



## God's Grace

John Coblentz

*This reading is selected from the book Thank You, God! Each reading in the book names a common distortion of who God is, followed by Scriptures describing the truth about Him. Each reading ends with a prayer of reflection and thanksgiving.*

**Distortion 1:** My sins are too great and my life such a mess that I'm beyond God's redemption.

**Distortion 2:** God's grace makes Him so lenient that my sins are no big deal.

**Truth:** God's abundant grace is powerful enough to redeem the worst of sinners, and so transforming that it never leaves us unchanged or careless about sin.

**Scriptures:** Ephesians 2:1-10; Titus 2:11, 12

Thank You, God, for Your amazing grace!

By Your grace—Your kind favor that makes You gloriously generous to the undeserving—we are constantly deluged with Heaven's riches. We receive from Your hand gift upon gift: life and breath, our intricately designed bodies, our physical senses by which we comprehend Your creation around us, our emotional and psychological makeup by which we experience life in its fantastic variety, our conscience to know right and wrong, and our intellectual capacities of thought and reason and imagination.

And when we have spurned Your direction for these gifts, squandered them, and perverted them to fulfill our selfish inclinations, by Your grace You offer yet more. Forgiveness! The path of repentance. The lifeblood of Your Son for our redemption. Invitation to join Your family. No merits

required. No deserving whatsoever. All You ask is true penitence and faith in the work of Your Son on our behalf.

By Your grace, You treat beggars like kings. You receive criminals and prostitutes as Your own sons and daughters. You rescue us from the wreckage of our waywardness. By Your grace, You bring us home.

By Your grace, then, You empower us in our weakness to say no to sin, to walk in the good ways of righteousness, to join and fellowship with other grace-bought adoptees, and to live lives of grateful wonder and worship.

Thank You!

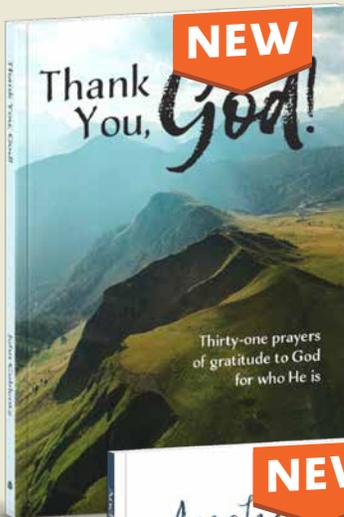
By Your grace, You energize and equip us with spiritual gifts, enabling us to move from being unworthy receivers to becoming joyous givers. Your grace coming into us also flows out from us. By Your grace, we are enabled to speak life to others, to lift the downcast, to strengthen the feeble, to offer insight to the confused, to befriend the lonely, to comfort the grieving. As we receive, we give, and as we give, we receive. Your grace grows us up together as we serve one another in joy and love and humility. All we are in this new reality and all we do for others is by Your grace.

Amazing grace!

Thank You!



# Worship and Parenting

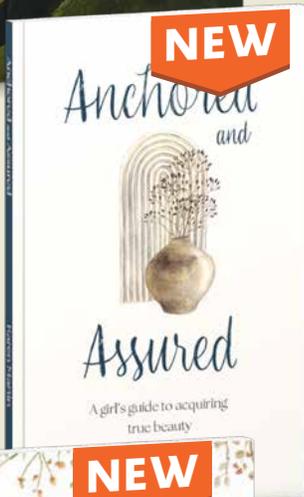


## Thank You, God! John Coblentz

Nothing shapes God's children like true worship, and nothing stunts our spiritual progress like holding distorted views of God. We may listen to great sermons and read wonderful Christian books. But lies about God will keep us from the life-giving depths of relationship with Him and will likewise keep us from becoming like Him.

Each of the thirty-one readings in *Thank You, God!* names a common distortion of who God is, followed by Scriptures describing the truth about Him. They end with a prayer of reflection and thanksgiving.

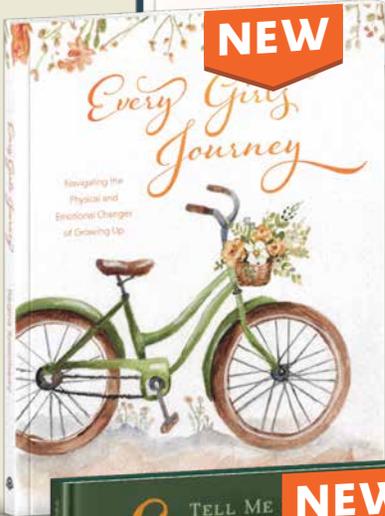
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## Anchored and Assured Karen Martin

Our thoughts nurture or hinder our peace and joy more than our circumstances do. Are my thoughts anchored on truth or driven by my feelings? *Anchored and Assured* explores simple but profound truths to guide young women in their quest for a purposeful, beautiful life. Each entry includes journaling and prayer prompts. Illustrated with color artwork.

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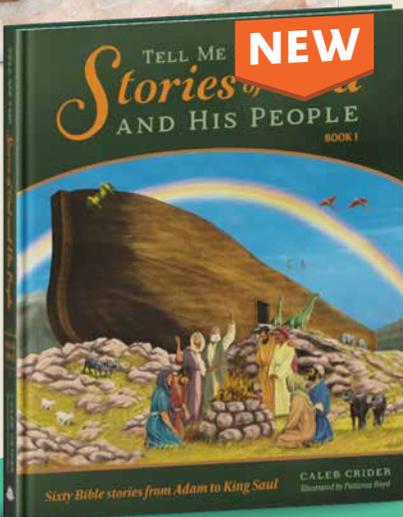


## Every Girl's Journey Regina Rosenberry

*Every Girl's Journey* is a guidebook that helps girls know what to expect as their bodies change, answering questions about sensitive issues in a frank and respectful way. Topics include health, puberty, purity, friendships, developing a relationship with God, and more. Moms should review this material before deciding when to share it with their daughters. Illustrated with colorful artwork.



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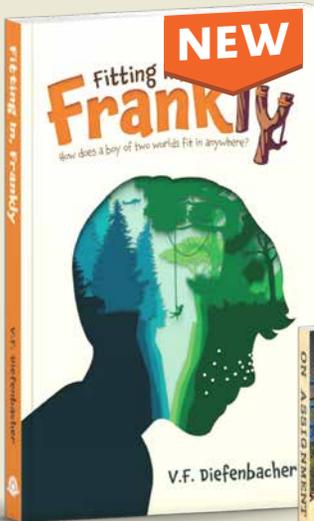
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Caleb Crider

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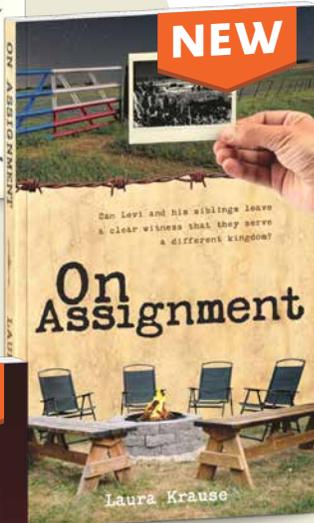
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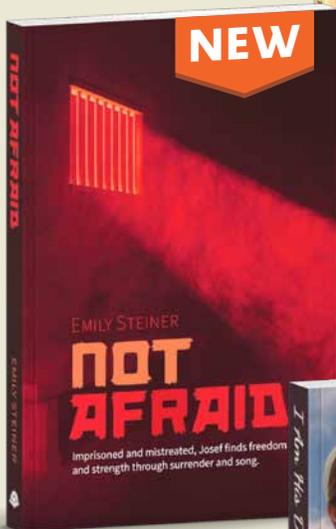
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## On Assignment Laura Krause

Levi Gates knew the story of how his dad had found the Lord while working an assignment as a detective. Years later, political operatives track down the siblings, looking for information about one of their dad's cases. When Levi discovers potentially incriminating photos, rival politicians pressure him to hand them over. In this fictional story, Levi and his siblings strive to leave a witness that they are on assignment for a different kingdom.

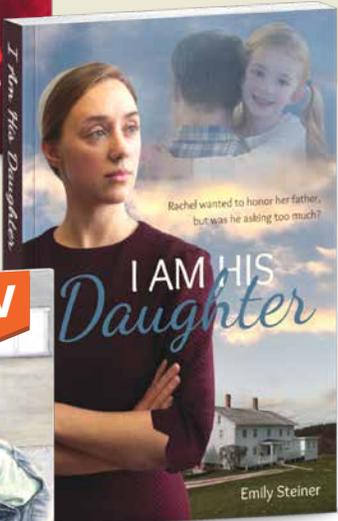
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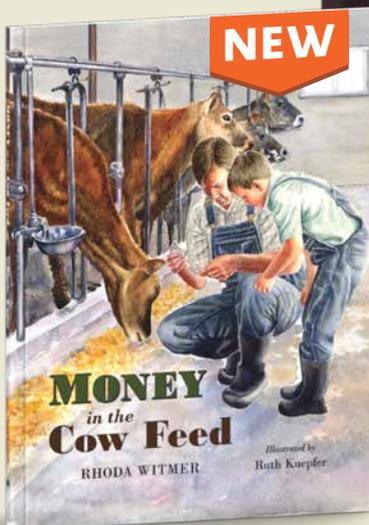
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## I Am His Daughter Also by Emily Steiner

I always admired my dad. But in my twenties, our relationship became more complicated. Dad didn't realize that we older children could make more of our own decisions. When Dad wanted me to end my friendship with a young man, what was I to do? I watched my brother revolt and knew it wasn't right. A fictional story of a young woman and her relationship with two fathers: her earthly father and her heavenly Father.

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## Money in the Cow Feed Rhoda Witmer

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# A New Look for LightUnits



We've all heard the saying, "Don't judge a book by its cover." Probably all of us do that anyway! Continuing a process started last year, we are creating new cover designs for most LightUnits as courses are reprinted. The content inside the LightUnits has not changed. Your order may include some LightUnits with legacy covers and some with the new look. Teacher's Guide and Answer Key covers will also be updated over several years.

## Ready or Not, Your Child Is!

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Download free K2 lessons or shop at [christianlight.org/kindergarten](http://christianlight.org/kindergarten).



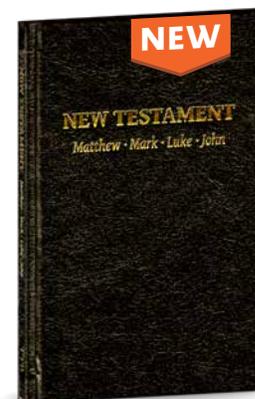
## Four Gospels – Traditional Text Bible

The Traditional Text Bible is for those who love the KJV but sense the need for an updated translation. The Gospels are the first books of the Bible available in this new translation. The Traditional Text Bible is based on the same family of Greek manuscripts that the King James Version was translated from. This translation is being produced by members of various conservative Anabaptist churches.

### Example verses:

**Matthew 11:28** Come to me, all you that labor and are burdened down, and I will give you rest.

**John 13:16** Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his lord, neither is a messenger greater than the one who sent him.



# Learning Language Arts

With its complex grammar rules, irregular spellings, and vast vocabulary, English can present challenges even for those who speak it fluently. Christian Light Language Arts cannot make English language skills easy, but it does provide a structured, manageable path for students to become strong communicators.

Christian Light Language Arts is a grammar, penmanship, writing, and spelling curriculum combined in one easy-to-use package.

## Incremental learning

New concepts are introduced in small increments. These increments build on each other, helping students master new concepts little by little over time.

## Continuous review

Instead of a lengthy review at the end of the year, each lesson includes a review section. New concepts are not tested until they have been reviewed three or four times.

## Sentence diagramming

Diagramming is a tool for analyzing the structure of a sentence. Because it visually demonstrates how each word in a sentence relates to other words, a diagram helps cement grammar skills. Additional resources such as Diagramming Practice Sheets are available for those who are new to diagramming.

## Spelling & Writing

Students work with their spelling words in each lesson. Most LightUnits include two creative writing lessons.

**Grade 4 LightUnit sample**

**Lesson 1**

**Penmanship**

In this LightUnit you will be writing the names of the sixty-six books of the Bible for Penmanship.

Go to page 59. In your notebook, copy the penmanship for Lesson 1.

- Write Old Testament Books as the title.
- Write the books of the Bible.

**Spelling Word Pronunciation**

**Spelling Words**

bench	elect	model	sermon	weather
Dutch	English	o'clock	steal	wood
echo	French	preach	steel	would

A consonant blend is two or more consonants blended together. You hear the sound of each consonant.

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Write the spelling words that have consonant blends.

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**Grade 2 LightUnit sample**

**Verbs That Do Not Show Action** Lesson 12

**Verbs That Do Not Show Action**

You have learned that verbs show action: run, talk, and laugh. A few verbs do not show action. Am, is, are, was, and were are verbs that do not show action.

Andrew was at his desk.

The rabbits are in their hutch.

Put two lines under the verb that does not show action.

- Jane was my teacher.
- I am in second grade.
- Those horses are strong.
- Ann is in the first grade this year.
- Justin and Joshua were at Grandmother's house.

Find these words in the glossary. Match the words and meanings.

- series • words that have opposite meanings
- antonyms • a list of three or more things in a sentence

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**New, bite-size increment for the day**

**Practice exercises for the new concept**

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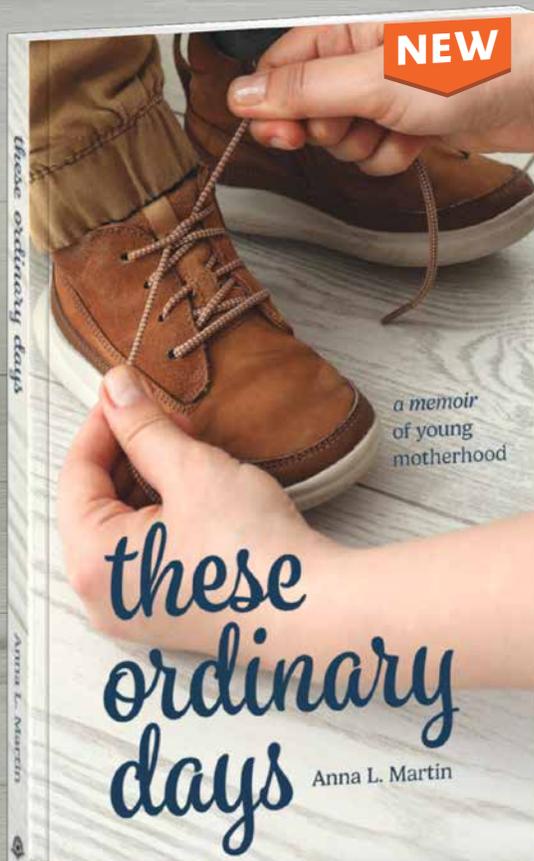
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## These Ordinary Days Anna L. Martin

*I'm pretty sure new moms should not move around much, but I can't help it. I shuffle into our room. There, tucked into the crook of Sterling's arm, lies my baby. They are asleep, white sheets and comforter crumpled comfortably around them. Motherhood smites me with crazy little tingles of joy, bells going off in my heart and head in full symphony. I kiss them both, my husband and my son. And because I am not a crying woman, no one sees, but tears course down across my heart. I did not know that love could feel so much.*

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