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BIG THEOLOGY FOR LITTLE HEARTS SERIES
TEACHES KEY THEOLOGICAL PRINCIPLES
TO TODDLERS

WHEATON, Ill.—Christian parents are charged with the care of their children—physically, emotionally, mentally, and spiritually. Providing spiritual care can be especially difficult in the earliest years of a child’s life, when big and complex ideas seem impossible to explain. Bible stories are one way to communicate spiritual realities to young kids, but how can parents impart broad theological principles to their toddlers and preschoolers in an easy-to-understand way?

This new series, Big Theology for Little Hearts (Crossway, February 2020), equips parents to begin these crucial conversations with their young children at an early age. Written and illustrated by Devon and Jessica Robyn Provencher, these books use simplified language and colorful, modern illustrations to help children ages 1–5 understand some of the foundational truths about God, Jesus Christ, and the gospel.

Each of the first three books in the series—God, Jesus, and The Gospel—introduces children to ten key terms, along with a one-sentence explanation of each term. These include concepts such as the following:

• “Eternal—God has always been and will always be.”
• “Just—God will never let the guilty go unpunished.”
• “Incarnation—Jesus took on a human nature and lived among us.”
• “Priest—Jesus stands in his people’s place before God.”
• “Sacrifice—Jesus was put to death, taking on himself the punishment that God’s people deserved.”
• “Resurrection—Destroying death once and for all, Jesus came back to life three days later!”

“We hope for toddlers to gain a foundational understanding of theology through these books as well as for parents to feel better equipped to talk about big topics with their little ones,” write the Provenchers. “As toddlers graduate from the Big Theology for Little Hearts books, our hope is that they will have a basic understanding of who God is, what sin is, and why grace is so important.”
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