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Waiting In Wonder: Growing In Faith While You're Expecting



Synopsis

A devotional journal inviting women to embrace the spiritual journey that awaits as they prepare for the high and holy calling of motherhood. Expecting a baby is a time of unfolding wonders—from the jolt of first heartbeat, to the buds of tiny fingers, to the flutter of little kicks. During pregnancy, a mother's body nourishes this quiet miracle's development. But through the trials of morning sickness, the anticipation of labor, and the questions of whether she'll be a good mother, she'll need her own nourishment—both physical as well as spiritual. She'll want to nurture her own heart so that she may one day strengthen the spiritual life of this child entrusted to her. *Waiting in Wonder* guides readers through the weeks of pregnancy with devotions designed to encourage, strengthen, and inspire. Each devotion includes Scripture and journaling space for writing personal thoughts, prayers, dreams, even love letters to the growing baby. And when baby is born, mother will hold a lifelong keepsake for rereading and reliving a truly wonder-filled time of physical change and spiritual growth.

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This devotional journal is beautifully written for the expectant mother's heart as she awaits the joy of the birth of her child. It has a place to write prayers and messages to the baby after each lesson and has a memory verse for each week for mom to guide her as she walks on this journey of pregnancy. I highly recommend as not just a devotional but as a pregnancy journal too. What a gift this would be to show the child years later when he/she is grown as a beautiful testimony. I cried as I went through this wishing I had this for my pregnancies with my daughter and son. I am recommending

this to all my pregnant family and friends as it will speak to each of them as they await the redeeming births of their baby.

Having lost a daughter at 16 weeks gestation in my previous pregnancy, my current pregnancy has been high risk since the very beginning. Even with my trust and faith in God, every day has been a challenge in remaining positive instead of anxious as I have been at the doctor weekly and on and off mandatory rest. A friend of mine sent me Mrs. Larson's book a week ago. Beginning each morning with a devotional that walks you through scripture, and the joys and blessings of pregnancy has given me a renewed sense of strength. Even in the first few devotions, God already spoke through Mrs. Larson's words to me, and the specific emotions I have been struggling with. It has ministered to me and blessed me. I highly recommend this book not only to any expectant mother you may know, but also to an expectant mother who may be experiencing issues through a high risk pregnancy.

I wish I would have had a book like this when I was expecting my children! This book allows one to take the time to reflect on the true miracle of childbirth. I would have cherished this book and I know my teenaged children would have loved to read my hopes, fears and excitement about becoming their mother. Don't miss this opportunity to reflect upon the most important time of your life. You will treasure these memories forever.

This is just what I was looking for. It is a soul-searching devotional that helps a woman become ready for motherhood in ways that go beyond eating the right foods, buying the right crib, and picking out the right name. As a first-time mother, this devotional/journal format is so helpful for me, and so needed. I have questions, concerns, and fears. But this is a place for me to work this all out before the little one comes. I am thankful for being able to find this book. I may never show it to the little one, but it's a place where God has met me and comforted my soul, and I'm only on week 6!

This book is a nugget of gold for any woman who bears witness to the miracle of new life inside her and the brilliant Creator who sustains it! As a seasoned mother of four, I have often longed for a devotional book to use when walking my pregnancy journey. Although new mommas would perhaps find more quiet moments to meditate on Ms. Larson's words, even "experienced" expectant mothers would find this a valuable, encouraging, devotional and a precious keepsake for their children. One thing I especially liked was the layout. Nowhere in my journey of motherhood have I found time each

and every day for devotional books, as I'm sure may be the case for others. "Waiting In Wonder" divides the book by trimester and then by week, with 4 or 5 "daily" devotionals available for meditation within that week, instead of required reading for each day of pregnancy. All in all this is an excellent devotional offering both food for the soul and fascinating pregnancy milestones and information for the curious mind -- a terrific combination that's sure to please any expectant momma!

I'm thrilled to have this book to give to friends and ordered several to have them on hand. If I were expecting, this is the first book I would buy. Larson combines the wonder of creation (did you know that the cells that will form the heart jump to life and begin beating within two weeks of conception?) with deep, grounded theology. But that theology is in small bite-size pieces that are super easy to read and contemplate. I think the tone of the book is perfect -- not saccharine sweet, and while it's a book about pregnancy, not every daily lesson relates back to being a mother or having a child, but often uses the journey of pregnancy to relate to broader spiritual truths. It gives moms-to-be a spiritual companion for the journey that is understanding, hopeful, and faithful. I'm generally one to journal on my own rather than in the pages of a book, and if that's you, you can use the journaling prompts here for further reflection without worrying about filling them in. The devotionals alone are worth the price of the book. If you're debating between several books, buy this one. I imagine you'll love it like I do!

A wonderful devotional for the expecting mom. I like how it makes me think about how amazing God is through my pregnancy and how He will guide and protect me as a parent. Also, it includes medically accurate updates each week for baby's development which is fun!

Gave this beautiful little book as a early 'mom to be' gift to both of my daughter in laws... They loved the encouraging biblical devotional (parts to write thoughts down) and extra info pages on what to expect in their pregnancy & updates on baby's growth:) Truly helped make their waiting time, a growing time for them as new moms to be. (they also had fun reading it with their husbands). I recommend giving the book to the mom to be as early as possible, so she can stay in step with the week's covered and not miss anything!

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