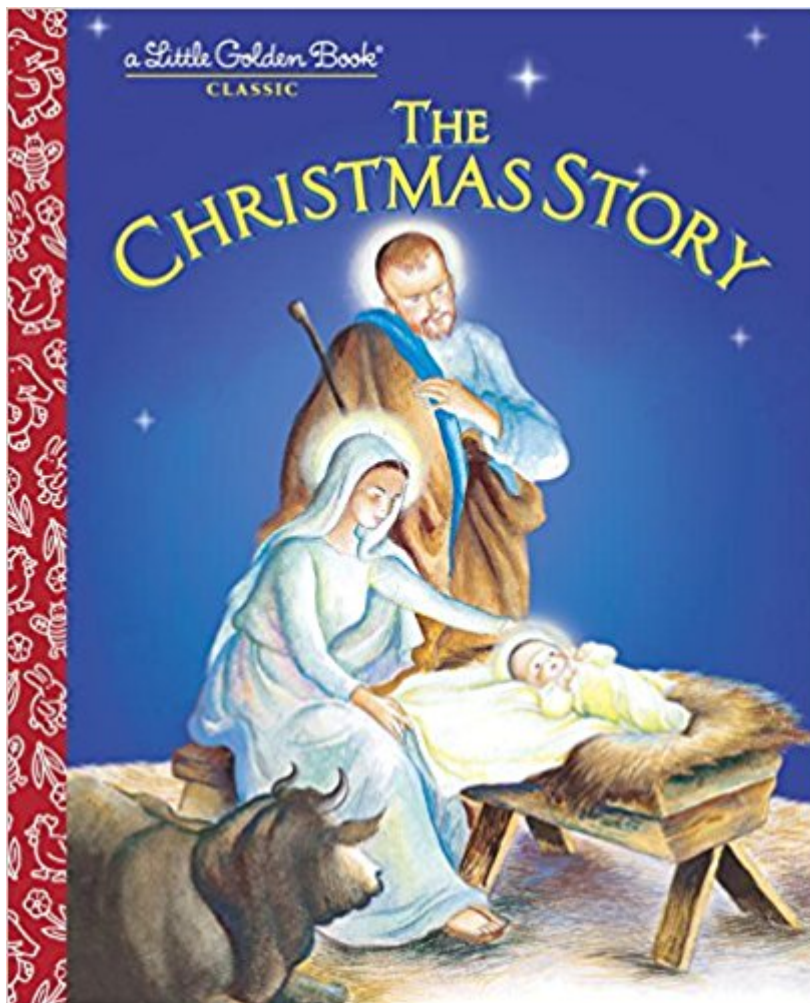


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# The Christmas Story



## Synopsis

First published in 1952, this classic Little Golden Book retelling of the Christmas story was illustrated by beloved artist Eloise Wilkin. Its simple but poetic text gently invites children to hear the story of Jesus' birth in a stable in Bethlehem.

## Book Information

Hardcover: 24 pages

Publisher: Golden Books (January 1, 1999)

Language: English

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Product Dimensions: 6.6 x 0.2 x 8 inches

Shipping Weight: 2.4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars 320 customer reviews

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Age Range: 2 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

JANE WERNER WATSON was one of the original editors of Little Golden Books. She also wrote dozens of Golden Books, ranging in subject matter from Mickey Mouse to dinosaurs. Her My Little Golden Book About God, published in 1956 and also illustrated by Eloise Wilkin, remains one of Golden Books' most popular titles.

This is a good book for teaching the Christian/Catholic meaning of Christmas but the book is over 50 years old so the wording is dated. It might be a little harder to read if English is not your first language, but not impossible. It could be very beneficial to your children to read a book like this because it opens up their reading vocabulary. Many kids books today are lacking good writing and different writing styles, making reading the classics later on in life much harder. Give your kids a head start and buy books from all periods of time in American literature like this one!

We bought *The Christmas Story* as a gift for our son. We wanted to use the book to share the birth of Jesus around the holidays. It is very child friendly, and the artwork was wonderful. It will become a tradition for us to read this every year during the Christmas season. If you are buying this book to give to beginner readers, it uses vocabulary such as jostling, weary, kinsmen, wicked, and departed. Easy words for adults, but more difficult for children to decode and comprehend the story. I also felt as if some of the sentence structures were a bit awkward. Overall, it is a great way to introduce the true Christmas story to your family.

I just ran across my kids copy of this very same book last week. The price on the cover was 39cents. My kids are now 47 and 44. I read it to their kids and now I have two great grandchildren to read it to, both on my Kindle and the actual Golden book. This story of the birth of our savior Jesus over two thousand years ago is still as precious as ever. The illustrations are so beautiful and the children are portrayed so sweetly. Golden Books were always a preferred choice of my kids years ago . They were always treasured. Thank you for making this story available to Kindle users .

Story of Jesus' birth for young children beautifully illustrated by my favorite children's book illustrator Eloise Wilkins. I so much prefer these beautiful life-like pictures than the cartoonish characters that are found in most recent Christian literature written for children. This is a vintage but still very relevant book. So glad it is still in print after more than 60 years.

I was disappointed in this book and I'm disappointed in the reviews that say this book is biblically true. The whole point of sharing the Christmas Story with children is so that they know Jesus' birth was a miracle. The book states that Joseph and Mary are married, which was really disturbing to me as they were not married and she became pregnant, which was the miracle. Joseph was simply selected by God to assist her on her journey.

Very sweet book! Bought this as a gift for my friend to read to her son he will be almost a year and a half by the time Christmas rolls around so this version is perfect with pretty pictures and easier for a child to understand.

I returned these....can't believe these are little golden books. The pages were wider than the covers. Could not give as gifts. I returned them.

Great story book. Was delivered in box with other stuff. No plastic or anything and book somehow got wet. I suppose that would be the packaging issues, story nook itself was nice, just so bummed out was a soggy read. •

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