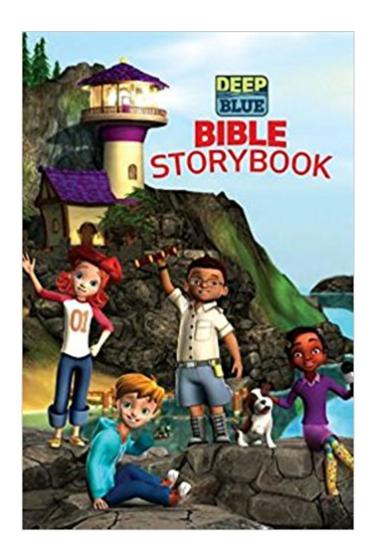


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# **Deep Blue Bible Storybook**





### Synopsis

Introduce young children to the Bible with the new Deep Blue Bible Storybook for children ages 3-6. The Bible Storybook contains 146 stories written in language young readers can understand. Plus, the Bible Storybook is organized in a way that helps children begin to learn the books of the Bible and practice beginning Bible skills. The illustrations are sure to delight young children. Also includes fun "piggyback" songs and prayers.

### **Book Information**

Hardcover Publisher: Abingdon Press; Sew edition (June 21, 2016) Language: English ISBN-10: 1501815016 ISBN-13: 978-1501815010 Product Dimensions: 6.2 x 1.3 x 9.1 inches Shipping Weight: 2.5 pounds (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.3 out of 5 stars 20 customer reviews Best Sellers Rank: #183,372 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #66 inà Â Books > Christian Books & Bibles > Ministry & Evangelism > Children's Ministry #184 inà Â Books > Children's Books > Religions > Christianity > Devotional #202 inà Â Books > Children's Books > Religions > Christianity > Bible > Stories Age Range: 3 - 6 years Grade Level: Preschool - 1

#### **Customer Reviews**

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While this book claims to be for the very young, I would actually encourage it as well for an older group, "young readers," particularly those just being introduced to chapter books. The font is nicely large making it especially nice to read, but it doesn't talk down to the child. The stories contain a wide selection of Bible favorites and are well illustrated. So, whether you are reading it to your younger child or encouraging your young reader, you will likely enjoy this. In fact, by reading it TO your child when they are young, you can use the same stories (with the same words) as they begin to read on their own.\*\* Edited \*\* In spite of the fact that this was only used by an adult (me) - the hardcover is already split and peeling. So content 5 stars, Binding 1 star.

There are some great features about this Children's Bible Storybook that we are really enjoying! It has been a great teaching aid for our little ones who are making their way through being able to find various Bible stories because each of the books of the Bible is a separate color. This Deep Blue Bible Storybook is essentially is a compilation of the major familiar Bible stories in order of their appearance in the Bible. The stories are brief and the child-friendly diction and story telling style makes them very straightforward for a younger crowd. There are some great conversation starter questions in the margins to get some dialogue going about the stories and there is also a brief introduction to each Book of the Bible as well. Another nice aspect of this Bible storybook is the quality of the book itself. The paper feels like a nice quality, it is full of rich, colorful illustrations and the hardback binding is so very durable! It feels like it will last for many years!

We already own three other Deep Blue Bibles--two geared to younger readers, and one geared toward high school/college aged readers. We love them for the translations as much as for the guidance they give to readers: historical background as well as questions to help them gain a deeper understanding and make connections to themselves and the world. That's what I was hoping for with this storybook Bible, and that's what we got. This is a wonderfully age-appropriate storybook Bible. What I like most about it is that it tells the Biblical stories in language that is easy for kids to understand but that is fundamentally accurate. It doesn't interpret for them, merely simplifies. The entire Bible isn't represented in this storybook version, but it does contain the books and stories that will help them to build a strong foundation. The Table of Contents lists each

included book, along with a title for each story presented from that book. It goes further to provide the biblical citation for the story. At the beginning of each book, there is a brief (1-2 sentences) introduction to the book. For example, in "Genesis," the word is defined and the explation is given that this book tells about "the beginning of God's people." The intro to Matthew explains that it is one of the Gospels and will tell stories about Jesus, showing how "Jesus' teaching compare to the instruction God gave in the Old Testament."The stories within each book are typically 2-4 pages long which is perfect for the 3-6 year-old audience this Bible Storybook is intended for. At the end of each story, there is a simple question for children to contemplate and discuss. Most of the questions ask the kids what they think or feel or how they think the person in the story felt, or how they would feel in a similar position. While the Last Supper, Jesus in the Garden, and the empty tomb are all included, the crucifixion is notably absent from all four of the Gospels. Instead the stories included in this storybook focus on Jesus' teachings. I think this is very appropriate for this age group. After the Gospels, there are some stories included from Acts and 1 Corinthians before a new section of "Prayers & Songs" is introduced. I enjoyed this section because most of what it included was simple but new. The songs are sung to well known tunes like "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star" and "The Farmer in the Dell," which will make it easy for you to sing along with your children. Overall, I'm quite impressed with the format of this Bible Storybook. It's accessible to young children, and even older children can benefit from its simplicity

This comprehensive Bible story book is targeted to children ages three through six, and it is on the mark. The details included are within the grasp of the little ears, and cover both Testaments. Another strength is the inclusion at the end of the book of poems, songs, and prayers with tune suggestions to teach the children, which are charming. The physical book is over 500 pages of quality, tough, smooth paper, and is solid and heavy. However, its sturdiness is not too heavy for a lap of someone spending quality time fostering faith in a small person. While the target age is three to six, a child of seven or eight will enjoy reading the book alone. The arial print is clear and a good size.

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