Why I Wrote This Book

This book is dedicated to our wonderful Grandchildren, Sydney, Emily, Daniel and Hunter, who love to ask us to read Bible Stories and to answer their questions about God. It’s the joy of our lives to pour into their young hearts as much as possible of the knowledge and wisdom that we’ve gained over the last 40 years of pastoral and teaching ministry. Unless hearts of parents and grandparents reach the hearts of our sons, daughters and grandchildren, they will grow up without the knowledge of God in their lives. (Mal. 4:5)

May the Lord open your hearts and minds to His amazing love, fill you with His Spirit, and lead you to grow up to make a difference for Him and His Kingdom in the world where you live.
Who Are Grandmas and Grandpas?

Besides being the parents of your parents, we are the ones who have prayed for you even before you were born. When you were born, we knew in our hearts that your great grandparents and your great-great grandparents are all part of who you are. When you were born, we knew in our hearts that God’s plan for your life would develop into something wonderful as you grow up. When you were born, we knew in our hearts that God will always be with you and will never leave you, even when things go wrong. When you were born, we knew in our hearts that one day, when you marry, you will have children and grandchildren of your own. And you will love them, care for and raise them to be strong Christians who love the Lord and will make a difference in the world where they live.

And So, Who Are You?

You are special to us and to God and we love you more than life! You are God’s creation, made like Him so you can think good thoughts and do good things just the way He does. You are loved so much by God that He does everything possible to help you to become more like Him. Even when you make mistakes, God still loves you…and so do we!

Grandpa, How Do I Know There Really Is a God If I Can’t See Him?

1. God Is Spirit So I Can’t See Him. But (Like the Wind) I Can See What He Has Done. (John. 4:24)

2. What Do You See in the World Around You?

What Else in the World Do You See that God Created?

Can You Draw Something Else That God Made?

Oh, Now I Understand. God Is Real Because He Created Everything I See! (Gen. 1:1-25)
3. I Know There Is a God Because He Made People and Families with Dads, Moms and Children.  
(Gen. 1:26-28)

4. I Know There Is a God Because Long Ago He Told People Who He Is, What He Does and How He Rescues Them When They Get in Trouble. Then God Opened Their Hearts to Write About What They Saw, Heard and Experienced. All These Stories are Written in the Bible.  
(1 Pet. 1:20-21; 2 Tim. 3:16)

5. I Know God Is Real Because When I Believe in His Son, Jesus, He Lives in My Heart.  
(Eph. 3:17)

6. Who Is the Only One That Can Fill the Empty Hole in Your Heart? ______________

6. Then, I Really Know That God Is Real and Loves Me Because He Sent His Son, Jesus, to Forgive Me When I Do Things That Are Wrong.  
(1 John 1:9)
Grandma, Who Is God and What Is He Like?

1. God Has Always Lived and Will Never Die. Heaven Is Wherever God Is. (Gen. 1:1; Ps. 103:19)


3. He Is Stronger Than All My Problems and Is Always Working to Help Me When I’m In Trouble. (Jer. 32:17; Ps. 46:1)

4. God Is Love. (1 John 4:16)

5. God Is Patient with Me When I Make Mistakes and When I Don’t Do What I’m Supposed to Do. (2 Pet. 3:9)

   ♥ He Doesn’t Correct Me in Anger, But He Waits for Me to Ask Him for Forgiveness and Change My Behavior.

6. God Knows When I’m Happy and When I’m Sad. He Feels What I Feel and His Spirit Comforts Me When I Cry. (2 Thess. 2:16)

7. God Is Kind and Gentle and He Takes Care of Me. (Is. 40:11)
Grandpa, What Else Does God Do For Me?

1. God Hears Me When I Pray. (Ps. 116:1; Prov. 15:29)

2. God Promises That His Holy Spirit Will Never Leave Me. (John 14:16-18)

3. God Walks with Me So I Won’t Be Alone or Lose My Way in Life. (Is. 41:10)

4. God Warns Me When I’m About to Do Something Wrong. (Prov. 6:20-23; Ps. 119:11)
5. God Sends Guardian Angels to Protect Me from Evil. (Ps. 91:11)

Even When I’m Sleeping, His Angels Are With Me.

6. What Else Do You Need God to Do for You?
(Your Parents and Grandparents Can Give You a Better Understanding About What You Need.)

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1. He Wants Me to Be Grateful for Everything He Does for Me. But Most of All, for Jesus Who Saved Me from My Sins!

Name some other things that you’re thankful for.

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2. He Wants Me to Talk with Him Because He Loves Me So Much!

Praying is easy. It’s just talking to your loving Heavenly Father because He always listens to you. (Matt. 6:6-15)

♥ 1 - Tell Him how wonderful He is and how much you love Him.

♥ 2 - Ask Him to help you to know and to do His will.

♥ 3 - Ask Him to help you when you have needs.

♥ 4 - Ask Him to forgive you when you do wrong things.

♥ 5 - Tell Him that you forgive others who have hurt your feelings or made you feel bad.

♥ 6 - Ask Him to help your friends and family when they are in trouble.
3. The Lord Wants Me to Open My Heart to Him So God’s Spirit Can Talk to Me.

- He speaks to me through my Sunday School Teachers
- He speaks to me through my pastor
- He speaks to me when I read the Bible
- He speaks to me through my loving parents
- He speaks to my heart when I pray

4. God Wants Me to Be Kind to People and Help Others Who Are Sad or in Need.

How Can You Help Others?

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Grandpa, Why Do Bad Things Happen?

And Why Do People Hurt Others

Bullying Isn’t Cool - If A Joke Hurts, It Is Not Funny

Arguing with each other makes everybody sad!
1. But, God Never Wanted Bad Things to Happen.
   So, He Warned Adam and Eve About Wanting Things That Would Hurt Them.

2. But, Satan Disguised Himself Like a Snake and Tricked Adam And Eve.
   He told them God was wrong and they would actually be smarter if they ignored God’s warning.
   So, they chose to believe Satan instead of God.

3. Sadly, From That Day Until Now, Everything Changed for the Worse!

   ☞ All people became messed up and followed Adam and Eve’s example by ignoring God and doing things that are wrong and that hurt others!

   ☞ The whole earth also changed and became messed up. There are storms and hurricanes and tornados and fire and floods and earthquakes and destruction that hurt people.

   All this happens because of sin that lives in people and the world.

   Remember, sin is choosing to ignore God and doing things your own way without Him.
4. But, God Can Help Us When Bad Things Happen to Us and to Others.

♥ Jesus can comfort us…*if we ask for His help.*

♥ God can make us strong to start over again when we lose something dear to us…*if we ask for His help.*

T**rusting God helps us stand strong.**

♥ God can help us to learn from our mistakes and change our lives…*if we ask Him for His help.*

♥ God can use us to help others when bad things happen to them…*if we ask for His help.*

"Trust in the Lord always, for the Lord God is the eternal Rock."

(Deuteronomy 31:6)

- God’s plan is for me to love and serve Him with all my heart and help others know who Jesus is.
- God made me strong and smart and He gave me special skills and abilities that will make me successful in life.
- God’s plan is for me to use the abilities He gave me to help others and to bring glory to Him.
- Can you name some things that you’re good at doing? (Ask your parents to help you with this.)

2. I Can Be Anything I Want to Be by Using the Abilities God Gave to Me.


Grandpa, What Is Heaven Like?

1. Heaven Is Where Jesus Meets All of Us Who Belong to Him When Our Lives Are Over on Earth. In Heaven There Is No Crying or Pain or Sadness or Dying. We Are Forever with Him!

2. Jesus Is the Only One Who Made It Possible for Us to Go to Heaven. All Who Believe in Him and What He Did for Them Will Be in Heaven Together.

3. But, God Doesn’t Want Me to Go to Heaven Yet! He Has Work for Me to Do on Earth to Help Others and Tell Them About Jesus.

So, Grandkids, That’s Who God Is!

But, God is so much more than we can tell you in this little book. As you continue to grow up, love God and read His word, He will show you even more about who He is and how much He loves you. Isn’t God wonderful!!??