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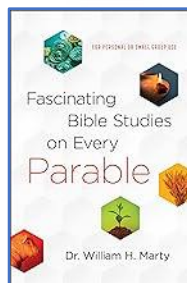
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NEW RESOURCES

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Fascinating Bible Studies on Every Parable, William Henry Marty (226.806 Mar)

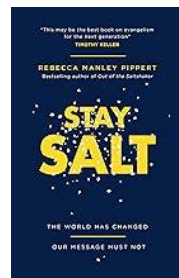


Spurgeon's Sermons, Volumes 1-10, Charles Haddon Spurgeon (252 Spu)

Offer Yourselves to God; Vocation, Work, and Ministry in Paul's Epistles, Gordon D. Fee (227 Fee)

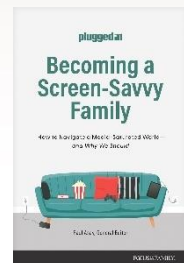
Christian Living and Biographies

Stay Salt: The World Has Changed. Our Message Must Not, Rebecca Manley Pippert (269 Pip)



The Jordan River Rules: 10 God-given Strategies for Moving Forward, Robert J. Morgan (248.4 Mor)

Becoming a Screen-Savvy Family: How to Navigate a Media-Saturated World – and Why We Should, Paul Asay, gen. ed. (303.483 Asa)



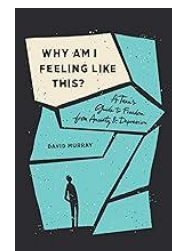
52 ways to Connect with Your Smartphone Obsessed Kid: How to Engage with Kids Who Can't Seem to Pry Their Eyes from Their Devices, Jonathan R. McKee (303.483 McK)

Twilight's Last Gleaming: Can America Be Saved? Todd Starnes (320.52 Sta)



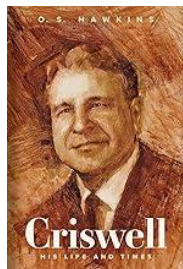
The Original 13: A Documentary History of Religion in America's First Thirteen States, William J. Federer (973 Fed)

Why Am I Feeling Like This? A Teen's Guide to Freedom from Anxiety and Depression, David Murray (305.23 Mur)



Biblical Grandparenting: Exploring God's Design for Disciple-making and Passing Faith to Future Generations, Josh Mulvihill (259.1 Mul)

Criswell: His Life and Times,
O.S. Hawkins (Biog Criswell)



Homeschooling

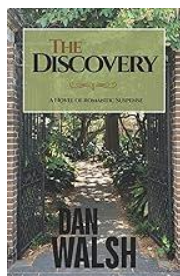
The Educated Child: A Parent's Guide from Preschool through Eighth Grade, William J. Bennett (HS 371.192 Ben)

Spanish Resources

Los 5 Lenguajes del Amor, Gary Chapman
(SPANISH 306.81 Cha)

Fiction

The Discovery, Dan Walsh
(813 Wal)

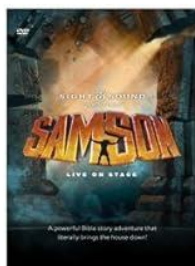


Set in Stone, #2 Treasures of the Earth series, Kimberley Woodhouse (813 Woo Tre 02)

Pious Deception, Joan Hetzler
(813 Het)

DVDs

Samson, Sight & Sound Theatres (DVD 221.92 Sam)



Kids Beach Club: Season Two, Kids Beach Club, Inc.
(DVD J268.6 Kid)

Precept upon Precept: Ephesians: The Church: Rooted in Love, Walking in Power, Kay Arthur
(TEACH DVD 227.5)

Precept upon Precept: Colossians and Philemon, Kay Arthur
(TEACH DVD 227.7)



Precept upon Precept: 1 Thessalonians, Kay Arthur (TEACH DVD 227.81)

Precept upon Precept: 2 Thessalonians, Kay Arthur (TEACH DVD 227.82)

CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

The Berenstain Bears and the Bad Dream, Stan Berenstain (CE Ber)

The Shadow and the Promise, Martin Machowski
(J220.9505 Mac)



The Bear Who Wouldn't Share and A Monkey's Uncle, Jungle Jam Chapter Books, Nathan Carlson (C Fic Jun)

The Monkey Who Cried "Walrus!" and Time to Watch the Clock, Jungle Jam Chapter Books, Phil Lollar (C Fic Jun)

King Liar and How Green was My Sully, Jungle Jam Chapter Books, Jeff Parker (C Fic Jun)

The Taming of the Shoe and Jane Bear, Jungle Jam Chapter Books, Jeff Parker (C Fic Jun)



Justin & Jessie Build a Biblical Foundation, Linda Moore and Evonne Krell (SC Moo)

This I Know: Seeing God in the World He Made, Clay Anderson (J231.7 And)

Do I Belong? Reassuring Kids Adopted from Foster Care, Carey Koenig, Reid Koenig & Halley Koenig (J362.734 Koe)

Baby Signs: A Baby-Sized Introduction to Speaking with Sign Language, Joy Allen
(BOARD 419.1 All)

ABC Bible Verses for Little Ones, Rebecca Lutzer (C220.9505 Lut)

Maria Fearing: The Girl Who Dreamed of Distant Lands, Karen Ellis (CB Fearing)

God's Go-Togethers: A Celebration of God's Design for People, Sam Allbery (CE All)

Build, Emily Lex (CE Lex)

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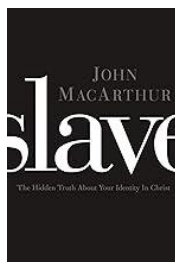
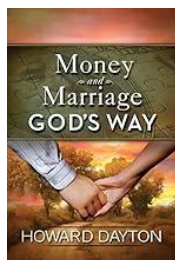
Money and Marriage God's Way, Howard Dayton (e-audio)

The Ark, the Reed and the Fire Cloud, Jenny L. Cote (e-book)

This Seat's Saved, Heather Holleman (e-book)

Slave: The Hidden Truth about Your Identity in Christ, John MacArthur (e-audio)

The Consequences of Ideas: Understanding the Concepts that Shaped Our World, R. C. Sproul (e-audio)



The Spiritual Warfare Answer Book, David Jeremiah (e-audio)

A Max Lucado Children's Treasury: A Child's First Collection, Max Lucado (e-book)

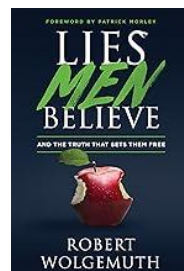
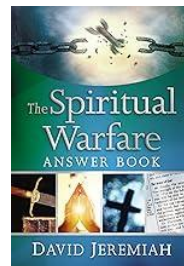
The Snapping of the American Mind, David Kupelian (e-audio)

True Devotion: Uncommon Heroes series, book 1, Dee Henderson (e-audio)

True Honor: Uncommon Heroes series, book 2, Dee Henderson (e-audio)

True Valor: Uncommon Heroes series, book 3, Dee Henderson (e-audio)

Lies Men Believe: And The Truth that Sets Them Free, Robert A. Wolgemuth (e-book)

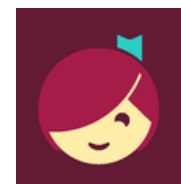


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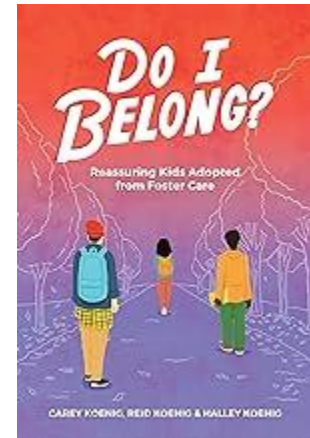
REVIEWS

Do I Belong?

Reassuring Kids Adopted from Foster Care

by Carey Koenig, Reid Koenig, and Halley Koenig,
published by Focus on the Family.

Find it in the Children's Library at J362.734 Koe.



As a previous foster mom, I have a special place in my heart for children aging out of the foster system and would love for every child who is aging out to receive a copy of **Do I Belong?** This book offers so much hope to a foster child as it shares so many examples of family dynamics with foster children. Most foster and adoptive children will find part of their story in this book. It is a great encourager of how God is available to change lives for everyone, including foster and adoptive children. He has a plan for all foster children to thrive in this world with Him.

The authors include stories of famous people who were fostered and adopted, including Steve Jobs (founder of Apple Inc.); Faith Hill and her husband, Tim McGraw (musicians); Dave Thomas (founder of Wendy's); and Nancy Reagan (wife of President Ronald Reagan).

There are several Scriptures referenced for working through different emotions that foster and adoptive children experience. Chapters focus on questions that many foster kids have, such as:

- Is it okay if I get mad at my birth parents?
- What if some people make fun of me for being adopted?
- Could I ever be given away?

Great questions for family discussions at the end of each chapter and a glossary at the end round out the book. Also, the book ends with a precious prayer. —**Rhonda Barlow, reviewer**

This I Know,

Seeing God in The World He Made

by Clay Anderson, illustrated by Natalie Merheb.

Find it in the Children's Library at C231.7 And.



This book is going to be one of my favorite picture books for children. Based on the words of the song we all know, “Jesus loves me, this I know,” the reader takes a road trip with two girls, two boys, their mother and father. The trip takes them to the beach, to the meadows, to sunshine, through a storm, into fallen leaves and to snow on the mountain top. The illustrations are exceptional, perfectly matched to the text

with colors that soar. Written for children ages 3 to 6, grades 1 and 2, this book will be a joy for all ages. Adding to the fun, while reading this book, look for the Scripture verses that are hidden in the illustrations. Then look up the verses in your Bible (New Living Translation) and be encouraged and comforted by His Word.

Other reviews were favorable, 4.9 stars out of 5 (2,854 global reviews). One reviewer's remark that was particularly helpful stated this book, "tells a story of God without being pushy or bias." It just might be a great gift for someone who needs to know "Jesus loves them, this I know." – **Martha Clark, reviewer**

Maria Fearing, The Girl Who Dreamed of Distant Lands

by K. A. Ellis, illustrated by Isabel Munoz

This biography is part of the *Do Great Things for God* series. Find it in the Children's Library at CB Fearing.

As a young girl, Maria lived in the United States, in the state of Alabama, but she yearned to visit a faraway place, a continent called Africa. She learned about God in the slaves' secret late-night church in the forest and believed there was nothing too difficult for her God. When the slaves were freed, Maria was 27 years old. She became a teacher and when she was 56 years old, she moved to the Belgian Congo. She worked as a teacher there and helped translate the Bible into their language. She opened a school for girls and protected many African children from slavery.

At the end of the book there is a photograph of Maria and a timeline of her life, where she lived and what she did. More resources about her life can be downloaded from thegoodbook.com/kids-resources.
– **Martha Clark, reviewer**

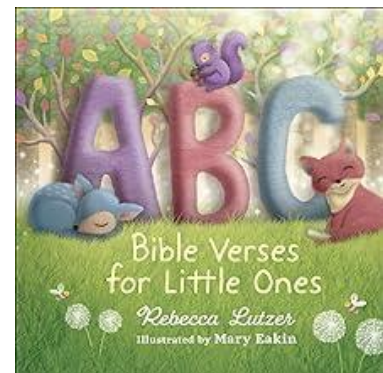


A-B-C Bible Verses for Little Ones

by Rebecca Lutzer, illustrated by Mary Eakin.

Find it in the Children's Library at C220.9505 Lut.

This book can help children learn God's Word while practicing their A-B-C's. Each page introduces a letter of the alphabet, shows how to write it, teaches a word that starts with the letter, and gives a Bible verse using that word. The illustrations of children and animals, birds and fish, meadows and sky are quiet and calm and help teach the meaning of the word for that letter.



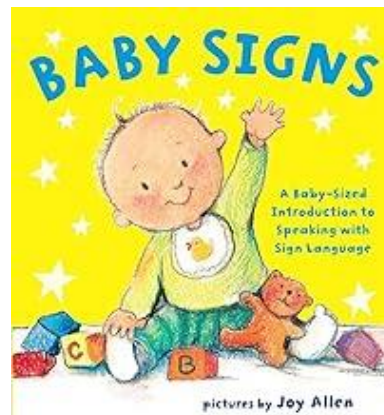
After the last page of the alphabet (Z for Zion), the author has written a letter to the children about the Bible and God's love for them. – **Martha Clark, reviewer**

Baby Signs: A Baby-Sized Introduction to Speaking with Sign Language

by Joy Allen.

Find it in the Children's Library at BOARD All.

This is a fun book! A board book that's just the right size, 6 1/2 inches by 7 inches. Bright yellow cover with a super cute baby waving as if to say "Hey, let's talk?" There are thirteen signs to teach a baby as young as six months. Older children can learn these signs too and teach them to younger brothers and sisters. In the information about this book, it says that babies who are taught sign language are less frustrated, have fewer tantrums, and may learn to talk easier. Now that's a super good reason to select this book for the FBA Media Library. I recommend it! – **Martha Clark, reviewer**



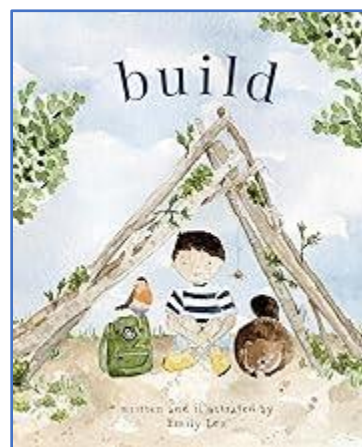
Build

Written and illustrated by Emily Lex.

Find it in the Children's Library at CE Lex.

The story begins with this Bible verse: "For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago." Ephesians 2:10. I was unable to locate this translation so it may be a paraphrase by the author.

This story is about a young boy who loves to build, and how God helps him learn who He made him to be. Brady boy builds all day and dreams about building at night. While hiking outdoors, he learns ways to build from Mr. Beaver, The Itsy-Bitsy Spider and Mama Bird, but their ways don't work for him. Then he has his own idea. A wonderful idea. A great idea. The best idea.



The story is calming, meant for bedtime or nap time, to quiet a restless child or sooth a hurt. The watercolor illustrations define the scenes and the action perfectly. This author/illustrator's work is superb. I recommend this book for the FBA Media Library. – **Martha Clark, reviewer**

Library Reminders

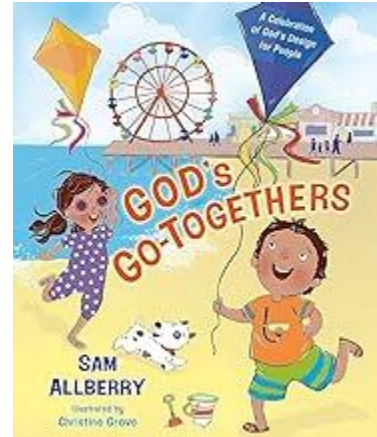
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God's Go-Togethers, A Celebration of God's Design for People

by Sam Allberry, Illustrated by Christine Grove.

Find it in the Children's Library at CE All.

Ethan and Lila are spending the day with Aunt May at the beach. All day they are finding pairs, things that go together – mustard and hot dogs, powdered sugar and donuts, a net and volleyball, wind and a kite, a bucket and shovel, a mask and snorkel. They thought of other pairs that God made when He made the world – the sun and the moon, the sand and the sea, men and women. Aunt May tells them “When God made all the other pairs in creation, He said they were good...But when He made men and women together, He said it was very good. This pair is extra special to Him.” Children are led to understand marriage of a man and woman is God's plan and it is good. The illustrations have color and energy, are meaningful and support the dialogue. The last page of the book is the Parent Connection page written by the author with this applicable Bible verse (Genesis 2:24), an explanation of what God intended marriage to be, and questions to think about and discuss. This is a really good book for assuring young children that God had a plan and a reason for making men and women. They are a pair to go together. That's what marriage is all about. It was /is God's plan. – **Martha Clark, reviewer**

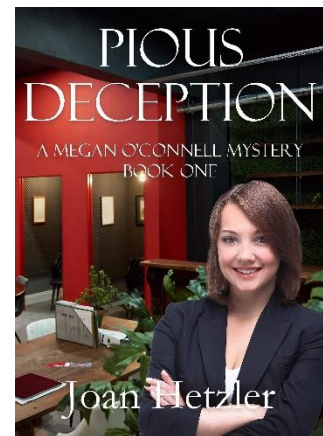


Pious Deception, A Megan O'Connell Mystery

by Joan Hetzler. Find it in the Main Library at 813 Het.

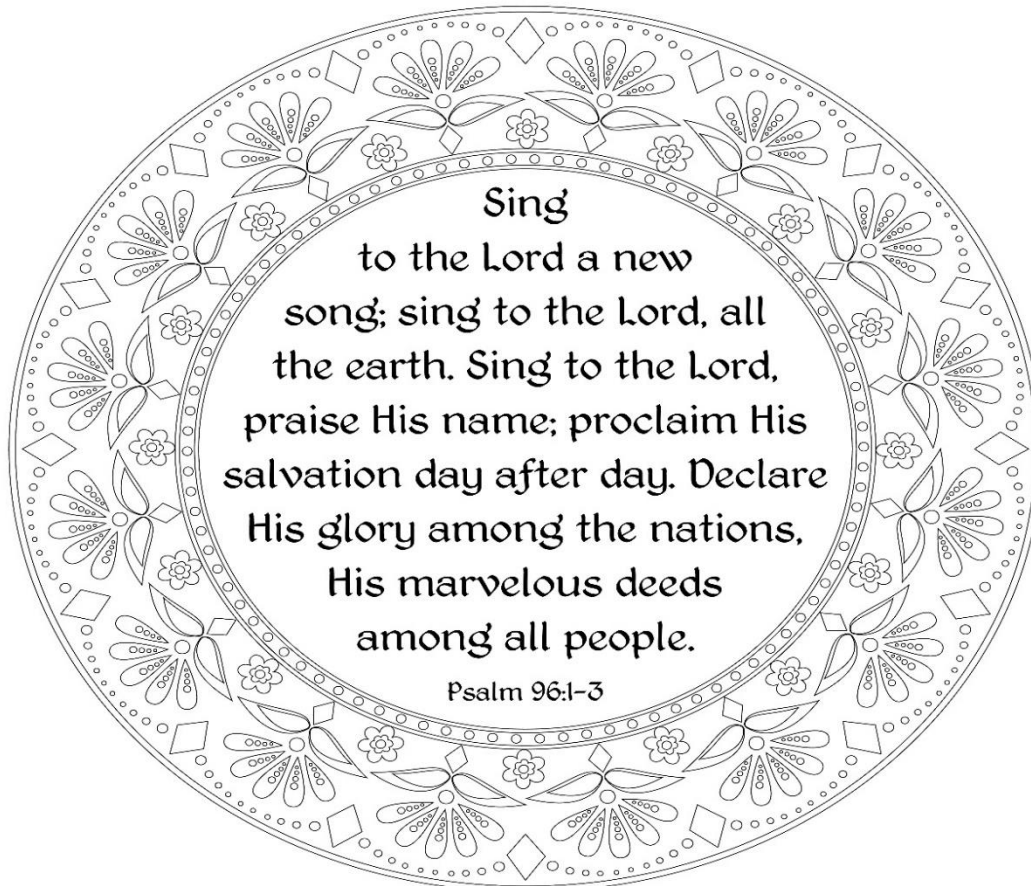
Oh, what a tangled web we weave when first we practice to deceive!
Walter Scott

That quote kept seeping into my thoughts as I read the perfectly titled thriller **Pious Deception**. In this first novel acquired for the library written by Joan Hetzler, reporter sleuth Megan O'Connell attempts to help a friend salvage her life from an embarrassing and dangerous situation, but Megan ends up in her own dilemma. She sacrifices truth for loyalty, substitutes her own sense of right and wrong, and is influenced by fear of man – but with good intentions. Sound familiar? Will Megan lean on her own understanding or trust in God? Readers may see their own situations in a new light.



- Gripping – This novel's read time may be my personal best – less than one day.
- Thought-provoking – Even small decisions can have a big effect on one's and others' lives.
- Satisfying – The ending was a surprise.

We look forward to more mysteries by this Georgia author. – **Martha Jo Dendinger, reviewer**



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so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12:2