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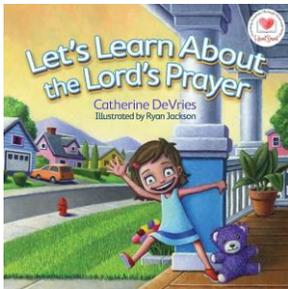
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# PRESS RELEASE

## New book teaches preschoolers the Lord's Prayer

Let's Learn about the Lord's Prayer invites children to a day of play, prayer and song



**Seattle:** This fall, David C Cook is launching a new series for toddlers and preschoolers that combines word and song to help young children memorize scripture. The first book in the HeartSmart series, **Let's Learn about the Lord's Prayer** (September 1, 2015/ISBN: 978-0781412698/\$10.99) by bestselling author **Catherine DeVries**, not only introduces children to Bible memory, but teaches them about how to pray.

In this vibrant, colorful board book illustrated by Ryan Jackson, DeVries introduces Emma, a preschooler who welcomes readers at the front door and invites them in for a special playdate. Upstairs they meet Blueberry, Emma's favorite teddy bear. The two show readers all the fun toys in Emma's room before heading downstairs for snack time. As they sit down in the kitchen and get ready to pray before eating, Emma shares with readers she has been learning about the Lord's Prayer.

Emma quotes each line of the prayer and explains every part in a way preschoolers can understand. As Emma's mom taught her, children will learn "this whole world belongs to God. Everything we do is for God's glory, which is like a big celebration that shows Him how amazing we think He is." Children will then head back to Emma's room, where they teach the Lord's Prayer to Blueberry. The entire prayer appears at the back of this delightful book, along with an access code to a whimsical song that will help them learn it.

*Let's Learn about the Lord's Prayer* and all the coming HeartSmart releases will offer parents the opportunity to infuse their homes with God's Word. By using these charming books, moms and dads will be equipped with a clear spiritual formation path for building in their child a strong foundation of faith based on key Scriptures. Through engaging and playful stories about children their own age, young people will be captivated by the colorful illustrations and inspired to hide God's Word in their hearts through repetition and song — two prescriptions for memorization.

**Learn more about *Let's Learn about the Lord's Prayer* and the HeartSmart series at [HeartSmart.DavidCCook.com](http://HeartSmart.DavidCCook.com).**

### About the Author



**Catherine DeVries** has written 20 books for children, including the bestselling *The Adventure Bible Storybook*. As associate publisher of Children's Resources at David C Cook, she leads product development for *The Action Bible* collection, which has sold more than 1 million copies.

She is a graduate of Calvin College who has won Retailer's Choice awards in 2000, 2009 and 2010, as well as a Gold Medallion award in 2008, among others. She also serves on the board of the Tween Gospel Alliance. Catherine lives with her husband, their three children and big furry dog in the Colorado forest.

## Suggested Interview Questions

- Your new book, *Let's Learn about the Lord's Prayer*, is the first installment in the new HeartSmart series for children. Can you tell us a little bit about the series?
- Why did you decide to use the Lord's Prayer as the first passage of scripture in the series?
- Emma, the narrator of your story, could be compared to another little girl popular among pre-schoolers: Dora the Explorer. In what ways are they similar, and what makes Emma unique?
- Why did you choose to have Emma teach the Lord's Prayer to her toy bear, Blueberry, instead of Emma learning it herself?
- At the end of the book there is a code to download a song that accompanies the book. Please tell us more about the song.
- How do songs help children learn scripture?
- Why is it important for our spiritual life and communication with God to understand the Lord's Prayer?
- In what ways have you emphasized prayer in your own home while raising your children?
- Do you think parents place enough emphasis on their children's spiritual formation?
- We've all heard — and perhaps even chuckled — at the cute prayers of little children. Do you think God hears and answers their prayers?
- Did you read a lot with your parents when you were little? What do you remember about those moments?
- What upcoming releases in the HeartSmart series can readers look forward to?

**Catherine DeVries is available for interviews to promote the release of *Let's Learn about the Lord's Prayer*. To request a review copy, schedule an interview or for more information, please contact Audra Jennings, [audra@liffusegroup.com](mailto:audra@liffusegroup.com).**

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