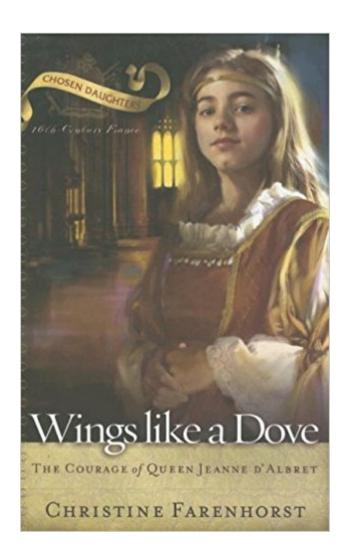


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# Wings Like A Dove: The Courage Of Queen Jeanne D'Albret (Chosen Daughters)





# **Synopsis**

Jeanne d'Albret, born in 1528, is the only daughter of the King and Queen of Navarre. Standing with her beloved Huguenots, Jeanne steps onto the battlefield of history during the tumultuous years of the Reformation (1517-1559). As deadly political events swirl around her tiny Kingdom of Navarre, Queen Jeanne is forced to choose: Will she hide the fleeing Huguenots under the very nose of Catherine de  $M\tilde{A}f\hat{A}$ ©dicis's henchmen or save her own life?The Chosen Daughters series highlights the lives of ordinary women who by God's grace accomplish extraordinary things.

## **Book Information**

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### Customer Reviews

"Wings like a Dove presents a compelling look at one of the heroic women of the Reformation--Jeanne d'Albret. Christine Farenhorst's book transports you back in time, to an age that may seem romantic from this vantage point, but was actually filled with immense dangers and challenges to those who loved God. I couldn't put it down!" --Diana Waring, international speaker and author of History Alive! curriculum"Skillfully weaves accurate details of setting, character, and issues of faith into this compelling and inspiring account." --Clifford Van Dyken, teacher, Heritage Christian School, Jordan Station, Ontario

Christine Farenhorst, author and poet, has written Amazing Stories from Times Past, The Great

Escape, Wings like a Dove, and Before My Mother's Womb. Christine and her husband, Anco, have five children, nineteen grandchildren, a dog, and ten chickens.

This book is a keeper for sure. We are using it as a read aloud to accompany our study of the reformation and renaissance time period. It is hard to put down! The author weaves historical figures (e.g. John Calvin, Catherine de Medici, as well as Jeanne's own family of course) into the storyline, which helps to bring those figures "to life" so to speak, also. Historical fiction is like a painting. It may not be 100% factual (usually isn't), but it is the artist's rendition and perspective of a real life scenario. We leave with the feeling of being acquainted with the hero(ine) and their hopes, joys, dreams, heartaches, and struggles. This is a worthwhile read, and gives you a real appreciation for the lesser known but very real Jeanne d'Albret. Reading books like these inspire my daughters and help to build their faith.

We purchased this for my daughter to make history more interesting. It's a good story, but more advanced reading than I realized it was going to be. There are many historical words that will need defining and I wish it had defined the role of the classes better. I do love that the author made history come alive, though! I would recommend this for others!

Really interesting book that introduces the reader to the time of the Reformation in France and the harsh persecution of the Hugenots. Exciting political intrigue and a unique look at a female royal who used her influence to aid the reformers. Much of the information comes from her own memoirs. My 10 year old is reading it.

good book for young girls and good for book reports.fast shipping and easy transaction.would recomend for home school.thanx.Kathy story about true life and christianity.

This book is a work of historical fiction which appears to be meticulously researched so that the fiction lies largely in the details and the conversations, while the events and people are almost all historical. It kept me wanting to read more, though the story itself is often very sad and may be a bit much for a sensitive girl. I appreciated that about the book, though, that it did not gloss over the faults even of its heroine, Queen Jeanne D'Albret. I enjoyed learning about someone whom I knew nothing about and yet who played a significant role in the life of God's people. However, the first two thirds of the book had very little spiritual content, probably because Queen Jeanne was not yet a

Christian. I found it a little surprising that it focused so much on her childhood and skimmed over much of her older years which were also her Christian years. I'm assuming the author wanted to focus on her childhood since the book is for children, but I would've liked to have known more about her life as a Christian since this is when she did the most good for God's kingdom. There are a lot of characters in the story and you have to pay attention to remember who is who or sometimes I just gave up and tried to follow the general outline of the story, which was interesting enough itself. There were a number of good lessons to learn, particularly that a handsome and charming man does not necessarily make the best husband, that doing what is right often brings suffering and that good people sometimes do things very, very wrong.

Wings like a Dove: The Courage of Queen Jeanne D'Albret, written by Christine Farenhorst, tells the story of Jeanne D'Albret, the daughter of the King and Queen of Navarre, France, who one day assumes the throne. The story is set in the time of the Reformation (1517-1559) which was a time of religious persecution for the Huguenots. The Huguenots were a group of French Protestants who criticized the Roman Catholic Church, specifically the many rites and rituals of the church. The Huguenots thought that Christians should live their lives with simple faith in God. They relied on God for their salvation, not on the rituals of the Church. While growing up, Jeanne became aware of the injustices done towards the Huguenots. They were killed and persecuted for their faith. She didn't like the way they were treated just because they stood up for what they believed. When she became Queen, she chose to publicly take a stand for the Huguenot faith. Like Margaret Wilson in "Against the Tide: The Valor of Margaret Wilson," another book in this series, Jeanne D'Albret was strong enough to stand up for what was right and just, even though her parents, and even her husband, weren't. There is a glossary of terms at the end of the book that defines some of the words used in the text that might not be familiar to the reader. What I Like: As I've said before, I like historical fiction, especially stories that are written as well as this one. What I Dislike: Nothing. Overall Rating: Excellent.Christine M. Irvin - Christian Children's Book Review

I have all four books of this set and the only thing I find wrong is they do not use the KJV for scriptures. However, this book encourages girls to do right even if their family is not. Very well writen.

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