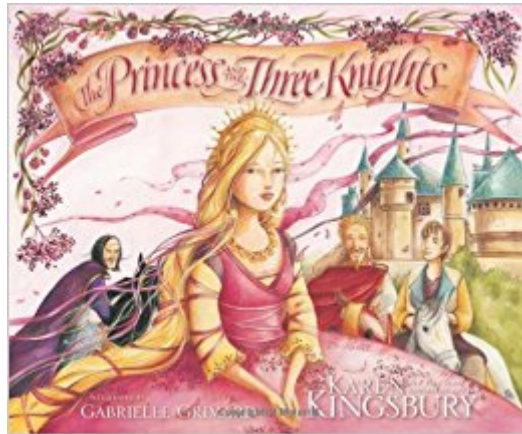




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Customer Reviews

“Readable and offering a pointed message to young girls about what they should expect of their suitors, there’s nothing to dislike in Kingsbury’s text, and the illustrations by Gabrielle Grimard are gorgeous. Appropriately fairy tale like and romantic, they are also rich and vivid.”
(Christian Children’s Book Review)Kingsbury, a bestselling author of adult inspirational fiction, appeals to a young audience in this original fairy tale with a faith-based message. Deciding that only a knight “who treasured the princess for who she was on the inside” is worthy of her hand, the king sets up a series of trials for his daughter’s would-be suitors, including “essays on loyalty and faith.” In the final challenge, the knights must imagine that they are carrying the princess and race their horses closest to the cliff’s edge. Only the third and last night knight refuses to participate: “I love the princess . . . I

wouldn't take her anywhere near that cliff. Even by fairy-tale standards, the king's last test is an odd concept, but it ably illustrates Kingsbury's strong message: "True love always protects." Grimard's cheerful, mixed-media artwork adheres closely to fairytale conventions, starting with the blond, blue-eyed princess, but the bright, attractive scenes will easily hold children's attention. Families seeking picture books that directly address God and faith will welcome this offering. (Gillian Engberg, BOOKLIST)

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Loved this beautiful story .I read this to my kids all the time .definitely recommend this book to people who have young kids.

This is a great book showing young girls (and boys) what true love is all about. True love protects and looks out for the best interest of the other individual. This book did a great job portraying that. My 3 girls love it because of the princess theme and I love the lesson they are learning from it. I've also shared this book during our church's AWANA counsel time and got many great complements from other parents. I would have to agree with what others said about the characters. The two knights who are unworthy of the princess are not handsome. It would have been nice if they looked decent because that is how it often is in life but this doesn't take away from the story too much.

This is a really sweet christian fairy tale. My grand daughter read it in less than 15 minutes and she is 7. I was a little disappointed that it was so short for her. Maybe would be better for younger children. Of course my 7 year old grand daughter has read Little Women, and other books that I didn't read until my tweens. I recommend for mommies or daddies to read as a bedtime story for younger children because it goes quick!

We love this book, and have given it as a gift multiple times. It is such a good reminder of what real love looks like. The story of the three knights all trying to 'prove' their love to the beautiful princess is so appealing to our daughters, and then the ultimate love and sacrifice of the third knight helps them

realize that sometimes love doesn't look exactly the way you think it will. Would definitely recommend!

What a sweet story and beautiful artwork! The message that what's inside of a person is more important than what's on the outside is communicated both through the story and the pictures...and it is done in a non-preachy way!! bought this for my nearly 4 year old grand daughter who listened to it three times in one day. There is even enough action in it to interest her 7 year old brother. After reading it we all three discussed how men should protect women and that what's in our hearts is more valuable than anything else.

Beautifully illustrated and a very sweet story that all girls need to hear! (Your son will learn something from it as well!) It is a story about different knights wanting to win the princess and what character qualities make up the right prince.

My daughter was enchanted by this story. I like the fact that the chivalrous knight, who eventually wins the competition, chooses not to imperil the princess' life in order to win (and, of course, this is how he beats out the other two). The religious overtones are there, but not glaring to my mind. Some stronger agnostics might be put off, but I took this as an opportunity to talk about religious beliefs. Others will be disappointed that there isn't more elaboration on the way the knight's faith contributes to his strength.

Great book for the 'tween' girl. This is a neat story of how a princess's heart is won by the wisest suitor. My 9 year old understood it perfectly. This is a great way to teach younger girls to be discerning about the boys...good and bad around them. This is a book that we will take off the shelf and read through for years to come. I would also say that this is an excellent bedtime story to read with your daughter. It's not long, but is though provoking and is a good conversation starter about boys when that time comes in her life.

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