

## **Frogs Rainy-Day Story and Other Fables**

## **Media Questions**

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- 1. "Teaching Sound Biblical Principles to the Next Generation" seems to be a key focus of your book. Why is this message so important in today's world?
- 2. How did you choose fables with animal characters as your genre instead of the more traditional children's storybook format?
- 3. At the end of each fable, you have a page with quotations that contrast the *Wisdom of the World* and the *Wisdom of the Word*. How do these quotations help deliver the message of the fable?
- 4. Your book is presented as not just for children, but also for families. How can it be used in the family?
- 5. How can your book be used in churches?
- 6. How can youth leaders, use this book to teach about values and truth?
- 7. You have a "Burrowing Deeper" study guide on your website that is referred to in the book. How does this enhance the value of your book as a learning resource?
- 8. What was it like to collaborate as a husband and wife creative team?
- 9. What backgrounds do you bring to the creative process?
- 10. What was the creative process like? What obstacles did you have to overcome while developing this book?
- 11. In children's picture books, the words and the illustrations must work together to communicate the book's message. Both are vitally important. In your situation, which came first?
- 12. Since many writers are looking for publishers, please share how you found your publisher?
- 13. Are you planning to create additional books? If so, will they be similar in format, or other genres?
- 14. Where can people purchase your book?
- 15. Is there anything else you would like to share with our audience today?

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