (A favorite example: Is the feeding of the 5000 about a little boy who shared his lunch or is it about Jesus revealing Himself as the Bread of Life, the Manna from Heaven, come to save God's people?)
- **#5 Child-Appropriateness**: Are the stories the right length and right language for your child?
- **#6 Story Choice in the Collection:** Does the book offer enough stories? A good cross-section of stories from every part of the Bible?
- **#7 Use**: Are you looking for one-off stories or for something more like a Bible overview?
- **#8 Appropriate Applications:** Does it offer any resources to help you and your family apply the Bible truths to your life?

Tips for Choosing a Bible for Your Child

#1 What's Your Goal?

Is your goal to begin to familiarize your child with a Bible version he will use the rest of their life, even if it is above his comprehension level (many times by quite a bit)? Realize that you will probably need to do more picking, choosing and explaining of passages for your child to understand what you are reading, if this is your approach.

OR

Is your goal to start your child in the process of understanding/reading with a Bible closer to his own comprehension level? If so, look for an easier translation, written on (or closer to) their level and "promote" them up gradually to Bibles with higher reading level as you go.

#2 Early Readers: They might be reading, but are they understanding?

There is a difference between what your early reader can read and what they are retaining. The technical words for this are "de-coding" (spelling out/pronouncing words) and "comprehension" (understanding and remembering what the words actually mean). Early readers are often working so hard to spell out or pronounce the words (de-coding) that there is little brain space leftover for comprehending at the same time. Check on how much they are comprehending by asking them a few questions about what they read. If they are remembering very little, chances are it's that they are so busy de-coding. You may want to choose a simpler Bible version or largely stick to reading aloud to them as their reading skills improve.

#3 Take Some Translations for a Test Drive

Try out some different translations on your children and see what works best for them, based on your goals.

Bible Translations (and some notes about our favorite ones)

READING LEVEL	TRANSLATION	
3rd Grade	New International Reader's Version (NIrV)	
Good NIrV Choices: NIrV Adventure Bible for Early Readers		
	Kids' Quest Study Bible	
	This is a full, simplified version of the NIV 1984. It is more accessible to both	
	preschoolers and elementary grade children.	
7th Grade	New King James Version (NKJV)	
7th-8th Grade	Holman Christian Standard Bible (HCSB)	
Good HCSB Choice: HCSB Illustrated Study Bible for Kids		
	The "Southern Baptist" Bible is far more than its nickname implies. While it has	
	updated scholarship, like the ESV, it often scores higher than the ESV in terms of	
	readability for younger children especially. If only they could match the quality	
	of notes in the ESV Study Bible!	
7th-8th Grade	New International Version 1984 (NIV 1984)	
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Good NIV 1984 Choice: NIV Adventure Bible, 1984		
	The version has long been the highly favored translation among evangelicals.	
	It is very readable in both word choice and sentence structure. Most suitable	
	for 5th grade and up. It is, however, being replaced by the NIV 2011, which is	
	headed in a distinctly different direction (read below) NOTE: Soon these will	
	only be available through the used Bible market! Right now you can still get	
	them through www.christainbook.com. Apparently Zondervan sold the end of their inventory to them. Buy now, if you want a new copy!	
7th-8th Grade	New International Version 2011 (NIV 2011)	
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	The NIV 2011 has replaced the NIV 1984. It is not simply update of scholarship, but a shift towards gender neutral language. This is because of the NIV's	
	commitment to keep up with cultural changes in language. Furthermore, this	
	same committment means there will be other updates in this version in the	
	future. So, to tie yourself to this Bible version is to tie yourself to futher changes-	
	-difficult for curriclum writers and those who hope to memorize a Bible version	
	that will remain available for years to come. For this reason, many conservative	
	evangelicals are holding tightly to their old NIV 1984's or shifting to other	
	translations, frequently the ESV or the HCSB.	
10th Grade	English Standard Version (ESV)	
Good ESV Choice: ESV Seek and Find Bible, ESV Grow Bible		
	Definitely the up-and-coming translation among reformed evangelicals, but test	
	drive it with the ears of a child. Sometimes the language and sentence structure	
	is not easily understandable to younger children. The Study Bible versions do	
	have extremely useful notes and very helpful maps.	
11th Grade	New American Standard Bible (NASB)	

Bible Hybrids

A Bible hybrid is a Bible that is a cross between a full translation Bible and a Bible story book. It is like a full translation Bible, because every word in it is from a direct translation of the Bible text. But it is also like a Bible story book, because it only includes selected stories or passages.

#1 The Day by Day Begin-to-Read Bible

A collection of the simplest stories included in the Day by Day Bible, listed below. Lots of pictures.

#2 The Day by Day Bible

This fuller version contains many more passages from every book of the Bible. It is not primarily story-centered, but passage-centered, so it is beginning to feel much/can be used much more like a regular Bible. No pictures.

Other Special Features of The Day by Day Bible

- Chronologically ordered, so that different parts of the Bible that fit together are presented together. So, the Psalms about David are slotted in the stories of his life from 1 Chronicles. The letters of Paul are slotted in with stories from the Book of Acts, etc.
- A checklist for reading through it in 365 days. Nice bite-sized chunks.
- Good bridge for non-readers to confident readers.
- Tons of good lists in the appendix to help you decide what to read to your child, whether with this Bible translation or another version. (lists: Stories by Bible Book; Stories in Chronological Order; 100 Key Teaching Stories; 100 Bedtime Stories; and 100 Stories for Good Family Discussion.)

Should I Do Bible Memory and/or Catechism with My Children?

No one can dispute that young children have an amazing ability to learn and memorize--often the quickest and easiest in their whole lives! Why not harness this skill for the sake of learning Bible truths?

Bible memory verses and catechisms are concise ways of putting a whole library of Bible truth in children's heads. While some people balk at the idea of helping children memorize concepts deeper than they can fully understand, others see the goal not so much as achieving full, immediate understanding in a young child today, but leaving a legacy in his head for the future.

But on the other hand, don't exasperate your child! Yes, they may be little memory sponges, but you can harden their hearts and discourage them with the very truths you want them to love by forcing them to do too much, too soon and in a format that just isn't appropriate or effective for them.

Remember: your point isn't just to check off the list that you taught these truths to your children. It's to try to make them stick in places where they will stay for years. Better to do less but do it well, than to think you've done it all and done it poorly or at the cost of a soft heart.

And one more thing: there is more than one way to skin a rabbit! Bible memory and catechism doesn't always have to take a recitation format. There are many Bible verses and catechism-like questions and answers put to song. There are games you can play to help them learn, too.

If nothing else, check out the resources for Hide 'n' Seek Kids and Deep Down Detectives at www. praisefactory.org. All the Bible verses and catechism-like Big Questions are set to song; and, there are simple movement activities (called Music, Movement and Memory) you can do with them. For elementary-aged kids, all 104 Praise Factory scripture verses are also set to music. And, there is a section of games that can be used as a fun way to memorize any Scripture Verse.

What Books Can and Cannot Do

WHAT BOOKS CAN DO:

- #1 Books can help you present truths in an orderly fashion.
- #2 Books can be a springboard into important conversations with your children.
- #3 Books can help you learn good language to use with your children (or other people's children) on their level as you have those important conversations.
- #4 Books can help leave a library of truth in your children that can be used by God their whole life: a kind of time release capsules of wisdom and knowledge.
- **#5 Books can provide a wonderful time of sharing for you and your child.** You can build memories and intimacy as you share thoughts, time, and the warmth of touch with your arm around them.

WHAT BOOKS CAN'T DO

- **#1 Books can't provide a one-size-fits-all formula for teaching every child.** And if the book you read says it can, beware! It can't!
- **#2 Books can't save your child.** No amount of books or information can bring salvation to your child! This is a work of God, by His Holy Spirit, in His perfect timing, according to His perfect will.
- #3 Books can't replace the testimony of a godly, faithful life, only enhance it. Books are one thing, but real life is another. How you live is the blank canvas for the truths you teach. Life paints them in vibrant, unforgettable colors. And remember: while God's righteousness and love might be what we would always desire the canvas of our lives to show (and thank God for when it does!), God is just as faithful to use our failings to display Himself. When we do fail and humbly seek His (and others') forgiveness, God is kind to use these times to reflect His mercy and compassion towards sinners--namely us and like our children. Our lives are much more about the business of REDEMPTION, than they are a picture of PERFECTION, as much as we might wish it to be otherwise. And through all of it, the truths about God we tell our children are brought to light.
- **#4 Books can't replace your common-sense knowledge of your own child.** It will take your discernment to know what the right type of book and the right pacing of learning is best for your child. What if your neighbor's child can read already and yours doesn't? Don't push your child to hurry up and read if they aren't ready. Help your child enjoy books as he is able. (FYI: reading is a developmental skill that can fully develop as late as 2nd grade! Be patient!) What if your friend's child has read and memorized the entire book of Leviticus and can recite it backwards in Hebrew...while your child can hardly sit still let alone say their ABC's? Stop comparing! Help your child learn, read and memorize as she is able! The point is making a connection with your child, where they are, not to keep up with the Jones!

Also, just because a book tells you to do something, doesn't mean you should do it...unless it's the Bible, of course! Weigh what you know about your child with what the book is asking them to do or understand. Is he ready for it, or would he be better off with a slower, simpler pace; or, a faster, more complex pace?

#5 Books can't replace the wisdom of parents with children older than yours. It is easy to read a book and latch onto a particular system or ideal, only to find that you and/or your child is frustrated. This is especially true if you are an eager first-time parent. Seek out older, seasoned parents or even teachers who you know! They are invaluable resources! Parents with older children often have wrestled with similar issues and are able to give you good advice about how to use books to teach biblical truths to children and pitfalls to avoid. It can be especially helpful to particularly seek out parents who have a similar type of child as yours. Perhaps you have a wiggly Wade or a studious Susan. Talking to parents with older children of the same type can help you learn more about how to reach and teach your particular type of child, given their strengths and weaknesses.

Where Can I Get These Books?

#1 The CHBC Main Library: Downstairs (to borrow)

Some of these books will be on loan through the main CHBC Library located in the basement of the church. We are hoping to add quite a few more of the titles you see here to that collection, as space allows.

#2 The CHBC Children's Resource Library: 3rd Floor (to borrow)

Books that we cannot fit downstairs in the Main CHBC Library, we will add to the Children's Resource Library upstairs on the 3rd floor. Why not just put all the books up there? Because this library has a lot of other materials that are used only by the teachers and there is a lot to weed through.

#3 The CHBC Bookstall (to purchase)

Some of these books are available in the CHBC bookstall. If you find them there, they will be at about the best price you can find pretty much anywhere.

#4 Online Booksellers (to purchase)

amazon.com	All books, except Good Book Company and Matthias Media. They are carrying an increasing number of Christian Focus books.
wtsbooks.com	Westminster Theological Seminary Bookstore. Many of our favorite books, at great prices, including some Christian Focus publications.
cvbbs.com	Cumberland Valley Bible Book Service. Many of our favorite books, at great prices. The whole line of Christian Focus publications. Only US source I know of to purchase the Jim Cromarty books (He's Australian.)
matthiasmedia.com (usa)	US source for Australian-based Matthias Media. Books like <u>Who Will Be King?</u> and <u>Gumtree Gully</u> (children's versions of <u>Two Ways to Live</u>)
christianfocus.com (usa)	US source for Christian Focus Books. However, wtsbooks.com and cvbbs.com seem to have better prices, (though more limited quantities).
the goodbook.com	Only US source for books by this publisher.
christianbook.com	Largest, single dealer in Christian Books in the US. They will tend to have only the most "mainstream" books, such as those published by Crossway and Zondervan.

2018 BOOK FAIR BOOKLIST

AGE CODE:

1 Ages 0-3 (Baby/Toddler/Young Preschooler)

2 Ages 3-5 (Older Preschooler)

3 Kindergarten – 2nd Grade (Early Elementary)

4 3rd Grade – 7th (Older Elementary/Preteen/Middle School)

5 Grades 8th – 12th (Teens/High School)

NOTES: We have spent many hours going through these books. HOWEVER... that doesn't mean that we didn't miss something. Always read with your discernment hat on!

Also, it takes your knowledge of your own children to discern the best, most appropriate books for them. Hope you enjoy these books!

A FEW, OTHER SPECIAL CODES:

NC: Non-Christian Book

PC/AG: Presumes Conversion/Add the Gospel

Always be on the lookout for needing to add the gospel. We mainly chose Christian books that do NOT presume conversion, and that DO include the gospel. However, there were a few good books that we include that were not Christian books, but had really great resources. Or, were Christian books, but did presume conversion and did NOT include the gospel. We have noted those in the list.

WHERE TO FIND THESE BOOKS:

Christianbook.com

wtsbooks.com

Amazon.com

Cumberland Valley Bible and Book Service (CVBBS)

Matthias Media

Good Book Company (GBC)

Truth 78

Christian Focus Books (CF)

Twelveofthese.com

(A) Apologetics

- 4,5 The Bible Is God's Word—the Evidence Catherine Mackenzie
- 4,5 Case for Christ for Kids Lee Strobel
- 4,5 Case for Creation for Kids Lee Strobel
- 4, 5 Case for Grace for Kids Lee Strobel
- 2,3 Inspector Smart and the Case of the Empty Tomb Michael J. Tinker GBC
- 4,5 Is God Anti-Gay? Sam Alberry
- 4,5 Jesus Rose from the Dead—the Evidence MacKenzie
- 5 What Makes Us Human? Mark Meynell
- 5 Where Was God When that Happened? Christopher Ash
- 5 You Asked William Edgar

(B) Bibles

Note: Ordered from Easiest to Understand/Message Emphasis Translations to More Exact (and More Difficult) Translation

NLT (New Living Translation):

- 2,3 Holy Bible for Little Hearts and Hands (Very small size, but very small print)
- 3,4,5 NLT Teen Slimline (Nice size print)

NIrV: (New International Readers Version)

- 1,2,3,4 NIrV Beginner's Bible
- 2,3 NIrV Beginner's Bible Devotional Pack
- 2,3 Giant Print NIrV
- 1,2,3,4 NIrV, Gift Bible, Leathersoft, Blue by Zondervan
- 3,4 NIrV, Study Bible for Kids, Hardcover

NIV: (New International Version)

3,4 The Action Bible Study Bible (NIV) Cariello, Sergio

HCSB/CSB: (Holman) Christian Standard Bible

- 2,3 Read to Me Bible for Kids
- 2,3,4 HCSB Illustrated Study Bible

ESV: English Standard Version

- 1,2,3 Big Picture Bible David Helm
- 3,4,5 Family Devotional Bible
- 4,5 Follow Jesus Study Bible
- 3,4,5 Holy Bible for Kids

(BH) Bible Hybrids

(Portions of Actual Bible Translations, But Not Every Word)

- 3,4 Day by Day Bible Karyn Henley
- 1,2,3 Day by Day Early Readers Bible Karyn Henley
- 1,2,3,4 God's Good News NLT (with short devotional remarks by Billy Graham)
- 4,5 The Third Day Alex Webb-Peploe (Easter Story from the Gospel of Luke)

(BIS) Bible Stories and Storybooks

Compilations of Bible Stories

- 2,3,4 365 Bible Stories Mary Batchelor
- 3,4 365 Great Bible Stories Carine MacKenzie
- 3,4 The Action Bible Storybook Cariello, Sergio
- 4,5 The Action Bible: God's Redemptive Story [Picture Bible] Cariello, Sergio
- 1,2,3 The Beginner's Bible Zonderkids Karyn Henley
- 1,2,3 Beginner's Gospel Story Bible Kennedy, Jared
- 1,2 The Bible in Pictures for Toddlers Ella Lindvall
- 1,2,3 The Big Picture Story Bible David Helm
- 1,2 The Candle Bible for Toddlers Juliet David
- 1,2 A Child's First Bible Kenneth Taylor (BB)
- 2,3 The Christian Focus Story Bible Carine MacKenzie
- 2,3 The Christmas Story Carine MacKenzie
- 2,3 The Easter Story Carine MacKenzie
- 1,2,3 Little Hands Story Bible Carine MacKenzie
- 1,2 Little Words Matter Bible Storybook (BB)
 - In Spanish: Libro de Historias Biblicas (BB)
- 3,4 The New Children's Bible Anne de Vries

- 1,2,3 Read Aloud Bible Stories: Ella K. Lindvall
 - Volume 1
 - Volume 2
 - Volume 3
 - Volume 4
 - Volume 5
- 2,3,4 When God Says It—He Does It Carine MacKenzie

Individual Bible Stories

- **2,3 Bible Alive Series** (dozens of different, individual Bible stories, I simply chose the David ones as examples)
 - David the Fugitive: True Friendship Carine Mackenzie
 - David the King: True Repentance Carine Mackenzie
 - David the Shepherd: A Man of Courage Carine Mackenzie
 - David the Soldier: A Man of Patience Carine Mackenzie
- **2,3 Bible Time Series** (dozens of different, individual Bible stories, I simply chose the John the Baptist one as an example)
 - John the Baptist
 - And many more

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- 2,3,4 Hall of Fame Series: Catherine MacKenzie
 - Hall Of Fame: Old TestamentHall Of Fame: New Testament
- 1,2,3 Stories from Jesus Series: Catherine MacKenzie
 - The Good Shepherd: Luke 15: God Rejoices
 - The Good Traveller
 - The Wise and Foolish Servants
 - The Wise and Foolish Builders
 - The Wise and Foolish Bridesmaids

Tales that Tell the Truth Series

- 1,2,3 The Friend Who Forgives: A True Story about How Peter Failed and Jesus Forgave Dan DeWitt
- 2,3,4 The One O'Clock Miracle Alison Mitchell
- 3,4 The One O'Clock Miracle Coloring Book Alison Mitchell
- 1,2,3 Two Fat Camels Douglas Sean O'Donnell

(BST) Bible Studies, Bible Memory, Reference Resources, and Activity Books

- 3,4,5 66 Books in One: A Guide to Every Book of the Bible Paul Reynolds (Christian Focus)
- 1,2,3 Alby's Amazing Book Echeverri Catalina
- 1,2,3 Beginning with God
- 4,5 Engage (various volumes) Good Book Company
- 3,4,5 Exploring the Bible: A Bible Reading Plan for Kids David Murray
- 4,5 How the Bible Can Change Your Life Josh Moody
- 3,4 Mark's Marvellous Book: Learning about Jesus Through the Gospel Mann, Alan
- 3,4 Meet Jesus in Mark Matthew Sleeman
- 4,5 My Bible Journal Mary J. Davis
- 3,4 That's Not What the Bible Says Bill Ross
- 3,4 The Whole Story of the Bible in 16 Verses Bruno, Chris

Bible Memory (also see Music)

- 2,3,4 The Big Picture Bible Verses
- 2,3,4,5 Fighter Verse Sets Truth78
- 2,3,4 Fighter Verse Coloring Books
- 1,2,3,4,5 Fighter Verse Songs
- 2,3,4 My 1st Book of Memory Verses Carine MacKenzie

Reference Resources

- 3,4,5 66 Books in One: A Guide to Every Book of the Bible Paul Reynolds Christian Focus
- 3,4,5 Action Bible Handbook
- 3,4,5 The Bible Explorer Carine MacKenzie
- 3,4 The Bible Explorers Guide Zonderkids
- 3-5 Bible Infographics for Kids: Giants, Ninja Skills, a Talking Donkey, and What's the Deal with the Tabernacle Harvest House Publishers

The Bible Story Handbook Walton, John H.; Walton, Kim E.

Show Them Jesus: Teaching the Gospel to Kids Jack Klumpenhower

Activity Books

- 1,2,3 Colour the Bible Book 4: Matthew Mark (Colour the Bible) MacKenzie, Carine
- 1,2,3 Bible Names: Presenting Gospel Truths to Little Children Using Bible Names and Their Meanings

(BB) Board Books

A Child's First Bible Kenneth Taylor

All About God's Animals Series: Janyre Tromp

All about God's Animals: Colors

All About God's Animals: Around the Water

Baby Believer Books:

- Bible Basics by Danielle Hitchen
- From Eden to Bethlehem: An Animals Primer (Baby Believer®) by Danielle Hitchen
- Let There Be Light: An Opposites Primer (Baby Believer®) by Danielle Hitchen
- Psalms of Praise Danielle Hitchen and Jessica Blanchard

Banner of Truth Series:

- The Man Who Preached Outside
- The Woman Who Helped a Reformer
- The Woman Who Loved to Give Books
- The Doctor Who Became a Preacher

Christmas Carols for Kids: A Sing Along Book (with CD) Chiloh Kids

Famous Bible Stories (Christian Focus):

- Adam & Eve
- Joseph's Coat
- Baby Moses
- And others

Fit Together Shapes Books from Tommy Nelson:

- Count My Blessings: A 1,2,3 Boardbook
- Noah's Very Noisy Zoo

God Gave Me Series (Christian Focus):

- God Gave Me Hearing Catherine MacKenzie
- God Gave Me Sight Catherine MacKenzie
- God Gave Me Smell Catherine MacKenzie
- God Gave Me Taste Catherine MacKenzie
- God Gave Me Touch Catherine MacKenzie

God's Little Ones Series by Tommy Nelson:

- My First Words Bible Boardbook
- (there are more books in this series)

God Made Board Books (Christian Focus):

- God Made Animals Una Macleod
- God Made Colors Una Macleod
- God Made Food Catherine MacKenzie
- God Made Me Una Macleod
- God Made Time Catherine MacKenzie
- God Made Weather Catherine MacKenzie
- God Made the World Una Macleod

I Am: The Names of God Diane Stortz

I Can Say to God Series: Catherine MacKenzie

• I Can Say: I Love You

• I Can Say: Sorry

• I Can Say: Thank You

• I Can Say: Please

I Prayed for You Jean Fisher

Learn About God Board Books (Christian Focus):

- God Has Power MacKenzie, Carine 3.59
- God Is Faithful (Learn About God, Board Book) MacKenzie, Carine
- God Is Kind (Learn About God, Board Book) MacKenzie, Cairne
- God Knows Everything (Learn About God, Board Book) MacKenzie, Carine

Lift the Flap Bible Stories for Young Children Andrew J. DeYoung

Little Words Matter Series (B & H):

- 100+ Little Bible Words Board Book
- Thank You, God, from A to Z
- Little Words Matter Bible Storybook
- Libro de Historias Biblicas
- 1, 2, 3 God Made Me
- And more (including in Spanish)

Mi Primera Biblia (The Toddler Bible) Bethan James, Yorgos Sgouros

Peek-A-Boo Bible: 4 Board-Books MacKenzie, Catherine

A Special Baby Carine Mackenzie

(CD) Catechisms, Worship, Prayer, Family and Personal Devotions

Catechisms

- 2,3,4 The Big Book of Questions and Answers Sinclair Ferguson
- 2,3,4 My 1st Books and More (My 1st Book) Carine MacKenzie; Ross, Philip
- 2,3,4 My 1st Book of Questions and Answers Carine MacKenzie
- 2,3,4 The New City Catechism for Kids: Children's Edition
- 2,3,4,5 The New City Catechism: 52 Questions & Answers for Our Hearts & Minds (use with Children's Edition)
- 4,5 The New City Catechism Devotional: God's Truth for Our Hearts and Minds
- 1,2,3,4,5 Westminster Shorter Catechism Full Set Music

Hymnals/Songbooks

- 1,2,3,4 25 Hymns Every Child Should Know: 25 Hymns Sung by Kids with More Than 100 Pages of Printable Sheet Music Karen Mitzo Hilderbrand, Kim Mitzo Thompson
- 1,2,3,4 Christmas Carols for Kids a Sing along book Karen Mitzo Hilderbrand, Kim Mitzo Thompson (CBD)
- 1,2,3,4,5 Hosanna Loud Hosannas Student Hymnal
- 1,2,3,4,5 Hosanna Loud Hosannas Student Hymnal Piano Accompaniment
- 1,2 My First Hymn Book Clare Simpson
- 1,2 My First Hymnal 75 Favorite Bible Songs and What They Mean Karyn Henley

Worship Resources

Family Worship in the Bible, in History and in Your Home Donald S. Whitney

- 3,4 My Church Notebook: Come Into His Presence Truth78
- 3,4 My 1st Book about the Church Carine MacKenzie
- 1,2,3,4,5 Parenting in the Pew Robbie Castleman
- 1,2,3 What Is the Church? Mandy Groce

2,3,4 Words about God: To Help You Worship Him Nicholas Choy

Prayer

3,4 40 Days Series: (Missions/Praying) Trudy Parkes

- 40 Days, 40 Bites
- 40 Days, 40 More Bites

1,2 I Can Say to God Series: Catherine MacKenzie (Board Books)

- 1,2 I Can Say: I Love You
- 1,2 I Can Say: Sorry
- 1,2 I Can Say: Thank You
- 1,2 I Can Say: Please
- 1,2 I Prayed for You Jean Fisher (Board Book)
- 3,4 My Kid's Prayer Journal 100 Days of Prayer and Praise Lettering Design Company
- 3,4,5 Windows on the World (Old Version) Jill Johnstone, Daphne Sprackett (Missions/ Praying)
- 3,4,5 Windows on the World (New Version) Molly Wall (ed.); Jason Mandryk (ed.) (Missions/ Praying)
- 2,3,4 What Every Child Should Know About Prayer Nancy Guthrie

Family Devotions

- 1,2,3,4,5 Bible Reading With Your Kids: A Simple Guide for Every Father Jon Nielson
- 3,4,5 Exploring Grace Together: 40 Devotions for Families Elyse Fitzpatrick, Jessica Thompson
- 3,4 Indescribable 100 Devotions about God & Science Louie Giglio
- 3-5 Listen Up: 10-Minute Family Devotions on the Parables, Family Devotional Marty Machowski
- 2,3,4 Long Story Short 10-Minute Family Devotions Marty Machiowski
- 2,3,4 Old Story New10-Minute Family Devotions Marty Machiowski
- PC/AG 4,5 One Year of Dinner Table Devotions and Discussion Starters Nancy Guthrie
- 3-5 Wise Up: Ten-Minute Family Devotions in Proverbs Marty Machiowski

Personal Devotions/Christian Living

(Sometimes presumes knowledge of gospel and/conversion)

- 3,4,5 101 Devotions for Girls: From the Lives of Great Christians (Daily Readings) Rebecca Davis
- 3,4,5 101 Devotions for Guys: From the Lives of Great Christians (Daily Readings) Rebecca Davis
- 1, 2,3 Beginning with God Series (Good Book Company) Boddam Whetham & Alison Mitchell
- 2,3 Berenstain Bears Series:
 - Faith Gets Us Through
 - Give Thanks
 - Go to Sunday School
 - Say Their Prayers
 - Faithful Friends
 - And the Forgiving Tree
 - And a Job Well Done
 - Kindness Counts
 - Gives Thanks
 - And the Golden Rule
 - And the Joy of Giving
 - The Very First Christmas
 - 5 Minute Inspirational Stories: Read-Along Classics
 - And the Easter story
- 4,5 Between Us Girls Trish Donohue (go through it with mother/mentor)
- 5 Even Better than Eden: 9 Ways the Bible's Story Changes Everything about Your Story Nancy Guthrie
- 4,5 Girl Talk Carolyn Mahaney & Nicole Mahaney Whitacre (go through it with mother/mentor)
- 3,4 Hope for Each Day: 365 Devotions for Kids Billy Graham
- 4,5 My Bible Journal Mary J. Davis
- 4,5 Engage (various volumes) Good Book Company
- PC/AG 2,3,4 Girls Just Like You: Bible Women Who Trusted God (Daily Readings) Jean Stapleton

PC/AG 2,3,4 God, I Need to Talk to You Series: (these are also in Spanish)

- About Being a Bad Sport
- About Whining
- About Lying
- About Vandalism
- About Video Games
- About Healthy Eating
- About Bedtime
- About Homework
- About My Parents
- About School
- About Cheating
- About Stealing
- About Bad Manners
- About Greed
- About Feeling Sad
- About Bad Words
- About Laziness
- About Hurting Others
- About Sharing
- About Paying Attention
- About Disrespect
- About My Bad Temper
- About Bullying
- About Talking Back
- 4,5 Hanging in There John Dickson
- 4,5 How the Bible Can Change Your Life Josh Moody
- PC/AG 3,4 How to Be a Bible Beauty Catherine MacKenzie
- 4,5 How to Be Your Own Selfish Pig Susan MacAulay
- PC/AG 3,4 How to Have a Bible Make-over 4.49 Catherine MacKenzie
- PC/AG 5 Keeping Your Cool (Teen's Dealing with Their Anger Biblically) Lou Priolo
- PC/AG 4, 5 Love Is Loving Others God's Way Laura Martin
- PC/AG 2,3,4 My ABC Bible Verses from the Psalms Susan Hunt and Richie Hunt
- 3,4,5 My Kid's Prayer Journal 100 Days of Prayer and Praise Lettering Design Company
- **PC/AG 5** Sipping Saltwater Steve Hoppe
- **PC/AG 4,5** True Sarah Bradley

PC/AG 5 Lies Young Women Believe Nancy Wolgemuth

- 4,5 This Changes Everything: How the Gospel Transforms the Teen Years Jaquelle Crowe
- 4,5 What Do You Think of Me and Why Do I Care? Answers to the Big Questions of Life Ed Welch

(C) Christmas

- 2,3,4 Bake through the Bible at Christmas Susie Bentley-Taylor & Bekah Moore \$
- 1,2,3 Beginning with God at Christmas Good Book Company
- 2,3 The Berenstain Bears: The Very First Christmas
- 1,2,3 Christmas Carols for Kids: A Sing-Along Book Karen Mitzo Hilderbrand, Kim Mitzo Thompson
- 3,4,5 Christmas Carols for a Kid's Heart Bobbie Wolgemuth, Joni Eareckson Tada
- 2,3 The Christmas Promise Alison Mitchell
- 2,3 The Christmas Promise Coloring Book Alison Mitchell
- 2,3 The Christmas Story Carine MacKenzie
- 4,5 The Christmas Thingamabob Mark Dever
- 3,4,5 Come Let Us Adore Him A Daily Advent Devotional Paul David Tripp
- 1,2,3 Just Nicholas Annie Kratzach; Tessa Janes
- 1,2,3 The Littlest Watchman Advent Calendar and Book Good Book Company
- 1,2,3 Nativity Sticker Activity Book Marty Noble
- 5 The One True Story Tim Chester
- 5 Rescuing Christmas Carl Laferton
- 1,2 The Special Baby (Board Book) Hazel Scrimshire
- 1,2,3,4 When Santa Learned the Gospel Simon Camilleri
- Yes, BUT.....3,4 (5) Family Story for Advent Series Arnold Ytreeide

Definitely more of a PG level of excitement. Use with elementary/middle school age children. They are very good at helping the children see the birth of Jesus through different eyes. (But some of the devotion reflections at the end of each chapter need to be edited or skipped.... but the stories are so good, even without the devotionals.) Ask Devers or Schmuckers if you want to know more.

- Jotham's Journey
- Tabitha's Travels

(CHM) Church History and Missions

Activity Books

2,3,4, Colorful Past William Boekestein (CVBBS)

Biographies

3-4 Books Ablaze and other Historical Stories You've Got to Hear Irene Howat

3,4 Building on the Rock Series: Joel R. Beeke and Diana Kleyn

- How God Used a Snowdrift and other Devotional Stories
- And many others in this series

Christian Biographies for Young Readers Series:

- 3,4 Augustine of Hippo (Christian Biographies for Young Readers) Simonetta Carr
- 3,4 Athanasius (Christian Biographies for Young Readers) Simonetta Carr
- 3,4 Marie Durand (Christian Biographies for Young Readers) Simonetta Carr
- And many more
- 3,4 The Church History ABCs: Augustine and 25 Other Heroes of the Faith Stephen J. Nichols and Ned Bustard
- 3,4 Reformation ABCs: Augustine and 25 Other Heroes of the Faith Stephen J. Nichols and Ned Bustard
- 5 Christian Heroines: Just Like You? Catherine MacKenzie
- 2,3,4 Everyone a Child Should Know Clare Heath-Whyte
- 3, 4,5 God's Timeline: The Big Book of Church History Linda Finlayson
- 5 Gold from Dark Minds: The Journey to Conversion of 6 Famous Christians Irene Howat

3,4,5 Hidden Heroes Series (Christian Focus) Rebecca Davis

- Lights in a Dark Place: True Stories of God at Work in Colombia
- With Two Hands: Stories of God at Work in Ethiopia
- The Good News Must Go Out:
- Living Water in the Desert:
- Return of the White Book:
- Witness Men: True Stories of God at Work in Papua, Indonesia

4,5 History Lives Series (Christian Focus) 5 Volumes in the Series

Brandon and Mindy Withrow full series

- 1 Volume 1: Perils and Peace Chronicles of the Ancient Church
- Volume 2: Monks and Mystics Chronicles of the Medieval Church
- Volume 3: Courage and Conviction Chronicles of the Reformation Church
- 1 Volume 4: Hearts and Hands Chronicles of the Awakening Church
- Volume 5: Rescue and Redeem Chronicles of the Modern Church

3,4 Light Keepers Series Irene Howat

- Light Keepers for Boys: 5 Volume Box Set
- Light Keepers for Girls: 5 Volume Box Set
- Ten Girls Who Made a Difference
- Ten Girls Who Made History
- Ten Boys Who Made History
- Ten Boys Who Made a Difference
- Ten Boys Who Changed the World
- Ten Girls Who Didn't Give in

2,3 Little Lights Series: Catherine MacKenzie

- Eric Liddell: Are You Ready?
- Mary Slessor
- Lottie Moon: What Do You Need?
- Helen Roseveare: What's in the Parcel?
- Hudson Taylor: Can Somebody Pass the Salt?
- George Muller: Does Money Grow on Trees?
- C.S. Lewis: Can You Imagine?
- Corrie ten Boom: Are All of the Watches Safe?
- Little Lights Set 1
- Little Lights Set 2

3,4 Missionary Stories on Safari Lorna Eglin

3.4 RiskTakers Series

- Adventure and Faith, Book 1 Linda Finlayson
- Facing Lions J.R. Williamson; R. M. Freedman
- Fearless and Faithful Linda Finlayson
- Danger and Dedication Linda Finlayson

4,5 Tales of Persia: Missionary Stories from Islamic Iran William Miller

3,4 Torchbearers Series:

- Danger on the Hill: Margaret Wilson Martyr for Christ Catherine MacKenzie
- Jim Elliot: He is No Fool Catherine MacKenzie
- Nate Saint: Operation Auca Catherine MacKenzie
- Titanic: The Ship of Dreams: John Harper of the Titanic Catherine MacKenzie

3,4,5 Trailblazer Series: Various Authors Christian Focus (Over 40 Titles)

- George Muller: Children's Champion
- Isobel Kuhn: Lights in Lisuland
- Hudson Taylor: An Adventure Begins
- Helen Roseveare: On His Majesty's Service
- Adoniram Judson: Danger on the Streets of Gold
- Eric Liddell: Finish the Race
- Gladys Aylward: No Mountain Too High
- Paul Brand: The Shoes that Love made
- Richard Wurmbrand: A Voice in the Dark
- John Newton: A Slave Set Free
- Isobel Kuhn: Lights in Lisuland
- John G. Paton: South Sea Island Rescue
- Amy Carmichael: Rescuer By Night
- Mary Slessor: Servant to the Slave
- And many more

(EA) Education, Special Topics, and Hands-On Activities

Homeschool

The Big Book of Home Learning Mary Pride (Preschool/Elementary; Junior High/High School)

NC Complete Book of Homeschooling Resources A-Z Rebecca Rupp

For the Children's Sake Susan Macaulay

NC Home Learning Year by Year Rebecca Rupp

The Homeschooling Handbook Mary Griffith

Teaching from Rest: A Homeschooler's Guide to Unshakeable Peace Sarah MacKenzie

The Gospel for Moving Targets: Helping Active Children Grow in Grace Nancy Snyder

Favorite Other Books

- 4,5 Streams of Civilization Mary Stanton and Albert Hyma
 - Volume 1
 - Teachers Guide
 - Test Packet
 - Volume 2
 - Teachers Guide
 - Test Packet
- 2,3 Teach Your Child to Read in 100 Easy Lesson Siegfried Engelmann

Fun Activities

- NC 1,2 The Arts and Crafts Busy Book Trish Kuffner
- NC 2,3,4 The Children's Busy Book Trish Kuffner
- NC 1,2 The Toddler Busy Book Trish Kuffner
- NC 1,2,3,4 150+ Screen-free Activities Asia Citro
- NC 1,2 Play and Learn Toddler Activity Book Angela Thayer

Science and Creation

- 3,4 Big Bible Science Erin Greene
- 3,4,5 Case for the Creator Lee Stroebel
- NC 2,3,4 The Curious Kids Science Book Asia Citro

1,2,3 God Made Something Series (Find the Animal) Penny Reeves

- God Made Something Funny
- God Made Something Tall
- God Made Something Enormous
- God Made Something Amazing
- God Made Something Strong
- God Made Something Clever
- God Made Something Beautiful
- God Made Something Quick
- 3,4 Indescribable 100 Devotions about God & Science Louie Giglio

Special Needs

- NC How-To Homeschool Your Learning Abled Kid: 75 Questions Answered: For Parents of Children with
- NC Learning Disabilities or Twice Exceptional Abilities by Sandra K. Cook
- NC Learn to Read for Kids with Dyslexia (Activity Book)
- **NC** Putting on the Brakes: Understanding and Taking Control of Your ADD or ADHD Children Patricia Quinn, Judith Stern
- NC Smart But Scatttered (Executive Function Skills) Peg Dawson, EdD Richard Guare, PhD
- NC Smart But Scatttered for Teens (Executive Function Skills) Peg Dawson, EdD Richard Guare, PhD

Personality

- 1-5 Personality Plus for Parents: Understanding What Makes Your Child Tick Florence Littauer
- 1-5 Understanding Your Child's Personality by David A. Stoop

Stories to Help Kids (Learning Difficulties)

NC 2,3 Adventures of Everyday Geniuses:

- Keep Your Eye on the Prize Barbara Esham
- If You're So smart, How Come You Can't Spell Mississippi Barbara Esham
- Last to Finish A Story about the Smartest Boy in Math Class Barbara Esham
- Mrs. Gorski, I Think I Have the Wiggle Fidgets
- NC 2,3,4 The Alphabet War: A Story about Dyslexia Dian Burton Robb
- NC 2 | See Things Differently A First Look at Autism Pat Thomas
- NC 3,4 Marvin's Monster Diary ADHD Attacks! Raun Melmed

NC 2,3,4 Special Stories Series: Kate Gaynor

- A Birthday for Ben (Deafness)
- A Friend Like Simon (Autism)
- Freddie's Super Summer (Down Syndrome)
- Tom's Special Talent (Dyslexia)

Helping Kids with Anxiety and Other Common Biblical Counseling Issues

PC/AG 2,3,4 Good News for Little Heart Series:

- Zoe's Hiding Place: When You Are Anxious David Powlison
- Jax's Tail Twitches: When You Are Angry David Powlison
- Buster's Ears Trip Him Up: When You Fail Ed Welch
- PC/AG 4,5 Keeping Your Cool: A Teen's Survival Guide Priolo, Lou

Get Outta My Face! How to Reach Angry, Unmotivated Teens with Biblical Counsel Horne, Rick

Get Offa My Case: Godly Parenting of an Angry Teen Horne, Rick

God's Beautiful Plan of Diversity

- 1,2,3,4 God Made Me and You: Celebrating God's Design for Ethnic Diversity Shai Linne (There's music you can download, too)
- 2,3,4 God's Very Good Idea Trillia Newbill 11.99

Sexuality, Abuse, Courtship/Dating

5 Diary of a Teenage Girl: Caitlin Series Melody Carlson

- Becoming Me
- It's My Life
- Who Am I?
- On My Own
- I Do!

5 Diary of a Teenage Girl: Chloe Series Melody Carlson

- My Name Is Chloe
- Sold Out
- Road Trip
- Face the Music
- 1,2,3,4 God Made All of Me: A Book to Help Children Protect Their Bodies Holcomb, Justin

God's Design for Sex Series: Brenna and Stan Jones

- 2,3,4 The Story of Me
- 3,4 Before I Was Born
- 4,5 What's the Big Deal
- 4,5 Facing the Facts
- 5 Letters to a Romantic: On Dating Sean Perron
- 5 Openness Unhindered Rosario Butterfield
- 5 Secret Thoughts of an Unlikely Convert Rosario Butterfield
- 4,5 Raising Teens in a Hyper-Sexualized World: Help for Christian Parents Huie, Eliza
- 1,2,3,4 Wonderfully Made (Conception to Birth) Danika Cooley

Wise Use of Technology/Protecting Against Pornography

- 1,2,3,4 150+ Screen-free Activities Asia Citro
- 2,3 Good Pictures, Bad Pictures, Jr. Kristen A. Jenson
- 4,5 Good Pictures, Bad Pictures Kristen A. Jenson

Plugged In Parenting Bob Waliszewski

Tech-Savvy Parenting Brian Housman

Manners

- 1,2,3,4 Manners Can Be Fun Munro Leaf
- 1, 2,3,4 How to Speak Politely Munro Leaf
- 1,2,3,4 How and Why to Behave Munro Leaf

Fiction (F)

Fiction with a Christian Message

- 3,4,5 Rwendigo Tales: Myhre, Jennifer
 - A Bird, a Girl, and a Rescue
 - A Chameleon, a Boy, and a Quest
 - A Forest, a Flood, and an Unlikely Star
- 4,5 Binding of the Blade Series L.B. Graham (5 Books in Series)
- 3,4,5 The Chronicles of Narnia, Boxed Set Lewis, C. S
- 5 Diary of a Teenage Girl: Caitlin/Chloe Series Melody Carlson (honest look at the longings, struggles and dependence upon God as these two girls face high school life and beyond. Emphasis is on courtship and saving yourself for marriage, growing in the Lord)
- 4, 5 Dragon Seed Machowski, Marty
- 1,2,3 The Emily Stories: Carmichael, Stephanie; Green, Jessica 19.99 (Split up) (Matthias Media)
 - The Birthday Party
 - Grumpy Day
 - Over the Fence
 - The Rag Doll
- 4,5 Escape from Danger (Faith Finders Series Day One Publications, UK) Gill Jacobs

4 Two Worlds Books (Africa Stories)

- A Girl of Two Worlds Eglin, Lorna
- A Boy of Two Worlds Eglin, Lorna
- 4,5 Heaven, How I Got Here: The Story of he Their on the Cross Colin S. Smith Christian Focus
- 3,4 Los Tres Árboles Bilingüe (The Tale of Three Trees Bilingual Ed.) Angela Hunt

- 3,4 The Family Pilgrim's Progress: Adapted from John Bunyan's Classic Jearn Watson (Christian Focus)
- 4,5 The Pilgrim's Progress: John Bunyan's Original Story
- 2,3 Queen Victoria's Request Jeff Anderson
- 4,5 Screwtape Letters Lewis, C. S.
- 4,5 Taken, Book 1 (The Quest for Truth Series) Eastman, Brock D.
- 2,3,4 Wise Words: Family Stories That Bring the Proverbs to Life by Peter J. Leithart

Other Fiction

- 3,4 The Little House Collection Box Set (Full Color) [Box set] Wilder, Laura Ingalis
- 1,2 Motor Goose Nursery Rhymes that Go Rebecca Colby
- 2,3 Pooh Library original 4-volume set (Pooh Original Edition) Milne, A. A.
- 2,3 Three Tales of My Father's Dragon Gannett, Ruth Stiles

Gospel (G)

- 2,3,4 Gumtree Gully
- 3,4 How God Changes People: Conversion Stories from the Bible Carine MacKenzie
- 2,3,4 My 1st Book about the Gospel Carine MacKenzie

Show Them Jesus: Teaching the Gospel to Kids Jack Klumpenhower

- 1,2,3 What Is the Gospel? Mandy Groce
- 2,3,4 When Santa Learned the Gospel Camilleri, Simon
- 2,3,4 Who Will Be King (various languages)

Your Child's Confession of Faith Dennis Gunderson

Music, Audio, and DVDs (MAD)

Songbooks

- 1, 2,3,4 25 Hymns Every Child Should Know: 25 Hymns Sung by Kids with More Than 100 Pages of Printable Sheet Music Karen Mitzo Hilderbrand, Kim Mitzo Thompson
- 1,2,3 Christmas Carols for Kids a Sing a long book Karen Mitzo Hilderbrand, Kim Mitzo Thompson (CBD)
- 1,2,3,4,5 Christmas Carols for a Kids Heart Joni E. Tada, Bobbie Wolgemuth
- 1,2,3,4,5 Hosanna Loud Hosannas Student Hymnal
- 1,2,3,4,5 Hosanna Loud Hosannas Student Hymnal Piano Accompaniment
- 1,2 My First Hymn Book Clare Simpson
- 1,2 (3) My First Hymnal 75 Favorite Bible Songs and What They Mean Karyn Henley

Getty Hymn CD's

- 1-5 Family Hymn Sing
- 1-5 For the Cause
- 1-5 In Christ Alone

1,2,3 Hidden in My Heart Series

- Volume 1
- Volume 3
- Volume 3

Bible Stories, Bible Truths:

- 1,2,3,4 J Is for Jesus
- 1,2,3,4 Praise Factory Investigators music and Sing along book Constance Dever

1,2,3 Rain for Roots Series:

- Big Stories for Little Ones
- Waiting Songs
- The Kingdom of Heaven Is Like This

Bible Verses

- 1,2,3,4 Hide 'em in Your Heart: Volumes 1 & 2 Steven Green
- 1,2,3,4,5 Fighter Verse Songs 78Truth (Children Desiring God)
- 1,2,3,4 Praise Factory Bible verse Songs Free downloads of over 200 Bible verses set to music (praisefactory.org)
- 1,2,3,4 Seeds Family Worship CDs 1-10

Fiction/Historical Fiction Stories:

2,3,4 Adventures in Odyssey

- The Adventure Begins
- Up in the Air
- Under the Surface
- Discovering The Odyssey
- Ultimate Road Trip
- Bible Eyewitness Collection
- Silver Celebration
- And many more

Catechisms

1,2,3,4,5 Westminster Shorter Catechism in Song set of 4

Audio Books

Special Device:

2,3,4 Children's Wonder Bible Over 500 stories, songs, etc. for kids to listen to. Especially catering to the go-to-bed with a story crowd. Little, hand-held device with re-chargeable battery. Great Ipad-less choice.

Podcasts:

Renewing Your Mind:

R.C. Sproul Reading his books: The Prince with the Dirty Clothes, etc.

Librivox

Has free audiobooks of public domain classics. Quality of reader can be hit or miss.

<u>Audible</u>

There are too many to list. Use the books on this list to search for audio versions.

Here are some I found ...

Theology/Redemptive History

The Biggest Story DeYong Audio

The Biggest Story DeYong DVD

The Garden, the Curtain and the Cross Laferton, Carl; Echeverri, Catalina

Non-Fiction Audio Books:

5 Unbroken Laura Hillenbrand

Bible Stories

Beginner Bible Audio

The Action Bible Devotional Jeremy Jones

The Action Bible Jeremy Jones

God's Good News (Billy Graham)

Berenstain Bears Storybook Bible

The Bible Comes Alive Your Story Hour 2,3,4 Sound effects, old classic! English and Spanish Versions

(P) Parenting

Pregnancy

Waiting in Wonder Growing in Faith while You're Expecting Catherine Claire Larson

Babies/Toddlers

NC Secrets of the Baby Whisperer Tracy Hogg

NC CAREFUL Secrets of the Baby Whisperer for Toddlers Tracy Hogg

This secular book has some great ideas for communicating with your child. However, as you might expect, it has no place for spanking. Use it as a helpful side resource that supplements (but does not replace) Christian books on parenting.

Preschool

NC CAREFUL How to Talk so Little Kids Will Listen: A Survival Guide to Life with Children Ages 2-7 by Joanna Faber

This secular book has some great ideas for communicating with your child. Use it as a helpful side resource that supplements (but does not replace) Christian books on parenting.

NC New First Three Years of Life: Completely Revised and Updated Burton L. White

This secular book is based on Dr. White's 37 years of actual observation and research of the developmental stages children 0 to 3 years go through. He gives very commonsense tips everything from best toys to buy to dealing with many common issues parents face with their child. Interestingly, Dr. White's observations about what works best with children echoes much of biblical wisdom. Use it in combination with other Christian books on parenting.

Grade School

The Heart of Anger Lou Priolio

Workbook for the Heart of Anger: Practical Help for the Prevention and Cure of Anger in Children

Lou Priolio

NC CAREFUL How to Talk So Kids Will Listen & Listen So Kids Will Talk Adele and Joanna Faber

This secular book has some great ideas for communicating with your child. However, as you might expect, it has no place for spanking. Use it as a helpful side resource that supplements (but does not replace) Christian books on parenting.

CAREFUL Parenting with Love and Logic: Teaching Children Responsibility Foster Cline and Jim Fay

This pseudo-Christian book has some great ideas for using consequences to help build responsibility with your child, but is lacking in other areas. Only as a helpful side resource that supplements (but does not replace) Christian books on parenting.

Pre-Teens

Between Us Girls Trish Donohue (go through it with mother/mentor)

Girl Talk Carolyn Mahaney & Nicole Mahaney Whitacre (go through it with mother/mentor)

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<u>Teens</u>

Age of Opportunity Paul Tripp

Between Us Girls Trish Donohue (go through it with mother/mentor)

Girl Talk Carolyn Mahaney & Nicole Mahaney Whitacre (go through it with mother/mentor)

Help! My Teen Is Rebellious Dave and Judi Coats

CAREFUL Parenting Teens with Love and Logic: Teaching Children Responsibility Foster Cline and Jim Fay

This pseudo-Christian book has some great ideas for using consequences to help build responsibility with your child, but is lacking in other areas. Only as a helpful side resource that supplements (but does not replace) Christian books on parenting.

Get Outta My Face! How to Reach Angry, Unmotivated Teens with Biblical Counsel Horne, Rick

Get Offa My Case: Godly Parenting of an Angry Teen Horne, Rick

Parenting Adolescents Kevin Huggins

All Ages

A Mother's Heart: A Look at Values, Vision and character for the Christian Mother Jean Fleming

Child Proof Julie Lowe

Faith at Home: A Handbook for Cautiously Christian Parents Wendy Barrie

Treasuring Christ When Your Hands Are Full: Gospel Meditations for Busy Moms Gloria Furman

Your Child's Profession of Faith Dennis Gundersen

Praying through the Bible for Your Kids Nancy Guthrie

Raising Kids in the Way of Grace Bob Kelleman

Gospel-Centred Family: Becoming the Parents God Wants You to Be Ed Moll, Tim Chester GBC

You Never Stop Being a Parent: Thriving in Relationship with Your Adult Child Jim Neuheiser Elyse Fitzpatrick

Parenting: 14 Gospel Principles That Can Radically Change Your Family Paul Tripp

The Shepherd Leader at Home Timothy Z. Witmer

Raising Real Men: Surviving, Teaching and Appreciating Boys Hal and Melanie Young

Theology and Redemptive History (TRH)

- 1, 2,3 The Garden, the Curtain and the Cross Laferton, Carl; Echeverri, Catalina
- 4,5 Visual Theology: Seeing and Understanding the Truth about God (w/Study Guide) Challies, Tim; Byers, Josh
- 2,3,4 The Biggest Story Kevin DeYong
- 1,2,3 What Every Child Should Know About Prayer Guthrie, Nancy
- 1,2,3 God Is King MacKenzie
- 3,4 Indescribable 100 Devotions about God & Science Louie Giglio
- 1,2,3 My God Is So Big MacKenzie
- 2,3,4 The Ology: Ancient Truths Ever New Machowski, Marty (There's music, too)
- 1,2,3,4 Words about God: To Help You Worship Him Choy, Nicholas
- 1,2,3 God Is Better than Trucks Sarah Reju
- 4,5 Young Person's Guide to Knowing God St. John, Patricia
- 1,2,3 Everything a Child Should Know about God Taylor, Kenneth N.; Brake, Jenny
- 3,4, The Radical Book for Kids Champ Thornton