



# Faith Formation Resources for Parents

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## BOOKS

DK Illustrated Family Bible, Dr. Claude-Brenard Costecalde, Editor, Dorling Kindersley ©1997

A beautiful book, packed with illustrations and information that provide historical context for the Bible.

The Family Story Bible, Ralph Milton, Westminster John Knox Press, ©1996

Not a complete Bible, but it does include many of our most important Bible stories, written in a conversational style with color illustrations.

The Early Reader's Bible, V. Gilbert Beers, Zondervan Publishing, ©1991

Good for new readers "to read all by yourself," with great illustrations and questions to discuss as a family

Getting it Together: Spiritual Practices for Faith, Family and Work, Carol Wehrem, Westminster John Knox Press, ©2002

Captures the challenges of today's families; offers practical solutions to living a faithful life in the 21<sup>st</sup> century; useful for individuals or for groups as a study guide

Journey to the Heart: Centering Prayer for Children, Frank X. Jelenek, Paraclete Press ©2007

A beautiful book to read to young children or share with older readers including adults.

Making a Home for Faith, Elizabeth F. Caldwell, The Pilgrim Press, Cleveland, OH ©2000

Beautifully written; useful for individuals or for groups as a study guide

Practicing our Faith: A Way of Life for a Searching People, Dorothy C. Bass, editor; published by Jossey-Bass, ©1997 by John Wiley & Sons, [www.josseybass.com](http://www.josseybass.com)

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Receiving the Day: Christian Practices for Opening the Gift of Time, Dorothy C. Bass; published by Jossey-Bass, ©2000 by John Wiley & Sons, [www.josseybass.com](http://www.josseybass.com)

These two books are excellent tools for putting faith into practice in everyday life.

The Toddlers Bible, V. Gilbert Beers, Victor Books/Scripture Press, ©1992

A wonderful "first Bible;" simple re-telling of 101 Bible stories with great illustrations; would make a nice baptism gift

## WEBSITES

Alternatives for Simple Living: <http://www.simpleliving.org>

"Organized in 1973 as a protest against the commercialism of Christmas, Alternatives for Simple Living encourages people of faith to examine and challenge our consumer society..."

Candle Press: <http://www.candlepress.com>

"CANDLE PRESS helps families nurture the gift of awe and wonder in their children. HELEN BARRON ... invites parents of young children, educators, clergy -- grandparents -- to brainstorm with her: what do families want and what will make the booklets we produce easy to follow and engaging to the parents and to the children?..."

ExploreFaith: [www.explorefaith.org](http://www.explorefaith.org)

"Our sole reason for being is to provide an open, non-judgmental, private place for ANYONE interested in exploring spiritual issues. Our simple goal is to help you move along your journey in faith by providing rich and varied material about God, faith and spirituality...."