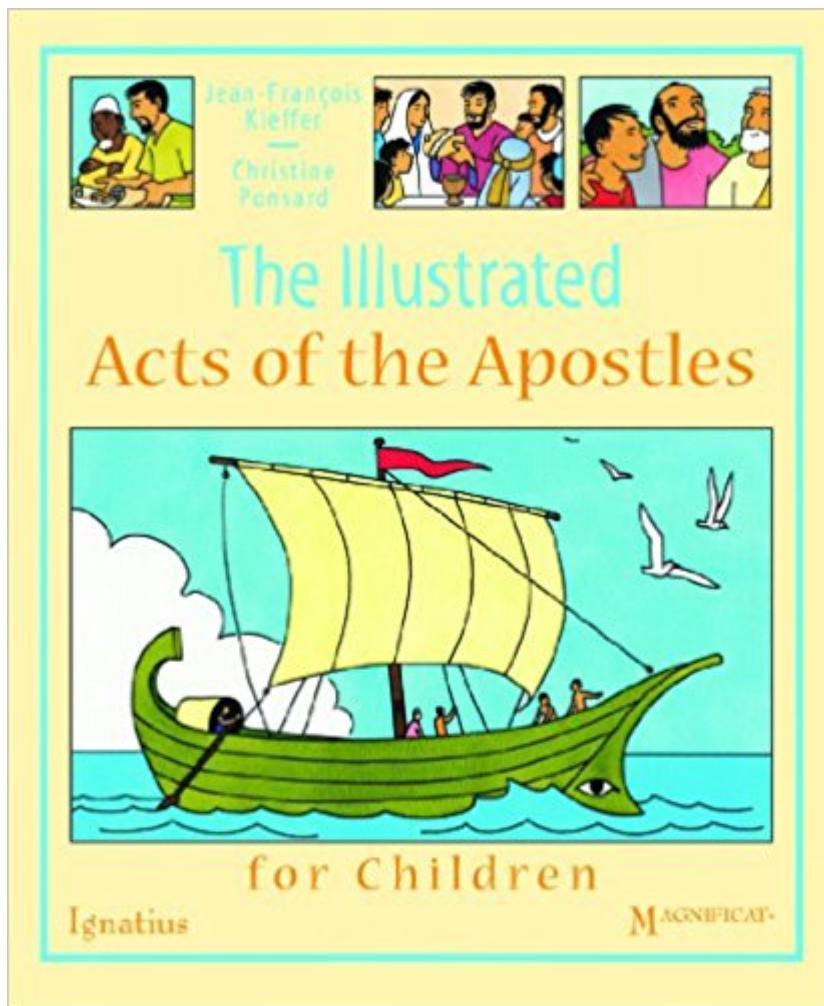


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The Illustrated Acts Of The Apostles For Children



Synopsis

The adventures of the apostles, as recorded by Saint Luke in the New Testament, are told for young readers with vibrant and expressive four-color, comic-book style illustrations. The simple but engaging text begins where The Illustrated Gospel for Children leaves off - with Pentecost, when the followers of Jesus are transformed by the gifts of the Holy Spirit into heroic witnesses of the Resurrection of Christ. The experiences of the early Church -- the works of mercy, the miraculous healings, and the amazing conversions -- come to life in these seventeen inspiring stories of the faith and courage.

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Customer Reviews

In youthful yet tasteful comic-book style, Jesus comes alive for young readers with vibrant and expressive four-color illustrations and simple but engaging text. The moving story of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus is told in a way young readers will find both attractive and challenging; the Gospel is simplified without losing any of its saving power. "And what about you, who do you say that I am?"

Jean-FranCois Kieffer is a Deacon and father of four children. Born in France in 1957, he has been an award-winning writer and illustrator of children's works for many years.

This book is done in comic style. The page has boxes that go in chronological order with images and writing inside. There is a yellow text box on top of each image that gives the narration/explanation... then there are white bubbles inside the image so the people are talking. The talking parts seem to be direct scripture quotes. The images are all colored and there is a depth of emotion here I was surprised to find in a kids book. Each story takes up only 2 pages (except Paul's conversion, gospel voyages, and from Jerusalem to Rome). This book adds content from the previous book (illustrated gospel) and is appropriate for under 8 year olds. It does show the stoning of Stephen so I would not use this with a child under age 5. I also did not see any theological inaccuracies... its just presenting the stories in a simple way. As a parent, you will need to explain and work through what things mean with your child. I also suggest you buy the other two books in the series to flesh out the number of Bible stories. Too bad the series does not have an old testament trio as well. I would buy it in a heart beat. Only cons are 1. that it contains less than half the pages of its predecessor (the illustrated gospel), 2. the cover is padded which takes up space on the bookshelf and usually contains foam that most likely will degrade over time releasing volatile organic compounds... wish it had been a flat hardcover, 3. it repeats Pentecost and ascension which was already covered in a predecessor, and it feels incredibly brief.

This book was purchased along with The Illustrated Gospel for Children for my beginning reader. She read them over and over again, thoroughly enjoying their graphic novel style until she was extremely familiar with all of the stories. She even brought her books to her Religious Education class to share with her classmates. I particularly like the fact that these books retain much of the original wording from the bible, occasionally substituting a simpler word here and there. The beautiful illustrations help the child (and the parent!) to better understand the context of the story by visually conveying details about the times and places that are often not revealed through words. The bottom line is that through the words and pictures in these books the Gospels and Acts of the Apostles are brought to life in a unique way. My child is now more excited and pays closer attention when she recognizes the bible readings in church. I highly recommend these books to anyone with a special child in their life between the ages of about 3 or 4 through about age 8.

My 5 and 3 year old daughters love this book, as well as the others by Francois Kieffer. The illustrations are clear and uncluttered without being overly cartoonish, and include the little details (someone laughing in the background, a cat running away) that children love to fixate on and wonder about. As for the text, it sticks closely to the words of the Bible. I prefer this to the more

paraphrased versions you get in children's illustrated Bible stories that Evangelical publishers tend to put out. Some of what is said is over my very little ones' heads, but they ask questions and I can explain. I think it's important to get the actual words of Scripture bouncing around in their little hearts. In conclusion -- it's an illustrated Acts of the Apostles for kids! (Well, it's excerpts from Acts anyway.) How unusual and cool is that?

My son loves this series! The pictures are wonderfully illustrated and words not too overwhelming for young children. I am trying to get the whole series by this same author given the nice pictures! Excellent way to teach children the Bible stories.

They are very easy to read and fun for the kids. I have a 5 and a 7 year old, and they both like when I read it to them. The stories don't go into a lot of detail, but they can be conversation starters if you want to go deeper into some of the subjects. I highly recommend this series!

I read this to my kids over a couple weeks, one episode at a time, like a serial tale. They loved it. It does a good job of showing how exciting and interesting the story is without sensationalizing it at all. The illustrations are good comics, not too cutesy but nicely stylized.

Beautifully illustrated and well written. It is a fairly easy read for most children.

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