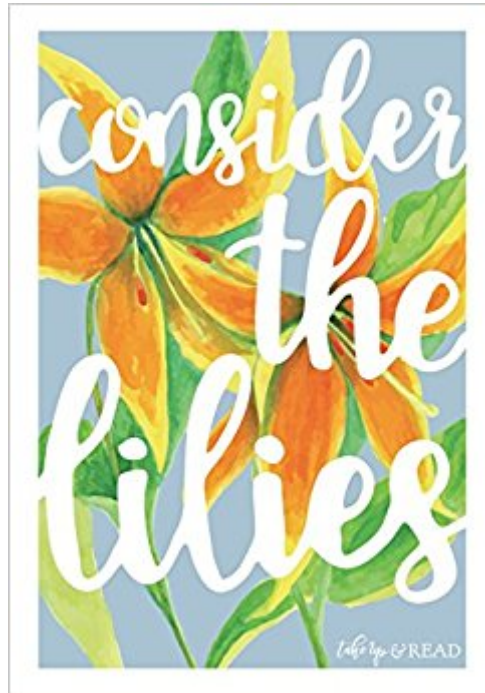




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Synopsis

Consider the Lilies is a 7X10 softbound, matte cover Scripture study journal that is thoughtfully written and beautifully designed. Every day of this six week study provides Scripture to get you started and notes for further Bible reading. You will find a daily devotion, some thoughts to consider as journal, and a prayer prompt to dovetail with your reading. There are beautifully designed, generous pages for writing and art journaling. Step by step, day by day, these words console and bring clarity to the hard days. Maybe this is a difficult season in your life—maybe you're overwhelmed by the burdens weighing you down, the crosses the Heavenly Father has asked you to carry. You look heavenward and all you feel is—| abandoned. This study is for you. It is full of the consolations of the Holy Spirit. Here, you will find a guidebook to what God is saying, how He is encouraging you to lament, to pour out your grief and your fears and your anger. This journal acknowledges that in this broken, fallen world we do suffer. Or maybe you're in a sweet spot. Life is really rather good right now. You're not feeling any particular strain. This study is for you, too. In it, you find the words you need to console a friend, to empathize with the people around you who are suffering. I promise you, they are suffering. You are daily surrounded by people who bow low under the weight of grief, often without any outward sign of dismay. This study makes you a better friend to woman next to you, to the growing child who aches, to the spouse who despairs. And it buries words into your heart so that they are there, waiting, when the rain begins to fall. Because it will fall.

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Customer Reviews

Elizabeth Foss is a wife, mother of nine, and grandmother. She's happy curled up with a

good book or tinkering with a turn of phrase. She's the author of widely acclaimed devotionals *By the Manger in the Morning* and *Put on Love*. Her books *Real Learning* and *Small Steps for Catholic Moms* (with Danielle Bean) are favorites on women's bookshelves. Elizabeth has been writing and publishing on women's issues for over 25 years and her words of encouragement have reached the hearts of women all over the world. For this volume, Elizabeth was joined by the authors and artists of the Take Up and Read Writer's Collective to give readers a rich tapestry of devotional essays and art.

The first in a series of journals, *Consider the Lilies* is part of a new ministry, Take Up and Read, created by @elizabethfoss along with a dedicated team of women sharing their stories as they take up and read the Word of God and invite you to do the same. They share the deep, intimate, beautifully broken yet redeemed relationship they have with Jesus. They've got a place for you, too. If you are like me and just can never figure out how to start and keep going, whose daily struggles get in the way of digging into the living and loving word of God, this is a place for you. If you are feeling abandoned, this is for you. If you're feeling exposed and uncertain, this is for you. If you've faced sorrow and struggling, this is for you. If there is someone in your life who feels like they are drowning and need a lifeline (you do), this is for you. If you just want a deeper relationship with Jesus, this is for you.

I really love this Bible Study. It feels like just enough. What I mean is that it leaves space for you to think. It makes a point without bludgeoning you with a lesson. It isn't sappy. It isn't fill in the blanks. It's for grown-up women. I start my day with this study and a cup of coffee, and I end up with something to reflect on.

I buy many books but rarely review them. *Consider the Lilies* is a beautifully written book that serves a wide audience with varying needs. It reminds me of an old-fashioned daily devotion and yet Foss has brought a fresh and modern look at the timeless verses. Her meditations are personal enough, but she has crafted her words so that there's plenty for anyone to ponder, no matter their position in life. What I love is that she starts Day One with uplifting, joyful verses to raise your spirit. Whether you're struggling to get through each moment or have it, "all together", this book calls for you to invite Jesus to walk with you throughout every day. The devotions can be as short as 5 minutes or you can delve deeper into his word and spend an hour. That's the beauty of this book!

Really loving this devotional. I found out about it from Catholic radio and very glad that I did.

This beautiful book is great for busy mom. I can finally sit down with the Bible and be guided to meaningful passages quickly. The reflections and journaling are so nice and I feel like I finally "have time" to sit with the Word!

Absolutely just what I needed! Elizabeth Foss has shared a treasure for those in any state in life! Not only do I love my time reading this but I share the wisdom with my friends and have ordered it for others as a gift!

A lovely book in which you can become s part of yourself by entering your own feelings and experiences. I love it. It is beautifully illustrated . it is so consoling with scripture and by the daily battles that we all go through and their dealing with such by their knowledge that Jesus is their savior.

This devotional is just what I needed. As a mom of 2 toddlers, it isn't overly time consuming, and yet very powerful and thought provoking. You won't be disappointed.

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