



INFORMATION

Summer Reading List

The following is a list of recommended reading resources for children of all ages.

For information about other books, check out our *Thriving Family* reviews for parents at <http://www.thrivingfamily.com/Family/Media/book-review-archives.aspx>. We cover content, themes, and worldview of fiction books to help you decide whether a book is appropriate for your children.

Ages 0 - 4		
TITLE	AUTHOR	VENDOR
Baby Bible: Teach Me to Pray and Sing	Robin Currie	Cook Communications
Baby's First Book of Blessings	Stephen Elkins	Broadman & Holman
Baby's First Book of Prayers	Stephen Elkins	Broadman & Holman
Baby's First Book of Psalms	Stephen Elkins	Broadman & Holman
Baby's First Prayers	Muff Singer	Standard Publishing
Beginner's Bible for Toddlers	Kelley Pulley	ZonderKidz
Bible Story Time with Mr. Bear	Alan and Linda Parry	Standard Publishing
Big Thoughts for Little Thinkers Series	Joey Allen	New Leaf Press
BOZ Boardbook Series	Mark Bernthal	ZonderKidz
Candle Bible for Toddlers	Tim Dowley	Kregel Publishing
Children's Bible Basics Series	Carolyn Nystrom	Moody Publishing
Child's Garden of Bible Stories	Arthur Gross	Concordia Publishing
Count Your Blessings!	Patricia Reeder Eubank	Ideals Publications
Giant Bible Jigsaw Book	Tim Dowley / Sylvia Ward	Kregel Publishing
God and Me! Devotions for Girls (Ages 2-5)	Lynn Marie-Ittner Klammer	Legacy Press
God Counts Series	Mindy MacDonald	Multnomah
God's Light, Shining Bright	Allia Zobel-Nolan	Kregel Publishing
God's Wonderful Plan	Allia Zobel-Nolan	Kregel Kidzone
Gotta Have God: Fun Devotions for Boys (Ages 2-5)	Lynn Marie-Ittner Klammer	Legacy Press
Her First Bible	Melody Carlson	ZonderKidz
Hermie & Friends Boardbook Series	Max Lucado	Tommy Nelson
I Love You This Much	Lynn Hodges / Sue Buchanan	ZonderKidz
If Jesus Came to Visit Me	Jill Roman Lord	Ideals Publications
Larry Burkett's How Things Work Series	Larry Burkett	Cook Communications
Legend of the Three Trees	Catherine McCafferty	Tommy Nelson
Listen, Live & Laugh Bible Stories	Christine Harder Tangvald / Rondi Deboer	ZonderKidz

TITLE	AUTHOR	VENDOR
Little Blessings Series	Various	Tyndale Kids
Little One, God Made You	Amy Hilliker / Rick Warren	Zondervan
Little Visits for Toddlers	Mary Manz Simon	Concordia Publishing
Many-Colored Blessings	Dandi Daley Mackall	Tyndale Kids
Pop-Up Bible Adventures	Tim Dowley	Kregel Publishing
Prayer Time with Mr. Bear	Alan and Linda Parry	Standard Publishing
Special Times Bible Promises for Toddlers	Stephen Elkins	Broadman & Holman
The Good Shepherd & the Little Lost Lamb	Allia Zobel-Nolan	Standard Publishing
The LullaBible Series	Stephen Elkins	Broadman & Holman
Toddler First Virtues Series	Mary Manz Simon	Standard Publishing
Toddlers Bible	Gilbert Beers	Cook/FaithKids
Veggie Tales Books	Various	ZonderKidz
Wemmicks Boardbook Series	Max Lucado	Crossway Books

Ages 4-8		
TITLE	AUTHOR	VENDOR
Adopted and Loved Forever	Annetta Dellinger	Concordia Publishing House
Adventures of Rowdy Raccoon	Donna Braymer	Sable Creek Press
Arch Bible Story Series		Concordia Publishing House
Bailey & Canteen Series	Eddy Bolten	Standard Publishing
Big, Bad Bible Bullies	Scott Hagan	Strang Communications
Character Builder Series	Tony Salerno	New Leaf Press
Christopher Churchmouse Series	Barbara Davoll	Tyndale House
Creepy Creatures and Bizarre Beasts from the Bible	Rick Osborne / Ed Strauss	ZonderKidz
Daniel and the Lion's Den (Happy Day Books)		Standard Publishing
Day-by-Day Begin to Read Bible	Karyn Henley	Tyndale Kids
Emily's Bracelet	Kandilyn Marting	Cook Communications
Go Away Dark Night	Liz Curtis Higgs	WaterBrook Press
God and Me! Devotions for Girls (Ages 6-9)	Diane Cory	Legacy Press
God Gave Us Two	Lisa Tawn Bergren	WaterBrook Press
God Gave Us You	Lisa Tawn Bergren	WaterBrook Press
God Is with You	Larry Libby	ZonderKidz
God, I Need to Talk Series	Dan Carr	Concordia Publishing House
God Made Dinosaurs (Happy Day Books)		Standard Publishing
Gotta Have God: Cool Devotions for Boys (Ages 6-9)	Diane Cory	Legacy Press
Grandmother's Book of Promises	Karen Hill	WaterBrook Press
Grandpa, Is There a Heaven?	Katherine Bohlmann	Concordia Publishing House
Growing Reader's Phonics Bible	Joy MacKenzie	Tyndale Kids
Guido's Gondola	Renee Riva	Random House
Heroes for Young Readers Series	Renee Meloche	Ywam Publishing
His Little Princess	Sheri Rose Shepherd	Multnomah Books

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How In the World? (Sticker Book)	Cindy Kenney	ZonderKidz
I Can Read the Bible Series		Ideals Publications
I'm Not Afraid Series	Dandi Daley Makall	Thomas Nelson
Jesus Wants All of Me	Phil A. Smouse	Barbour Publishing
Let Me Hold You Longer	Karen Kingsbury	Tyndale Kids
Little Bible (Various Colors)		Cook Communications
Little Pilgrim's Progress	Helen Taylor	Moody Publishers
Made for a Purpose	Dandi Daley Makall	Zondervan
Mrs. Twiggenbotham Goes to Town	Emily King	Kregel Publications
My Father's World		Standard Publishing
One Lost Sheep	Rhonda Greene	ZonderKidz
Piper Steals the Show	Mark Lowry, Martha Bolton	Howard Publishing
Princess and the Kiss	Jennie Bishop	Warner Press
Shaoey & Dot	Steven Curtis & Mary Beth Chapman	Thomas Nelson
Squire and the Scroll	Jennie Bishop	Warner Press
The Best Bad Day	DeVilliers Family	WaterBrook Press
The Hidden Prince	Jeffery Burkart	Concordia Publishing House
The Legend of the Three Trees	Catherine McCafferty	Thomas Nelson
Tough Stuff for Kids Series	Heather Gemmen	Cook Communications
Treasury of NT Stories	Patricia Pingry	Ideals Publications
Treasury of OT Heroes	Patricia Pingry	Ideals Publications
VeggieTales Books	Various	ZonderKidz
When the Creepy Things Come Out	Melody Carlson	Broadman & Holman

Ages 8 - 12		
TITLE	AUTHOR	VENDOR
A Piece of My Mind	Linda Washington	Tyndale Kids
About-Face Space Race	Robert Elmer	Bethany House Publishing
Adventures in Odyssey Passages Series	Paul McCusker	Tyndale Kids
Amazing and Unexplainable Things in the Bible	Rick Osborne	ZonderKidz
Andrea Carter and the Long Ride Home	Susan Marlow	Kregel Publications
Annie Henry Adventures in the American Revolution	Susan Olasky	Crossway Books
Between: A Girl's Guide to Life	Vicki Courtney	Broadman & Holman
Bible Heroes and Bad Guys	Rick Osborne	ZonderKidz
Bible Wars and Weapons	Rick Osborne	ZonderKidz
Chronicles of Narnia Series	C.S. Lewis	Harper Collins
Cooper Kids' Adventure Series	Frank Peretti	Crossway Books
Faith Factor NT Thru-the-Bible Devotions	Jackie Perseghetti	Cook Communications
Faith Factor OT Thru-the-Bible Devotions	Jackie Perseghetti	Cook Communications
Girls Like You: A-to-Z Activities for Girls Like You	Sandra Byrd	Bethany House Publishing
Gotta Have God, Volume 2 (Boys, Ages 10-12)	Michael Brewer	Legacy Press
Guardian Angel Series	Sigmund Brouwer	Bethany House Publishing
Heads Up!	Dave Branon	ZonderKidz
Hyperlinkz Series	Robert Elmer	WaterBrook Press
It Couldn't Just Happen	Larwrence Richards	Thomas Nelson
Keystone Stable Series	Marsha Hubler	Zondervan

TITLE	AUTHOR	VENDOR
King Cousins Series	L.M. Montgomery	ZonderKidz
Landon Snow Series	R.K. Mortenson	Barbour Publishing
Left Behind: The Young Trib Force Series (Ages 10-14)	Jerry Jenkins / Tim LaHaye	Tyndale House Publishers
Liberty Letters Series	Nancy LeSourd	ZonderKidz
Life of Faith Series	Martha Finley	Zondervan
Mandie Series	Lois Gladys Leppard	Bethany House Publishing
Mars Diaries	Sigmund Brouwer	Tyndale Kids
Matterhorn the Brave Series	Mike Harnel	AMG Publishers
New Sugar Creek Gang	Pauline Wilson, Sandy Dengler	Moody Publishers
Parker Twin Series	Jeanette Windle	Journeyforth
Promised Land Diaries: Priceless Jewel at the Well	Anne Tyra Adams	Baker Books
Red Rock Mysteries Series	Jerry B. Jenkins & Chris Fabry	Tyndale Kids
Reel Kids Adventures	Dave Gustavson	YWAM Publishers
Rugendo Rhino's Series	Shel Arensen	Kregel Publications
Secret Journals of Bible-Time Kids	Bonnie Bruno	Cook Communications
Sisters in Time Series	JoAnn Grote	Barbour Publishing
Sneak Peek Into the Future	Kay Arthur / Janna Arndt	Harvest House Publishers
So You're About to Be a Teenager	Dennis & Barbara Rainey	Thomas Nelson
Soul Surfer Series	Bethany Hamilton / Rick Bundschuh	ZonderKidz
Surviving When You're Home Alone	Sandy Silverthorne	Standard Publishing
The Left Behind Kids Series	Tim LaHaye & Jerry B. Jenkins	Tyndale House
The Lily Series	Nancy Rue	ZonderKidz
The Peaceful Warrior	Anne Tyra Adams	Baker Books
The Ponytail Girl Series	Bonnie Compton Hanson	Legacy Press
The Story Girls Series	L.M. Montgomery	Zondervan
The Wall Trilogy (Candy Bombers, Beetle Bunker, Smugglers Treasure)	Robert Elmer	ZonderKidz
Values and Virtues Book	Nancy Rue	ZonderKidz
Viking Quest Series	Lois Walfrid Johnson	Moody Publishers
William Wilberforce: The Freedom Fighter	Derick Bingham	Christian Focus Publications
Young American Patriot Series	Susan Olasky	Crossway Books
Young Women of Faith Library	Nancy Rue	ZonderKidz

For Teens (Ages 13 and Up)		
TITLE	AUTHOR	VENDOR
10 Commandments of Dating: Student Edition	Ben Young & Samuel Adams	Thomas Nelson
2 Die 4: The Dangerous Truth About Following Christ	Ryan Dobson	Multnomah Books
2 Live 4: Born to Be Wild	Ryan Dobson	Multnomah Books
A Friend at Midnight	Caroline B. Cooney	Random House
Airborne: Getting Your Faith Off the Ground	Jose Zayas	FOF/Tyndale House
And the Bride Wore White (ages 16+)	Dannah Gresh	Moody Publishers
Apples of Gold: A Parable of Purity	Lisa Samson	Random House
Be Intolerant: Because Some things Are Really Stupid	Ryan Dobson	Tyndale House
Be the Change	Zach Hunter	Zondervan
Beauty Secrets: Tips for Teens	Dr. Deborah Newman & Rachel Newman	FOF/Tyndale House
Becoming Beka Series	Sarah Anne Sumpolec	Moody Publishers
Beyond Belief to Conviction	Josh McDowell	FOF/Tyndale House

TITLE	AUTHOR	VENDOR
Bloom: A Girl's Guide to Growing Up	Susie Shellenberger	FOF/Tyndale House
Boom: A Guy's Guide to Growing Up	Micheal Ross	FOF/Tyndale House
Boy Meets Girl: Say Hello to Courtship	Joshua Harris	Multnomah Books
Brio Girls Series	Lissa Johnson	FOF/Tyndale House
Busting Free: Helping Youth Discover Their Identity in Christ	Neil T. Anderson	Thomas Nelson
Can You Handle the Truth?	Phil Chalmers	Barbour Publishing
Case for Christ: Student Edition	Lee Strobel, Jane Vogel	Zondervan
Case for the Faith: Student Edition	Lee Strobel, Jane Vogel	Zondervan
Chase, The	Jerry Bridges	NavPress
Checklist for Life for Teens	Marcia Ford	Thomas Nelson
Christy	Catherine Marshall	Avon
Chronicles of Narnia Series	C.S. Lewis	Harpercollins
Dare 2 Share	Greg Stier	FOF/Tyndale House
Deceivers, The	Josh McDowell & Bob Hostetler	Green Key Books
Define the Relationship	Jeremy Clark	WaterBrook Press
Do Hard Things: A Teenage Rebellion Against Low Expectations	Alex Harris / Brett Harris	Multnomah Books
Facing Your Giants: Teen Edition	Max Lucado	Thomas Nelson
For Young Women Only: What You Need to Know About How Guys Think	Shanti Feldhahn	Multnomah Books
Girl Talk with God	Susie Shellenberger	Thomas Nelson
Girls of Grace: Make It Real	Point of Grace	Howard Books
How to Stay Christian in High School	Steve Gerali	Th1nk Books / NavPress
It's Not About Me: Teen Edition	Max Lucado	Thomas Nelson
Jesus Among Other Gods: Youth Edition	Ravi Zacharias	Thomas Nelson
Kingdom Series	Chuck Black	Multnomah Books
Left Behind: The Young Trib Force Series (Ages 10-14)	Jerry Jenkins / Tim LaHaye	Tyndale House Publishers
Lets Talk: Good Stuff for Girlfriends About God, Guys and Growing Up	Danae Dobson	FOF/Tyndale House
Lord of the Rings, The	J.R.R. Tolkien	Houghton-Mifflin
Nine Things Teens Should Know	Joe White & Nicholas Comminellis	New Leaf Press
No Apologies: The Truth About Life, Love & Sex	Jim Ware	FOF/Tyndale House
One Year Book of Devotions for Teens	Susie Shellenberger	Tyndale Kids
One Year Devos for Teens 2	Susie Shellenberger	Tyndale Kids
Priceless: Discovering True Love, Beauty, and Confidence	Chandra Peele	New Hope Publishers
Pure Excitement	Joe White	FOF/Tyndale House
Quest for Celestia	Steven James	Thirsty
Renegade Series	Jerry B. Jenkins & John Perrodin	Thomas Nelson
Rock Your World	Susie Shellenberger	Beacon Hill Press
Saving My First Kiss	Lisa Velthouse	Gospel Light
Search for Significance: Student Edition	Robert McGee	Thomas Nelson
Secret Keeper: The Delicate Power of Modesty	Dannah Gresh	Moody Publishers
Secret Power to Faith, Family, and Getting a Guy	Susie Shellenberger	Zondervan/Youth Specialties
Secret Power to Treasures, Purity and a Good Complexion	Susie Shellenberger	Zondervan/Youth Specialties
Signs	Michael W. Smith	Thomas Nelson
Stand: Core Truths You Must Know for an Unshakeable Faith	Alex McFarland	FOF/Tyndale House

TITLE	AUTHOR	VENDOR
Total Devotion: 365 Days to Hang Tight with Jesus	Kevin Johnson	Bethany House
Tribe Series	Michael Ross	FOF/Tyndale House
Truth: Seeing Black and White in a Gray World	Dave Bordon	Barbour Publishing
Undefeated: Catching Inspiration and Hope Thrown by Athletes of Integrity	Dave Branon	Bethany House
Walking with Bilbo: A Devotional Adventure Through the Hobbit	Sarah Arthur	Thirsty
Walking with Frodo	Sarah Arthur	Thirsty
Want More? Series	Various	FOF/Tyndale House
When Teens Pray	Cheri Fuller	Multnomah Books
Wired for a Life of Worship	Louie Giglio	Multnomah Books
You're Next	Greg Stier	Focus on the Family
YUN: The Illustrated Story of the Heavenly Man	Brother Yun & Paul Hattaway	Kregel Publications