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Christmas

—READING LIST—





Cooler weather, the warm glow of fireplaces, hot chocolate, nostalgic decorations... the Christmas season has arrived!

What traditions do you have in your family? Do you bake Christmas cookies together? Are homemade ornaments part of your Christmas preparations? Does your family go out caroling? All of these traditions and more are building your special family culture and memories that your children will hold onto for the rest of their lives.

Now what about books? Did you know that stories etch themselves deep into our hearts? Stories help to shape our view of God, ourselves, and others. This Christmas season, what stories will you read to your family? What a joy to share stories together that will become part of your children's treasured memories.

Here you will find a lovingly compiled list of stories for you to consider bringing into your family. We have tried to categorize them in ways you will find helpful, but as always, you are the best judge of which books are right for your family.

May these Christmas stories bless and encourage your family as you celebrate our Savior's birth. Merry Christmas!

—*Amy Sager*

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Christmas Stories for All Ages

PICTURE & BOARD BOOKS

The Christ of Christmas: An Age-Old Story with a New Family Tradition
by Marc Sikma

From Eden to Bethlehem *by Danielle Hitchen*

One Wintry Night *by Ruth Bell Graham*

Seek and Find: The First Christmas
by Sarah Parker

The Story of the Fourth Wise Man
by Henry van Dyke

**The Tale of the Three Trees:
A Traditional Folktale**
by Angela Elwell Hunt

YOUTH/ADULT CHAPTER BOOKS

Evidence Not Seen: A Woman's Miraculous Faith in the Jungles of World War II
by Darlene Deibler Rose

**The Case for Christmas
(Revised & Updated 2025)**
by Lee Strobel

The Golden Secret and Other Christmas Stories *by Lamplighter Ministries*

**Hudson Taylor's Spiritual Secret
(Moody Classics)** *by Dr. & Mrs. Howard Taylor*



FAMILY ACTIVITIES & DEVOTIONALS

The 25 Days of Christmas: A Family Devotional to Help You Celebrate Jesus
by James Merritt

25 Symbols of Christmas: Finding Jesus
by Annie Yorty

All Creation Waits, Children's Edition
by Gayle Boss

Bake Through the Bible at Christmas
by Susie Bentley-Taylor

**The Carols of Christmas:
Daily Advent Devotions**
by Alan Vermilye

Children's Advent Stories for Bedtime
by Julie & David Lavender

**Exploring the Joy of Christmas:
A Duck Commander Faith & Family Field Guide**
by Phil & Kay Robertson

Hallelujah *by Cindy Rollins*

**A Storybook for Advent:
Advent Story & Devotional Series**

by Arnold Ytreeide

Jotham's Journey (Book 1)

Tabitha's Travels (Book 2)

Bartholomew's Passage (Book 3)

Ishtar's Journey (Book 4)

AUDIOBOOKS/AUDIO DRAMAS

A Christmas Carol
by Focus on the Family Radio Theatre

Ben-Hur *by Focus on the Family Radio Theatre*

Familyman's Christmas Treasury
by Todd Wilson, Read by Jim Hodges

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe
by Focus on the Family Radio Theatre

Your Story Hour: Great Stories Vol 9
by Yourstoryhour.org

The Unlikely Wise Man
by Lamplighter Ministries

Holiday Stories

PICTURE BOOKS

The Christmas Day Kitten by James Herriot
Christmas in America by Callista Gringrich
Christmas Tapestry by Patricia Polacco
An Orange for Frank by Patricia Polacco
A Pussycat's Christmas by Margaret Wise Brown
The Remarkable Christmas of the Cobbler's Sons
by Ruth Sawyer
Willow at Christmas by Camilla Ashforth
The Year of the Perfect Christmas Tree
by Gloria Huston

YOUTH/ADULT CHAPTER BOOKS

The Canterville Ghost by Oscar Wilde
A Redbird Christmas by Fannie Flagg
The Silver Sword by Ian Serrailier
The True Gift by Patricia MacLachlan