

Author Profile for **CHUCK BLACK**



Chuck Black, a former F-16 fighter pilot and tactical communications engineer, is the best-selling, award-winning author of the Kingdom series and the Knights of Arrethtrae series. He has received praise from parents across the country for his unique approach to telling biblical truths. His passion in life is to serve the Lord Jesus Christ and to love his wife, Andrea, and their six children. He lives with his family in North Dakota.

Chuck Black's passion for confronting low cultural expectations for today's youth and developing character in kids led him to write two popular series for young readers that imbed timeless truths of God's word into adventurous tales kids love to read. That passion comes from his own experiences as a homeschooling father of six, like the time he confronted a growing attachment to video games in his then-12-year-old son. Taking a firm but loving stand, he purchased his son's games back from him and let him use that money to invest in other hobbies. At 19, his son thanked him for what he had done and all he had time to accomplish because of that decision. Drawing on that experience, Black encourages parents that they can intervene in the cycle of escapism and apathy by becoming master discerners of their children's hearts.

Black also speaks to men on "the guts and glory of manly fatherhood" and a call to take a stand for their families, building on lessons learned as an Air Force fighter pilot in Desert Storm.

HIS INSPIRATION

"When my six kids' eyes glossed over during a reading from the Bible, I paused to explain the significance of redemption to a sin-sick soul. I was rewarded with patronizing elephant nods and more blank stares. Shortly thereafter, I awoke in the middle of the night with a medieval story enveloping my mind. I wrote it down and later read it to my children. Their waning attention transformed into complete anticipation. I was amazed and disappointed. Why did it take a fictional story, not a Bible passage, to get that response? Then I realized—that is how Jesus taught! Parables are powerful! I penned the Kingdom series to help young people get excited about the supremely significant story of Jesus Christ and His mission to save mankind." — Chuck Black

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THE KINGDOM SERIES

The Kingdom series was born from the author's family bedtime stories, as he sought to make the story of the Bible exciting to his young kids. The six allegorical books in the Kingdom series cover major events in biblical history from Genesis to Revelation, set in a medieval land of knights and castles. Parents who want to encourage imagination but who object to magical elements will be pleased to know there is no magic, mysticism, or darker fantasy in the series, which is written for ages eight and up but appropriate for all ages. Many families have found them to be perfect read-aloud books.

Kingdom's Dawn

Kingdom's Hope

Kingdom's Edge

Kingdom's Call

Kingdom's Quest

Kingdom's Reign

THE KNIGHTS OF ARRETHTRAE SERIES:

Brimming with action and adventure, the Knights of Arrethtrae series is a magic-free, six-book collection of parables that entertain while communicating biblical values. They were written to inspire today's young people to rise above apathy and escapism and face the quests in their own lives with courage. In his books, Black transforms messages of perseverance and faithfulness into adventurous tales that your son or daughter will love. Each book encourages a virtue like compassion or courage and confronts a vice like greed or apathy. Written for age nine and up, each book is able to stand alone. With maps, an original musical score, illustrations and discussion questions, the series is great for homeschooling curriculum, church libraries and Christian schools.

Sir Kendrick and the Castle of Bel Lione

Sir Bentley and Holbrook Court

Sir Dalton and the Shadow Heart

Lady Carliss and the Waters of Moorue

Sir Quinlan and the Swords of Valor

Sir Rowan and the Camerian Conquest

FIND OUT MORE

The blog **Katie's Legacy** did an author profile on Chuck– check it out at <http://katieslegacy.blogspot.com/2010/10/interview-giveaway-chuck-black.html>

Mamabuzz.com featured Chuck Black and his books in a blog tour in 2010 – check out the main review and all the rave reviews of participating bloggers (linked to at the bottom of the main review) here: <http://www.mamabzz.com/2010/10/the-knights-of-arrethtrae-reviewgiveaway.html>

The author's website:

www.KingdomSeries.com