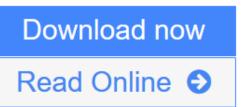


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Throughout the centuries, so many traditions have woven themselves into the celebration of Christmas that it's difficult to understand just what the season of Christ's birth is all about. Now beloved writer Warren W. Wiersbe and his son, fellow pastor David W. Wiersbe give adults their very own A to Z Christmas primer, cutting through the wrapping paper and pretty bows to expose and explain the backgrounds and reasons for our various symbols and traditions. From angels and Bethlehem to yuletide and Zechariah, the information in this unique collection is sure to enlighten. Anyone who wants to have a deeper understanding of Christmas will love this insightful resource.

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#### Andrea Huelsenbeck says

I have a tradition of reading at least one Christmas book during December. I bought this in Kindle format a few years ago, and chose it as my seasonal reading this year.

The Wiersbe father-and-son team examined every incarnation-related scripture in the Bible, Old and New Testaments, and indexed them in C is for Christmas. The topics are arranged alphabetically, covering concepts such as Advent, Bethlehem, Epiphany, Glory, Immanuel, Joy, Messiah, Peace, Shepherds, Tidings, Word, and Zechariah. This makes it easy to look up the significance of any nativity-related word. The explanations are so thorough, however, that the same information is often given under several headings, making for redundancy if you read the book cover to cover.

The best way to use this book is as an advent devotional, picking and choosing your articles. C is for Christmas is a great resource for family devotions or for children's bedtime stories during December, because the clear, concise language is readily understood by children.

#### **Steve Campbell says**

This is a thorough look at Christmas from A to Z. I expected a light primer on the various aspects of Christmas, but what I found was an in-depth look at the biblical foundation of Christmas. There is a lot of substance here. Each entry investigates a biblical, Christmas-related character, object, or theme. The authors include plenty of biblical references to support their scholarship. As a pastor, I even found plenty of ideas for future Advent related preaching series. There was one minor flaw in the book, though. The authors show that they don't come from a liturgical tradition in that twice they state that the twelve days of Christmas begin the day after Christmas Day, December 25. In fact, the twelve days of Christmas begin on Christmas day and conclude the day before Epiphany. But as I said, it is a minor flaw. I highly recommend this book for an indepth understanding of all the biblical background of Christmas.

#### Ron W. says

Wiersbe takes the reader through Christmas from A to Z. This book is full of a lot of facts regarding this most important event while leaving out the hyped up retail / commercial flaws we see during the festive season. Wiersbe reminds us of the man behind the season, the carpenter's son, not the fat guy dressed in red.

#### **Maddy Barone says**

I enjoyed reading this. The authors use each letter of the alphabet to explore a bit of the Christmas story and the prophecies about the coming of the Messiah. I really liked that they didn't write out each Bible verse they listed. As I read the sections, I used it to be my personal Bible study time by looking up the verses. It really added to my study.

#### Amanda Geaney (Christian Shelf-Esteem) says

I've been reading this book with my friend/mentor. We've meet once a week to discuss 1/4 of the book during each visit. My favorite aspect of the book has been how the Wiersbe's have allowed the Word to speak for itself. When they make statements they support their claims with scripture, word studies, and historical data. I also really enjoyed the absence of personal stories. Their focus is completely on Christ and the Christmas narrative. It's an excellent selection for new and mature believers alike.

#### **Donna Peake says**

This book gets rid of all the Fluff of Christmas and takes us to the real meaning and people of that time. I plan on reading this book again.

#### LaVerne MacDonald says

#### Christmas is for everyone

This explains the season of Christmas very well. I highly recommend this book to get your questions answered about the meaning of Christmas and why we celebrate it.

#### Barbara M says

This was a delightful book to read during the Christmas season. It covers all the main characters of the Christmas season - from A to Z.

It's a book I enjoyed reading a little bit at a time. I started it after Thanksgiving and read a letter or two each day.

I picked up some new information reading this book. I enjoyed the clear explanations provided by the author.

#### J says

I like reading Warren Wiersbe's books. This book makes a great Advent devotional type book or can be used as a quick reference guide to the elements and characters of the Nativity story.

#### **Harry Prim says**

#### **Clear Approach**

Some thoughtful insights. The book gives nuggets that bring light to aspects of the Christmas tradition. Good resource to use when planning bible study and advent and Christmas educational events.

#### **Linda Ramey says**

I loved this book. It was very insightful and thought provoking. Some of the material was familiar, much was new information. I loved the ABC format and the wide range of topics discussed.

#### Anna V. Mendenhall says

#### **Not just for Christmas**

I give this book a 5 star rating. It's so full of insight even for someone who thought I had a pretty good grasp on the basics. I found many gold nuggets so that I found myself taking notes.