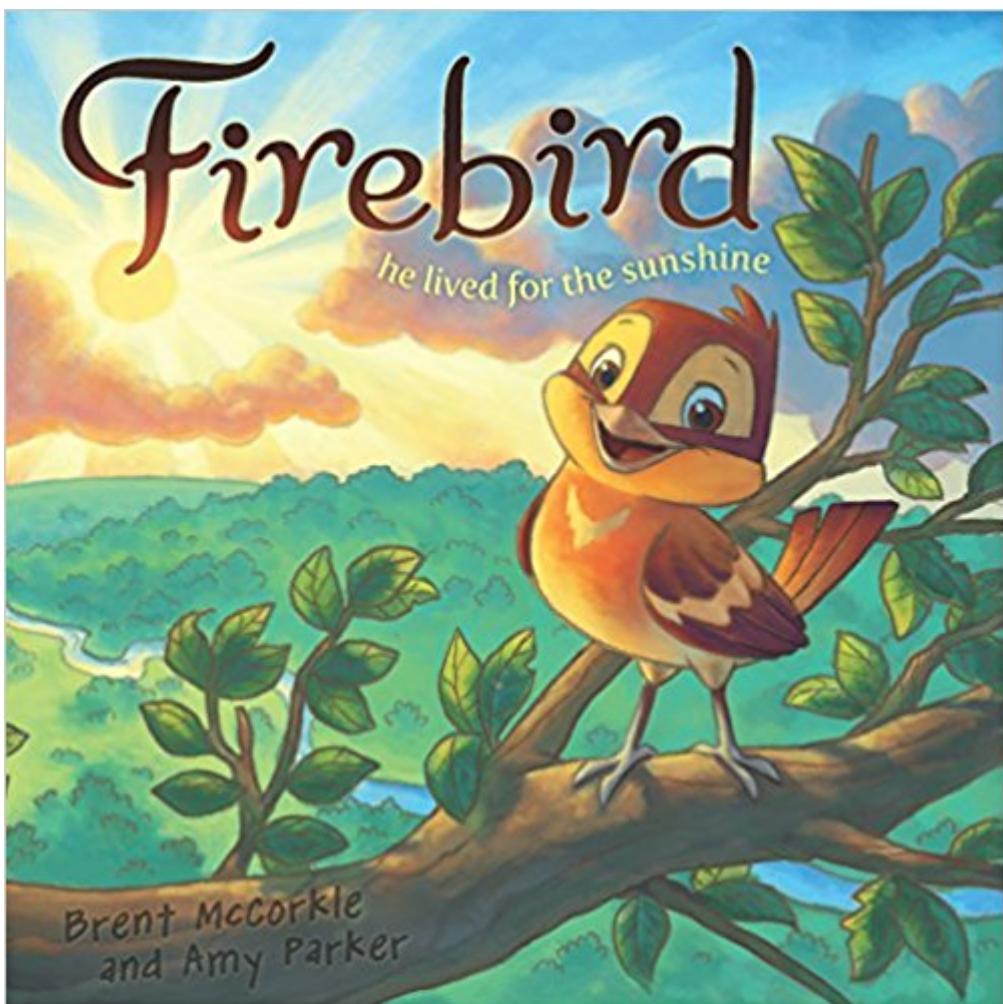


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Firebird: He Lived For The Sunshine



Synopsis

What if God's love were like the sun, constant and unchanging? What if one day you realized nothing could take that away? Firebird is a bright orange baby oriole who just loves the sunshine. But whenever a storm blows in, he frets and asks Mama why God allows the rain to take the sun away. When Firebird is finally old enough, his mother gently instructs him to fly up through the thunder and lightning to see what's on the other side. It's a rough flight, and just when he's about to give up, Firebird rises above the storm to discover the sun shining where it always had been. God never lets the storm take the sun away. With that truth in his heart, Firebird continues to bask in the sunshine, but just as important, he learns to rejoice in the rain. Firebird is a children's book that parallels the life of Samantha Crawford, a storybook artist in the inspiring film *Unconditional* who has lost sight of God's love.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Brent McCorkle wrote and directed the film *Unconditional*. His previous movie, *The Rift*, a metaphoric story about adoption, was a winner in The Doorpost Film Project 2009. Brent and his wife have five children. Amy Parker has written more than twenty books for children, teens, and adults including the best-selling *A Night Night Prayer* and three Mom's Choice Awards winners. Amy and her husband have two children.

I saw the movie that mentioned this book, Unconditional, which lead me to purchase. I have since purchased MANY of them. I give them to those who experience, death, divorce, trauma, etc. It is a great book. I keep two on hand At All Times. One for my library, and one to have on hand to give to those that need encouragement.

The book is very colorful and the story is simple: a little bird hates the rain and thinks that the sun has gone away forever -- until he flies up through the clouds and sees the sun is always there, too bright and real to be blocked out by a storm. This is a sweet analogy of believing in God's constant love through the difficult times in our lives. This picture book is best read aloud with a southern accent, after also seeing the movie, Unconditional. (In the movie, the main character is an aspiring author in Nashville who tells this story and hopes to get it published. It was a creative idea to actually publish a version of the book for people to read after the movie. But this is a good book for anyone, whether or not you've seen the movie.)

The book is featured in the movie unconditional. An absolutely amazing movie! I bought 3 of these books to give to family as well as for my kids. Great book, great movie!!! Look forward to buying more from this author

Firebird is a beautifully illustrated, sweet love story of a mother's love and ultimately of God's love. God doesn't take the sun away. God and His Son are always there with us through the storms of life tossing us about seemingly with no direction and all looks dark. We trust him and persevere. "Firebird" is a children's book but it will touch the hearts of young and old alike. Short, easy-to-read with your children or grandchildren. It will become a classic book for your little ones and a classic devotional for any adult. I first heard of "Firebird" in the movie "Unconditional" which I also recommend. At the end of the movie I went to .com to see if it was a real book. It is a real book! WOW! I was so excited I ordered three books and plan to order more. Be a "Firebird" --- get this book!

Gave to my son for Easter. He loved this book and so do I. Great for any age.

Love this little book. It was used in conjunction with a science project on bird life and habitat. The story was sweet and easy for children to relate to. It was a rich read and led to much discussion

about how there is good even in challenging life situations. And, we added a play component inspired by the story, by interpreting rain with in creative movement with props and music, building nests with pompoms, taking on characters of parent and baby birds. Who could not be inspired by the beautiful story and colorful illustrations? Bravo to all.

Fantastic!!! So full of deep meanings and lessons that can be taught or explained differently to kids accordingly to their ages and specific situations

Such a beautiful story and pretty illustrations. The message of the book is that, like the sun, God is always there even when it seems he is not.

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