

Christ-Centered Christmas

Advent



The Giving Manger

The Giving Manger helps families shift the focus of Christmas back to giving. A piece of straw is placed in the manger for each kind deed or act of service performed. On Christmas Day, the Baby is placed in the manger filled with service and love.

The Sweetest Story Ever Told Interactive Baking Kit

The "Sweetest Story Ever Told" Interactive Kit was designed by Lysa TerKeurst to teach your family how to tell the story of Jesus' birth in a fun, hands-on (and delicious!) way. Use the elements in this kit to teach your kids about God's greatest gift to us — His Son!"



The Christmas Star From Afar

This is a great substitute for an Elf on the Shelf! "The Christmas Star From Afar" encourages children to go on a hunt for their Star, similar to that of the Wise Men. Every day the Star is hidden and the children participate in a fun hide-and-seek game to locate it. Once they have found their Star they move all Three Wise Men to its location.



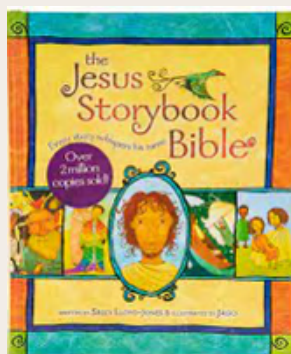
Advent Blocks

Each day you read a story and turn the number block to reveal an image that corresponds with the day's story. Move the Star Block one step closer to the Earth Block: God is coming to earth to stay.



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Children's Ministry Gifts



The Jesus Storybook Bible

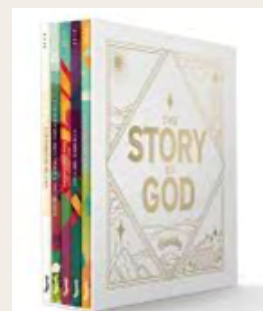
The Jesus Storybook Bible tells that wonderful Story beneath all the stories in the Bible. The story of how God loves his children and comes to rescue them.

Kate's Note: This is a staple! It does a beautiful job telling Bible stories and connecting them to Christ

The Story of God Series

The Story of God is a five-book set enclosed in a beautiful keepsake box. Give your kids a big view of God from creation to heaven.

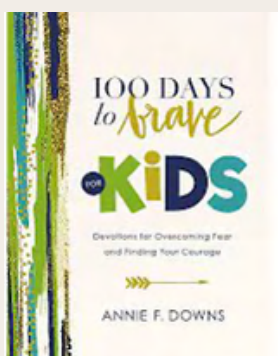
Kate's Note: Sums up the whole Bible in five picture books! LOVE IT



Tales that Tell the Truth

Tales that Tell the Truth is a series of books that tell stories from the Bible. These are fantastic for kids aged 3-6, but are well loved by all ages. They cover hard and complicated topics at an age appropriate level.

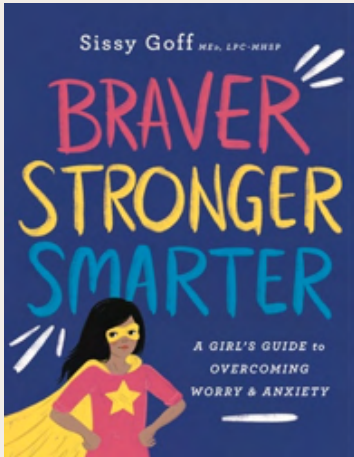
Our Favorite Kids Devotionals



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Children's Ministry – Girls



Braver, Stronger, Smarter: A Girls Guide to Overcoming Worry and Anxiety

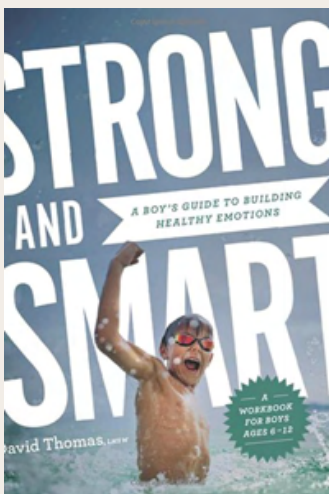
This illustrated guide--created for girls ages 6 to 11, the stage when anxiety issues often surface--will help your daughter see how brave, strong, and smart God made her. Through easy-to-read stories and writing and drawing prompts, she will learn practical ways to fight back when worries come up. She will feel empowered, knowing she is deeply loved by a God who is bigger than her fears.

Fearless Faith Devotional

Kate's all time favorite devotional for girls!
This book includes devotions, writing prompts, and activities for girls. It is so much fun!



Children's Ministry – Boys



Strong and Smart: A Boys Guide to Building Healthy Emotions

This workbook was created primarily to help elementary-age boys understand themselves better and learn how to work through overwhelming emotions--all from a biblical perspective. With relatable stories and writing and drawing prompts to guide him, your boy will learn for himself what it takes to be strong and smart, tough and tender, loyal and loving.

Indescribable Kids

Indescribable devotional books display the majesty of creation with scientific findings, photography, and original illustrations. These 100 devotions encourage awe at God's creativity



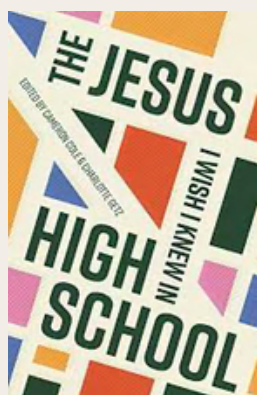
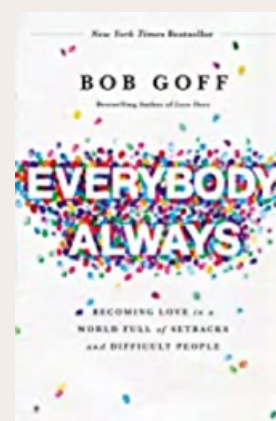
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Youth Ministry Gifts



Love Does and Everybody Always by Bob Goff

These books are especially good for those who aren't readers. Bob Goff tells hilarious and light hearted stories of loving others. Each chapter is a different story, so its a great book that can be picked up and put down as needed. These are also great gifts to give to adults in your life.



The Jesus I Wish I Knew in High School

The pressure of being a teenager can be overwhelming. School, sports, jobs, and relationships all press in at the same time. But the hardest thing can be feeling alone, that you have no one to share your most difficult problems with. In The Jesus I Wish I Knew in High School, thirty authors from many different backgrounds come together to say, "We get it—and Jesus gets it too. Here's who Jesus is and how he wants to meet you in this intense time."

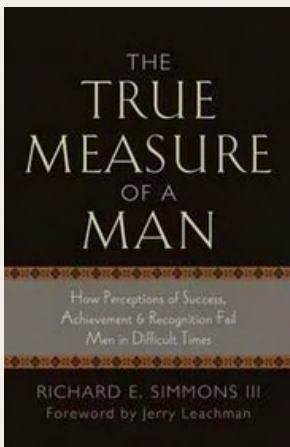


He Would Love First Bracelets

He Would Love First is a brand that answers the question "What Would Jesus Do?" So instead of WWJD bracelets. they make HWLF bracelets! Our students love these and they make great stocking stuffers!

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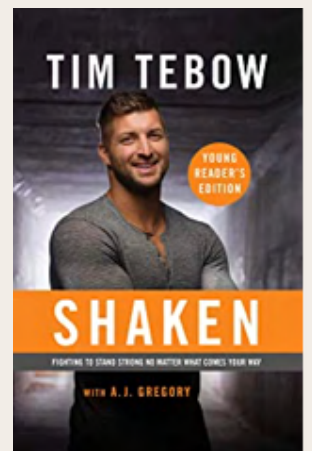
The True Measure of a Man

Tim's number one recommended read for teenage boys! This book encourages men to find their purpose in Christ instead of in their achievements. Men very often define who they are by what they have done with their lives or other external things. And when they do that, they unknowingly set a trap for failure in their personal lives. The True Measure of a Man is uplifting, challenging, and most of all it points the way to personal and spiritual growth based on the one, true measure we were meant to use.

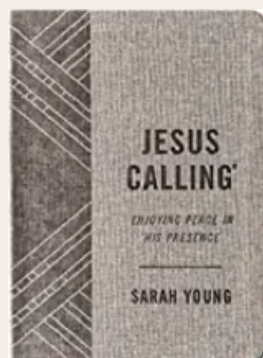
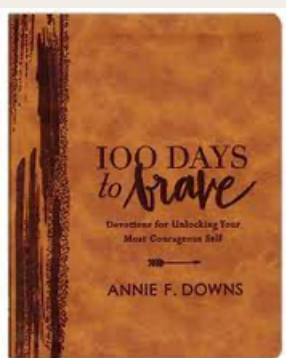
Shaken: Fighting to Stand Strong No Matter What Comes Your Way



Beloved sports icon Tim Tebow was a college football champion and a first-round draft pick--but then he was traded and eventually cut. In Shaken Young Reader's Edition, he reveals how he navigated both triumph and disappointment and explains how neither the highs nor the lows of his life define him. Ultimately, only God can do that.



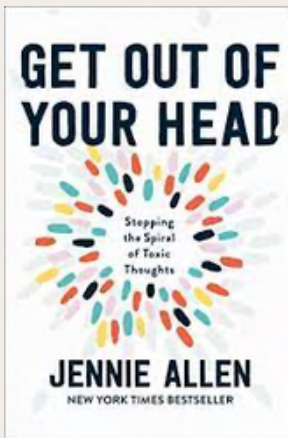
Devotionals:



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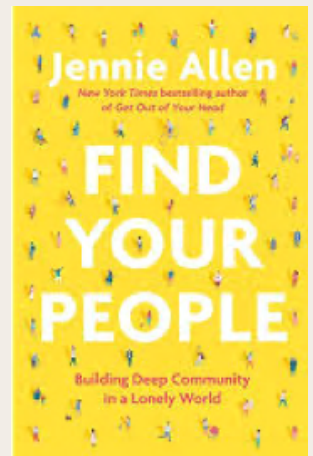
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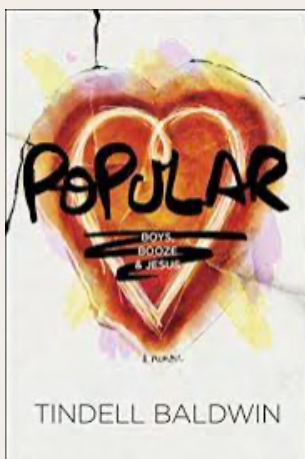
Get Out of Your Head and Find Your People by Jennie Allen

These two books are fantastic for women of all ages. "Get Out of Your Head" is great if you have a worrier at home, and "Find Your People" is great for your girls who may be having a harder time finding their people.



Its Not Supposed to Be This Way and Uninvited by Lysa Terkeurst

Another two that I (Kate) cannot speak highly enough of. "Its Not Supposed to Be This Way" covers handling all sorts of disappointments, while Uninvited focuses on living loved even when you feel left out and lonely. Again, great for women of all ages.



Popular: Boys, Booze, and Jesus

We had a small group of 8th and 9th grade girls read this book over the summer, and it is just what they needed. Tindell Baldwin tells the stories of her rebellious teenage years and covers all the topics that are often difficult to discuss with teens. She also praises her parents for the way they handled her rebellion, so I would also recommend this to any parents struggling with parenting rowdy teenage boys or girls.



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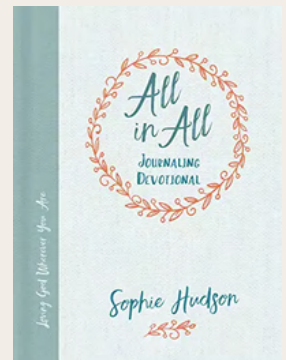
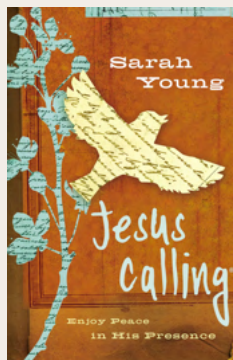
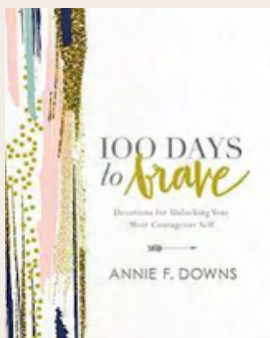
If you have bachelor fans in your house, this is a must read! Maddie Prewett talks about her experience on the bachelor while sharing how she's learned to stand firm in her faith.

Books by Kari Kampakis

Liked and 10 Ultimate Truths are must-reads for you teenage girls. Kari also has two books for moms of teenage girls that are fantastic tools for Christ-centered parenting.



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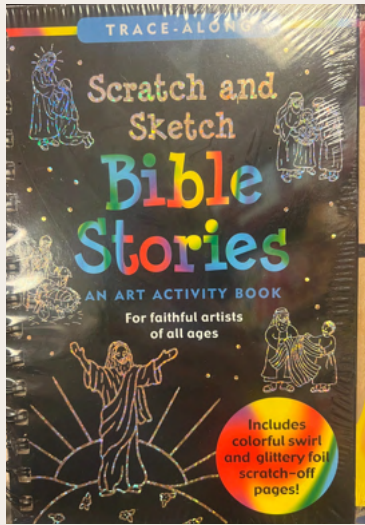


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Finds from Smith's Variety!

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Kid's Gratitude Kit

Activity Book



DIY Nativity Scene



Nativity Scene Floor Puzzle



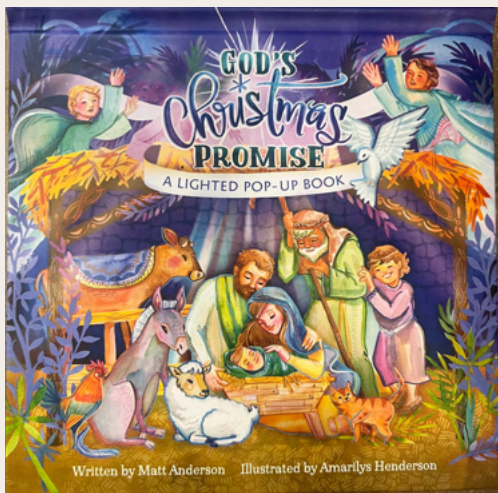
Family Talk: Faith Edition Conversation Cards

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Nativity Play Set



This book lights up!

Books
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