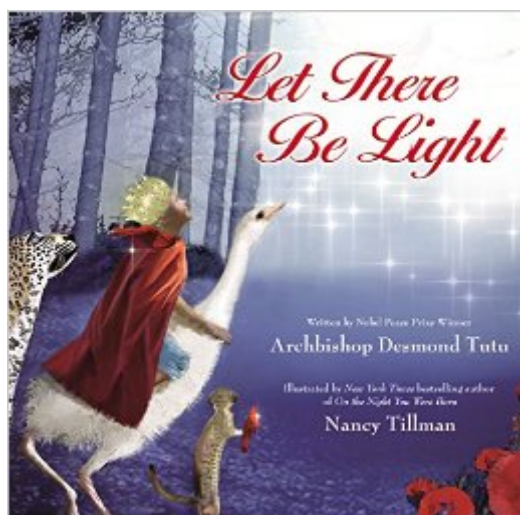


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# Let There Be Light



## Synopsis

Let There Be Light combines the extraordinary talents of Nancy Tillman, the New York Times bestselling author of *On the Night You Were Born*, and Nobel Peace Prize Winner Archbishop Desmond Tutu in this retelling of the biblical story of creation. The pairing of Archbishop Tutu's lyrical text from *The Children of God Storybook Bible* and Tillman's wondrous illustrations bring the pages of this board book to life for readers young and old.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

I read my son stories at bed time almost every night and over the years I have become adept at "picking out a winner." For me, the book needs to have a few key elements. First of all, it needs to have beautiful artwork or interesting pictures. Let's face it, what good is a bed time book if there's nothing to look at? Second, I don't want a ton of words to read. I am not interested in putting my son to sleep before the end of the story, I am not trying to drone him to sleep with words - so I like a book that is clear, concise and that chooses its words carefully. And then lastly - it needs to be a good story. My son has a lot of these "so what" books where nothing really happens at all. There might be a laugh or two, but in the end there is no real "a-ha moment" to be had. If a kid's book has great art, is to the point and has a story to tell - it's a winner in my opinion. Well, that's exactly what you get with "Let There Be Light" by Archbishop Desmond Tutu. Much of the story is pulled straight

from the first week of creation from the Hebrew scriptures. Readers of the Bible will see familiar words as they tell the story of creation to their little ones....And the pictures are amazing. The illustrations beautifully capture the Spirit of God "hovering over creation" and breathing everything into life. Nancy Tillman has done some amazing art work in this book. This is surely to become a must-have on your child's reading shelf. Thank you to Zondervan and Zonderkidz for this preview copy in exchange for a fair and honest review.

Let There Be Light written by Archbishop Desmond Tutu and illustrated by Nancy Tillman. Let There Be Light combines the love and warmth of Nobel Peace Prize Winner Archbishop Desmond Tutu with the extraordinary talents of bestselling author and illustrator Nancy Tillman. This retelling of the biblical story of creation vividly portrays the wonder and beauty of God's creation on each of the seven days. Using Archbishop Tutu's lyrical text from the Children of God Storybook Bible and Tillman's remarkable illustrations, Let There Be Light brings the story of creation to life for readers young and old. My daughter goes to church every Wednesday & Sunday she loves learning about God. She was very excited to receive the book Let There Be Light to read. She wants to learn as much as she can about the Bible and this story helps. In the very beginning, God's love bubbled over when there was nothing else---no trees, no birds, no animals, no sky, no sea---only darkness. This book tells the story of God's creation. It tells what was created in 7 days. Each page has a beautiful illustration and very easy to read. It's a great beginner book but good for all ages. The book explains in a way that is easy to understand. The pictures are very well done & even our non reader enjoyed them! My daughter loved the book a lot, she has read it over & over! She loves hearing that God created us & all living things. It's a perfect book to add to her mini library. She read the book to her baby brother and it kept his attention.

The book expresses not only God's omnipotent power but His amazing tender love for each individual, making the child enjoying the the book feel like he or she is part of an amazing work of creation. At the turn of each new page, you will feel as if you have stepped inside the pages and are part of this marvelous and amazing creative week. Great for an early reader, to use a learn-to-read book or as a bedtime story to send your child off to dreamland sweetly. Don't be surprised if you find yourself enjoying it as well because the story, paired with the beautiful illustrations will leave you in deep awe no matter your age.

In this creation story, the gorgeous artwork of Nancy Tillman brings to life the loving, poetic words of

Archbishop Desmond Tutu, giving children a timeless tale in a picture book I pray becomes a timeless classic. It's exactly the book I'd want to write and read with young children to emphasize the beauty, diversity, and love in all God creates. Whether you read it to a child or to yourself, you cannot help but smile and feel loved.

This is the sweetest book. And it is beautifully decorated. It should be a classic that's on the shelf of every child. I bought it to read to my 6 yr old but it could be read to a much younger child and I don't think you could get too old for it

I pre-ordered this book hoping it wouldn't turn out to be some strange version of the Biblical story of creation. It's sweet and lyrical but not to the extent of becoming cloying, at least to me. The illustrations are, as always with Nancy Tillman, a joy. The book basically follows the sequence of the creation story from Genesis.

Nice book, great letters from the authors but it wasn't long enough, nor did it give enough detail about the creation story. I realize it is a children's book but I just think you can and should have more substance, especially for something as beautiful as the story of creation, children can hang in for a longer story and I just think there was too much left out...I was left thinking that I couldn't believe that it had ended when there was so much left to tell...but what is there, is very well done.

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