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Natalie says

A nice little devotional to read every day leading up to Christmas, drawing us back to the real meaning of Christmas

Tammy Williamson says

After a tough year, this advent devotional was just what I needed to find joy in this Christmas season.

Dawn Michelle says

This was a very lovely book for Advent. It had scripture and a devotional and a prayer and also a Christmas hymn/poem. It was a lovely way to end each day while heading towards Christmas. I would use this again!!

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This is still a 5 star book for me - the content is fantastic. Each devotion is perfect for invoking the feelings you should have during the Advent/Christmas season [and truly all year round]. My problem with it this year was that the dates didn't match up with the beginning of Advent this year. They are set for the year it was published and this made it very difficult to use this year [I struggled to figure out where I was as I started on December 1st and that was apparently wrong]. I spent quite a bit of time playing catch up and being lost. It is still an amazing devotional and I enjoyed the passages very much [if not more than the first time].

Unfortunately, I will not be using this again and will be looking for a new Advent devotional to replace it. I would love to recommend this as it is a great great devotional, but unless you are better at numbers than I am [and I totally and completely suck at numbers], then I would have to tell you to pass. Unless the year and dates match up with them.

Ian says

I tend to read a few Advent devotionals as I find each author draws out a different perspective of the season. As evidenced by the sub-title of this book, Giglio's focus is that of hope. The hope that Jesus brings at Christmas. Hope involves active waiting, especially when it's centred on Jesus.

The book starts with a powerful family story of new life and death before it takes us into the daily devotionals. Each one starts with Scripture, then Giglio provides a short reflection on it, before a meditation (often a song or poem) and prayer close it out.

There's a delightful peacefulness about this devotional. Each day I felt Giglio took me into a quiet place where it was just God and me, reflecting on the wonder of what He did for us at Christmas.

As the great verse in Isaiah 27 says: "For those who hope in the Lord, will renew their strength and soar on wings like eagles ..." I found as a result of reading this Advent companion I was better able to focus on the true message of Christmas and my strength was renewed.

I expect I'll be reading this next Christmas.

Glenn says

Great book full of interesting topics leading up to Christmas - recommended to do every year...

Susan M Russell says

Good Christmas devotional

This is a very enjoyable read as a devotional for Christmas. I would definitely recommend it during the holiday season.

Alison English says

This is such a special reminder of the true meaning of Christmas, and it gets you in this frame of mind right after Thanksgiving! If you start listening to Christmas music that early, you might as well start this book, too. It's my second year reading it all the way through, and I'm so glad I've added it to my annual traditions!

Rob says

I can not recommend this book enough. I've never taken in an Advent reader. This one is perfect. And the story at the end is enough to make your eyes water up. Thank you Louie Giglio for helping me remain focused on what really matters at Christmas.

Jamie says

"Christmas is about waiting and hoping in God. If we are willing to ask Him, God will give us the grace to slow the pace. And He will help us remember how loved we are and how faithful He is. If we wait expectantly for Him, God will lift our eyes and draw near to us. He will remind us that waiting is not wasting when we are waiting on the Lord."

Hope. It's something I hang on tightly these days and it's something I'm learning (or re-learning) more and more about during this Advent Season. This little book is not only an excellent study in that, but the perfect companion to the season.

I have been a fan of Louie Giglio for a really long time. His preaching and communication of God's Word has formed and shaped my faith in such incredible ways. He truly has a gift and I'm so thankful he continues to lead and teach God's Word. I didn't even realize he came out with a book for Advent (especially since The Comeback was just released as well), but I'm so glad it caught my eye.

I think it's such a fabulous devotional. Each day is short and sweet – they include verses, meditations and prayers and are the perfect way to start your day or gather your family together at night. More than ever the world needs to remember the hope that Christmas is and this is a great way to start!

This will be packed away in my Christmas box when the season is over and come next year, I will dive in again!

Do you have a favorite way to celebrate the season of Advent?

(Thank you to BookLook Bloggers for a copy of the book in exchange for my honest review)

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Sydney Drinkwater says

If you're looking for a devotional that will help calm your soul in the midst of busy Decembers,
if you've lost your focus or desire to sharpen your focus on what (who) really matters,
if you're wading through some darkness and need a hand to lead you back to God's Word,
this is the advent devotional for you.

Louie Giglio has a gift of generating peace to the reader throughout this book. Beginning on November 26 and ending on Christmas Eve, each day opens with a Bible passage, then continues with a related reflection, a meditation and closes with a prayer. The meditation section is usually a typed out song or hymn, which I particularly enjoyed. We become so accustomed to singing certain lyrics we forget to let the actual words penetrate our soul when they are perfectly able to do so.

This devotional is not intended to dig deep into the Word but rather give you a special daily moment with God during the typically very busy weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas. It is entirely doable for anyone with any schedule.

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Giglio sends us on a journey toward Hope with reminders of why we wait, for whom we wait and what good comes to those who wait. I'm quite sure I'll be pulling out this little book next year, too!

Tammie Gitt says

Rediscovering Advent

Each day's reading contains a Scripture passage, a devotional thought, meditation and prayer that places emphasis on the gift of grace that steps into whatever situation we are experiencing as Christmas approaches. Anticipation builds not for the gifts and parties of the season but for the celebrations of the birth of the Messiah.

Will Abrams says

This was my first experience with any kind of Advent book. The daily readings are short and full of interesting scripture to mark the season. The book is pleasant enough but not something I'm rushing to make an annual tradition.

Alyssa says

About the Book-

It comes the same time every year. Christmas. We have plenty of time to anticipate it, or in some cases...dread it. And, before we know it, it's gone as quickly as it came. What's it all for? Is there really hope for today in the story of a baby born so long ago? Those questions and others are answered in the promises of Advent. Advent is simply a season of expectant waiting and preparation. Most often, the arrival of an event or a person is made all the more sweet by our anticipation. How could waiting and expectation change your Christmas season? Join pastor and author Louie Giglio on an Advent journey to discover that waiting is not wasting when you're waiting on the Lord. Take hold of the chance to uncover the vast hope offered through the journey of Advent. In *Waiting Here for You*, readers will find peace and encouragement for their souls as anticipation leads toward celebration.

My Review-

Waiting Here for You by Louie Giglio is short book on Advent, specifically focusing on the Hope of Christmas. It's a book where you can read one passage each day, which is actually the point of this book or you can do what I did and read it all in one straight shot. And that didn't take long either, I think I read the whole thing in about 30 minutes. Yeah, it's that short. But I loved what I found inside. The Hope of Christmas is something we all need, especially in our world today, which is full of negativity, darkness, and immorality. This is a great Advent book perfect for yourself or as a gift to a loved one for Advent/Christmas season.

(Thank you BookLookBloggers for the review copy)

Alessandra says

I just love this advent devotional. Focused on waiting and hope.

Louie Giglio does it again.

Matt Fountain says

Wonderful. Great reflections, meditations, and prayers.
