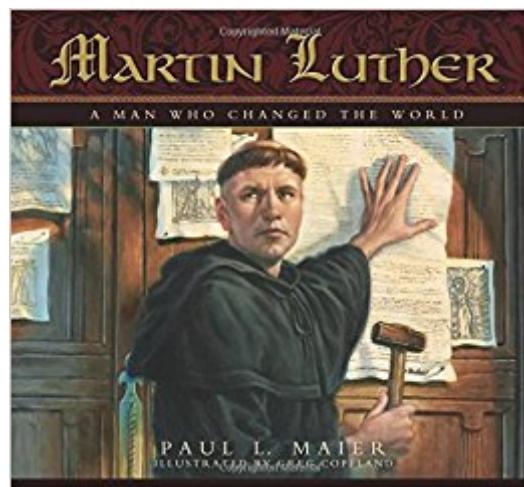


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Martin Luther: A Man Who Changed The World



Synopsis

A 2005 Gold Medallion finalist! Martin Luther served as a catalyst of the Protestant Reformation in sixteenth-century Europe. This book teaches children about his fascinating life, influence, and teaching while encouraging them to see how God uses them in His kingdom today. Children learn the historic background to a significant time in the church. They discover that, like Martin Luther, they can learn about the reality of Christ's life and death on their behalf, His grace and mercy, and His desire for them as baptized, redeemed children of God.

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Customer Reviews

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A great story to introduce children to Martin Luther, the Reformation, and the difference between earning our salvation and living in grace. However, I changed about half a dozen words when I read it to my children. The book excessively extols Martin Luther himself with words like "greatest" and, in my opinion, paints the Catholic church in an entirely negative light. I softened some of the superlatives to remove the excessively black / white perspective on the church and the figures involved, then followed the reading with further discussion on grace.

Excellent book. My oldest is 6 and she has asked me to read it repeatedly and it has sparked some wonderful conversations. I believe it will be interesting for many more years and she will continue to get more out of as she matures. The illustrations are beautiful.

Beautiful picture book highlighting the important events in Luther's life, and why the Reformation was the result. Great resource for introducing the subject to kids, but would disagree with the recommended age -- the vocabulary used and Luther's belief in the concept of grace (a person can't "earn" their way to heaven) a bit over the head of younger kids (4-6), altho they still will pick up on basic story. My experience with reading this to kids is that even those a bit older (8-10) will enjoy, and probably come away with a better grasp of the importance of Luther's life and teachings. I like that the author also touches on the fact that for all Luther's greatness, a few of his opinions (I believe much later in his life) weren't necessarily favorable -- allowing you to respect his genius without making him a "saint". Not at all "preachy" -- just a good overview of the story and Luther's beliefs. A book all Lutherans should read, but also important and interesting to those of other denominations or just interested in history, as Luther's ideas ended up having an effect on many aspects of society (education, politics, banking, etc. -- you'll have to go beyond this book to discover why) which benefit us still today.

This book is a short but meaningful biography of Luther from a Christian perspective. It is a picture book, but I would say that the concepts and the prose is best suited for students grades 3-5. I like that it emphasizes Luther's commitment to salvation coming through faith and not works.

If you are going to teach history to your children, there can be little doubt that Martin Luther is a major historical figure. His critiques of the Catholic Church fundamentally changed the world. Yet surprisingly, there are relatively very few Martin Luther biographies aimed at elementary school aged children. What makes "Martin Luther: A Man Who Changed The World" different from the other biographies that I have read to my children is that it was written by a Luthern for other Lutherns. Although there is this specific orientation, I nevertheless found the book to be both well written and illustrated. Martin Luther led a fascinating life and this book does an excellent job of re-telling Martin Luther's story for young children. Recommended.

Great product!

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We really have enjoyed this book about Martin Luther. We bought it to read to our children for Reformation Day. The illustrations are high quality and beautiful. The story is capturing and accurate. I can tell reading this book will be a tradition for years to come.

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