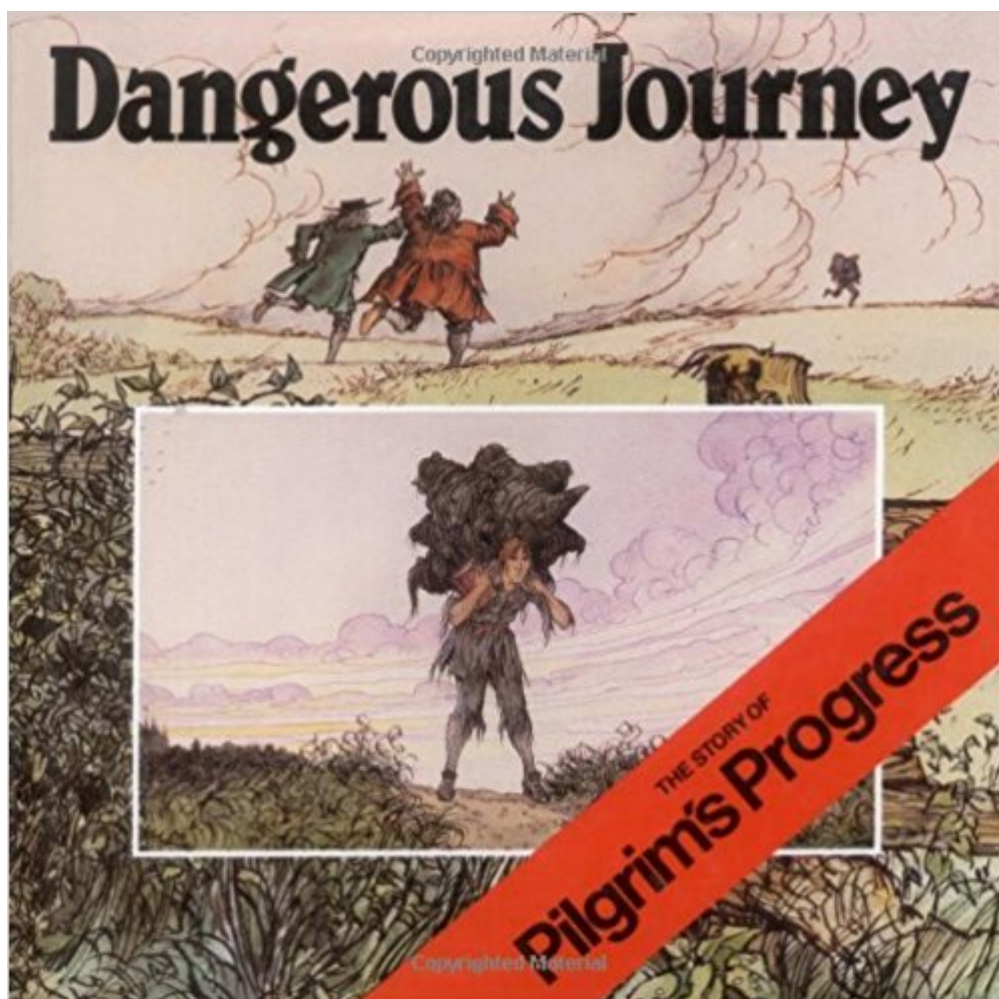


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# Dangerous Journey: The Story Of Pilgrim's Progress



## Synopsis

The world-famous, much-loved classic *Pilgrim's Progress* is here retold for children. This abridged version uses the original words of John Bunyan as selected by Oliver Hunkin to present a gripping narrative. Filled with intricately detailed illustrations, this handsome, large-format book makes an ideal gift.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

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## Customer Reviews

Grade 4 Up A beautifully produced, large-format version of Bunyan's classic. Although all aspects of the book are skillfully handled, the illustrations are the real key to its effectiveness. Intricately detailed and constructed in a fluid, energetic, well-balanced style, they sweep across the pages dramatically. Some are small, but most are full- or double-page spreads with the text in a large, elegant typeface arranged in a variety of patterns around them. The good people are handsome, suitably heroic and rather bland, but the villains are sharply and wittily portrayed. They brim with a sly, evil, vulgar vitality. The costume and setting of 17th-Century England are faithfully detailed. Gloomy dungeons, dark forests, black rivers and gray-clouded skies sustain the mood of danger and hardship. Rhythmic and stately, the prose is appropriate to the original without being obscure, and it reads aloud well. This religious allegory makes a rousing adventure story, an interesting historical commentary and an amusing satire on church and society. The multiple levels make it useful for a variety of ages, provided the picture book format is not a barrier. Although libraries may

already have good versions of Pilgrim's Progress such as the one retold by Mary Godolphin and illustrated by Robert Lawson (Lippincott, 1939; o.p.) or Christian's Journey (Abingdon, 1980; o.p.) by Rhoda Couldridge, this one should be considered. Pat Pearl, First Presbyterian Church Library, Martinsville, Va. Copyright 1986 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Digital edition.

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A must have for Christian families. I read this to my kids many times when they were young. They still talk about it from time to time even though they are grown. I'm a grandma now, and my daughter requested this as a Christmas gift for her daughter, my granddaughter. I bought it for her, so the family tradition continues to the third generation. Makes me very happy. I hope it continues for more generations.

Excellent adaptation of Pilgrim's Progress BUT don't show it to a young child before YOU preview it first. You know your child and what will frighten them. Just wait a year or so until they are old enough not to be frightened by the pictures. At that point they will understand the allegory for the Christian life better anyway. I like the way some of the original words from Bunyan are retained. They will provide a good foundation for when your child reads the adult version as an adult. A LESS scary version (without pictures) is Little Pilgrim's Progress by I think Helen Taylor. My kids enjoyed that VERY much. The only negative to that book was the use of the word "cripple"--my kids' dad was disabled.

This book is pretty intense, may scare little kids, but I read it for the first time when I was 9 and man, did it stick with me. Such an amazing classic parable, really has some great lessons. I still learn from this as an adult, every time I read it, gives me a lot to think about and chew on.

What a great children's version of a great classic! I was highly pleased with it. We decided to use this for a homeschool co-op class and the children, ages k-5, really enjoyed it. And, even though it's some pretty heavy material to cover, I think they got something from it. This book served as a wonderful springboard for discussing Bible truths. As they continue to grow, you can always refer back to it, because it's good enough for both kids and adults.

Ok, that title sounds like a cheesy Rex Reed movie review. But this book really did grab me. The illustrations are generously sized and very detailed. No matter how many times you have read Pilgrim's Progress you will be challenged to see things in a new light. And your kids will be drawn into the timeless story. In a day when Western culture has lost its Biblical moorings and no longer sees life as a pilgrimage, a journey to Heaven, this book draws us out. It pulls us from the search for inner self-fulfillment and directs us outward to get on the road. This metaphor for the Christian life is just so gripping. A must have for parents and their kids.

I read this book to my children growing up, because I loved Pilgrim's Progress so much. This is a condensed version of Pilgrim's Progress, with the original language, and excellent artwork. I recently read it to one of my tutor students who is only 6 and she did not want me to stop! I highly recommend this book to any parent or teacher who want to share the gospel with children. I like reading it too!

My wife and I read this to our children dozens of times through the years. They never got tired of it. I recently bought a new copy for our grandchildren (our old copy is in shreds). The artwork is exciting for kids, the text is modern and interesting and the truths are timeless. Now that I have my new copy, I'm waiting for my grandkids to get old enough so I can start enjoying it with them (this is better for 6-10-year-olds). The story and the artwork can be scary, so make sure your child is old enough and not fearful.

Our kids ages 8, 10, and 12 really enjoyed this book as a read-a-loud with Dad at night. They could have all read it by themselves, but it was much more meaningful as a family adventure:) They would ask every night to do another chapter.

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