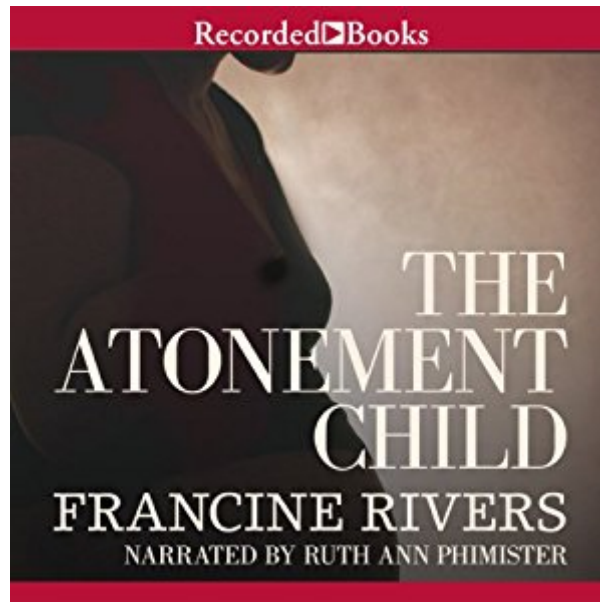


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# The Atonement Child



## Synopsis

Centering around a brutal rape and an unwanted pregnancy, *The Atonement Child* brings a new perspective to the most controversial topic of our times as Dynah's faith is pushed to the limits as she faces the most momentous decision of her life.

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## Customer Reviews

I can only imagine what a difficult book this was to write! This is such a heart-wrenching issue, and is a favorite argument of pro-choicers. Though I knew how it would have to end, I couldn't stop reading to find out just how this would be accomplished. I found myself crying over Dynah's pain. I could just feel so much sympathy for her. The issue was dealt with very well. It wasn't graphic, but it didn't back off from the message either. Praise to Francine Rivers for have the courage to write about such a difficult issue. If you enjoyed this, you will probably also enjoy *Redeeming Love* by the same author. Ms Rivers is wonderful at handling difficult issues, and while her books are "grittier" than most Christian fiction, I think it was necessary, in keeping with the tone of her books. I am not even a very big fan of Christian fiction, but I will read anything written by Francine Rivers.

I love to read and have read *The Atonement Child* twice. It's one of the most profoundly touching yet wrenching stories I've ever read. The character development is beautiful, and Dynah is such a real and beautiful character. I love the way it highlights God's incredible love and care. It also brings you inside the hearts of the more undesirable characters, making them real people instead of "bad-guy" monsters. No review I could write can do justice in describing this book, but I highly

reccomend it as a simply incredible, healing story. Also gripping and entertaining. One of my favorite books of all time.

I recieved this book as a Christmas present because I'd seen it in a bookstore and it intrigued me, so I requested it. My family certainly regretted it! I ignored all of them Christmas day, because I was completely wrapped up in this story of Dynah and her brutal rape. The characters were fantastically believable, and the situation they find themselves in is incredibly real. Readers will find themselves indignantly scolding all the characters that betray Dynah. The pace never slows, and Francine Rivers grabs you and will not let you go. Dynah's inner conflict as she struggles with the decision of whether or not to abort her unexpected child is utterly palpable, and her face-to-face encounter with the Creator is spell-binding. You will not come out of this book unchanged. And if you happen to support abortion, I, as a born-again Christian, challenge you to read this book and still come out supporting it. This story is about the redemption only available through Christ, and it's a fascinating read. I recommend it to anyone who has ever sinned. (And that's everyone.)

I was encouraged by a co-worker to pick up a copy of Francine Rivers' book " The Last Sin Eater ". After I read that book, I searched on the net and came across this book. It had a catchy title so I thought, why not. I started this book and absolutely could not put it down until I finished it. I am not what you would call an avid reader, but this book is so well written, you just feel the pain of Dynah when she goes through all of the ordeals of being raped and finding out she is pregnant. She has so many people trying to tell her what to do. You would be surprised at who they are and what they are telling her. She only has to realize what God's plan is for her life, and who her real friends are. This book keeps you on the edge consistently throughout, from the first page to the last. It will make you think the next time you say "I don't know what God wants me to do in a certain situation". I highly recommend this book for christians and non-christians alike.

Ms. Rivers' book helped me in a way that I couldn't have imagined when I started reading it. She took a very controversial issue and shed some light on the subject of rape and abortion. The one thing I enjoyed is that she didn't make all of the Christians look too holy or above everyone else. She wrote this wonderful book with the intent to include non-Christian readers. I highly recommend both pro-life and pro-choice people to read this story about the decisions young women have to face every day across America.

When my friend recommended the book to me I wasn't interested at first because of the subject matter (rape and abortion), yet when I began reading it I couldn't put it down. The characters were portrayed very well and this impacted me deeply. I felt like I got to know Dinah through all of her pain and I found myself thinking about her for ages after I finished reading the book. I'm so glad that a very controversial subject was handled so openly and I found myself having to really search myself on the issue of abortion. Half way through the book I sat and cried. I learned through this book that no matter what life throws at us, God's Word stands. As a Christian I know that abortion is not God's will, yet I was unsure as to why. Dinah's baby was not some monster's kid, she was a child of God and precious in his sight. I was very moved by the book and would recommend it. Be prepared to be challenged!

In a word . . . amazing. This book was incredible to read, not only because of the vivid and touching characters, but also because I think this book reaches out to both Christians and non-Christians. In today's world, abortion has become such a natural part of living and Francine Rivers does an amazing job of letting us know, through her words and characters, about both sides of the issue while being a part of the story. Dynah is such an incredible character - she had a perfect life set out for her, but after her traumatizing ordeal, she finds out who she really is as a person. Her faith was tested in so many ways and this book went a long way in showing you that no matter how much tragedy happens in your life, God is so much stronger than anything you have to face and He will always be guiding you. And along with Dynah, I fell in love with Joe as well. Who wouldn't? He's sweet, charming and incredibly loyal. This is a book that I know I will read over and over again, and I know others will feel the same way.

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