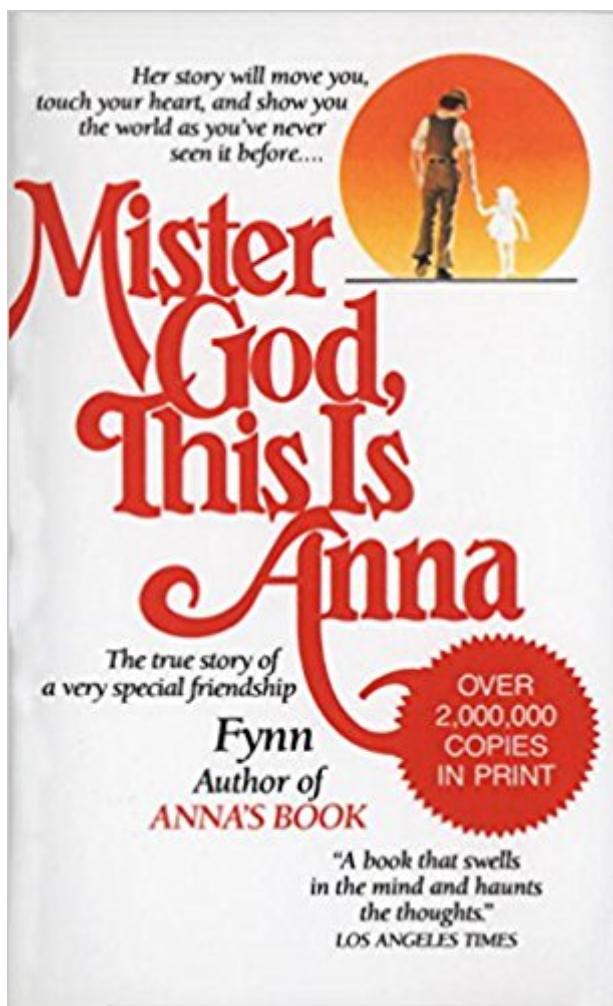


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review: I bought eight new copies of this universally-beloved little book. I'm a Unitarian Universalist and picked up a dog-eared copy of it for 25 cents at my church's last book sale. That's the one I'll keep and I'll give a new one back to our book sales, and add another to our church library. That will leave six for Christmas presents. Perhaps Mister God, This Is Anna has been circulating at our book

sales for years, passed on from one to another. If so, it's because Anna's feisty, deeply questioning, spontaneous, chatty, forgiving, widely embracing, crazy about science & math, outrageously heretical, and definitely self-generated religion appeals to UUs, even if most of us don't have Anna's continual conversations with God (and some doubt his/her/its existence). Personally I'm a student of Process Theology, or Panentheism, so I tend to agree with a great many of this little genius tomboy girl's ideas. The most popular UU adult education curriculum, ever, is called "Building Your Own Theology"--and that's what Anna does, building her own theology throughout this inspiring and glorious book! It's listed as nonfiction, but I don't know how much of it contains the real ideas of a small child awash in innocence and love, how much are novelistic devices and speculations of the author, Fynn--a pen name. Did someone named Anna really live in a slummy section of London and die at age 8 just before Britain entered World War II? Or did Fynn end it there, knowing how difficult it would be to juggle the narrative with the drafting of young men his age and the exile of children to far away villages during the Luftwaffe bombing? Who is, or was, Fynn? If he's still alive he'd be very old. It doesn't really matter. Anna's personality and ideas are what touch the reader. I love this book, and Fynn, and Fynn's mother, and the shopkeepers, and Anna's prostitute friends, and her boredom in the parish church that preaches what she considers crazy ideas about God. I especially love Anna. She creates love, leaves it in her footsteps. If you want more details on Fynn and Anna, Fynn's age when he met Anna, hints of his career (not the one I'd envisioned), then read "Anna and the Black Knight, with Anna's Book", also available from .

I read this book many years ago and it changed my life. I just purchased this copy as a gift for my Pastor. I highly recommend Mister God! You will be introduced to aspects of God you never dreamed of, I assure you, and all of them from the mouth of a 4-year-old girl! Yes, it's possible to learn from a very small child! Anna lived to the ripe old age of 7 years, then died from an accident, but in her short 2 1/2 years with Finn, she made an impact on his heart which lasted a lifetime and I think she'll do the same for you! You need to take the time to read this book thoroughly and carefully - a cursory reading will have little meaning.

This has been an inspiration to students aged 11 to 14 when I would read aloud extracts, for religious studies (at a Presbyterian (private) secondary school, and for science in general social studies and reading classes. It's also been my "go to" when wanting a spiritual boost. Interesting that early editions met with moral indignation from some christians, so the Archbishop of Canterbury wrote a Foreword for the 2005 edition. (Illustration from the book, drawn by the great Papas

I consider this book the best ever written. Anna's life must have been the most extraordinary, worthwhile life a human being can engage in. Always in the presence of divinity of life, and the miracles of living it. I had to reread some pages several times to actually touch the meaning of it, but once you get it, it changes your life. This book was given to me by my mother in my 20's, and I am sharing it now with my 10 year old, who cannot wait to read with me at night and pushes bedtime to the limits just for a page or two more. He also asked that once we are done with it, to please read it again.

One of my favorite books ever! I must have read it 10 times already. It is such an uplifting story and to think it's real is just great. I have purchased copies for several friends and family. If you want to feel closer to God and see Him through the eyes of someone very near and dear, this is a great book. Anna is an amazingly insightful, precocious, and loving child. Her relationship to God, in spite of her circumstances is nothing less than awesome.

One of my all-time favourites, that I couldn't resist adding to my kindle collection. Anna is a beautiful but down-to-earth 5-year-old when the book opens - a foundling whom Fynn (the author) encounters in the streets of London and takes home to his equally grounded and immensely practical mother. It's a setting made in heaven for Anna, who is a budding physics genius and philosopher just needing Fynn and his mother's unconventional approach to life and education. Prepare to be astonished at Anna's intuitive understanding of complex physics principles, and delighted by her very straight-talking approach to the constraints of religion and her free-thinking belief in "Mr God".

This is an excellent book - lots of philosophical discussion (very deep). This will challenge your thinking process.

this is one of the most Special books I have ever read and re read, the wisdom of this child is truly outstanding.If we all lived a bit more like Anna the world would be a better place. My thanks to Fynn for telling such a magic story.Mr God would be proud of you Finn. I have purchased at least 6 copies of this book on ebay and given them to peopleSpecial to me. I found my copy in my departed Mum;s possessions and began to read it.....I could not put down untill finished it.....this is a pages hanging out book I will cherish all my life and no doubt read again at various intervals.Thank you so much Fynn and of course the the two stars....Anna and Mr God. Jeanette.

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