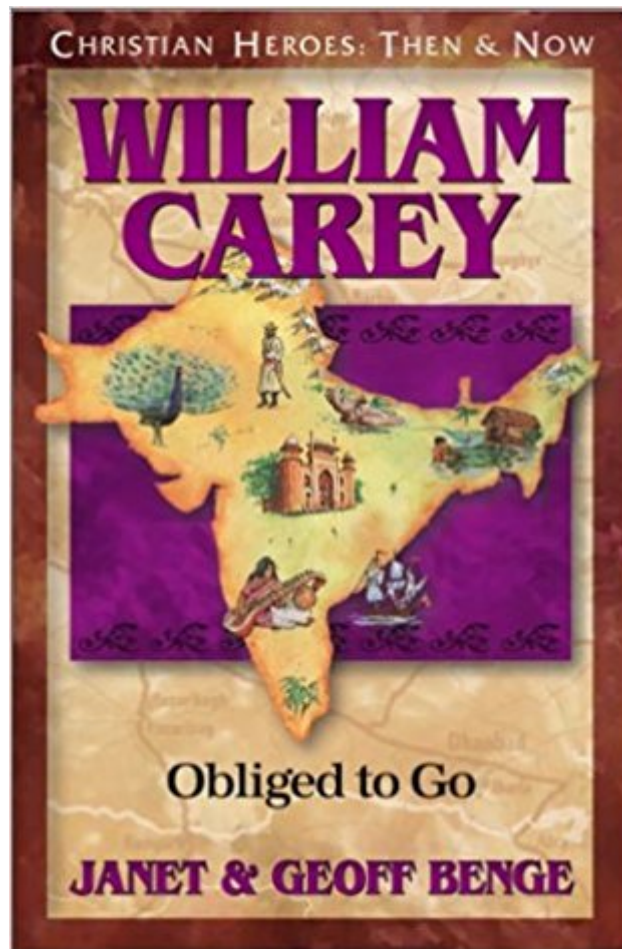




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William Carey: Obligated To Go (Christian Heroes: Then & Now)



Synopsis

William Carey watched from the dock as the magnificent sailing ship headed for the English Channel without him. Tears filled his eyes, and deep disappointment filled his heart. What would he tell the missionary society? So much work awaited him half a world away. He must get to India--and soon! William's amazing journey to India would prove to be just the beginning of a missionary quest filled with hardship and heartache as well as tremendous victories. Often referred to as "the father of modern missions," William Carey displayed a single-minded determination to set his face like a flint to the task of bringing the gospel to those lost in darkness. His life of service and sacrifice is a guidepost for Christians of all generations.

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Customer Reviews

Janet and Geoff Benge are a husband and wife writing team with more than twenty years of writing experience. Janet is a former elementary-school teacher. Geoff holds a degree in history. Originally from New Zealand, the Benges spent ten years serving with Youth With A Mission.

This is a great series that can be enjoyed by young children and adults. I used them as part of the training for a short term missions campaign. Each of the fourteen team members read a different biography in this series and then reported to the rest of the team. It was a reminder that the training

topics we were learning were relevant and lived out by the faithful and fruitful missionaries introduced by this series of biographies. For many of the team this was their first introduction to reading Christian biography and they loved it!

Positives of this series:

- 1) Great introductory overviews of the lives and ministries of the individuals.
- 2) Basic reading level for an increasingly illiterate culture.
- 3) Short enough to be read quickly in a culture with an increasingly short attention span.
- 4) Available in Kindle and audio book for the technologically inclined.
- 5) Well written and holds your attention without being exaggerated and exploitative.
- 6) Chapters are short and can easily be read to children at bedtime or by adults on lunch breaks.

Negatives of this series:

- 1) Due to their brevity and target audience the series does not deal with the more negative aspects of an individual's struggles with sin and the weaknesses in their personality as sinners saved by grace.
- 2) Does not come across as hagiography (so idealizing the person that it borders on idolatry) but these introductions are not the place to get the full picture of these godly but imperfect champions for God. Instead they are great springboards to more extensive biographies that deal with the fuller picture of these heroic but very human Christ followers.

As a current missionary working in South Sudan, I really enjoyed this book. I identified with many aspects of Mr. Carey's life. It was encouraging to read how his faith convicted and led him, challenged and inspired him, and carried him through many difficult journeys. I've thoroughly enjoyed all the books I've read from the Christian Heroes series. I would highly recommend them to audiences young and old! Easy to read and enjoyable.

Inspiring! This should be read by all young people regardless of religion. Such a man of service and sacrifice. Inspiring.

My kids love the ywam audio series!

Overcoming challenges, enduring persecution, winning souls, and inspiring others--that's the story of William Carey in a nutshell. If you want more details of this great Christian's life, I highly recommend this book. It isn't a heavy read, but it has plenty of substance. I have enjoyed all of the books of this series I have read, but this might be the best.

As William Carey said (paraphrasing): do great things for God, and expect great things from God. We all should love and trust our Savior as much.

Sometimes when I read a biography I get the feeling that the author has glossed things over a bit. This story seems to present a realistic picture of people who accomplished much for the cause of Christ. Through successes, failures, strengths and weaknesses you see the value of pressing on and never giving up.

It felt as if I was in 1800's...it was gripping to read this about amazing man of God...after a long time I completed a book...

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