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The 12 Days Of Christmas: The Story Behind A Favorite Christmas Song (Traditions Of Faith From Around The World)



Synopsis

Discover the Christian truth concealed in the familiar carol The 12 Days of Christmas. In this beautifully illustrated book, you'll learn the history of the twelve days between Christmas and Epiphany (January 6th) and the commemoration of the gifts given on each day. The story is told that during a time when the Church of England forbid any teaching of Christ other than their own, many parents who refused to join the church also used the song to teach their children in secret. Now you and your child, age four to eight, can uncover the meaning of this beloved song as you learn the wonderful story of Christ redemption for all of us. Through imaginative and innovative products, Zonderkidz is feeding young souls.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Very informative. I enjoyed reading the history of the 12 days of Christmas. It's good to know that Christmas was originally celebrated for 12 days (starting on December 25!). So, this is how I plan to celebrate this holy holiday right into Epiphany. Gives the birth of Christ more meaning.

Both adults and children enjoy this traditional song while Knorr's beautiful illustrations are worthy of the seasonal favorite. The book appeals to a broader audience by relating the religious meanings behind the song. Don't miss the scenes with the seven swans cavorting in a pool or the luminous

angel carrying five golden rings on a cushion.

This book is amazing! I had never heard this story written this way before and When I was told about it, I went hunting for the book, and had it! It is a must for every Christian family, it is such a cute way of explaining the twelve days of Christmas.....

This is unique take on the 12 Days of Christmas. Most of the content was too much for my 4 year old, but I loved hearing the comparisons. I look forward to reading this with my daughter as she gets older each Christmas.

This book is informative and I'm happy to add it to our Christmas collection, but it's not a story with a plot. Each page explains a different verse of the song and the end has ideas to celebrate Epiphany. My sons (ages 2 & 4) don't care to have this read to them. I hope to use this information to write a lesson on Christmas when they are older.

My 7 children love this book. We read it from Thanksgiving all the way to CHRISTmas. I haven't researched the book out to know if it is the motive behind the song The Twelve Days of CHRISTmas. But when I read the story it makes so much sense as I have always wondered how they thought up this song. For example, The 5 Golden Rings represents the first 5 books of the Bible and the 9 Ladies Dancing represents the Fruit of the Spirit. The pictures are beautiful and colorful. Children of all ages love the book as demonstrated in my family with children ages 5 months - 13 years. It's definitely a great book to start a family tradition.

I was amazed at all the symbolism of this song - I had never learned any of it before reading this book. I am not familiar with the religious Epiphany celebration, but still enjoyed learning these things. I am Christian, and much of this information was interesting and applicable to my beliefs, even though I don't believe I share the same religion as the author.

We enjoyed sharing the Real meaning of the 12 Days of Christmas. We read the meaning of each day beginning on the 1st Day of Christmas, December 25th. Lovely illustrations!

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