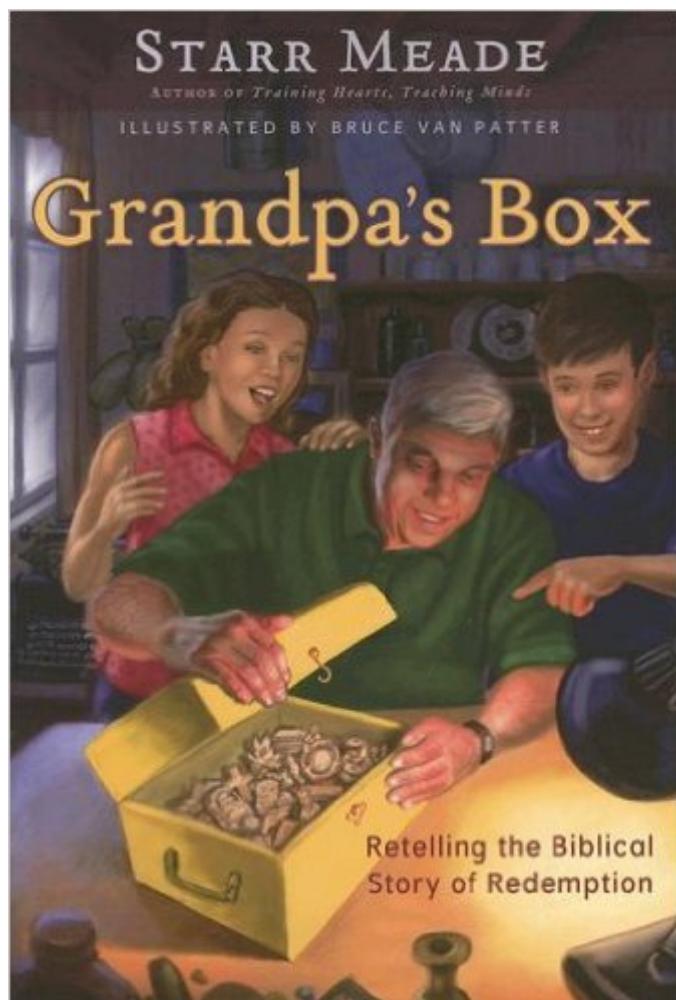


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Grandpa's Box: Retelling The Biblical Story Of Redemption



Synopsis

It was a wooden box, simply made. "I guess you could call it my war chest," Grandpa said. As the children peered into the box, they saw many small figures--animals, people, and objects of all kinds. A number of them were carved from wood. Learn along with Marc and Amy as Grandpa shares his stories of the great war we are all fighting. See how his special box of wooden carvings illustrates the wonderful stories of the Bible. Starr Meade, the author of the popular *Training Hearts, Teaching Minds*, takes children to a deeper understanding of God's plan of redemption told throughout all of Scripture. Each chapter emphasizes what we learn about God, not just what we learn about individual characters in the Bible.

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Customer Reviews

Wow, I loved this book! I'd have to agree with other reviewers that this would be a great book to read to boys, but at the same time I think it's a great book for anyone. I was actually reading this to see if it would be a good book to read to my kids if I have a family someday, and the answer is definitely yes. I was drawn into the story myself! Grandpa's method of explaining the stories of the Bible as a history of the battle between God and the forces of the enemy really ties the stories together in a cohesive, powerful way. The working out of the plan God had from the beginning and the way He said He'd save mankind is shown to run throughout the whole Bible. There were one or

two small doctrinal ideas that came across in the interpretation of one or two stories that I wasn't 100% sure I agreed with, but these were not big issues (a sentence that could easily be skipped over, for instance). Overall, this book was great. I'm recommending it to my teenage sisters, and I can think of some guys I know who would really enjoy the whole war analogy. God really is the best warrior and strategist ever! Grandpa's Box uses Biblical stories to clearly show this and to explain that God wins, even though it doesn't always look at first like He's winning.

As a father of three young children, I have often wrestled with how to best teach my children the Bible's grand story of God's redemption. Having a full-time job, a yard to keep up, homework to help with, etc . . . this task has been all the more challenging. Starr Meade's Grandpa's Box is a wonderful resource for busy parents who desire to pass their Christian faith on to their kids. Grandpa's Box sticks close to the stories that emerge right from the pages of Scripture, retelling them in a way that will hold a child's attention and interest. "Daddy would you please read another one?" is not uncommon to hear after I've concluded reading a chapter to my children. A helpful outline is provided at the end of the book that gives a brief summary of each of the book's 42 short chapters. Discussion questions that are appropriate for children are also available on the publisher's website. What I especially appreciate about Mrs. Meade's works (Grandpa's Box, included) is that she so tactfully presents the great themes of the Bible in ways that children are able to relate to and understand. Other children's devotionals often focus on moral lessons while overlooking the primary message being conveyed by the various passages of Scripture they cite. If you're looking for quality biblically-based material to help instruct your children, you won't go wrong with Mrs. Meade's excellent books.

I purchased this book on a whim. I was worried about some of the comments that questioned the doctrine presented. I didn't need to worry. This book does an awesome job of presenting the "story" of the Bible in a way that makes God's Glory & Grace and His eternal plan even more clear. This is the first time I have seen the "war" between good & evil handled in such a God honoring way. I am reading this book out loud with my teenage son and it's like his Grandpa is talking with him about these important truths. Satan really can try all he wants... God will always emerge victorious. In fact, the battle is already finished - Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through him. I highly recommend this book.

I was more than grown before I was able to have much perspective on the Bible story as a whole.

This book organizes the entire purpose of man and our relation to God in the form of a novel about a Grandfather telling his grandchildren Bible stories. He frames the entire story as a battle between Satan and God, (which, of course, it is!), and sets all the Bible stories he tells in that context. What perspective for young people to grasp! By understanding the meaning behind the Bible stories, you can certainly not fail to understand God's purpose for us in the battle for men. Thank you for such a wonderful tool!

After dinner and before dessert (note the stratgic timing ;) we'll sit by the fire and I'll read Grandpa's Box to my two oldest children, a passionate 9 year old girl and a 'full on' six year old kiwi boy. Many of our stuttering attempts at devotions in the past have been met with rolled eyes and disinterest, but reading Grandpa's Box together has been a very special treat for both the kids, and us. Like the other reviewers I cannot tell you how many times my kids have asked "when can we read Grandpa's Box?" This book has been a gift to my children in helping them see and experience the rich depths of the gospel. It's been a gift to my wife and I as it has enriched our family time so much.

Grandpa's Box was truly one of the most amazing books we have used in our home to teach our children spiritual truths. It was wonderful to see my 9-year-old and 7-year-old girls see the "big picture" of Scripture: God's redemption of mankind through Jesus Christ and His ultimate victory over Satan. Starr Meade writes in a very engaging way and masterfully illustrates the war between God and Satan by comparing it to various wars throughout history. I honestly cannot recommend this book highly enough! I only wish there was a Volume 2! :)

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