

Book Buzz

so many books...so little time

Inspirational Fiction

Albom, Mitch. *The Five People You Meet in Heaven.* 2003. Collection: Fiction Call #: Albom

Who were the people that had the most influence during your life? Would you recognize them? This is Eddie's story about five individuals that had a major influence on his life choices. Just like Eddie, we may meet five people and realize how each of them changed our path forever. This is a book that will change the meaning of life on earth and thoughts about what the afterlife may be like.

Also available: LP, cassette, CD

Blackstock, Terri. *Justifiable Means.* 1996. Collection: Fiction Call #: Blackstock

A violent criminal, a beautiful victim, and one good cop, who is torn between justice and the law, become caught between ironies of the law and the demands of Christian convictions. The story offers suspense, realism, and the insights into the human heart of one good cop.

Also available: LP

Jackson, Neta. *The Yada Yada Prayer Group.* 2003. Collection: Fiction Call #: Jackson

What do an ex-con, a former drug addict, a real estate broker, a college student, and a married mother of two have in common? Not much it seemed to Jodi Baxter. Who would have imagined that this group of mismatched women would become the closest of friends? A fantastic moving book on faith, friendship and finding oneself. A 2004 Christy Award Finalist.

Kinkade, Thomas & Spencer, Katherine. *Cape Light.* 2002. Collection: Fiction Call #: Kinkade

Nestled in New England stands the picturesque little village of Cape Light. Everybody knows everybody and everybody's business. But many of the town's people have their share of hidden dreams, desires, and doubts. They are friends and neighbors, people who laugh, love and build their lives together in this village. It is a little village you've never been to, but you know it by heart. Part one of the *Cape Light Series*.

Also available: LP

LaHaye, Beverly & Blackstock, Terri. *Seasons Under Heaven.* 1999. Collection: Fiction

Call #: LaHaye

Life in a quiet cul-de-sac called Cedar Circle is pleasant for four diverse neighbors. As these women come together to cope with life's challenges, struggles, and joys, they soon learn that each moment is precious in every season under heaven. Part one of the *Seasons Series*.

Also available: LP, cassette

Phillips, Michael. *Angels Watching Over Me.* 2003. Collection: Fiction Call #: Phillips

A southern girl surrounded by music, books and culture, and a southern slave girl who has endured hardship, work and whippings are thrown together as a result of the horrors of war. A story filled with emotion, drama and God's grace. A beautiful friendship which will touch your soul. Part one of the *Shenandoah Sisters series*.

Also available: LP

Phillips, Michael. *Garden at the Edge and Beyond.* 1998. Collection: Fiction Call #: Phillips

What awaits us in heaven? Who will we see? How will heaven look? The answers are given in a storytelling style of C.S. Lewis and George McDonald. We see our “childhood”, our “tiny moments”, and our “waking” in the garden through the beauty of heaven’s gardens and the individuals whom we meet. Our eyes will be opened to what no human on earth can see. An endearing story.

Snyder, John. *The Golden Ring: a Christmas Story.* 2001. Collection: Fiction Call #: Snyder

One of Anna’s most precious possessions is a golden ring that she received on her ninth birthday from her parents. A series of puzzling dreams by both Anna and her father about the giving and receiving of a ring mystifies them both and demonstrates the importance of Anna’s ring. Christmas of 1918 brings Anna and her father to a deeper understanding of the goodness of giving.

Stokes, Penelope. *Circle of Grace.* 2004. Collection: Fiction Call #: Stokes

Grace, Tess, Liz and Amanda have been best friends since college. Now in their fifties, they have all gone in different directions and pursued their dreams. Or have they? They have kept in touch through the years, an oath of friendship they swore to one another over thirty years ago. This is a novel about friendship, unrealized longings, and the power that lies in honesty and vulnerability.

Also available: LP