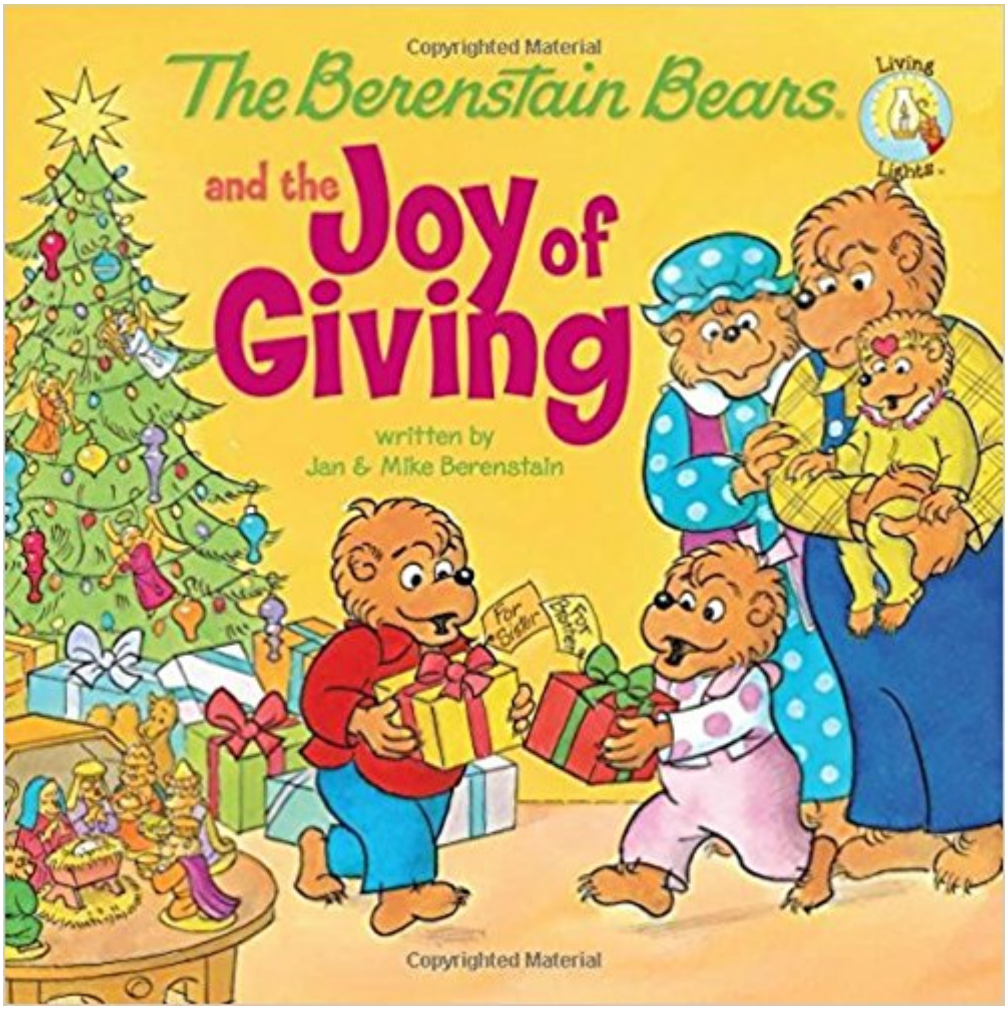
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Synopsis

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Stan and Jan Berenstain introduced the first Berenstain Bear books in 1962. Mike Berenstain grew up watching his parents work together to write about and draw these lovable bears. Eventually he started drawing and writing about them too.Ã Â Though Stan died in 2005, and Jan in 2012, Mike continues to create the delightful Bear adventures from his studio in Pennsylvania, in an area that looks much like the sunny dirt road deep in Bear Country.

I bought this book on a whim because it was on sale. I have to admit I'm *so* happy with this purchase. Maybe I've been in the dark for 30 years but I had no idea the Berenstain's were Christian. This story has Christian elements to it, which I have missed in Christmas stories as of late. I was glad to share this with my kids.

We're in the 2nd generation of Berenstain Bears fandom & our holiday tradition includes a boot or three, so this seemed ideal for this year.Jesus & the nativity are central to the story. I'm all about teaching my son that giving is more important than receiving, but not in the context of religion. Cute book & great lesson if the Christian bent works for your family.

I thought this was going to be some short book about the joy of giving. Not only is it longer than I thought, but it explains why we do presents and all about Jesus's birth. It became a teaching tool instead of a short read. I loved it and my kids (4&7) received the message well as I read it individually to them before bed.

I wasn't sure quite what to expect upon reading some of the reviews for this book, but since we love the Berenstain Bears, I went ahead and ordered it. I thought that the story was very sweet and simple for children. Brother & Sister are both behaving selfishly in the beginning of the book and realize why we truly celebrate Christmas and exchange gifts. they decide that they want to donate the money they have left over to others. I actually think it's somewhat amusing that reviewers would criticize this book by saying that this has an underlying Christian message as though it would be a bad thing. This is a book about CHRISTMAS, a holiday celebrated by Christians so if you celebrate the holiday (& the birth of Christ) you wouldn't find it offensive. If you teach in a public school, you may not want to read this to the class. Also, the reviewers should consider that it is part of the Living Lights collection of Berenstain Bear books which tend to promote biblical themes.We enjoyed the book & read it several times.

Bought this to teach my 3 year old daughter about giving and the non-material joys of Christmas and giving to others. It's totally age appropriate and keeps her attention. We'll read it every year.

This was our favorite holiday read this year. It is very cute...and funny...we always quote the little bear in the play who had a loose tooth. One of our favorite Berestain Bears books yet. Will be excited to pull this one out of the Holiday book basket next year!

This Christmas, I wanted to teach my daughter the importance of giving to others instead of receiving and this was a great way of teaching it. She liked reading the book and it let her understand that it's a good thing to give and not always receive.

Great series for dealing with issues that kids face in day to day lives. We read the books and then discuss them together. It helps us to bring up the issues in a non confrontational manner and come up with solutions. A family favorite series in our household.I have almost a collection of all the books in this series. Love them.

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