

**Scriptures and Doctrine :: Must Read: John Bunyan - Pilgrim's Progress****Must Read: John Bunyan - Pilgrim's Progress - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/1/30 16:00**

I found a copy of Pilgrim's progress for 42 cents at a used book store. Even though it smells a little funny, the book has been an amazing wealth of encouragement.

Even though it was written more than three hundred years ago, it's a very easy read! It's really enjoyable... and one thing I noticed, even in the form of a narrative, it has more biblical lessons than most theology and teaching books!

After reading the first couple chapters I was wondering how it could keep going for so long, since it feels like it reaches a climax every chapter, but the next chapter is even better every time!

Everyone should definitely read this book!

I don't know if you'll be able to find it for 42 cents like I did, but you can read it for free here: <http://www.ccel.org/ccel/bunyan/pilgrim.html>

**Re: Must Read: John Bunyan - Pilgrim's Progress - posted by ccchhrrriiss (), on: 2007/1/30 17:20**

Hi iansmith...

I was "forced" to read *Pilgrim's Progress* in a public High School shortly after meeting Christ. I had never heard of the book and was afraid that it would be less than favorable about the Lord. However, I was brought to tears by the passages written by John Bunyan. It is certainly a classic and should be read by as many believers as possible!

My girlfriend (originally from Mexico) had difficulty reading the old English, so I was able to purchase a copy in modern English. She treasures the book!

:-)

**Re: Must Read: John Bunyan - Pilgrim's Progress - posted by vico, on: 2007/1/30 17:31**

besides the Bible, Pilgrim's Progress is probably the best book i've ever read!

i've read it many times over the past few years. the first time i remember reading it was when i was six or seven. we owned a simplified version for children, it didn't leave anything out and a young child could understand it. I think A Beka books published it. since then i've read the complete unabridged version (it's kinda like reading the KJV ;-)

but yeah, it's excellent, there are no unnecessary words, in everything written there is something to learn, a truth revealed.

I've even listened to it dramatized on audio (maybe this site has it)!

for those who haven't read it yet, i would definitely recommend it!

Bless God!

**Re: Pilgrim's Progress - posted by Goldminer (), on: 2007/1/30 21:35**

I would have to go along with the others on my love of this book. An excellent read.

If you like this book you might like another wonderful allegory called " Hind's Feet on High Places" by Hannah Hurnard. I have read it about a dozen times.

Blessings my friends

**Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/1/31 11:08**

I'd be interested to here the dramatized version, anyone know where to get it?

**Re: - posted by vico, on: 2007/1/31 12:07**

a friend of mine is going to give it to me on MP3 maybe i could get it to you somehow!

**Re: - posted by roaringlamb (), on: 2007/1/31 12:21**

Quote:

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Here ya go

([http://www.sermonaudio.com/source\\_proinfo.asp?PIDle121043219](http://www.sermonaudio.com/source_proinfo.asp?PIDle121043219)) Dramatized Pilgrim's Progress

**Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/1/31 14:04**

Eep! \$29.99! I guess I should have expected as much. I found some free audio versions floating around, although not dr amatized. I haven't had a chance to listen to any of them yet though.

**Re:, on: 2007/1/31 16:07**

We picked up both Pt. 1 and 2 at Hope Christian Fellowship in Loveland, CO a couple years ago. I know that pt. 2 was done by Jim Pappas. You might check with Phil Lapp and see if he can direct you to their tape ministry (they accept donations). Phil Lapp, Phone: 970-567-3032; Email: pklapp@juno.com.

I've also seen another ministry offer these cassette tapes on a donation basis...so I know there are some places that you can get them at a slightly better price. ;-)

I also want to highly recommend The Holy War. I think I almost liked it better than Pilgrim's Progress...almost. :-)

**Re: - posted by Provost, on: 2007/1/31 17:32**

I just wanna throw in "I love this book!"  
I think this book will be a life time read

**Re: - posted by iansmith (), on: 2007/1/31 17:56**

Well I work for a Christian ministry that chargest money for our services (what I can't say to our customers is that in 39 y ears we haven't turned a profit... our goals are usually based on how much we can afford to lose per year).

I understand that some Christian educational material is priced so that they can pay for the cost of production, but I also know that some is priced to make a profit. The hardest part is discerning which is the case!

In the case of this audio cd, I really can't see myself paying 29.99, partly because I don't have that kind of expendable m oney (that's more than I spend on food for a week). But more importantly because I own a copy of the book, and my imagination is usually better than someone else's interpretation! Plus as I mentioned before, the book only cost 42 cents!

I really can't justify spending another 30 dollars on something I already own. Also, for the same price I could get all those KP Yohannan 'Walking with Jesus' books that I've wanted!