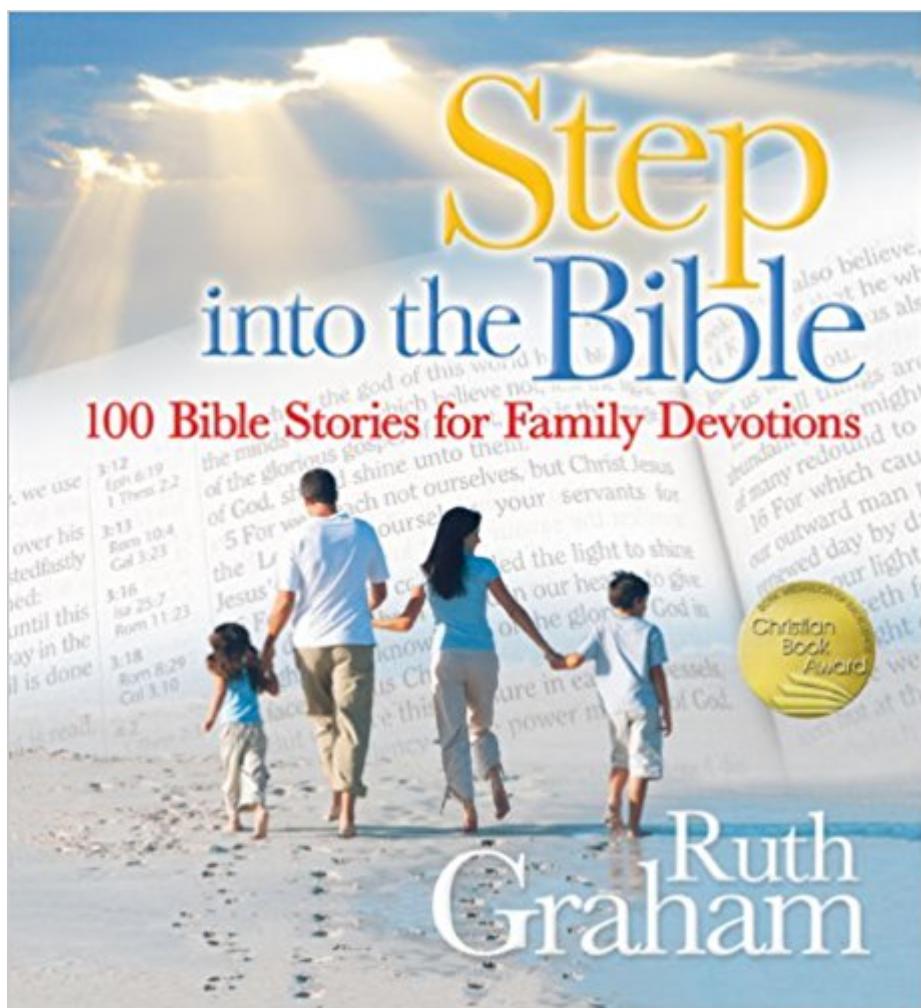


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# Step Into The Bible: 100 Bible Stories For Family Devotions



## **Synopsis**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Written by Ruth Graham, the daughter of today's most beloved evangelist, Billy Graham, Step Into the Bible is a beautiful four-color family devotional with over 300 photographs that retells 100 important Bible stories and helps parents and children walk together on their faith journey. Each devotion takes approximately 10 minutes to complete and has been used by four generations of the Graham family.

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My children are 4 and 6 and they have really benefited from this book. The pictures are nice and that helps keep them attentive to the subject by holding their attention. It works well for our family having the same verse for 5 days as do them on weeknights and have family movie night Saturday in addition to talking through our church sermon on Sunday instead of reading the story. I think the age group is accurate at a 10 yr old high end and am happy with the work for my children and think we will get a few more years of quality family study with the kids out of this. Thanks to the Graham family for sharing their gifting in this way!!

Great way to study with little children

This is an excellent book for families with young children of varying ages. The pictures, discussion questions, and memory verses all contribute to its effectiveness. The stories are short and concise, good for young attention spans, and well written. The selection of stories is also excellent, covering the most important Bible stories that everyone should know. I purchased several of these books, some to give away. All the recipients have been as delighted as I am.

Item was in good condition as described, and arrived in a decent time-frame. Very nice resource for families with young children. Our kids have enjoyed it.

This is a nice book but the stories are very simple and not always direct bible stories. Perhaps - more appropriate for little children. My 7 and 10 year old enjoy this but aren't challenged.

I use this book with my kids at night and they really enjoy it. The questions that come with each story are a little simplistic, but they help make sure that the kids understand what the story was about.

Even if your children have Bibles of their own, I encourage you to have Ruth Graham's Step Into the Bible on hand, too. Designed specifically for family devotionals, but equally as good as a one-parent-with-one-child book, this beautiful volume was penned by Billy Graham's daughter. In the introduction, Ruth Graham explains how her parents used a 19th century book titled Steps for Little Feet Along Gospel Paths (by Charles Foster) for family devotions while she was growing up. But when Ruth was ready to use it with her own children, she felt it really needed updating. She suggested her mother as the perfect person to do this, but Ruth Bell Graham thought her daughter ought to do it. So the younger Ruth took up the task, and her revised version, called First Steps in the Bible was published in 1980. This edition, however, is updated even further, removing what the author herself called "weak stories." Each two page spread in Step Into the Bible features glorious color photographs related to the devotional at hand. There are lots of animals and people to interest young children, and real-life biblical scenes (like Mt. Ararat and the Jordan River) to interest older kids. On one side of the page is a short devotional - most no longer than a few paragraphs. On the opposite side of the page are kid-friendly questions to ask your child about the reading, and a memory verse. The devotionals themselves do use some contemporary anecdotes, but they are largely simple, straight-forward retellings of Bible stories and incidents. The author does not dumb things down for the children; for example, she includes a story about leprosy. But as she says in the periodic notes she includes just for parents, such things need not confuse or frighten children if told in the right light. **What I Like:** The author's writing is wonderfully down to earth; the questions for children are simple and yet sometimes profound; and the brilliant photographs are like gourmet icing on a delicious cake. During family devotions, this book will speak to parents, too. **What I Dislike:** The same memory verse is used for every five devotions. I would rather see a new memory verse for every seven devotions (so there'd be one verse per week)...but this is a very personal critique, and not all parents will feel the same way. **Overall Rating:** Excellent. **Age Appeal:** There is no publisher recommendation, but I'd say 2 - 12. **Kristina Seleshanko** Managing Editor of Christian Children's Book Review ( [...] )

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