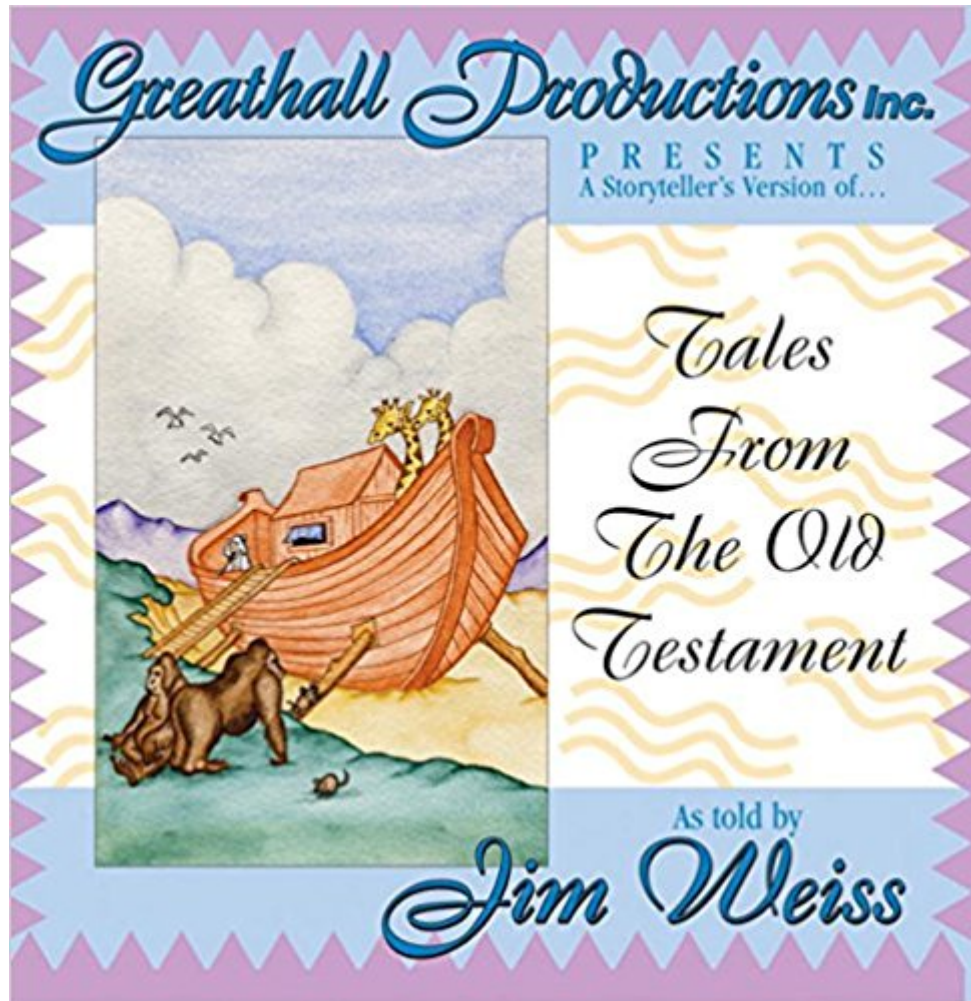




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An exciting introduction to the people and events of the Bible, from beloved storyteller Jim Weiss. Features non-denominational portraits of biblical characters as caring, understandable humans facing extraordinary situations.

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Jim Weiss's story recordings and books offer a welcoming doorway into the world's greatest stories from literature and history. His vivid retellings of the classics have received more than one hundred major awards from organizations such as the American Library Association, Parents' Choice Foundation, Oppenheim Toy Portfolio, and Film Advisory Board. More importantly, the stories form the heart of daily learning and meaningful entertainment in households and schools around the world. To hear Jim tell a story is to become swept up in the tale. He includes information about people and events behind the stories, and encourages children to read the original classics, on their own or with the help of more experienced readers. So listeners leave the storyteller's circle inspired to learn even more and to develop their own creative gifts. Jim Weiss believes the joy of reading, writing and creative activity begins in the presence of the storyteller. For performance availability, distribution information, or additional titles, please visit www.welltrainedmind.com or www.jimweiss.com.

This was our first Jim Weiss tape (CD) and is still, many years later, one of our favorites. As the unhappy critic below notes, these are tellings not readings, but Weiss makes that clear ("I imagine

him sitting..."). Noah and the Arc is our favorite, but Abraham and the Idols is a good one for these times, and our girls loved both Ruth and Naomi and Esther. Highly, highly recommended. As is just about everything else Weiss does!

In converting Old Testament stories to narrative form, Mr. Weiss adds quite a bit of editorializing, which in my opinion alters significantly the action and meaning of the text. We may certainly have our own opinions about why people did things, but to insert them as part of a storyline for children, who tend to take as accurate the first version of a story they hear, is a mistake. Keep it simple & true to the text, would be my first request of any biblical narrative.

My 7-year-old daughter loves this tape. Each story is about ten minutes - enough for a short car ride. She remembers everything the narrator says. Worth every penny.

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