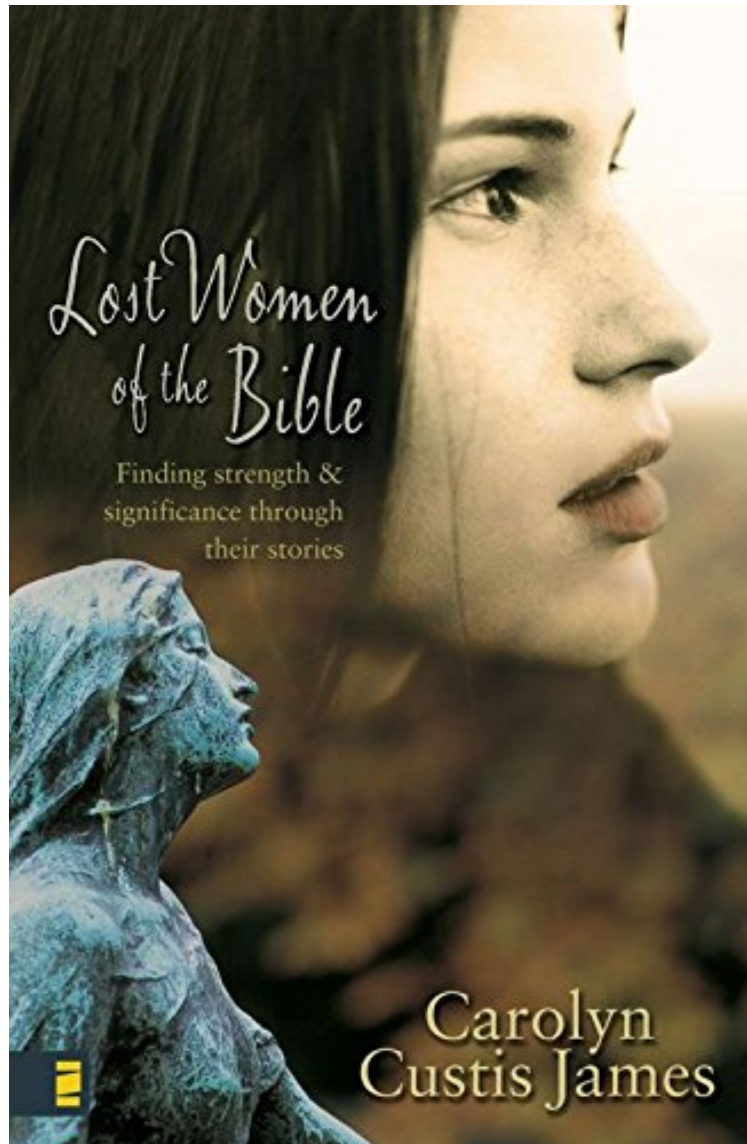


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Interesting look at stories of women in the Bible and their valueVon Helen HancoxCarolyn Custis James' book offers

hope to women who don't fit the traditional Christian woman mould (wife and mother and support to husband's ministry). She herself found that marriage and motherhood came very late and consequently she wrestled with her position and value within the church as a single woman; but these are not modern problems, she found many examples in the Bible of women who couldn't fit into those roles and yet had great value. The author features women from both Old and New Testaments - Eve, Mrs Noah, Sarah, Hagar, Tamar, Hannah, Esther, Mary of Nazareth, Mary Magdalene and the women of Philippi - who have different stories of their contribution to God's plans. These stories also show the failures of the women as well as their successes and some, such as Tamar, are partially rehabilitated through a fresh look at the story. Many of these women struggled against cultural situations that are no longer relevant to our Western society and yet the underlying themes were all valid. The book is well-written in a light and readable style with good scholarship underlying the historical settings. Each chapter has a study guide at the end so I imagine this book might work well for a women's group. The overall conclusion of so many of these stories is that women don't have to just be meek, mild, pure homemakers but can be strong warriors for God alongside their husbands, if they have them, or on their own. Definitely an encouraging read for any women who want to make a difference for God.

Kurzbeschreibung You know the women of the Bible, but you don't know them like this... It's easy for Christian women young and old to get lost between the opportunities and demands of the present and the biblical teachings of the past. They live in a confusing world, caught in the crossfire between church and culture. Although home and family still remain central, more women than ever, by choice or by necessity, are blending home, career, and ministry. They need strong biblical role models to help them meet these challenges. Building on solid scholarship and a determination to wrestle honestly with perplexing questions, author Carolyn Custis James sheds new light on ancient stories that brings the women of the Bible into the twenty-first century. This fresh look at the women in the Bible unearths surprising new insights and a powerful message that will leave readers feeling challenged, encouraged, and deeply valued. Rediscover and be inspired by: Eve Sarah Hagar Tamar Hannah Esther Mary and others From Publishers Weekly James (When Life and Beliefs Collide) was compelled to this search of "lost" biblical women because she has felt lost at times when marriage and family were delayed for her, or when trying to minister within a church culture which often constrains women's ministry. She begins by studying the "helpmeet" role that Eve was assigned and discovers that the Hebrew word ezer has stronger connotations than usually allowed, meaning strong helper and even warrior. James unearths the stories of eight additional women, including Sarah and her abused handmaid Hagar, the deceitful righteous Tamar, infertile Hannah, beautiful Esther, Jesus' mother Mary and Mary Magdalene. Each story reveals the critical, powerful roles these women played in the biblical narrative, confirming every woman's calling to be an ezer. James concludes with a chapter on Paul and his close relationship with the women leaders in the church at Philippi, but avoids Paul's harsher statements about women. And while she details the equality of women as image-bearers of God and laborers for the gospel, James stops short of addressing what these truths mean for women in today's church. However, many Christian women struggling to discover their place will find this a compelling and refreshing read. (Sept.) Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. Kurzbeschreibung You know the women of the Bible, but you don't know them like this... It's easy for Christian women young and old to get lost between the opportunities and demands of the present and the biblical teachings of the past. They live in a confusing world, caught in the crossfire between church and culture. Although home and family still remain central, more women than ever, by choice or by necessity, are blending home, career, and ministry. They need strong biblical role models to help them meet these challenges. Building on solid scholarship and a determination to wrestle honestly with perplexing questions, author Carolyn Custis James sheds new light on ancient stories that brings the women of the Bible into the twenty-first century. This fresh look at the women in the Bible unearths surprising new insights and a powerful message that will leave readers feeling challenged, encouraged, and deeply valued. Rediscover and be inspired by: Eve Sarah Hagar Tamar Hannah Esther Mary and others