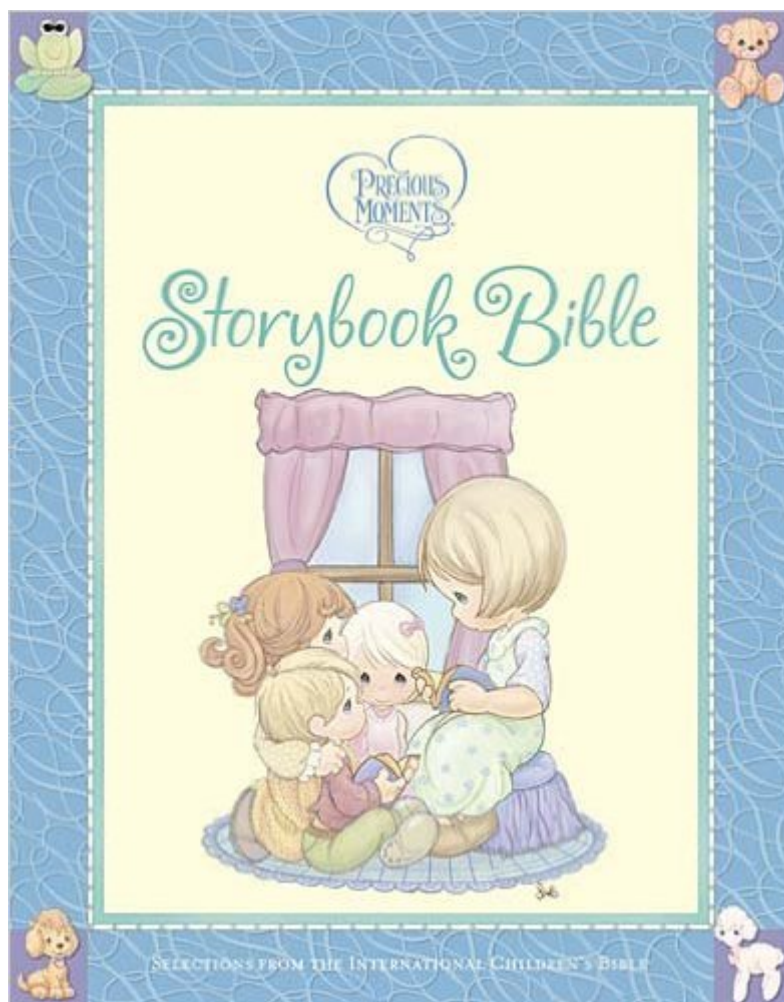


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# Precious Moments Storybook Bible



## Synopsis

In this special Bible storybook, beloved Bible stories are combined with the endearing art of Sam Butcher's Precious Moments® characters. Every story is illustrated with full color borders that playfully decorate the page along with large images to help bring the Bible story to life for your child. Their interest will stay on the page as you read the delightful paraphrased stories from the International Children's Bible® while they are entertained by the art that has engaged millions of children around the world. The text is a large and very readable 14-point size. . . great for beginning readers! Also included will be a section for children's songs, special prayers, and a presentation section with family tree, etc.

## Book Information

Series: Precious Moments

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Product Dimensions: 7.8 x 0.8 x 10.2 inches

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## Customer Reviews

The first thing I noticed about the Precious Moments Storybook Bible was how beautiful the illustrations are. Like all Precious Moments books the drawings are soft, peaceful and charming. I really really wanted to love this book because of the drawings and how adorable they appeared, but in fact I was very disappointed. The Precious Moments Storybook Bible contains a selection of "Favorite Bible Classics", I don't know whose favorites they are but once you get past the "Creation", "Adam and Eve" and "Noah's Ark" I don't think all the stories are presented in a very

child-friendly manner, unless you're trying to scare your child. My five year old daughter refused to even look at the book again after reading "Joseph Sold into Slavery" and hearing about his brothers wanting to kill him and smearing goat's blood on him. (For the record, I wasn't the one reading it to her or I would have stopped.) In fact she has asked me to "get rid of it" and doesn't even want it in her room. She does, however, love her The Beginner's Bible: Timeless Children's Stories which manages to tell all the stories of the Bible without scaring her. Parts of the book are well done and child-friendly, living up to the illustrations but then there are parts that I find are just too explicit for the young audience that this book is aimed at.

At approximately 8½—10 inches, Precious Moments Storybook Bible is larger than I expected it would be. The font is very large, and the pages, enhanced by colorful borders, are sweetly illustrated with Precious Moments characters. About 90% of the characters appear to be Caucasian, with the remaining 10% appearing to be of other races. The illustrations are somewhat inconsistent in this book--although nearly all of the characters, including animals, have Precious Moments-style teardrop-shaped eyes, adult Jesus and adult Moses are depicted realistically, and Joseph's brothers are drawn in a cartoonish style. According to the copyright page information, the stories in this Bible are retold from the International Children's Bible. I appreciate that the book and chapter of the Bible that each story is taken from is listed under the title. The Bible stories and passages are divided into three sections--"Favorite Bible Classics" (15 selections), "Words of Praise and Wisdom" (16 selections), and "More Stories of the Faith" (15 selections). There is also a section called "Songs and Prayers," with four songs ("The B-I-B-L-E," "Jesus Loves the Little Children," "Jesus Loves Me," and "Amazing Grace") and seven prayers, including St. Francis of Assisi's "Lord, make me an instrument" and the traditional "Now I lay me down to sleep." The text of the stories, although using simple language, stays true to Biblical meaning, for the most part. For example, in the account of creation, instead of "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it," this Bible reads, "'I want you to have big families and take care of my creation!' God said." The endings of several of the stories are abrupt or incomplete. The story of Joseph ends like this: "'My son has been killed by a wild animal!

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