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Valerie Ellis is a children's book author, speaker, and founder of the multi-author blog <u>Our Everyday Parables</u>, which offers book reviews and parenting resources for families pursuing faith and compassion.

A certified teacher, Valerie is passionate about helping parents and kids connect with God and each other in the everyday moments. Her books—releasing October 2023 from Paraclete Press, February 2025 from Tyndale, and October 2025 from Waterbrook—are designed to serve families at the intersection of faith and fun.

Valerie is a member of MOPS/MOMSnext, SCBWI, and the Texas Library Association. She is also a nonprofit consultant, trainer, and grant proposal writer in the Houston area, where she lives with her husband, Josh, and their two boys.

Through a mix of practical value, humor, and love, Valerie equips listeners with useful tools and grace-filled encouragement, while inspiring authentic conversations among participants.

She is currently speaking in person, virtually, and as a podcast guest on several topics that can be customized to fit your audience.

- "How to Raise Your Kids on Stories (And Why You Want To)" helps parents use children's books and personal stories to 1) connect with their kids on a deeper level and 2) help kids grow in resilience, creativity, faith, and more. Lots of children's book recommendations and family conversation ideas make it easy and fun.
- "Faith and Compassion in Everyday Moments" dives into simple but creative ways parents can use daily moments to start natural conversations about God with kids.
- "Share the Joy: More Christmas Caring without More Hustle" (<u>September to November 2023</u>) explores easy ways to help kids love their neighbors—this Christmas and for years to come. Plus, Valerie shares Christmas-themed books and conversation starters to help families focus on Jesus and grow closer to each other during this season.

For more options, as well as past speaking engagements and media, visit <u>valerieellis.com</u>. To book or for more information, please contact Valerie at <u>valerie@oureverydayparables.com</u> or send a private message through Instagram to <u>@iamvalerieellis</u>.