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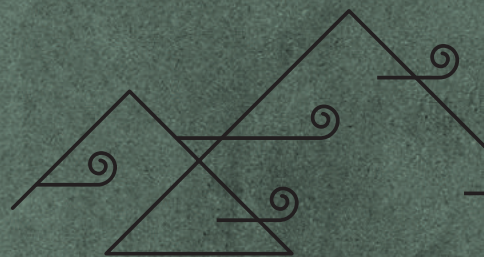
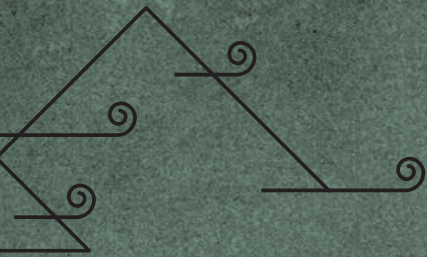
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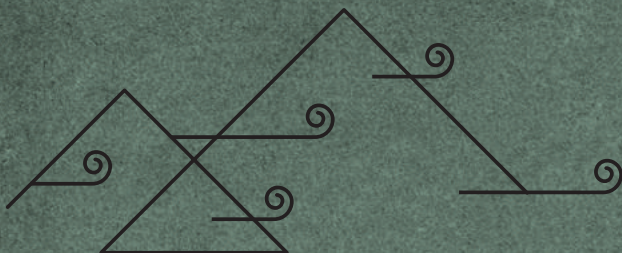
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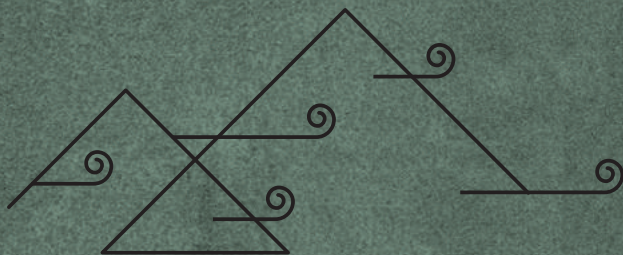
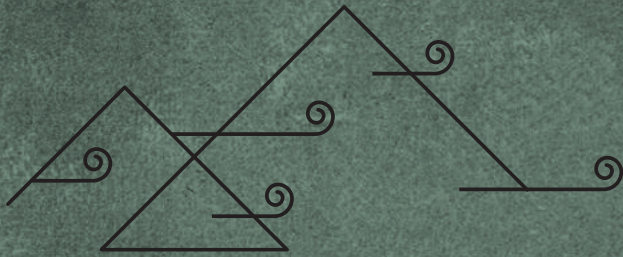
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**TO DONOVAN,
REICCY, AND CAMPBECC,
GRANDSONS WHOM I TRUST
WILL FOLLOW THE MAP
GIVEN TO THE KNIGHT
BY THE KING**





Letter to Parents

Since the first temptation, Satan has aimed to cast doubt on God's Word. Our children and grandchildren need to be prepared for this, and to be firmly convinced that Scripture is true and trustworthy in directing us to Jesus Christ. I wrote *The Knight's Map* to help even the youngest child understand that the Bible is fully reliable and that only the Bible can show us the Savior.

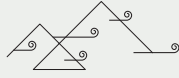
I based this story on Jesus' parables about the pearl of great price. That treasure can only be found if we trust in what God has revealed to us. There are many people and ideas claiming to be the pearl of great price, but Jesus Christ alone is the treasure given by God. The way to Him is narrow, but we must not stray from it. Only God's words will last forever, and only He can provide the map to eternal life.

Before reading this story, please read Christ's teaching in Matthew 7:13–14; 13:45–46; and 24:35 with your children. Questions are included at the end of the book to help explore the biblical themes of the story. I pray the Lord will bless you and your family as you endeavor to stand on God's Word and follow the way of Christ.

—R.C. SPROUL

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.”

—MATTHEW 13:45–46



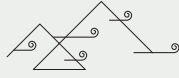
The MacFarlands had family devotions every evening after dinner. They read the Bible, sang hymns, and prayed together.

One evening, Donovan said, “Dad, the kids at baseball laugh and tease me and say we’re old-fashioned. They say we’re wasting our time reading the Bible; that it’s just an old book full of made-up stories.”

Mr. MacFarland smiled and said, “Son, that problem has been around for a long, long time. Many people have laughed at the Bible, saying it’s not the Word of God, that it’s filled with myths and made-up stories without meaning for us today. When Grandpa comes this evening, you can ask him. I think he might have an answer.”





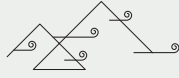


Donovan and the rest of the children
wondered what Grandpa might say.

That evening, Grandpa had barely settled into his favorite chair
before Donovan repeated his question: “Do you think that
we can really trust our Bible?” Grandpa’s eyes twinkled.

He said, “I just happen to have a story about that.
Would you like to hear it?”

The children said, “Oh yes, Grandpa,
please tell us the story.” So Grandpa began.



Many centuries ago, in a distant land, there lived a knight. His name was Sir Charles, and he was a knight without a king.

His neighbors told stories about the Great King. There were rumors that he had created the land and the people. Others said there was no king at all, or that he was evil. All Sir Charles knew was that he had never seen the King.

One day, Sir Charles received a letter. It was signed by the Great King.

“Sir Charles,” the letter said, “I am the Great King. I have known about you for many years. You will find a map included with this letter. It will lead you to the top of the tall mountain a few days’ journey from here. If you can follow this map, your reward will be great. You will find a wonderful treasure—the Pearl of Great Price. This treasure will last forever; it won’t rust or fade away. Blessings to you on your journey.”

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IN THIS ALLEGORICAL TALE, theologian, pastor, and author Dr. R.C. Sproul continues his life’s work of making deep biblical truths clear and understandable to students of all ages. *The Knight’s Map* is the story of a knight who undertakes a perilous journey full of bad advice and wrong turns. In the end, he must decide whether or not he will trust the map provided by the King. Beautiful, full color illustrations by Richard Lawnes reveal this rich, textured world and discussion questions with Scripture references help parents guide their children into the deeper meaning of the story.



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