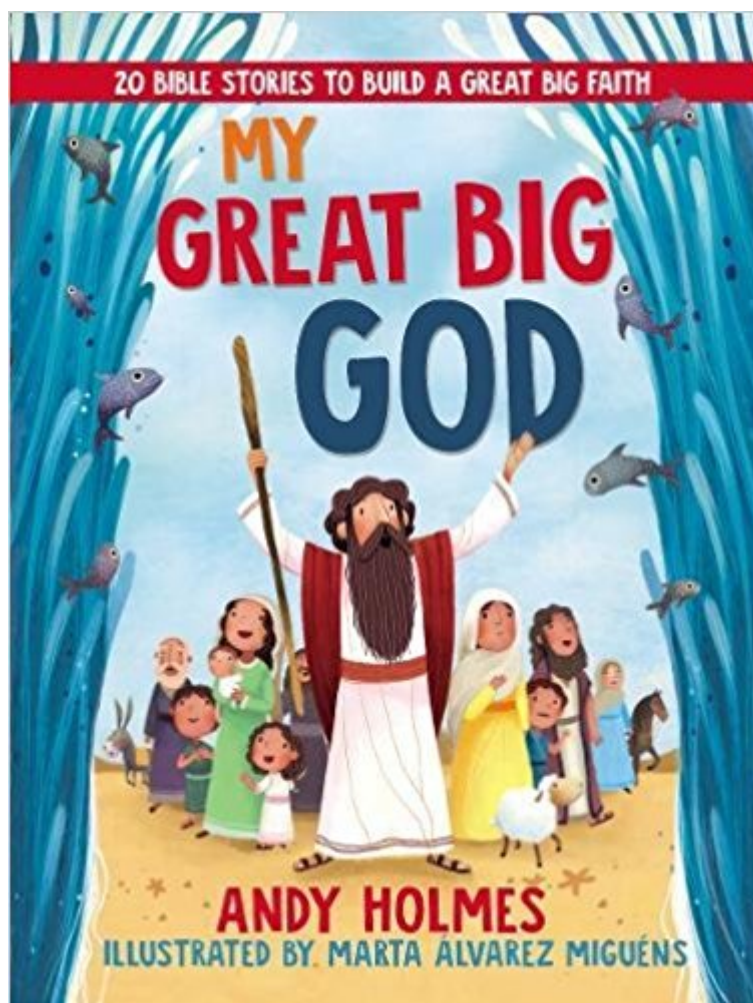


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# My Great Big God: 20 Bible Stories To Build A Great Big Faith



## Synopsis

My great big God takes care of me! My great big God loves me! Find out just how great and big God really is in this adorable Bible storybook for little ones. ã Æ Bestselling author Andy Holmes takes children on a special journey through 20 of the most loved and known stories in the Bible that illustrate the character of God. Each story is told in adorable rhymes and ends with a fresh takeaway that even the youngest child will understand: My great big God is good! My great big God is powerful! Parents and children alike will love to read these stories together and learn about how wonderful our God is. With bright, eye-catching illustrations by Marta Alvarez Miguens and thick pages perfect for little hands to hold, My Great Big God will be a family favorite for years to come.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Andy Holmes is a creator, performer, writer, and songwriter. He is a frequent conference speaker, teacher, and workshop leader at events all over the country. Andy has appeared on The 700 Club and numerous other talk/interview radio and television programs. He is the author of the Tommy Nelson children's books Growing with Jesus and the Bible for Me series. Marta Alvarez Miguens is a children's book illustrator in La Coruña (Spain). Her artwork is characterized by happy colors and cute children and animals with red, healthy cheeks. In her spare time, Marta loves playing with her three cats, walking in the woods, watching movies, and drinking a cup of coffee with her friends. ã Æ

“My great big God gave Me a great big job to do So I can help change this world too. He wants me to be full of love, To act in ways He’d be proud of.” Andy Holmes writes in his children’s book, *My Great Big God*. ~ What ~ This twenty-page hardbound with rounded corners targets preschoolers and older who enjoy rhyming stories from the Bible. Even though it includes innocuous pictures of Daniel in the lions’ den, a rock aiming for Goliath, Jonah being thrown overboard, and Jesus carrying His cross, the abbreviated twenty stories retold from the Holy Bible are not too frightening. As young readers view twelve stories from the Old Testament, the eight stories in the New Testament stories focus on Jesus. Each story begins with the title and Bible chapter listing, and starts with “My great big God” followed by two to three rhyming paragraphs while the colorful illustrations cover the open pages. ~ Why ~ I like how the short stories are simple but concisely contain what happened in each Bible story. With no scary scenes, it promotes how God is so big and wonderful that He knows all and can handle everything. Some of the poems are charming and engaging yet filled with a lesson or purpose. Little ones who do not read will be delighted in the drawings that are easy to understand. ~ Why Not ~ Those who have no personal relationship with Christ may not want to promote Bible stories to young children. Beginner readers may struggle with some of the two- and three-syllable words. ~ Wish ~ Although the book does mention Jesus dying on the cross for our sins and rose again, there is no resurrection story at the end, but a call to tell others about Christ and His love. I wish it mentioned about Jesus in Heaven preparing a place for us. ~ Want ~ If you are looking for a short, fun, and educational poem book of twenty stories from the Bible, this one is a keeper. Thanks to BookLook Bloggers for this complimentary book that I am evaluating by choice.

I liked this colorful board book that has 20 bible story illustrations. The author says these are to build a Great Big Faith on; I think he’s right. I liked how he goes about telling amazing faith building stories which include bible references so you can go deeper depending on the age of the child. Each story starts out with the phrase, “My great big God” then it has about 8 rhyming stanza’s to depict the story and then it ends with “My Great Big God -- Made Everything”, Same line but the last words change for every story. Here’s a sample “keeps me safe Made me - Guides me! - has

a plan for me. All these statements say that we have a great big God who cares for me personally and in many different ways. He is not too big to care. After the story about when Jesus goes to the cross the story title is, "A Great Big Job." And the last line is "My Great Big God Wants Me to be His Helper!" The author encourages readers to go out and tell others about what Jesus did for us. Show His love to others. Be an encourager. I liked the stories and the way this was laid out. This is soon to be a family favorite at bed time. Disclosure of Material Connection: I received a complimentary copy of this book from the BookLook for Bloggers site. I was not required to write a positive review. The opinions I have expressed are my own. I am disclosing this in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission's 16 CFR, Part 255 "Guides Concerning the Use of Endorsements and Testimonials in Advertising." Nora St. Laurent TBCN Where Book Fun Begins! The Book Club Network blog Book Fun Magazine SVP Promotions

My Great Big God is a nice Bible story board-book offering for young children. There are twenty stories total taken from both the Old and New Testament of the Bible. The stories are easy to grasp for young children as they are written simply. The rhyming format also makes the stories easier to read for the and for kids to remember and pay attention to. Each story features a title, scripture reference (you can read the entire story from the Bible if you want to), a simplified retelling, and an important attribute of God to remember. A few examples of the attributes pointed out are "My Great Big God has a plan for me", saves the day, gave us Jesus, makes big things happen, and so forth. A few of the stories found in the book include Creation, Noah and the Ark, Moses, Joseph, The Wall of Jericho, Samson, Daniel, and much more. Story retellings are only 2-3 paragraphs long and are covered on a two-page spread surrounded by the story illustration. Stories text only takes up one page. The illustrations are totally kid-friendly. The warm coloring palette is perfect for a children's book. There are no scary or potentially frightening images. However, there is one illustration where people are crying as Jesus carries his cross but it's done subtly and there's a man hurt on the road being helped by the Good Samaritan (he's being wrapped up in bandages). There's nothing gory, no blood, etc. I think this is a sweet offering. My youngest child enjoyed looking at the pictures and my six-year-old son had no trouble reading this book to me aloud. This book would be a lovely offering to a home book collection or for a Sunday School class.

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