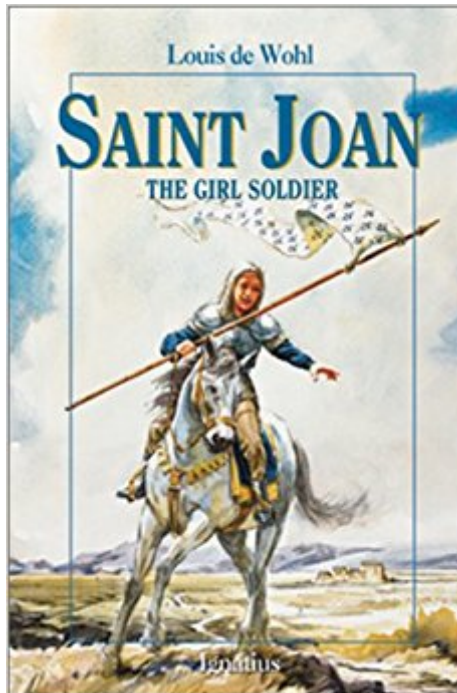




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Synopsis

This volume in the Vision Books series of saints for youth combines a world famous Catholic novelist, Louis de Wohl, with one of the most thrilling and dramatic saint's lives in history, St. Joan of Arc. De Wohl uses his famed narrative skill to tell young people about the brave teenage French girl who had visions and led armies in battle, but also about how her entire life testifies to the amazing power of God's grace. It's all here: how Joan, a humble maiden in an insignificant town, was told by St. Michael the Archangel, St. Catherine, and St. Margaret to lead the French in battle against the English; how she finally succeeded in convincing the French of the truth of her mission; how she met with fantastic success but was betrayed, captured, and imprisoned; and finally, how she suffered through a politically motivated trial for heresy and was burned at the stake. Best of all, de Wohl is not interested solely in the external details of Joan's life, but in Joan's all-encompassing love for God, which informed all her courageous actions from beginning to end. You'll not only thrill to Joan's heroism; your heart will delight in her example of loving surrender to God's will. Every detail of her life will ring out to you as a joyful witness to the grace of God. Illustrated.

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Customer Reviews

Louis de Wohl wrote numerous historical novels for adults, including "The Living Wood", which is also about St. Helena and Constantine. He earned international acclaim for The Spear, and among his other popular titles are "Lay Siege to Heaven, The Restless Flame, The Joyful Beggar "and "The Quiet Light."

I loved the book on many occasions. Not only did it obviously withhold biblical meanings, it also kept a realistic war based plot to it. I would highly recommend this book if you need to do a Christian biography book report, or any biography report in that matter. My only hindrance to giving this five stars is that I felt there was a bit too much information. As silly as it sounds, since I thoroughly believe knowledge is great in greater servings, I just felt like sometimes it would shimmy away from Joan and onto other things that I could understand the story without.

It's a decent read, but mostly about the various battles and military personnel involved. Not much insight on Joan the person.

Interesting story about medieval France. I had not been reminded of the story of St. Joan of Arc since grade school English class and it then was not told in the context of the Hundred Years War, so this book, and beautiful scenic France I'm seeing while watching the Tour de France bicycle race has refreshed my interest in French/British history.

My 10 year old son and I are both reading this book for a special report he has to do. It came to me brand new and I found it easy to read for my son. It's very informative and has some excitement in it too to keep my son's attention. As for me, I think it's a great book.

I will now read more about her history! Even as a children's book, Joan's story is told with sincerity and truth that inspired me to be a better Christian.

It's a great book. Not boring at all. I enjoy it very much. I didn't know about the story of Joan and it is incredible.

A great novelization, this book will really take you into the life of Joan of Arc and leave you wondering just where the facts end and the storyteller's license begins.

I would recommend this book for anyone to read. Its interesting and you learn a lot about Saint Joan. Four stars because it was a bit confusing with lots of different nobels and knights running around. But other than that, Good book!!

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