



## Synopsis

Written teen to teen as a first-person narrative, this is not a book about the Columbine shootings - instead, it's a story of faith, told in Rachel's own words. The book includes first person narratives, journal entries, drawings from Rachel's diary, and notes from her parents and friends at Columbine High School. Additionally, "me pages" (what makes me angry, what I'm afraid of) encourage teens to explore issues central to their lives and faith. Highlighting Rachel's faith journey from the time she became a Christian, through her joys and doubts, her hopes and dreams, this story is a triumphant testimony that teens will treasure.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 11 - 14 years

Grade Level: 5 - 9

## Customer Reviews

I found this to be a very inspirational book, and I really enjoyed it. I thought it was very interesting to read from the point-of-view of Rachel. And so, in that way, I feel it was successful. That said, it is more of a biography than the journals of Rachel Scott, and that bothers me. I think lots of people might buy this book thinking that it's the much talked about diary of Rachel Scott, and who could blame them for coming away with that impression. I kept hearing about how prophetic her journals were and how she had feelings that were almost eerie in the way they came true. I wanted to read her own words. And while I did get to read pieces here and there from her actual journals, I feel that, if a book is titled, "The Journals of Rachel Scott," it really should be the journals of Rachel Scott,

and not just an interpretation of who she was written by someone who never met her, but read her writing and talked with her family and friends. I appreciate that her family didn't want to share the darker aspects of their loved one when those darker aspects might overshadow the positive aspects in the reader's mind and give a false view of who she was. I understand that the truth is not always in the facts. But the problem is that I now don't know how much of the narrative was really true to Rachel and how much of it was Debra Klinsporn putting words into her mouth. If this was a biography, that would be one thing. But for something that is advertised to be a book of journals, it's misleading to give the reader anything less than what is promised. And it casts doubt on the entire work and makes you wonder how much is really her and how much is just one person's idea of what she might have thought about.

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