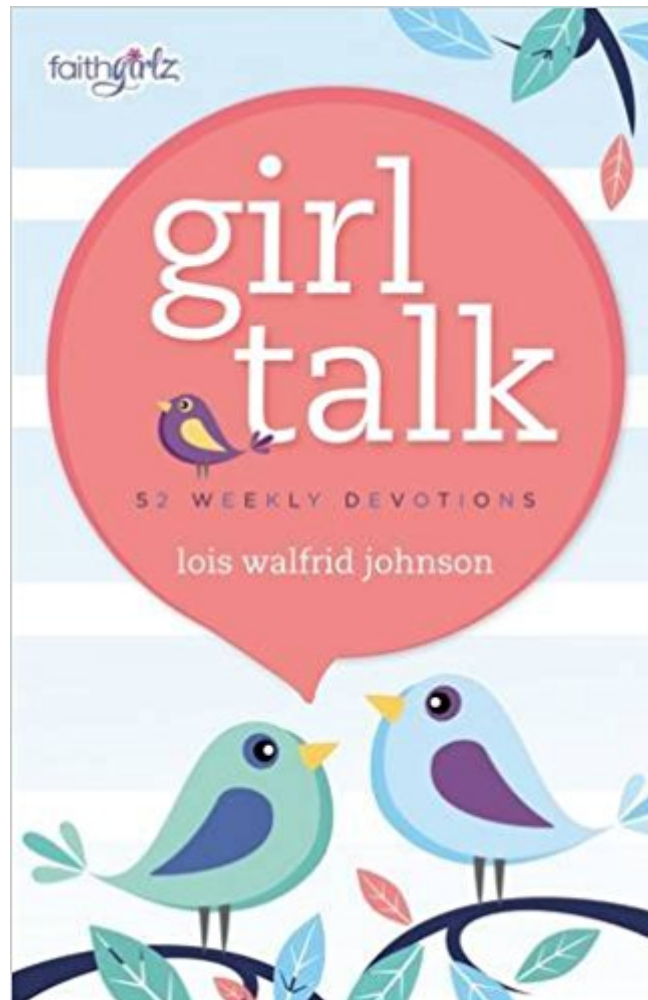




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Girl Talk: 52 Weekly Devotions (Faithgirlz)



Synopsis

As you grow up, a lot of new, sometimes strange, things start to happen, and it can be overwhelming. You have new responsibilities, new opportunities, and a whole new set of problems, and sometimes it can feel like no one but you can understand what it's like to be you. You're not alone. This one-year devotional is filled with stories about girls who feel just like you. As you read their stories each week and fill in questions about how you think each girl should react, you'll learn new ways to deal with the pressures around you, embrace the opportunities God has given you, and make choices that give you the opportunity to dream. Through prayer and journal exercises, you'll also discover there is someone out there who knows exactly how you feel. And he's more than ready to listen.

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Customer Reviews

A Faithgirlz Guide to Life By middle school, a lot of new, sometimes strange, things start to happen, and it can be overwhelming. You have new responsibilities, new opportunities, and a whole new set of problems, and sometimes it can feel like no one but you can understand what it's like to be you. Well, you're not alone. This one-year devotional is filled with stories about girls who feel just like you, and who are going through things like embarrassing moments in front of friends, putting up with mean girls at school, having a huge crush on that cute boy, or just dealing with what it's like to

become a young woman. As you read their stories each week, and fill in questions about how you think each girl should react, you'll learn new ways to deal with the pressures around you. Through prayer and journal exercises, you'll also discover there is someone out there who knows exactly how you feel. And he's more than ready to listen. --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

Friend of families Lois Walfrid Johnson is a speaker, teacher of writing, and former instructor for Writer's Digest School. She is the author of the Gold Medallion Book Award winning series Let's Talk-About-It; Stories for Kids, the best-selling Adventures in Northwoods novels, the Riverboat Adventures series and the Viking Quest series. Readers from more than 40 countries have written to say, "I love your books. I can't put them down." Lois and her husband are the parents of three married children.

Excellent! Use it nightly with 12 year old. It generates excellent discussion.

My 10 year old Granddaughter loved this book and started filling it out right away.

This book is perfect for the young girl Ministry. I have used it with our girls and the girl just love it. Wonderful information, great words, and I love the cover of this book.

As the introduction explains, this devotional is intended to help girls who are growing up think through everyday and important decisions in their life. Each week has an introductory story which develops the main idea of a central chosen verse. There are daily journal prompts to engage young ladies in thoughtful responses to how they can apply the story and Scripture to their own lives. The last day brings the story around full circle to the Scripture. The layout of this devotional and style of writing is excellent. I think the stories are engaging and thought provoking. The third person limited perspective will enable girls to see themselves in the stories while giving enough distance from the story to hear the message. There are a variety of personalities presented and many real-life situations for girls to think about. The stories will often also help girls have empathy towards others facing difficulties they aren't experiencing themselves. While I think this is a well-written, thought provoking devotional, be aware that not all pre-teens and even young teens will be ready to discuss some of the topics. It would be a good idea to read through the index and peruse the topics and decide if this is a good fit. Some of the topics are a little heavy and while important to address, you

will want to make sure they are reflecting your own family's values with regards to things like boy/girl relationships, alcohol, etc. I personally am also cautious about how much I push the idea of dating and boyfriend/girlfriend on my daughters. While we do talk about their future and dating to a degree, we approach the idea of relationship without a heavy emphasis on dating, more on building friendships. Because of this I am going to wait to have my own pre-teen read this. I still highly recommend this devotion, but do use discernment before giving this to a pre-teen/young teen in your life.

This is the kind of book I wish I had when I was young. It covers a range of real-life situations in a loving, caring manner, gently addressing girl issues with biblical truths. The book has 52 readings, which contain a Bible verse, a short story, seven questions, and a prayer. A girl can answer one question per day, as the book outlines, or at her own pace. This book would be a good Bible study for a mom and her daughter to go through together. The characters in the short stories are drawn with realistic feelings. They aren't perfect people. They break the rules, complain, feel insecure, and don't always treat others right. They come from all different backgrounds; some are from troubled homes, others are in traditional families. I appreciate the effort the author made to write these stories with realism and compassion. Even if a girl reading this book can't relate to the situation being described, I believe these stories and questions will give her greater understanding for peers in different situations. The discussion questions help a girl examine her own situation and apply God's Word to her problems. I like that in each section, the author writes a question that helps a girl come up with a game plan about each issue. If a girl applies these questions to her daily life, her faith will be strong in the challenging teenage years. I chose to review this book because I thought it would make a good Christmas present for my eight-year-old daughter. After reading the book, I think the subject matter is more appropriate for girls ages 10 to 14. I will hide it away and plan to study this book alongside my daughter when she's a little older, and I will buy a copy for myself as well.

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I really liked the look of this devotional. I liked how it was set up as a story plus questions to do throughout the week to help girls think about the particular point the lesson was trying to get across.

I also enjoyed how each lesson was applicable to a young girls life right now. I like that each lesson has a scripture verse to go with it. I am pleased with how well this devotional flows and that it is easy for my daughter to do alone. This helps her to learn to have her own quiet time with the Lord. I am really glad I chose this devotional for her. I received this devotional for free from the publisher. A positive review was not required. All opinions are my own.

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