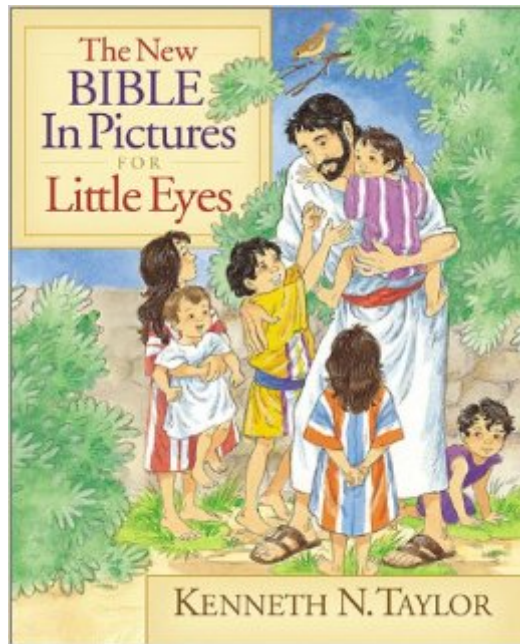


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# The New Bible In Pictures For Little Eyes



## Synopsis

It's a thrill for parents to give their child his or her first Bible, but how do you choose the right one? Look no further; here's the perfect first Bible for very young children. This read-aloud book will give your children an unforgettable introduction to the Bible, helping them along with simple language and engaging illustrations. The Bible in Pictures for Little Eyes has been a favorite of families for more than forty-five years. It has sold over 1.5 million copies in more than 70 languages since its release in 1956. This updated version of the classic, for children 4 to 7, features completely new illustrations by Annabel Spenceley and simple sentence prayers to end each story.

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

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## Customer Reviews

This is the best children's bible we've found -- and we've looked! It has more stories than other children's bibles, and includes many forgotten ones. Kenneth Taylor will break up longer stories into many different mini-stories. There are questions to ask your child at the end of each one-page story. My children love the pictures -- many include interesting extras like a couple of cats or dogs. The pictures are very clear and realistic. Kenneth Taylor's stories are so interesting and easy for a child to listen to, yet he explores rich, biblical topics that can promote great discussion. The focus is on God and his character -- all aspects of it -- his love, mercy, judgement, holiness, glory, -- the focus is not on the characters themselves. In many stories when a miracle has occurred, he will explain that God did the miracle, not the character. He also asks great questions throughout the story, so it

sounds like you are having a discussion with your child. This is a fantastic bible. Our 4 and 2 year old love it, and there are still themes to discuss in this bible as they are older.

Kids of all ages love stories and the Bible is filled with stories that children will enjoy listening to again and again. Sometimes, though, they want to "read" on their own and a regular Bible might not be what they are looking for. What they probably want is a Bible with pictures. THE NEW BIBLE IN PICTURES FOR LITTLE EYES is such a book. There are over 150 Bible stories contained in this little book. The Bible stories are compressed into a half-a-page tales which include some questions at the bottom. On the opposite side facing each story is a full illustrated picture that accompanies the action of the tale. This is a wonderful book that young children will enjoy flipping through on their own. It's also a great book to read a few short stories to children at night. Best recommended for children ages 1 1/2 to 7.

My children (now in their 20's) loved this book in its previous format with the older illustrations. The text is very good, but it was really the pictures that won their hearts. These were the old pictures that I enjoyed on my Sunday School take-home papers in the 1950's. I don't think publishers realize that children don't know or care if pictures are "new" or "old". My children loved the illustrations in the 1980's just as much as I did in the 1950's. And children today would enjoy them too. The fact that the older illustrations are different from the average children's book today sets them apart & makes the book special. After all, the Bible is not just your average book either! I hope someday the old pictures will reappear. In the meantime, my kids argue about who will get our copy someday!

A short summary of major Bible stories is followed by questions and a brief prayer. Young children can get through this well as it is age-appropriate and doesn't run too long to hold a little one's fleeting attention span. Some of the questions need to be rephrased so as to be open-ended and not yes or no, but this is easy enough. This is the best children's Bible we have EVER found. It is the most in-depth and age-appropriate.

I grew up with the Bible in Pictures for Little Eyes. It used real art for many of the stories. The art was so good that I can still remember many of those paintings 35+ years later. I wanted to get a copy for my niece and nephew..but the new art style is cartoonish and not at all special. I will look for a used copy of the older version.

This isn't our kids only Bible story book, and the stories pale compared to other books. The stories lack detail, context, and are plain boring. Simply put, you can't tell every story in six or eight sentences. For example, the story of "David and Goliath": "A giant has come to fight against God's people. The giant's name is Goliath. All the men of Israel have run away from him. They are afraid to fight him because he is so big but David is not afraid. David knows that God will help him. David does not have a gun but he has a slingshot. Do you see it in his hand? He takes some stones and uses his slingshot to throw a stone at the giant. The stone hits the giant in the head and the great Goliath falls over dead." - What is the giant's name? - What did David hit him with? - Why were all the other people afraid of Goliath? That's all to that story. For ages four and up, look somewhere else.

AGE: 2-6 as read-aloud, 5-8 as first Bible  
FORMAT: Each of the ~185 stories is written in words simple enough for an early reader and is a mere paragraph long. The paragraph is accompanied by an illustration and followed by 2-3 questions and (in this version) a short prayer.  
FAITHFULNESS: There is remarkably little editorializing in this text. Some denominations might have problems because priests and synagogues are changed to pastors and churches and wine becomes grape juice, but there is no denomination-specific theology anywhere in the text.  
ILLUSTRATIONS: Honestly, I love the original illustrations much better. They make no attempt to be realistic in dress (though you won't find any blonde Israelites or anything of that sort!), but they have a kind of great masters-type appeal, bringing the feel of 19th-century academic art to a child's book. The new cartoonish illustrations are disappointing in contrast.  
USEFULNESS: For daily reading with children with short attention spans or as a first "I-can-read-it-myself" Bible, this is great. The number of stories covered makes it much more thorough than most options for this age group.

I bought these books as baby gifts for others, and for my grandson. My children grew up on the older version with the beautiful paintings and have a fondness for this book. Someday I hope the publisher will reprint that version as the book is more memorable than the newer version. Overall, the inside printing is large, and the questions just right for little people.

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