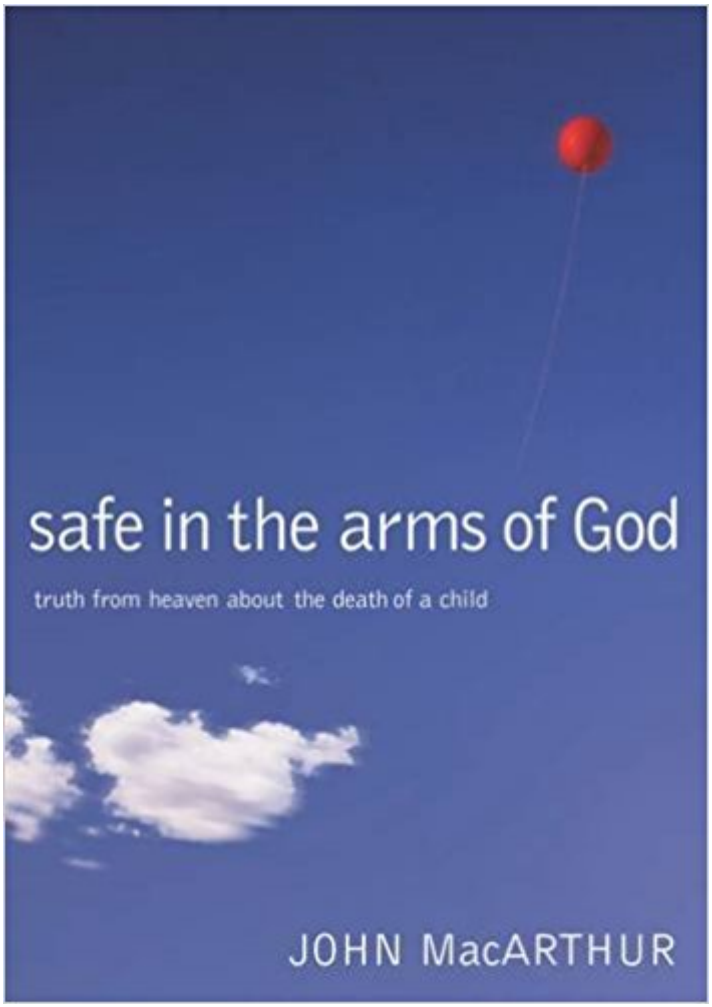
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Synopsis

"Is my baby in heaven?"This is the most important question a grieving parent can ask. And even if the little one is someone else’s child, the issue remains: What happens to children?those unborn, stillborn, or youngsters?when they die? Can you hope to see them again? Can you let go of your fear and guilt? Can God’s love soothe a wound so jagged?With scriptural authority and the warmth of a pastor’s heart, bestselling author John MacArthur examines the breadth of the entire Bible and reveals in this compelling book the Heavenly Father’s care for every life."I have sat by the grave of our daughter and son and wondered out loud if my belief that Hope and Gabriel are in heaven has any solid scriptural support. John MacArthur offers truth from God’s Word that puts the doubts of any grieving parent to rest. Safe in the Arms of God reveals that confidence of heaven for the child you love is based on much more than mere sentimentality; it is revealed in the Word of God and reflective of the very heart of God." ?Nancy Guthrie, author of Holding On to Hope

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Customer Reviews

John MacArthur has served as the pastor-teacher of Grace Community Church in Sun Valley, California, since 1969. His ministry of expository preaching is unparalleled in its breadth and influence. In more than four decades of ministry from the same pulpit, he has preached verse by verse through the entire New Testament (and several key sections of the Old Testament). He is president of the MasterÃ¢â ¬â„¢s University and Seminary and can be heard daily on the Grace to You radio broadcast (carried on hundreds of radio stations worldwide). He has authored a number of bestselling books, including Twelve Ordinary Men, and One Perfect Life. Ã Â For more details

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This book ministered to me in a profound way after the death of my infant son William. I wasn't comfortable resting on the worldly platitude that "your child is with God" or "your baby is in Heaven" - I didn't know what the scriptures said about the the eternal fate of those who died without the ability to understand the Gospel. I don't believe deceased loved ones become angels, and I didn't know how to think about the eternal implications of my son's death. I didn't want to - and couldn't - live with assumed truth or uncertainty. John MacArthur adeptly walks through scripture, pointing out God's love for little ones gone too soon, and His desire to gather them to Himself. MacArthur's words are comforting, and rely heavily upon scripture and his extensive knowledge of who God is to give great hope for eternal life.If you are questioning the fate of those who died without being capable of understanding the Gospel, this is an excellent read.

In January 2013, we lost our six year old grandson unexpectedly. We were all devastated by such a loss and inevitably wondered "why". As Christians, we know we will see this child again one day, but we needed assurance and this book by John MacArthur gave us what we needed. He points to solid Scripture promises that we could cling too. It was the most comforting book I have ever read and would highly recommend it to parents, grandparents, and any who have lost a precious child whether infant or older. As always, the solid truth found in God's Word brings us relief from nagging questions we all have in loss.

I would recommend this book to those who have lost a child. I unfortunately joined this club, losing a child is something I wish upon that not even my enemies experience. This book is geared toward those that fall under the Christian umbrella. After my daughters funeral, I had many questions and I knew that I wouldn't get all the answers or full understanding in my lifetime. So I set out to find scripture based answers to simple questions, I was asking "Why did God allow my daughter to die?" As time went on this book helped me ask "What now?" I was able to feel like I might be able to get through this, and God didn't abandon me.

This is no mere comfort talk, nor flowery words you wish were true. In this book MacArthur presents sound Biblical evidence and theological support for the freeing truth that the eternal destiny of persons incapable of sufficient mature understanding of the issues of law and grace, sin and

salvation, specifically the severely intellectually disabled and those who die in the womb, in infancy, or in early childhood, is instant Heaven (Dt. 1:39; II Sam. 12:22-23; Isa. 7:16; Jer. 19:4; Ezek. 16:20-21), for all those in the church are so by GodÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s grace, mercy, and sovereign election, the shed blood of Jesus Christ having been justly applied as the substitutionary atonement for their sin.

Comforting after the loss of our second baby at 10 weeks. Knowing our baby is safe in God's arms and we will be reunited one day is a beautiful thing to give comfort and strength. Relying on scripture, God's word, to give us our comfort and how to handle our loss, MacArthur guides you through God's promises that has helped us through this loss.

This subject is handled compassionately and thoroughly, with an in-depth and concise examination of the Bible and a careful application of the truth of Divine Revaltion to this difficult and painful issue. Loved ones who have lost a child will be comforted and encouraged by the grace and mercy of God, strengthened by a well-grounded theological understanding of the realities involved, and convicted to follow their departed children via the Gospel into the eternal Heaven God has prepared for His people.

My son is a youth minister and suggested this book to me for my neighbor who lost their infant at the age of 3 months. He said he gives a copy to all parents that he ministers to that lose a child. She has told me she was very grateful for the book as it has helped her so much.

I am quite sure that if one was to scroll through the reviews for this book, one would find a wide array of opinions. Anything from utter hatred to sheer delight. That said, I am quite disappointed in those reviewers who said such caustic things concerning the author of this book. John MacArthur has served the Lord for more years than most of the reviews have been alive and yet they seem to think that they have the inside track on God's mind. That said, I am very pleased to recommend this wonderful little book. John MacArthur does not approach any writing opportunity lightly and this is certainly the case here. My wife and I recently said goodbye to our first child before it was born. We got the heart wrenching news when our child was at 15 weeks. I will never forget the whirlwind of emotions that my wife and I experienced as we were in the labor and delivery room for 18 hours waiting for our deceased child to be born. We had been praying for years that the Lord would bless us with a child and then once my wife finally did get pregnant, the child didn't live anymore than

fifteen weeks. It is in times like that that the Christian needs the unshakable stability of God's Holy Word. I am a pastor and the people in our church were looking very closely at us during this situation to see how we would handle it. After all, I have always counseled the people of our church to trust the Lord and be in His Word when the trials come. Now they wanted to see if we practiced that same counsel. John MacArthur's careful exposition of God's Word and His graceful presentation of the truth it contains was a wonderful help. It is abundantly evident that John cares and infinitely more evident that our God cares. Every pastor and every Christian needs to own this book. There are times when we need to be reminded that God is gracious and good and kind and He knows what He is doing. Thank you Pastor MacArthur for sharing your pastor's heart in this way and for looking solely to the Word for your guidance.

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