

EPISODE **60**

# Your Child's Life is a Story

Guest: Sally Lloyd-Jones

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## Meet Sally Lloyd-Jones



Meet Sally Lloyd Jones, a New York Times bestselling children's book writer.

Her books include the critically acclaimed, 'How To Be A Baby... By Me, the Big Sister', Platinum Book Award winning, 'The Jesus Storybook Bible' and the Christian Book of the Year 'Thoughts To Make Your Heart Sing'.

She was born and raised in Africa, studied art history, and worked in publishing before becoming a writer. She lives in Manhattan.

## In This Episode

Sarah talks with the award winning children's writer Sally Lloyd-Jones about the 10th anniversary of her book, The Jesus Storybook Bible: Every Story Whispers His Name.

We get to hear about Sally's childhood and her early work in the publishing world, including a charming description of her first picture book and how she started working on The Jesus Storybook Bible. (Spoiler alert: she needed the money!)

## The Listening Guide

**Use this guide to skip to parts that most interest you, or listen to the entire podcast.**

4:00 A little about Sally

4:50 Writing up to children

7:00 Why do we read?

10:00 What stories do

12:20 Writing for children

16:20 Sally's first book

17:50 The Jesus Storybook Bible

26:30 Sharing faith with children

28:30 The best conversations

31:00 Let the Kids Speak

I always say all of your life prepares you to do what you're doing. - Sally Lloyd-Jones

## Quotes and Questions

### \* **Being out of control.**

“We’re all more comfortable with rules and programs and points and bullets because we’re in control of all of those things, but you’re not in control of a story.”

What kind of a story are you living? And what about your kids? Is it an adventure tale? An epic? A drawing room comedy? *How can we get more comfortable not being in control?*

### \* **Fire, creativity and passion.**

“Our job in our work is to be excellent and be on fire.”

Parenting, homeschooling, they’re worthy ways to spend your life. Have you thought about excellence lately? Have you stoked the fire of your creativity, passion, and expertise? What’s one thing that could shift to make a difference?

### \* **A time to be changed.**

“The truth is we don’t come at children from on high, we kneel on their level and together, we wonder at our Heavenly Father’s love, because we’re all children.”

Morning Time is the perfect place for this kneeling and wondering together to happen. Time set apart each day to encounter beauty and truth and be changed. Pam Barnhill has created a tremendous podcast and collection of resources to help you craft a morning time rhythm that nourishes you and your children.

## Show Notes

### Books from today's episode:

- [The Jesus Storybook Bible](#)
- [The Complete Nonsense of Edward Lear](#)
- [How to be a Baby ... By Me, the Big Sister](#)
- [Thoughts to Make Your Heart Sing](#)
- [Handbag Friends](#)
- [The Jesus Storybook Bible on DVD](#)
- [The Jesus Storybook Bible with CDs](#)

### Other links from today's show:

- [Sally's site](#)
- [Sally on Facebook](#) (<--- lots of reader resources there)
- [Sally on Twitter](#)
- [What Stories Do](#)

To find more resources to help you build your family culture around books, visit [ReadAloudRevival.com](http://ReadAloudRevival.com).