

Gentle Reads

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Gentle reads are stories that are comforting and “feel good.” They take the reader back to a gentler time and contain little explicit sex or violence.



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Books

A selection of recommended titles.

Blackstock, Terri.

PREDATOR

A sister tracks down an online predator after her 14 year old sister is killed.

VICIOUS CYCLE

A 15 year old finds an abandoned baby and is accused of kidnapping.

SHADOW IN SERENITY

A woman is drawn to a man and intends to expose his plans for her quiet Texas town.

Brunstetter, Wanda.

A SISTER'S SECRET

Book 1 of a trilogy about sisters in Holmes County. The oldest sister returns to an Amish community and puts her past behind her. An Amish man wishes to marry her, but is ignorant of her past.

GOING HOME

A woman left her Amish community ten years ago to become a comedian. She returns widowed with a six year old daughter. Will she stay or run again?

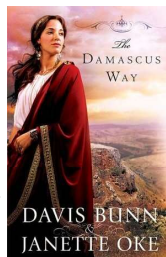
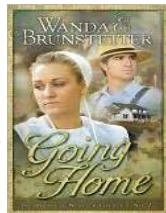
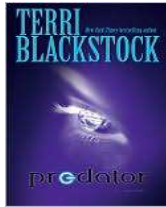
Bunn, T. Davis.

THE CENTURION'S WIFE

A young woman tries to find the truth behind the death of a rabbi in 1st Century Palestine while facing an arranged marriage to a Roman soldier.

THE DAMASCUS WAY

A story of early Christian times. A guard delivers messages and learns what it means to be a Christian.



Copeland, Lori.

NOW AND ALWAYS

A woman needs help from an unnoticed Sheriff. Is this the chance he's been waiting for?

ROSES WILL BLOOM AGAIN

Emma returns home after her sister's untimely death and must work with Sam, an old flame.

Evans, Richard P.

THE WALK

An advertising executive loses everything and walks across the country to a new life.

PROMISE ME

A young woman whose life was falling apart meets a man on Christmas day.

Girzone, Joseph.

JOSHUA (series)

The series of books about a kind stranger who comes to town.

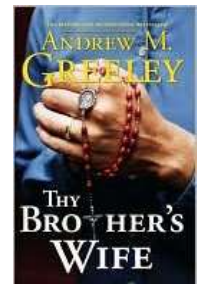
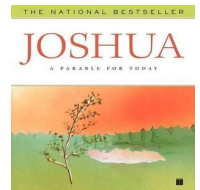
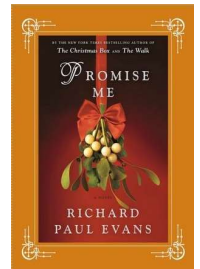
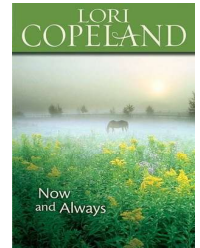
Greeley, Andrew.

IRISH TWEED

An Irish-speaking woman with the gift of second sight and her husband investigate the beating of a man found floating in the Chicago River.

THY BROTHER'S WIFE

Two brothers love the same woman. One is a priest and the other is a senator.

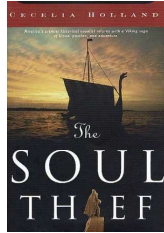


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Holland, Cecelia.

THE SOUL THIEF

Twins Corban and Mav are separated after Corban's exile. As he watches from the woods outside their house, Vikings plunder and burn the farm. Mav is raped and dragged off to a life of slavery. Corban plans her escape.



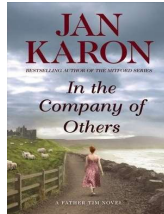
THE KING'S WITCH

Taking place during the third Crusade, where death from fever and starvation are common, King Richard the Lionheart has a healer named Edythe, some people calling her a witch.

Karon, Jan.

IN THE COMPANY OF OTHERS

Father Tim and Cynthia go to Ireland to research his ancestry. While there, Cynthia encounters a burglar and a painting is stolen.



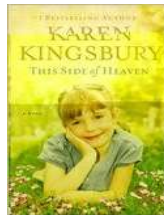
AT HOME IN MITFORD

Mitford is a great place to live, but Father Tim wants more. Suddenly he gets more than he bargained for with a 60-year old secret.

Kingsbury, Karen.

TAKE THREE

Two filmmakers celebrate their first successful movie. The third book in the Above the Line series.



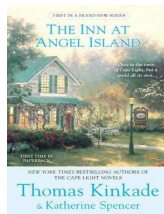
THIS SIDE OF HEAVEN

A story of secrets, broken relationships and a strong love.

Kinkade, Thomas.

THE INN AT ANGEL ISLAND

Liza Martin arrives on Angel Island to see the inn she inherited.



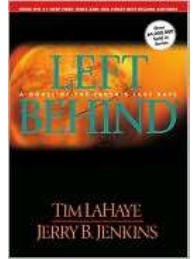
CAPE LIGHT

This book takes place in the village of Cape Light on the New England coast, where everyone cares for their neighbors.

LaHaye, Tim.

LEFT BEHIND

On a plane headed for London, passengers disappear from their seats. Chaos spreads worldwide as people are left behind. The apocalypse has begun.



THUNDER OF HEAVEN

World events pave the way for the "end of days" foretold in Revelation. For those who like biblical fiction.

Lewis, Beverly.

THE JUDGMENT

Rose is engaged to Silas Good, an Amish man, but still likes Nick Franco, the former foster son of the bishop, who left under a cloud of suspicion. Also, Hen, Rose's sister is fighting for custody of her daughter.



THE THORN

Hen is unable to abandon her Amish ways and demands her daughter wear Amish attire, despite her husband's wishes.

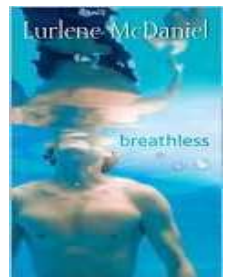
McDaniel, Lurlene.

HEART TO HEART

Tells the story of a teenaged girl's friendships and a young heart transplant recipient.

BREATHLESS

A high school diving champion develops bone cancer. (YOUNG ADULT AUTHOR)



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Oke, Janette.

LOVE'S ENDURING PROMISE

Story of a frontier family's marriage.
Now it's time to build a school for the town.

THE MEETING PLACE

The story takes place in 18th Century Canada (Acadia) now known as Nova Scotia. The meeting place was home to Native Indians, French settlers and the English under English rule.

Peterson, Tracie.

HOUSE OF SECRETS

A father brings his family back to the summer house of their childhood. What was to be a happy time brings back past memories.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD

A family moves to Bridal Veil Island where land developers want to build a resort on their land. The father asks contractor Marshall Graham to watch over his daughter, but he doesn't know why. As she falls for another man, Marshall finds he cares for her. Which man will she choose?

Rivers, Francine.

HER MOTHER'S HOPE

Marta leaves Switzerland in the early 20th century and goes to California. She loves her daughter but they often clash.

HER DAUGHTER'S DREAM

A story taking place from the 1950s to the present where the relationship between a mother and daughter is told.



Sawyer, Kim Vogel.

MY HEART REMEMBERS

Three orphaned Irish immigrant children are sent to Missouri to be adopted. Will they ever be together again?

WAITING FOR SUMMER'S RETURN

A young widow decides to stay and teach in a small Mennonite community to be near her family's graves.

Thoene, Bodie.

THE GATHERING STORM

A daughter of a German resistance leader must flee Germany during World War II. She comes in contact with needy child refugees.

AGAINST THE WIND

As London is bombed during World War II, a famous violinist and her journalist husband decide to send their three children to America, where they will be safe. Elisa tries to help Jewish refugee children through waters full of Nazi U-boats.

Wick, Lori.

THE PROPOSAL

Set in 1810 London, a man inherits three young children when his relative dies, turning his life upside down. He is thrilled with the two boys, but the girl is tended to by a negligent nanny.

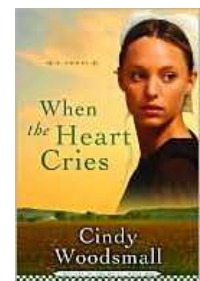
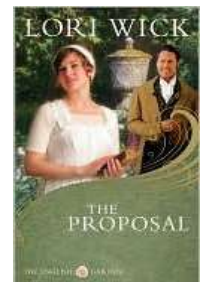
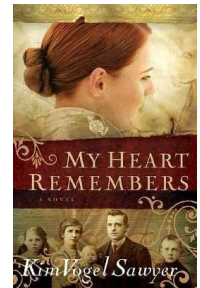
Woodsmall, Cindy.

THE HOPE OF REFUGE

Cara, a widowed mother struggles against poverty and a stalker. She tries for a fresh start with an Amish community.

WHEN THE HEART CRIES

A 17-year old Hannah breaks with her old order Amish family, when she accepts Mennonite Paul's proposal. Tragedy strikes and all she has known is destroyed.



Internet Sites for Gentle Readers

Christian Fiction Writers: A Selected List

<http://www.cincinnati.library.org/booklists/?id=christianfiction>

List of Christian Fiction Authors (from Wikipedia)

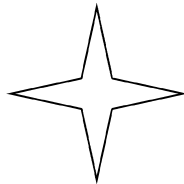
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