

If you missed our meeting on books last month, here is one of the book reviews:

Too Precious For Earth

Amy Maddocks' heart broke on the day that she held her infant son in her arms as he struggled with his final breaths. Her son, Connor, had been a miracle. Amy wasn't supposed to be able to have any more children, but then she miraculously became pregnant. After all the precautions were taken and all the risks made, she and her husband eagerly prepared to welcome a new child into their home. In *Too Precious for Earth*, Amy provides a rich and detailed telling of her journey into becoming a mother for the second time. Although an unexpected journey, she rearranges her life so that she can be healthy physically and financially provide for her son.

Just as Amy is finally allowing herself to believe that even the most impossible dreams can come true, she develops a serious pregnancy complication. Her son, Connor, is born twelve weeks premature. As Amy struggles with her own slow and painful recovery after a cesarean birth, little Connor begins to fail.

A beautiful but heartbreaking tale of a mother and family who overcome the depths of grief and despair and learn to embrace life again. Amy forges through her trials, learns the meaning of true friendship, embraces the miracles that she has been witness to, and triumphs as she uses the miracle of Connor to change and bless hundreds of lives.

Too Precious for Earth will take you on a raw and poignant spiritual journey you'll never forget. --H. B. Moore, Author

"Every now and then a real treasure appears in the form of a book that, just through the reading of it, causes lives to be changed. It happened with *The Christmas Box*, and now it's happening with *Too Precious For Earth*. See how this tiny child keeps changing lives even today." --Richard Paul Evans, #1 New York Times Bestselling author

This is a sampling of the stages of grief off of this web page: <http://grief.com/the-five-stages-of-grief/>

Editors note: I thought it might be helpful to someone. Look it up! It is good...

The Five Stages of Grief...

The stages have evolved since their introduction and they have been very misunderstood over the past three decades. They were never meant to help tuck messy emotions into neat packages. They are responses to loss that many people have, but there is not a typical response to loss as there is no typical loss. Our grief is as individual as our lives.

The five stages, denial, anger, bargaining, depression and acceptance are a part of the framework that makes up our learning to live with the one we lost. They are tools to help us frame and identify what we may be feeling. But they are not stops on some linear timeline in grief. Not everyone goes through all of them or in a prescribed order. Our hope is that with these stages comes the knowledge of grief 's terrain, making us better equipped to cope with life and loss. At times, people in grief will often report more stages. Just remember your grief is an unique as you are.

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