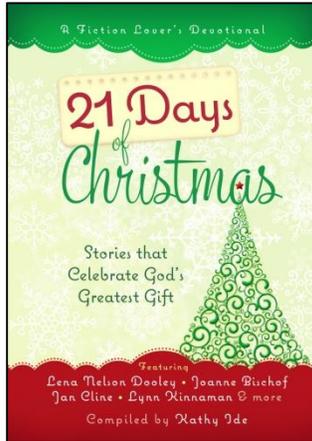


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21 Days of Christmas ***Stories that Celebrate God's Greatest Gift*** by Kathy Ide



Minneapolis, MN: Christmas is more than just a holiday. It's a time to recapture the joy and wonder of God's greatest gift: His Son, Jesus.

21 Days of Christmas: Stories that Celebrate God's Greatest Gift features 21 short stories about faith, giving, grace, and family that will warm your heart and brighten your holiday.

These engaging tales celebrate the hope and joy that make this blessed season unique. At the end of each story you'll find an insightful "life application" that will help you discover anew the true meaning of this special time of year.

"As we celebrate our cherished holiday traditions, it's important to remember that Christmas is really about the Creator's gift to us when He sent His Son to this world to tell us about God and heaven," says Ide. "According to the Father's plan, Jesus died and rose again to offer us the eternal gift of heaven and abundant life on earth. What greater gift could there be than that?"

Ide and twenty other writers offer an array of heartwarming Christmas stories that will remind readers of the spiritual meanings of the holiday season as we honor God's priceless gift to us. Life applications include these affirming messages:

- When we find ourselves in difficult circumstances, we can look to the Lord for understanding and remember that He always comes through for us. (*The Christmas Child of 1864*)
- When Jesus declared Himself to be the Light of the World, He promised His followers they would never live in darkness (John 8:12). With Christ in our lives, we are never alone. (*The Christmas Star*)
- Our selfless acts of kindness reflect those of Jesus, who left His heavenly home and came to our broken world to save us. (*The Last Ember*)
- For some, the Christmas season is a difficult time filled with loneliness, sadness, or illness. But there God offers promises to those who seek, wait, and hope. (*A Family to Hope For*)
- Reaching out to others and telling them how much they mean to you can be the greatest gift you can offer. And it allows you the opportunity to share God's love for them in deeper ways. (*All I Want for Christmas*)

Grab a cup of hot apple cider with a cinnamon stick, curl up in your favorite chair beside a picture window overlooking a serene spot, and savor the true meaning of Christmas through these inspirational and encouraging stories.

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Suggested Interview Questions for Kathy Ide's *21 Days of Christmas*:

1. Tell us a little about yourself.
2. You've created a series of Fiction Lover's Devotionals. What inspired you to gather a collection of short fiction stories to be used as devotions?
3. Tell us about the first book, *21 Days of Grace*.
4. And now there's a second book, *21 Days of Christmas*. Tell us about that.
5. What is unique about this series?
6. What life circumstances worked together to put you in a position to be able to create this series?
7. What other books have you written?
8. What do you do besides write?
9. Can you share some of the names of the authors who have contributed stories to the devotional?
10. What other books are planned for the Fiction Lover's Devotional series?
11. Where can people purchase the books?
12. If time allows, Kathy Ide could read one of the stories from the book. This would take about 7-10 minutes.