

The following books are located in the YA (Teen) section unless noted\*, alphabetical by author's last name.

### YA FICTION

Bennett, Cherie and Jeff Gottesfeld. *Amen, L.A.* When seventeen-year-old Natalie Shelton and her family move from Minnesota to Beverly Hills after her mother is hired as pastor of the wealthy Church of Beverly Hills, Natalie becomes overwhelmed by the lavish lifestyle and starts to forget her Christian values.

# Billerbeck, Kristin. *Perfectly Dateless: A Universally Misunderstood Novel*

Entering her senior year at St. James Christian Academy, Daisy has less than 200 days to look stylish, develop social skills, find the right boy for the prom, and convince her parents to let her date.

## Black, Chuck. *Kingdom's Dawn*

Good and evil clash. Leinad and Cedric are determined to not only survive, but claim hope and victory! In *Kingdom's Dawn*, Leinad and Tess, along with all the king's people, must escape slavery by the powerful Lord Fairos.

## **Book 1 of Kingdom Series**

Brande, Robin. *Evolution, Me, & Other Freaks of Nature* Following her conscience leads high school freshman Mena to clash with her parents and former friends from their conservative Christian church, but might result in better things when she stands up for a teacher who refuses to include "Intelligent Design" in lessons on evolution.

#### Byrd, Sandra. Asking for Trouble

When a fifteen-year-old American girl finds herself living outside of London because of her father's job transfer and becomes a columnist for her British school's newspaper, she uses Bible truths to dole out wise advice to her classmates, but soon finds it hard to follow her own advice.

#### **Book 1 of London Confidential**

#### Carlson, Melody. Premiere

When two sisters get their own fashion-focused reality television show, vivacious Paige is excited, but Erin, a Christian who is more interested in being behind the camera than in front of it, has problems with some of the things they are asked to do.

#### **Book 1 of On the Runway**

Crossley-Holland, Kevin. *Crossing to Paradise*When fifteen-year-old Gatty, an illiterate field-girl who sings beautifully, is selected for a pilgrimage, she travels from her home on an English estate to London, Venice, and eventually Jerusalem, and experiences great changes in her circumstances and in herself.

Davis, Bryan. *Beyond the Reflection's Edge*After losing his parents, an investigator and a renowned violinist, sixteen-year-old Nathan joins forces with the daughter of a family friend to carry on his father's work, which leads them through a strange mirror into another world where dark forces await them. **Book 1 of Echoes from the Edge** 

#### Dekker, Ted. Chosen

As the land of the Forest Dwellers is increasingly decimated by the Horde, Thomas Hunter, supreme commander of the Forest Guard, choses four sixteen-year-old recruits for a special mission--to find the seven lost Books of History that have power over the past, present, and future. **Book 1 of Lost Books** 

# Doman, Regina. *The Midnight Dancers: A Fairy Tale Retold*

Rachel Durham, 18, is tired of her father and stepmother's staid morality and pristine prosperity. The summer of her senior year, she's more than ready for a walk on the wild side, and the door opens - literally - when she and her eleven sisters (and stepsisters) discover a secret passageway out of their historic home on the Chesapeake Bav.

Freitas, Donna. *The Possibilities of Sainthood*While regularly petitioning the Vatican to make her the first living saint, fifteen-year-old Antonia Labella prays to assorted patron saints for everything from help with preparing the family's fig trees for a Rhode Island winter to getting her first kiss from the right boy.

# Girone, Marlayne. *The Victor: A Tale of Betrayal, Love and Sacrifice*

A benevolent King, a ruthless traitor bent on revenge, and the faithful son who stands in his way with the woman destined to share his throne. Who shall emerge as the victor in this epic struggle between good and evil to govern the lives of hapless men?



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# Gormley, Beatrice. *Poisoned Honey: The Story of Mary Magdalene*

Relates events from the life of a girl who would grow up to be a close follower of Jesus Christ, interspersed with stories of the Apostle Matthew. Includes author's note distinguishing what Scripture says of Mary Magdalene from later traditions.

## Grimes, Nikki. A Girl Named Mister

A pregnant teenager finds support and forgiveness from God through a book of poetry presented from the Virgin Mary's perspective.

Gunn, Robin Jones. *Christy & Todd: The College Years* Fan favorite Christy Miller is now a university student enjoying the challenges of early adulthood. This three-in-one volume follows Christy and her boyfriend Todd through their college years, presenting a healthy model of a Christian dating relationship.

### Hemphill, Helen. Long Gone Daddy

Young Harlan Q. Stank gets a taste of life in the fast lane when he accompanies his preacher father on a road trip to Las Vegas to bury his grandfather and to fulfill the terms of the old man's will.

Jenkins, Jerry B. & John Perrodin. *Tattooed Rats: A Novel* When Christianity is outlawed, sharing faith is considered hate speech. Worship is done in secret underground settings. Patch, a high school student, has to form his own beliefs, and try not to get killed along the way. He meets characters such as the Wharf Rats, a gang covered in tattoos, who turn out to be believers. Schoolmates betray. True friends are hard to find. **Book 1 of Renegade Spirit** 

## Martinusen-Coloma, Cindy. Caleb & Kate

Told in their separate voices, seventeen-year-olds Kate, an Oregon socialite, and Caleb, a Hawaiian who works at her family's hotel, fall deeply in love despite a family feud, and rely on their Christian faith to carry them through.

# Martinusen-Colma, Cindy. Ruby Unscripted: Life is What Happens When You Lose the Script

When fifteen-year-old Ruby, along with her mother, stepfather, and younger brother, move to Marin County, California, leaving her older brother back home with her father and stepmother, she feels lost among the wealthier, more sophisticated people she meets, but gradually she begins to see a side of herself that never really fit into her old life, and she opens herself up to the new experiences that God is offering her.

#### McVoy, Terra Elan. Pure

Fifteen-year-old Tabitha and her four best friends all wear purity rings to symbolize their pledge to remain virgins until they marry, but when one admits that she has broken the pledge each girl must reexamine her faith, friendships, and what it means to be pure.

### Rue, Nancy. New Girl in Town

When her family moves from Missouri to Florida, sixteenyear-old Laura Duffy feels as if she will never fit in, but she learns coping skills, self-esteem, and reliance on God after joining a group led by Bayside High School counselor, Mrs. Isaacsen. **Book 1 of 'Nama Beach High** 

### YA NON FICTION

#### **YA 239 STROBEL**

Strobel, Lee. Case for Faith

Award-winning reporter and author Lee Strobel once again uses his investigative skills to address the primary objections to Christianity. As a former atheist, Strobel understands the rational resistance to faith and fields the tough questions well.

### **YA 248.4 LUCADO**

Lucado, Max & Jenna Lucado Bishop. You Were Made to Make a Difference

This adaptation of "Outlive Your Life" for teens offers practical tips youth can take out into their community to make a difference, plus real-life stories about those who have done just that.

#### **YA 248.83 CHICKEN**

Canfield, Jack. Chicken Soup for the Soul: Christian Teen Talk: Christian Teens Share Their Stories of Support, Inspiration, and Growing Up

A collection of 101 of the best stories and poems from Chicken Soup's library, written by Christian teens for other Christian teens to provide them with stories about the ups and downs of being a teenager, but from a devout Christian perspective.

#### **YA 248.83 MEYER**

Meyer, Joyce. Battlefield of the Mind for Teens: Winning the Battle in Your Mind

A guide to overcoming the worries of the world, written specifically for teen readers.

## **YA 248.832 GEORGE**

George, Jim. *A Young Man After God's Own Heart* Jim George takes older teenagers on a radical journey of faith – learning how to set priorities, live God through their actions, gear up for serving the Lord, and build meaningful friendships.

#### **YA 248.833 KUBIAK**

Kubiak, Shannon. God Called a Girl: How Mary Changed Her World and You Can Too

God has called on you to make a difference in the world. You think you're too average to be God's choice? Mary thought she was average, yet when God came to her with such a monumental task, she agreed without hesitation. Never mind the fact that being a pregnant, unwed teen in her day was punishable by death.

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