



Accepted in the Beloved

John Coblentz

We are naturally a self-centered bunch. We see life through our personal lenses and often consciously or subconsciously expect the world to understand things the way we do and conform to our wishes, needs, and plans. The experience of rejection heightens this natural self-centeredness. It easily makes our needs more starkly apparent to us and our demands on God and others more intense.

Shifting our centeredness to Jesus is a revolutionary, but necessary, shift. When we make Jesus the center of our lives, we come to live in union with Him. He lives in us and we live in Him. By this we affirm experientially that Jesus is alive today, that He is in the room with us, that He is able to talk to us and listen to us, and that we can have a relationship with Him as real as any relationship with a flesh-and-blood friend.

In this chapter we want to explore more fully the acceptance we have with God, based on our spiritual union with Jesus. God receives us fully, completely taking us into His heart. Just as relationship with God is the most fundamental relationship, so acceptance with God is the most fundamental acceptance, and to be rejected by God is the most fundamental rejection.

To face rejection by humans is painful, but it is not the worst rejection. To be accepted by humans is wonderful, but it is not the most fantastic acceptance. No matter whether we are accepted or rejected on earth, ultimately we must find ourselves “in” with God.

Ironically, when Paul was reconciled to God through Jesus, he moved from acceptance to rejection among his peers. Those who had commended him for his Jewish zeal eventually sought his life for

his devotion to Christ. He went from top man to topping the most-wanted list. He was beaten, chased out, imprisoned, mocked, falsely accused, and thoroughly rejected by the Jews.

But Paul had gained the most important acceptance. He belonged to the Father in Heaven. He had been received of God, accepted in a way that more than compensated for being cast out among his fellows. We wish to explore this acceptance by God, to plumb its breadth and width, as it were, because this is the secret of handling rejection from people in the here and now.

Selected from Chapter 8 of *Accepted in Jesus*. Other chapters in this book: “Biblical Examples of Rejection,” “The Yearning for Connection,” “Wrong Responses to Rejection,” “Core Issues in Rejection,” “A Change in Centeredness,” “Abiding in Jesus,” and “Receiving One Another.” See back panel for more information.



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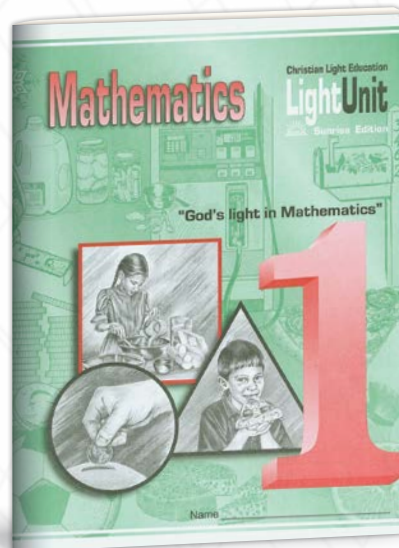
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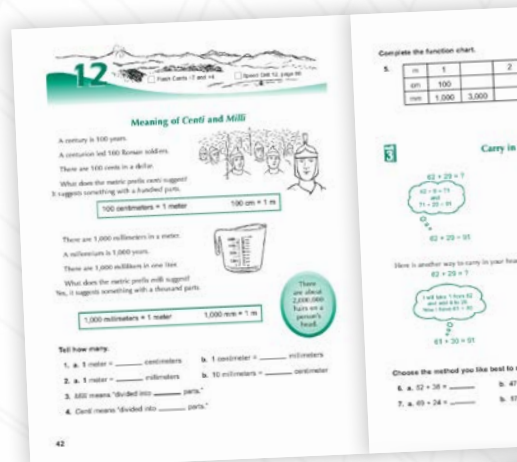
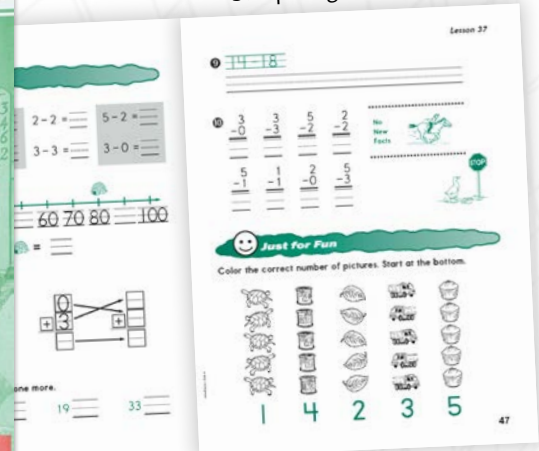
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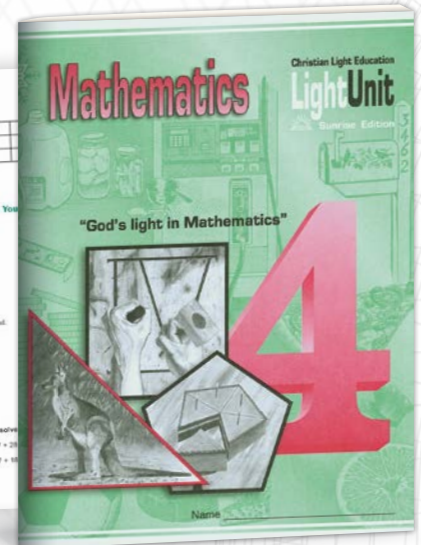
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Sunrise Math is available for Grades 1-9 in the standard format of LightUnit workbooks. Four grades are also available in textbook format.

LightUnit Format

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Textbook Format

The textbooks use the same methodology as the LightUnits and cover the same material. The textbooks are more colorful than the LightUnits and make it easier for students to refer to previous lessons. Math textbooks are available for Grades 4-6 and Grade 9. Grade 7 is expected to be available in 2022.

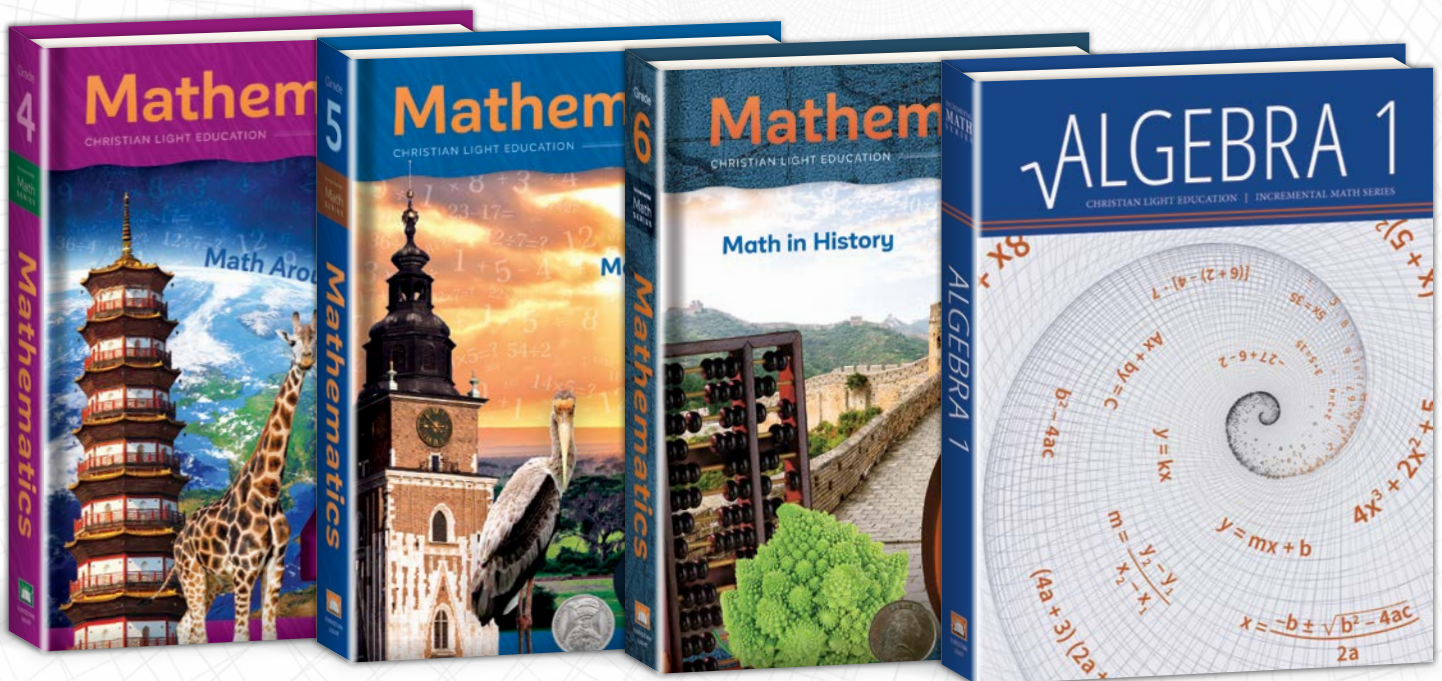
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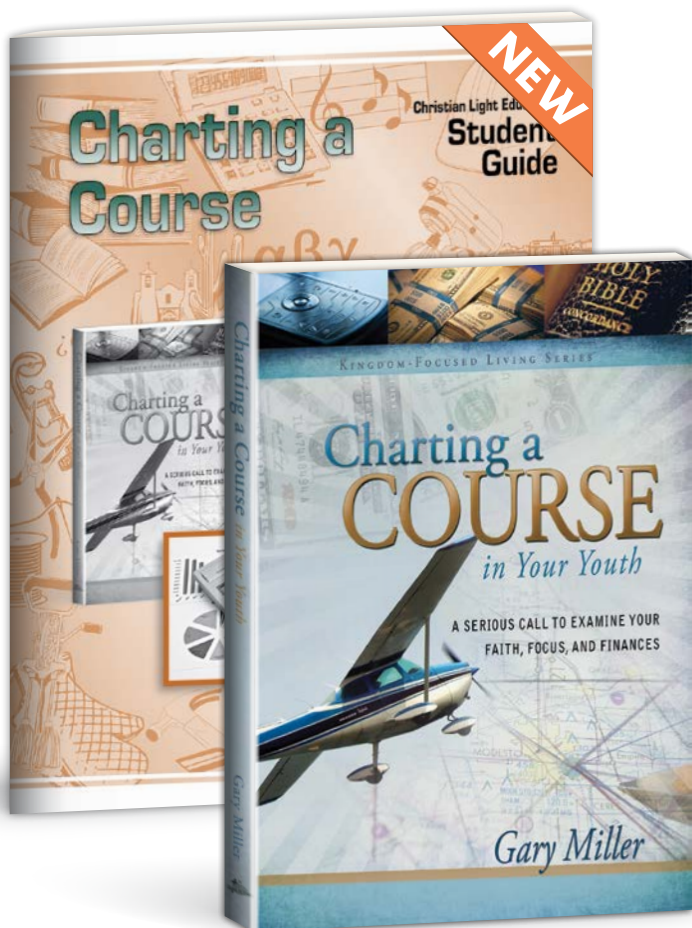
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I Am His Daughter

Emily Steiner

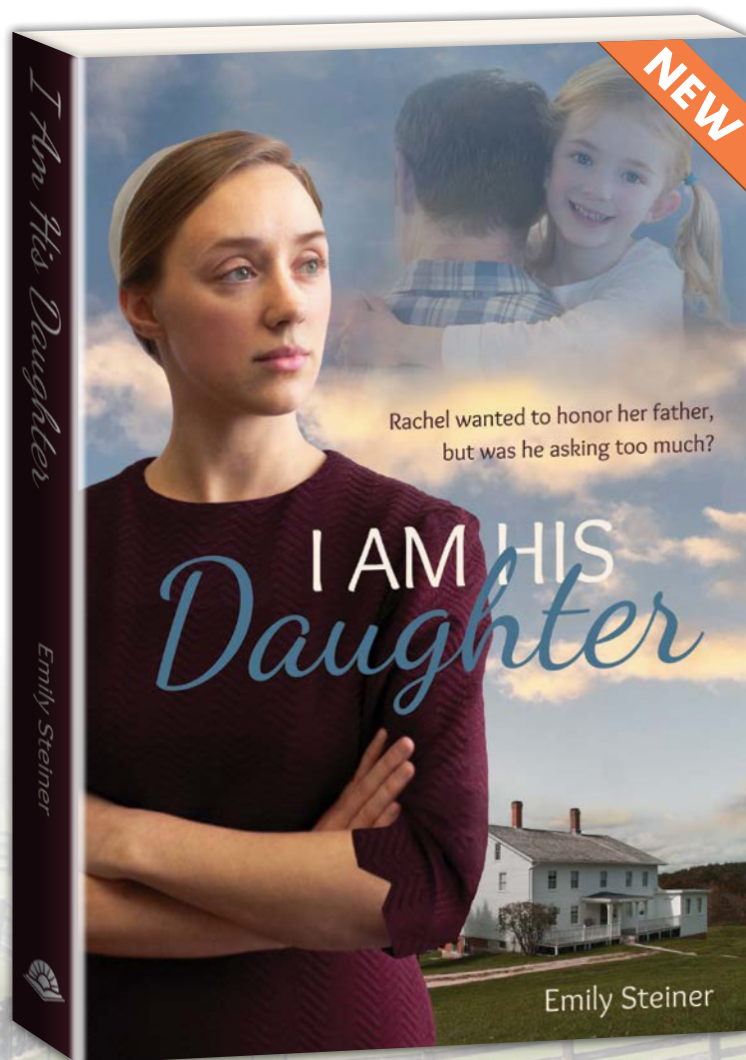
Dad was the undisputed leader in our family. Whatever he thought God wanted him to do, he did. His passion for reaching the lost and raising his family for the Lord took us from Minnesota to Utah, Kansas, Texas, and Michigan.

As a little girl, I adored Dad. Through my teens, I admired and respected him. In my twenties, our relationship became more complicated. Dad didn't seem to realize that we older children were no longer children. His vision for a tight-knit family clashed with our desire to make more of our own decisions.

I was still loyal to Dad, but when he wanted me to end my deepening friendship with a young man, what was I to do? I watched my brother revolt against Dad and knew it wasn't right. Then Dad decided to change churches—again.

I Am His Daughter is the fictional story of a young woman and her relationship with two fathers: the earthly father she loved so much and the heavenly Father she learned to trust above all.

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From the Publisher's Note

I Am His Daughter is the fictional story of family on a spiritual journey. Seeing the worldliness in popular churches, the father, Richard Waters, kept searching for something better. But with frequent moves and few long-term relationships, the Waters family missed important aspects of the Christian life: brotherhood, accountability, and submission to a local church.

As the older children grew into their teens and twenties, Richard found it hard to let them make decisions for themselves. He drifted from being a godly authority figure toward becoming authoritarian, frustrating his children.

What is the right way for a young adult to respond to a father who still treats her like a child and manages her life? In these difficult situations, answers are not easy to find or follow. But the Heavenly Father promises to guide, protect, and help His children who seek and follow His ways. We pray that this story will bless and strengthen godly families in an ungodly world.



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Accepted in Jesus

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Every person has a deep need for fellowship, camaraderie, and companionship, but in our fallen world, rejection is commonplace . . . and painful. We hurt when we are excluded, especially when it involves our family, our close friends, or our church.

Rejection has driven many people to become rebellious, controlling, intemperate, or obsessed with their performance. But being rejected does not need to doom us to misery and bitterness. Jesus offers a better way.

Accepted in Jesus points the way to a life centered on Jesus, a life that takes up residence in Him. In Jesus we are not only delivered from the ways of self but anointed with the life and vitality of Jesus, which flows into our relationships, making us people of love, joy, and peace.

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