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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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Customer Reviews

"As the mama of six, this is a book I wished someone had given to me in the beginning. In all their holy beginnings." ANN VOSKAMP, Author of the New York Times Best Seller *One Thousand Gifts* *Waiting in Wonder* will point you in exactly the right direction: preparing your heart as you prepare your home to receive new life. What a marvelous gift to give—to yourself, your growing child, or any expectant woman you may know. GARY THOMAS, Author of *Sacred Marriage* and *The Sacred Search* *Waiting in Wonder* is the perfect preparation for motherhood—part instruction

manual, biology lesson (in the sweetest way), and spiritual journey.Â MARY DEMUTH, Author of Ordinary Mom, Extraordinary GodÂ Catherine has skillfully crafted a journal that will enlighten, inspire, and educate "mothers to be" for this momentous journey of motherhood. It leads mothers to understand the profound call God designed for women: to give birth, life, and love to precious children, whose souls will live throughout eternity.Â SALLY CLARKSON, Conference speaker, ministry leader, author of Mission of Motherhood

Catherine Claire Larson is a senior writer and editor of Prison Fellowship and BreakPoint. With a bachelor's degree in English and a master's degree in theological studies, Larson hopes to give voice to Rwandans who are involved in one of the most closely watched experiments in forgiveness in our world today.

This book has not only been an encouragement to me, as a new mother, but also offers journaling points to focus and direct me as I document this season of life. I like that the journal offers the opportunity to write about my experience, thoughts and emotions as well as what I want to tell my baby. Someday, this will not only be fun to go back and read but I pray it will also offer a legacy of faith and encouragement to my child.

This is a daily devotion book for pregnancy. It does have some week by week info about what is going on with fetal development and such. And then daily devotions with questions and space to write and journal your responses and thoughts. It is a good book for growing closer to God during the season of expectation. It starts very early in pregnancy, and follows you through to the end. It would make a lovely gift.

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!

I am 35 weeks pregnant with my first child right now and have been going through this book ever since my second trimester (it was packed in a moving box before that or I would have started

sooner!) I looove this book! Every day contains wisdom and thought-provoking questions. The author balances the nitty-gritty of pregnancy with Godly truth and always manages to bring me to a place of praise. The "Points for Prayer and Praise" at the beginning of each week are just what I need to be specific in how I pray for my baby's physical and spiritual health. I love this book so much that I am answering the questions in a separate notebook (which I plan on gifting to my daughter one day) so that I can leave the questions unanswered for my next 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.

I originally wanted a journal to keep thoughts in while expecting, but when I read the reviews for this one, I knew I wanted to get it! It has the perfect blend of encouragement for mom, information about baby's development, and devotions to point us to our own Heavenly Father. I love the days when there is a spot to write a note or prayer for baby, and have grown in my own spiritual walk through the reflection posts after each devotion. Definitely going to buy this for each of the babies I have in the future!

A friend bought me this as a present when I was pregnant and I love it so much, I bought it for a friend who is also expecting. It's short, focused, not overly cheesy and pretty accurate. I like that it goes with the week you are pregnant and it's only 4-5 days a week rather than every day.

This books challenges me each week with scripture along with informing me each week as to what God is creating and doing in my body. This book is a challenge and it looks at pregnancy and raising a child in a way that puts God first instead of your child or pregnancy. I really appreciate her truth and love with every day. There is 5 devotionals per week along with an opening day so it could take 6 days per week to complete each week up to labor. I started at week 8 and I felt like I didn't miss a thing. It was totally worth the buy:)

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